

June 2025

Friends of the ROBBINS Town Gardens

Spring Clean-up = Success / And It Was Rescheduled!

A lot of people signed up to help on the day we'd planned to work in the garden (April 26). Unfortunately, we got rained out, so we rescheduled our spring clean-up day to the following weekend on May 3.



Members of the Friends, Garden Club members, and others in the community joined to help us work. We trimmed, mulched and cleaned up around the azaleas that we had transplanted last fall along the walkway to the garden gate. We also cut, removed and bagged a lot of branches from overhanging trees and overgrown shrubbery on the corner of the walkway.



Since our Spring clean-up day in the garden we've started to install a lot of new trees, shrubs and groundcover on the hill behind the Menotomy Indian Hunter, alongside the ripple and reflecting pool, and around the brick platform near the pool. Drop by and see the many changes that are underway to restore our beloved garden.

Come to our 4th Annual Garden Party - Saturday June 21, 6-9 PM

We are gearing up for our next Garden Party & Fundraiser, and are looking forward to another successful event. *All net proceeds from the party go to maintenance and restoration of the Robbins Town Gardens.*



Christine Harris, Robert Cunniff, Patsy Kraemer (honoree), and JoAnn Robinson at the Friends' 3rd Annual Garden Party in June 2024

We are lucky to have the band *What She Said* play for us again; they are great for getting folks out to dance on the grass. A local eatery, *Menotomy Grill & Tavern*, will be providing tasty food for the evening meal, and we will have beer, wine, and non-alcoholic drinks.

This year we will be honoring Miriam Levine, one of the original founders of the Friends, and Arlington's first Poet Laureate. Get tickets for the party on the Friends' website friendsoftherobbinstowngardens.org, at the Select Board office in the Town Hall, and at The Book Rack in Arlington Center. Or look for one of our many flyers posted around town that have a QR code to make it easy to purchase tickets. Tickets may also be obtained at the event (\$75 each - cash only).

The Garden Party & Fundraiser is our main fundraising event of the year to help finance the garden's restoration and maintenance. To date, our supporters include *Menotomy Grill & Tavern* in Arlington, *Wagon Wheel Farm Stand & Plant Nursery* in Lexington, and *McCue Garden Center* in Woburn. If you would like to add your name as a supporter, we would be thrilled! For further information, please email us at ftrg2018@gmail.com

We plan on a great turnout at our Garden Party this year, and hope to see you there!