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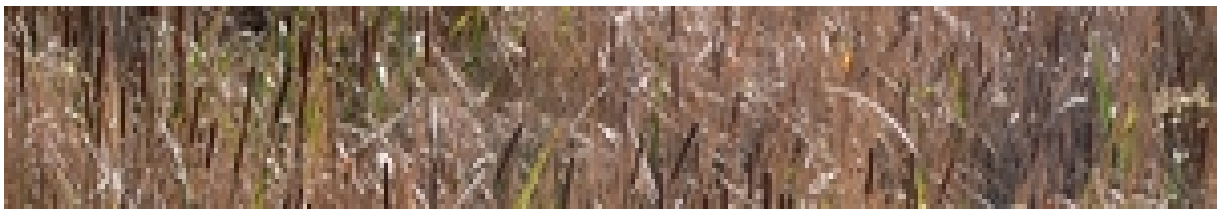
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## *Newton Conservators E-Bulletin*

*Tuesday, November 15, 2011*

*... working to preserve open space in Newton since 1961*



### **Ides of November .....**

Every year the leaves seem to stay on the trees a little longer and it seems still sometimes like the summer in November. Our Fall Walk series is now wrapped up and Thanksgiving is just around the corner. The coyotes of Newton seem to once again be under control and the city has a reporting system in place at <http://www.newtonma.gov/coyotes/>. An Open Space Planning Committee is looking at revisions to Newton's Open Space Plan and a survey of needs and some public listening sessions are in the works. And of course tonight is the first in a series of birthday celebrations in honoring 10 years of the CPA in Newton!

**Tuesday, November 15, 7-9 pm, NNHS**

**HAPPY 10th BIRTHDAY, NEWTON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT (CPA)**

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) has perhaps helped more than anything in recent history to enable the Newton Conservators to help fulfill its primary mission "to foster the acquisition of land and other facilities to be used for the encouragement of scientific, recreational, educational, literary and the other public pursuits that will promote good citizenship and the general welfare in the City of Newton." Without the CPA, we would not have the Newton Community Farm, the preservation of Kessler Woods, the expansion of parkland at Crystal Lake, to name a few. The CPA was strongly supported by the Newton Conservators in order get it enacted and the voters of Newton came through as well to support the 1% surcharge (with matching state funds) to support open space acquisition, community housing, historic preservation, and recreational projects. When one thinks back to the goals voiced by citizens at the early CPA listening sessions, today many of them stand accomplished.



Tonight, come ask questions and share your ideas for preservation in Wards 1 and 2, in the Nonantum,

Newton Corner, and Newtonville neighborhoods. Meet the Community Preservation Committee, find out how Newton has used the Community Preservation Act to fund affordable housing, historic resources, open space, and recreation programs, and share your ideas about what should be funded next. Bring photos of past or potential projects for our interactive maps. At Newton North High School, 457 Walnut Street, Film Lecture Hall (enter from main lobby). Refreshments provided. Free. The presentation will be followed by an open house for mingling and of course to enjoy some BIRTHDAY CAKE! It's also a great opportunity to see the still "relatively new" Newton North High School up close. You can add your project ideas and photos to an interactive maps exhibit.

For details of past projects, visit Reports and Proposal & Projects pages from [www.newtonma.gov/cpa](http://www.newtonma.gov/cpa). To take a short 8-question survey (4 questions are multiple-choice) on the CPA, please visit [www.surveymonkey.com/s/NYFZCDH](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NYFZCDH)

#### Future Neighborhood CPA Birthday Parties

- January 2012 - West Newton, Auburndale, & Newton Lower Falls (Wards 3 & 4)
- March 2012 - Waban, Newton Upper Falls, & Newton Highlands (Ward 5)
- May 2012 - Newton Centre, Thompsonville, & Chestnut Hill (Wards 6 & 7)
- September 2012 - South Side, including Oak Hill & Oak Hill Park (Ward 8)

For more info on the CPA or events, please contact Alice E. Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager, phone: 617.796.1144 or email: [alingerson@newtonma.gov](mailto:alingerson@newtonma.gov).

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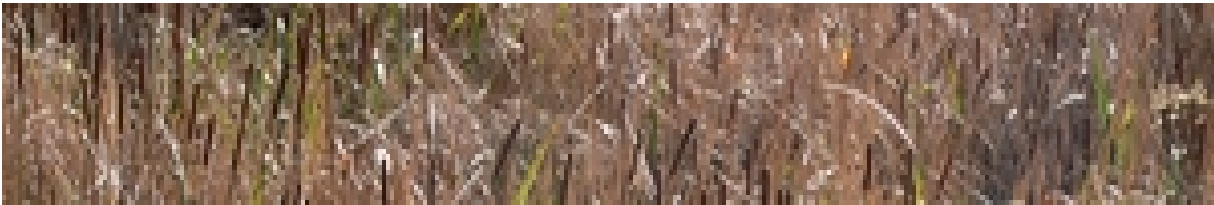
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The Newton Conservators organization was formed as a not-for-profit 50 years ago in June 1961.

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