

# Quarterly Newsletter On the Hill

MHNHS held its 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting outdoors in the One Brigham Circle Plaza on Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. For the first time in a year and a half, MHNHS and the Mission Hill community were able to come together together in a safe and socially distant way to celebrate "Caring for Community".



MHNHS recognized Betty Galvin, a lifelong resident of Mission Hill and Treasurer of our organization, with an award to commend her important role in the community. MHNHS presented an award to David Passafaro and Chris Dwyer of NEBH for their continued daily efforts to provide for our seniors and families during the pandemic. Finally, Mike Feely, Project Architect for MSH and OGS, was given an award fashioned from building materials from the respective buildings' construction. We were joined by Guest Speaker District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok and enjoyed a musical performance by "Soul of Boston".

### MHNHS: What's New

Mission Hill NHS strives to bring new assets to our area as well as maintain our completed projects. Recently, collaborating with Northeastern University and specifically Stephen Schneider, Director of Horticulture and Grounds Facility Services and Chuck Doughty, who formerly had this role, we have been working to begin the process of certifying the Kevin W. Fitzgerald Park as a Level I Arboretum.

## Thanksgiving Events



This year MHNHS celebrated Thanksgiving at **Roxbury Crossing** with our residents. We hosted a "grab-ngo" style meal on November 17<sup>th</sup> for María

Sánchez House and One Gurney Street residents, sponsored by MHNHS and NEBH. Councilor Kenzie Bok, board member Millie De Los Santos, President María Sánchez, Courtney Wright from WIT and MHNHS staff attended the event to help hand out pre-made Thanksgiving meals. Meals were also distributed to our seniors at HERE House on Calumet Street.





## **Community Events**

Brigham Circle Tree Lighting (December 4th, 3:30 pm, One Brigham Circle)

The Mayor's Enchanted Trolley Tour will once again make a magical stop in Mission Hill! Join the Mission Hill community in lighting the Tree in Brigham Circle to celebrate this holiday season.

Secret Santa & Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest (December 6, 6pm Virtual)

To celebrate the holidays, MHNHS will be having a Secret Santa and an ugly sweater contest at our December Board Meeting! Board members will have to guess who got them a gift!! Ho ho ho!!!

#### "Re-Imagined" MHRR 2021

On October 23, 2021, the "Re-Imagined" Mission Hill Road Race at the Kevin Fitzgerald Park gathered Mission Hill residents, friends of Fitz, and local artists to celebrate our community and honor our late friend and Representative Kevin Fitzgerald. The event included a performance from the Fabiola Mendez Trio, a family friendly Fun Run for those 10 & under, information station tables providing details about the park's upcoming arboretum project with efforts of sustainability, our very own Puddingstone Honey for sale, and art from the Mission Hill Artists Collaborative was featured.



Signage was created by WIT students Jenna Creney and Emily Farr

## **Get Involved**

Click <u>here</u> to sign up for our email list to get updates about the MHNHS and ways to get involved in your community.

Mission Hill Neighborhood Housing Services (MHNHS) is a community-based nonprofit housing and economic development organization committed to the revitalization and stabilization of the Mission Hill neighborhood.