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Tree People Announce Arboretum

The "tree people"—members of The Newport Tree Society—came out in force for Thursday's fundraiser reception, Saplings & Spirits, which was held at Hillside, the lovely home of Susan Ruf and Michael Walsh. The life of the party turned out to be a news announcement: The Society has created The Newport Arboretum, a citywide arboretum that will launch in Spring 2011, and will include self-guided tree walks throughout the city, tags for more than 300 notable trees, and an online interactive learning center. The Newport Arboretum is the first citywide (i.e. not confined to a building) arboretum in New England. Hillside was an ideal venue for the event because the 2.5-acre property, overlooking Easton's Pond, includes more than a dozen notable landscape trees dating back to the Gilded Age. (Photos by Laurie Warner)



Margot Grosvenor, Kathleen "Fun" Jenkins, and Dick Grosvenor



Susan Ruf, Lillian Dick and Michael Walsh



Harry Eudenbach and Colleen McGrath



Kristin Woodland



Emlen and Liz Drayton



Alex Walsh and Mike Walsh



Allison Vareika, Lillian Dick and Bill Vareika



A young beech tree on the Varieka's lawn will someday replace the older one nearby.

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