On February 21, fifteen Harvard Neighbors’ members visited Annenberg Hall. The tour, organized by Out and About Interest Group, had very limited capacity and filled up quickly. Because of the high interest, we are working with Memorial Hall to arrange another visit in the spring. All of our members who inquired to be on the first tour, but couldn’t join it, will be given priority when the new date is announced.

With the spring season upon us get ready for exciting new and all time favorite events coming to Harvard Neighbors. In the second half of March, Community Outreach and Service Interest Group will hold their first International Dinner and Cooking Class at our meeting room. They are going to cook and teach the audience the delicious and easy way to make a Brazilian meal. All guests will be able to sample the food that will be delivered to a Homeless Shelter after the event. Stay tuned for more details.

Spring Celebration is back! This year we are inviting all of our members to share their nations’ spring traditions and customs. Come celebrate Easter, Naw Ruz, Saint Patrick’s Day, Bulgarian and Japanese spring rituals and more. The invitation will be out in a few weeks!

Around the Neighborhood

Come to Harvard Square on Saturday, March 3rd at 11am to join Dr. Seuss Birthday Party celebration and reading in honor of the beloved children’s story teller’s 114th birthday. The free event is sponsored by Harvard Square Business Association an partnership with Harvard Coop.

If you haven’t celebrated the Year of the Dog yet, join the 12th Annual Chinese New Year Celebration in Harvard Square. The pageantry begins on Sunday, March 11th at 12:30pm in Winthrop Park (at the intersection of Mt. Auburn and JFK Streets.) The parade will march down Massachusetts Avenue and will end at Hong Kong Restaurant at 1238 Mass Ave., where you can enjoy performances, lantern riddles, prizes, arts and crafts.
Weekend Ideas

Harvard Neighbors’ Winter Appeal

We couldn’t be Harvard Neighbors without your support! Your contributions support our mission: “To enrich the lives of members of the Harvard community through cultural programs and events.” Thanks to generous gifts from our members, we are able to bring to you varied events and activities with no charge for participation. This fall alone our members enjoyed Ice Cream, Social, Apple Social, Cranberry Social, Thanksgiving Demo and Celebration, Tea and Talk at Harvard Faculty Club and an awe-some Holiday Party!

To our longer-term members, thanks for all you have done to make Harvard Neighbors a vibrant and welcoming community. To help sustain and expand our diverse programming at no (or very low) cost to participants, please consider continuing (or increasing) your current level of financial support.

To our new members, please consider supporting our mission with a tax-deductible donation of $10.00 or more. Click on this [link](#) to donate online. Checks are also gladly accepted! Thank you for your support!

Events around Boston

A Historical Fashion Exhibit Is Coming to the Concord Museum

A new exhibit coming to the Concord Museum, is combining history and fashion with a local twist. Called “Fresh Goods: Shopping for Clothing in a New England Town, 1750-1900,” the exhibit will simulate how Concord dwellers acquired their threads in the 18th century, featuring never-before-seen pieces of historical clothing. “Fresh Goods” is part of a statewide collaboration with Mass Fashion, a consortium of cultural institutions that have set out to explore fashion’s role in Massachusetts history. Visitors can also enjoy an interactive digital screen that simulates a modern shopping platform. Viewers can scroll through and browse for colonial outfits as if they were shopping on Amazon.com.

For more on the exhibit click [here](#).

Boston Flower and Garden Show

The Boston Flower & Garden Show returns to the Seaport World Trade Center in Boston on Wednesday, March 14 through Sunday, March 18, 2018 with the theme “Savor Spring.” Colorful life-sized gardens, intricate floral arrangements, informative lectures and demonstrations and exciting special events will incorporate elements of the popular food gardening trend. Learn about organics, small-space gardens, homesteading hobbies, edibles as ornamentals and family-friendly spaces for outdoor dining and entertaining.

Enjoy the first taste of Spring while gathering the recipes and ingredients you’ll need for this year’s successful garden. Click [here](#) for show hours and ticket information.

Maple Syrup Boil Down in Somerville

Did you know that every year, Groundwork Somerville makes maple syrup in a wood-fired boiler (made by Somerville High School students), and you can come watch? On Saturday March 10, from 10am at The Somerville Community Growing Center 22 Vinal Ave Somerville, MA 02143 they will be boiling all the sap collected this year from sugar maples at Tufts and serving up pancakes from [Cuisine en Locale](#). There will be live music, games, and Groundwork Somerville gear for sale!

The Maple Boil Down is the culminating public event for the annual Maple Syrup Project, in which they tap trees at Tufts, teach a series of lessons to Somerville 2nd graders with volunteer teachers from the community, and host field trips at the Somerville Growing Center.

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