

BHS 21st Century Fund names honorees for gala

The Brookline High School 21st Century Fund has named six distinguished honorees for the fund's ninth annual Gala, taking place Saturday, Oct. 24, from 6 p.m.-midnight, at Brookline High School Schluntz Gymnasium.

The honorees are: **Jeff Adrien**, Class of 2004, captain of the NCAA final-four UConn Huskies, role model and BHS alumnus; **Ellen Goodman**, '55-'57, Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist, author, BHS attendee, Brookline resident; **John Hodgman Jr.** '89, humorist, author, actor, PC impersonator in Mac ads, BHS alumnus; **Stacy Kissel**, Brookline High School physics teacher, textbook author, physics daredevil; **Norman Levenson**, '61, real estate developer, philanthropist, BHS alumnus and parent; and **Albert Maysles**, '44, documentary filmmaker ("Grey Gar-

dens," "Gimme Shelter"), BHS alumnus.

The Brookline High School 21st Century Fund innovates effective local solutions to national challenges facing public high schools. The fund is a nationally recognized nonprofit organization that brings together educators, parents, alumni and philanthropists committed to academic achievement for all students. The gala is the fund's largest revenue-generating effort to support the programs of the fund.

"Each Gala honoree has enriched the pride of Brookline High School and strengthens its future by joining us to celebrate the work of the fund," said Kate Brown, gala co-chairwoman.

"This community has a treasure of talent and a generosity of spirit which enables the fund to continue its vital work — student by

student," said Georgia Johnson, gala co-chairwoman and past chairwoman, BHS 21st Century Fund. "It's truly a privilege to celebrate these accomplished individuals who represent the vast array of talent that is discovered and cultivated at BHS."

In addition to honoring these individuals at the gala, the six honorees will participate in the Second Studio 21 Forum, a panel discussion for students and the wider community moderated by BHS Headmaster Robert Weintraub. The Studio 21 Forum, Friday, Oct. 23, from 6-7:30 p.m., will provide insights into the professional journeys of these distinguished individuals, inspiring students to embark on their own journey to identify and pursue their passion.

Tickets for these events are available at 617-713-5211.