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## BrooklineCAN (Brookline Community Aging Network) Presents... Bulletin from the Front Lines: Updating the New Old Age

New York Times reporter and blogger Paula Span will give the Helen Kass Memorial Lecture on Thursday, May 24, 6:00 to 7:45 pm at the Brookline Senior Center, 93 Winchester St. Span writes the column "The New Old Age", reporting on a variety of issues related to aging. In her lecture, Span will address timely topics such as purposeful living in old age, aging in the community, today's vibrant elders, and end-of-life care and decision-making.

This event honors the memory of Helen Kass, a cherished and dedicated member of Brookline CAN from its earliest days. Helen served on the Education Committee and helped develop the speaker events that are now so valuable to the community; at the Senior Center she was a leader of the Alzheimer's support group. The program is free of charge; call 617-730-2770 to register.

America's older adult populations will reach 72 million or nearly 20 percent of the population in 2030. In Brookline, according to the 2010 census, 24 percent of the population -- or 14,182 residents – are over the age of 55. Town residents, between the ages of 55 and 64, have increased by 40 percent since 2000.

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## NY Times Reporter, Paula Span, Presents "The New Old Age," May 24

Affiliated with the Brookline Senior Center, BrooklineCAN is an all-volunteer organization which 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.

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.

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