

Georgia O'Keeffe: In Her Own Voice
Professor Nancy J. Scott
Wednesday, May 24, 7:00 pm, Wellesley College Club

Professor Scott recently published a biography on O'Keeffe that delves into the artist's intent in creating her art. O'Keeffe's understanding of her innovation, the art market, and critics' response to her changing motifs becomes clearer with analysis of her letters. O'Keeffe exchanged more than 5000 letters over 30 years with the photographer Alfred Stieglitz, first her mentor and later her husband.

Scott will show a range of images of O'Keeffe's art, and discuss the letters that give new insights into the origins of O'Keeffe works, and also reveal the tenor



of her relationship with Stieglitz, with fellow artists, and her wide-ranging interests in art and literature.

Professor Scott earned a B.A. at Austin College, and an M.A. and Ph.D. at New York University. She is Professor of Fine Arts at Brandeis, and has taught at the University for over 35 years. She teaches a curriculum in art history on European and American modernism through World War II, as well as interdisciplinary studies in economics and the arts. Currently she is working on a new project involving J. M. W. Turner and his great painting *The Slave Ship*.

Wellesley Neighbors Spring Celebration



Members are invited to Dinner at Wellesley College Club
Friday, May 19, 6:30 pm
Register by Tuesday, May 16
Call 781-283-0417 ext. 2 or
Email: Events@WellesleyNeighbors.org
Let us know if you want a ride

From the President: Wellesley Neighbors at Its Best

I am writing this column with the flu, so it will be short. After a wonderful holiday weekend with visiting family (including two babies) and a delightful Seder, I collapsed with the flu. I've had to speak to lots of members of Wellesley Neighbors, to re-arrange meetings, walks, etc. Everyone I spoke to offered to run errands—pick up something at



the grocery store or a prescription. Some stepped in to take over some of my responsibilities. Others have been checking in on me. So, thank you all, and thanks to this wonderful organization. By the time you read this, I'm sure I'll be all better. I hope everyone had a good Passover or Easter holiday .

Nancy

From the Executive Director: Volunteering in Support of Other Members

Wellesley Neighbors members have always been generous in offering to devote some time to supporting other members and the organization. Recently I mailed you our annual Volunteer Survey and a self-addressed return envelope.



extremely appreciative. I've received a lot of positive feedback, including: "Thank you so much for arranging these rides! I'm so lucky and grateful to have Wellesley Neighbors in my life;" and, "Just to say thanks for this great organization and for the kind and wonderful people who care about the welfare/well-being of each other."

When you volunteer you experience a sense of fulfillment, whether through providing support to other members or through serving on one of our committees. And, members who receive rides, computer assistance, and other support are

Please take a minute to fill out the Survey and mail it to me.

Joyce

The Health Support Committee: Bob Severino on Home Safety Thursday, May 18 at 3 pm Wellesley College, 103 Wang Center, Cow Chair Room

Aging in place is becoming the preferred choice for a growing number of seniors. The comfort and security found in the home is immeasurable. Many resources are available to ensure that one can remain independent in one's home.



All too often, however, safety improvements are addressed only after an accident has happened. Learn about changes you can make to improve your safety, independence and enjoyment of daily tasks in your home.

Bob Severino is the Director of Home Modification for HouseWorks, a home care company dedicated to helping seniors live where they want for as long as they like. Over the years, Bob has become an expert in creating solutions for clutter-filled homes and hoarding crises. Under his direction, HouseWorks' home modification team tackles the toughest jobs, bringing exceptional sensitivity and skill to jobs that conventional cleaning companies cannot handle.

Before coming to HouseWorks, Bob developed a handyman service that contracted with ElderLink and other organizations in Somerville and Cambridge. Bob also worked with Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to expand their transportation department and Meals on Wheels program. Before his career in elder services Bob served in the U.S. Marine Corps, which included a tour in Vietnam.

In 2015, HouseWorks' Home Modification Department received the Provider of the Year Award from Central Boston Elder Services. In 2009, Somerville Cambridge Elder Services awarded Bob with the Nancy P. Kahn Memorial Award in recognition of his excellence in community service for Cambridge and Somerville elders. The Mayor of Somerville has also recognized Bob with a citation for his work in establishing community disaster relief programs. In 2007, Bob received the Jeannie Warren Paine Award from Paine Social Services in recognition of his success helping older adults and their families cope with the consequences of hoarding.

Meet Susan Camuti

Susan Camuti is one of our youngest members but doesn't notice the age difference. "I've always had friends of all ages," she explains. "And the people in Wellesley Neighbors are just refreshingly nice!"



Susan recently started helping Ruth Treitman with the email blasts. "Ruth is a great mentor," she says. "And we'd love to have one more person, as back-up, because it's a big and important job." The wording and design of each e-blast takes a couple of hours, and it's challenging to include all necessary information. Scheduling is also a challenge, because too many blasts at once can be confusing. (Anyone interested in helping should contact Susan or Ruth. Advanced computer knowledge is not required.)

Susan belongs to the Membership Committee, leads a hiking group, and shares her iPhone expertise. She started hiking as a Girl Scout and once did serious mountain-climbing, but takes WN hikers on paths that are relatively smooth and flat. She's taught WN classes on making photographic art with smartphones. She knows the iPhone best and has coached a few members in making better use of theirs. Anyone who'd like some coaching is welcome to email her.

Clearly Susan likes to help others, but she enjoys the WN *New Yorker* group for its social and intellectual stimulation. "Each month someone agrees to host the next meeting and chooses a beefy article and a 'Talk of the Town' piece for discussion," she explains. A recent reading was about "the new underground railroad" that helps refugees get from (or through) the US to Canada.

Susan was born on Oahu and moved a lot before landing in Needham for fifth grade. (Her father was in the US Navy.) She married and moved to Wellesley when her son Jason was a baby. She started at Wellesley College in 1990 and was a single mother by graduation. After earning an M.A. in Education from Harvard, she worked with developmentally delayed kids, volunteered at Head Start, and currently tutors math in Newton. She is very close with Jason, who is 34, lives in Westborough, and works at Morgan Stanley.

Beyond WN and tutoring, Susan is active in the Unitarian-Universalist Society of Needham. Now pushing retirement age, she does more hiking, enjoys her tiny garden, and helps a sick friend with hers. "Just for fun, I've finally learned to play mahjong at the COA--and I love it!" she laughs.

L.P.

Nominating Committee Appointed for 2018 Slate

The Executive Committee has announced the Nominating Committee for the 2018 slate. According to the WN by-laws, two members are appointed from the Board, and three members are appointed from the general membership. The Board members are Mimi Ferrell and Hank Solomon. Ellen Hosbjor, Joel Slocum and Marlies Stueart are from the general membership. The members have selected Joel Slocum as chair.



April Service and Support

Service Requests: Handyman, Deck Stainer, Sprinkler System Company, Alarm Company, Gutter Repair

Support requests: 5 Computer, 2 Rides

To request service or support, call Joyce at 781-283-0417, ext 1.



HAPPENINGS



A full bus of WN members enjoyed visiting the Yale Museum in New Haven, CT, on April 1.



The lower four photos were taken at the April 18 tour of the Edward M. Kennedy Institute in Boston.



Welcome New Members

Judi Bachner moved to Natick by way of Framingham, Southboro and Ashland. She is a graduate of Boston University and, after raising two daughters, she worked for 18 years in the textbook division of Simon and Schuster, retiring as vice president for the college division. Judi has two grandsons and one granddaughter who “really light up my life.” She does volunteer work with MetroWest Promise and with Partakers, a program which mentors incarcerated women attempting to achieve a degree from Boston University. Judi enjoys meeting new people and having new experiences.

Julie Rogers has lived in Wellesley for over 30 years, raising her family and teaching first grade at Fiske School. A year ago she downsized from the Standish Circle area to Wellesley Green. Julie has three children and eight grandchildren. She loves to travel, and her most recent trips were to Peru and Florence, Italy. She has audited many art history courses at Wellesley College and is an avid fan of the Red Sox and the Patriots.





May 2017 Calendar

Wed. May 3, 5:30pm Women's Night Out at CPK **RSVP**

Thur. May 4, 12:30pm Men's Lunch at WCC **RSVP**

Sun. May 7, 2pm Highland Jazz **RSVP**

Mon. May 8, 6pm Dinner CK Shanghai **RSVP**

Wed. May 10, 10:30am WC Book Arts Lab Tour **RSVP**

Wed. May 10, 12 noon WCC Lunch for All **RSVP**

Tue. May 16, 10:30am Arnold Arboretum tour **RSVP**

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Thur. May 18 Deadline for Blue Ginger Lunch

Thur. May 18, 3pm Home SafetyTalk Wang Center 103 **RSVP**

Fri. May 19, 6:30pm WN Spring Celebration Dinner, WCC **RSVP**

Mon. May 22, 12 noon Blue Ginger Lunch **RSVP**

Wed. May 24, 7pm Speaker Nancy Scott **RSVP** ★

Thur. May 25, Deadline for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat"

Sat. May 27, 12:30 Bertucci's lunch **RSVP**

Wed. May 31, 1pm Hiking Group upcoming Hike through Elm Bank

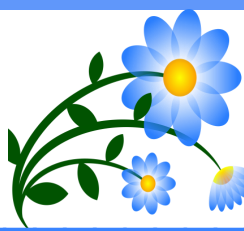
Wed. May 31, 7:30pm Wasik's Cheese Tasting **RSVP**

Note: Times and dates are subject to change. Email notices will be sent prior to events.

- ♦ Register on website; call (781) 283-0417, ext.2; or email events@wellesleyneighbors.org
- ♦ Tell us if you need a ride or can offer a ride.
- ♦ **RSVP at least 24 hours before an event to ensure adequate seating and refreshments.**
- ♦ **Please call or email to cancel if you find you cannot attend an event.**

May 2017						
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May 19, 2017
Make your reservation now

Early and Special June Events

Thur. June 1, 12:30pm Men's Lunch WCC

June 2, 11am Miniature Golf, Rte 9 followed by lunch near by

Sun. June 18, 2pm Reagle Theatre, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat"

May Newsletter

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“Aging is in fashion — everyone is doing it.”

Anonymous

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