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Ruthann Dobek, Frank Caro and BrooklineCAN, To Receive "Innovator of the Year" Awards from Massachusetts Councils on Aging

Ruthann Dobek, Director of Brookline Council on Aging and Frank Caro, cofounders of BrooklineCAN (Brookline Community Aging Network) will be honored on Friday, June 5, as "Innovators of the Year" by the Massachusetts Councils on Aging (MCOA). The award, which recognizes their work with BrooklineCAN, will be presented by MCOA Executive Director David J. Stevens at the MCOA Annual Meeting in Devens, Mass. MCOA is a statewide non-profit organization linking the councils on aging of all 351 Massachusetts towns and cities.

Dobek and Caro are co-founders of BrooklineCAN, an all-volunteer organization that enables older residents to remain independent and fully engaged in the life of the community. The organization advocates on behalf of Brookline's older residents, works with town agencies on behalf of Brookline's seniors, provides ways for members to contribute to the community, and in general acts to make Brookline an even better place to live for people of all ages. BrooklineCAN is affiliated with the Brookline Senior Center.

For additional information about Brookline Community Aging Network and to request a copy of BrooklineCAN's informative monthly newsletter, visit http://www.brooklineCAN.org or call 617-730-2777.