

To all Members of Friends of Elliot Norton Park/ Friends of Bay Village Parks
From Bill Nigreen, President
Update July 29, 2013

It's been a warm and beautiful summer in all our Bay Village Parks. We've had some great activity in the parks so far and **two very important meetings are in the offing.**

July Activities

- The **Annual Summer ParkARTS Concert in Elliot Norton Park** was a big success. It featured acoustic duo Chris Mathison and Nick Leydon, and a great turnout
- Special thanks to all the **politicians and candidates** who joined us before the concert: State Representative Aaron Michlewitz, City Councilor Bill Linehan, mayoral candidates Bill Walczak, Marty Walsh, Charlotte Golar Ritchie, and Felix Arroyo, and City Council candidate Suzanne Lee.
- The **BVNA Public Safety Committee identified a hole in the fence** between Elliot Norton Park and Lyndeboro Enclave as a safety issue. A request was forwarded to the Parks Department and it was promptly fixed. Thanks to Parks Commissioner Antonia Pollak for expediting the process. Sergeant Lima thanked everyone for their excellent teamwork.
- We also tip our hats to the **BVNA Beautification Committee, the park captains,** and all those who have been actively working to keep Bay Village an urban oasis.

Elliot Norton Park Renovation

- The 2nd Parks Department planning meeting was held on July 10th with a great turnout from Bay Village and Chinatown. Landscape designers presented 3 interesting options for the park and we had a lively discussion. You'll find their presentation on the BVNA website listed under "Resources." Your feedback on these ideas is still welcome and you may send it to me or directly to Sherri.Geldersma@cityofboston.gov.
- **The 3rd and last Parks Department planning meeting is scheduled for August 14th at 6:30** at Quincy Community Center, 885 Washington St. We hope to come to final agreement leading to a construction budget and commencement of our project.
- Please join us to express your views at this very important meeting.

Friends of Bay Village Parks Annual Meeting and Elections

- Please join us on August 12 at 7pm at 7 Fayette Street. (Refreshments will be served!)
- Each summer we renew ourselves by electing our leaders.
 - Interested individuals are encouraged to step up to leadership roles as officers and directors. Please contact me if I may help recruit you!
 - Annual membership costs \$25 tax-deductible contribution and entitles you to vote
- Also on this year's Annual Meeting Agenda
 - Coordinate our neighborhood position for the EN Park Renovation (see above).
 - Report of last year's activities and financial summary
 - Discuss and approve next year's activities and budget

Thank you greenly for your interest in our parks.
Feel free to contact me directly to share your ideas.

Bill@Nigreen.com