

FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Dear Friends of the Brookline Senior Center Foundation,

Spring is around the corner! We have so much to look forward to: warmer weather, buds blooming on trees, and snow-free sidewalks.

Would you like to cheer with us on Marathon Monday, April 20th? Brookline Senior Center Foundation Supporters will be applauding for Team Brookline all along the Marathon course! These Boston Marathon Runners represent local nonprofit organizations, including Brookline Community Mental Health Center, Brookline Education Foundation, Brookline Library Foundation, Brookline Symphony Orchestra, Brookline Teen Center, Brookline Food Pantry, and the Brookline Senior Center Foundation.

Running for the Brookline Senior Center Foundation: Angie Fang, a Brookline Senior at the Windsor School, and Charlie Eagle, the CEO of an optical company. Both have had strong ties to loved ones who have faced challenges that can occur in later years.

On Thursday, April 30th, the Brookline Senior Center Foundation will host, "Built to Last, 25 Years on Winchester Street," a fundraiser to honor our Founders and secure the future. The Bo and Bill Winiker Band will perform. Food will include dishes from: Mei Mei, Mamaleh's, Taberna de Haro, Rifrullo, and Wegmans. We're compiling a commemorative community cookbook, "Serving Brookline," that will be sold at the event. We hope you'll join us! Learn more and register here: <https://tinyurl.com/93WinchesterStreet>

Thank you in advance for whatever you can contribute to enable us to continue to provide vital services, including:

- Essential programs that help Brookline seniors remain independent, connected, and thriving — through support groups and enriching social opportunities that combat isolation and loneliness.
- Transportation services — including vans, fuel, maintenance, and scheduling that keep seniors connected to critical medical appointments, groceries, and community life.
- Fitness Center staffing and need-based fitness scholarships that promote strength, balance, and well-being, regardless of income.
- Hunger-reduction initiatives that provide nutritious meals and food security for vulnerable older adults.
- Emergency assistance for seniors facing unexpected crises because stability can change overnight.

Together, we can cheer for Team Brookline at this year's Boston Marathon, celebrate at our 25th Anniversary Celebration, and spread the word to friends, neighbors, and colleagues about the critical work of the Brookline Senior Center Foundation.

With gratitude,

Betsy Pollock, MSW
Board President

