

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS:
WHITEFIELD
SKETCHBOOK



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- ▲ Ice skating on the green (February 2025)
▼ Snow & traffic on King Square (8 April 2025)



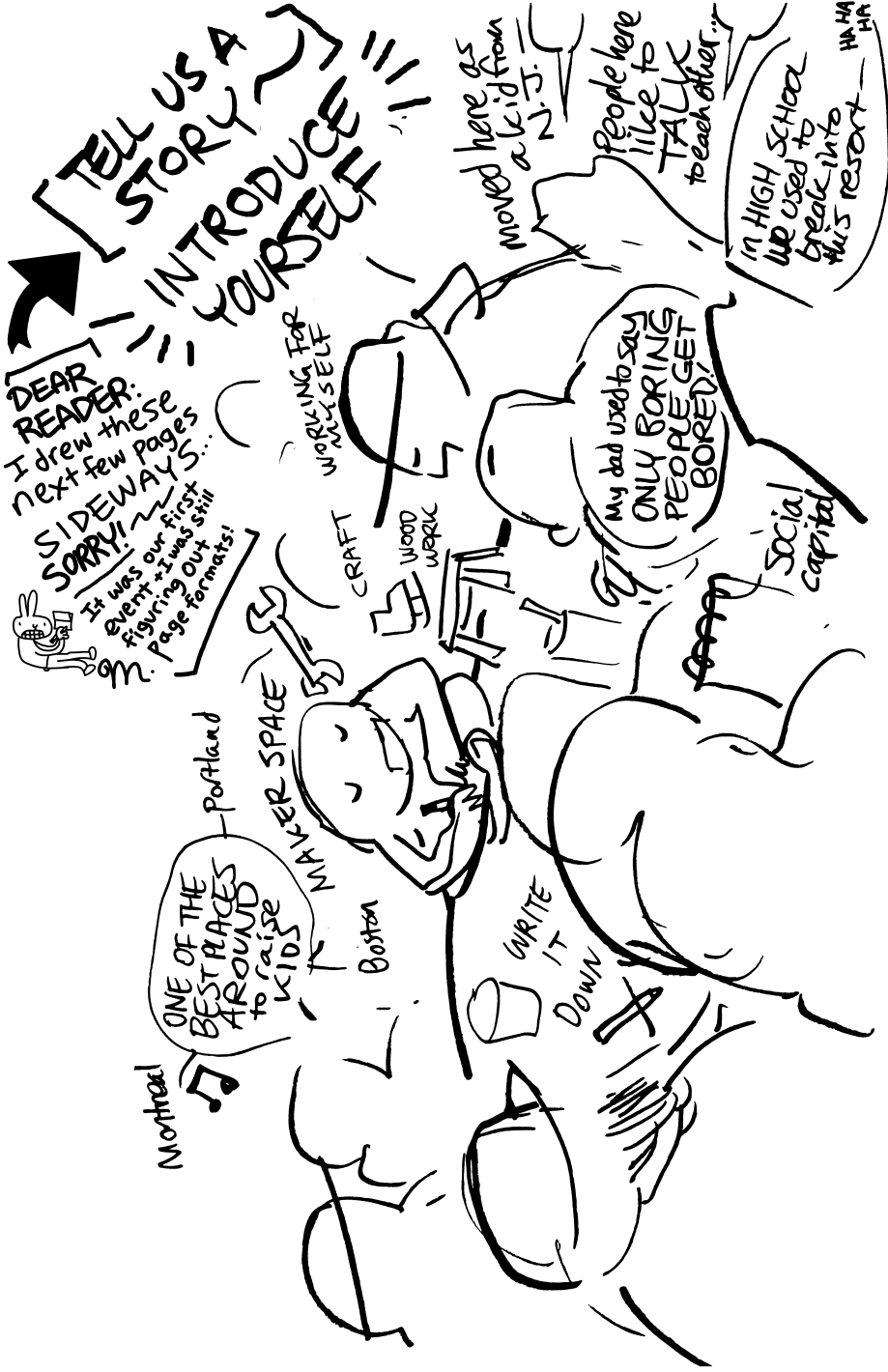


Welcome to WHITEFIELD...













EACH GROUP  FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE....

WHAT IS
COMMUNITY?

NOSTALGIA

→ feel good about where we LIVE

BRING the PAST WITH US into this moment

ice rink 80's night

WE NEED EACH OTHER

→ SOCIAL CAPITAL

PEOPLE HELP PEOPLE... FRictionless FRIENDSHIPS

EVENTS@LIBRARY: PLACE where LIFE can HAPPEN

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COMMONS + PLAYGROUND

RAIL TRAIL Project?

TECHNOLOGY

connection

clubs + work

shared purpose

PERSONAL CONNECTION

LIBRARY can bring VISIBILITY

Local History

Quilters

Kitchen

MOVIES + THEATER

Exercise classes

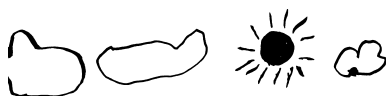
SENIOR PROGRAMS

KIDS IN NEED VISITATION SPACE

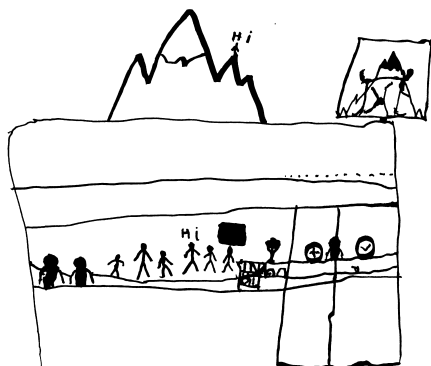
COMMUNITY IS AN OCTOPUS



DRAW YOUR OWN
(OR WRITE)
IDEAS + COMMENTS &c.!



MisMatch Arts



WHITEFIELD COMMUNITY SKETCH GALLERY
(by Conversation Participants)



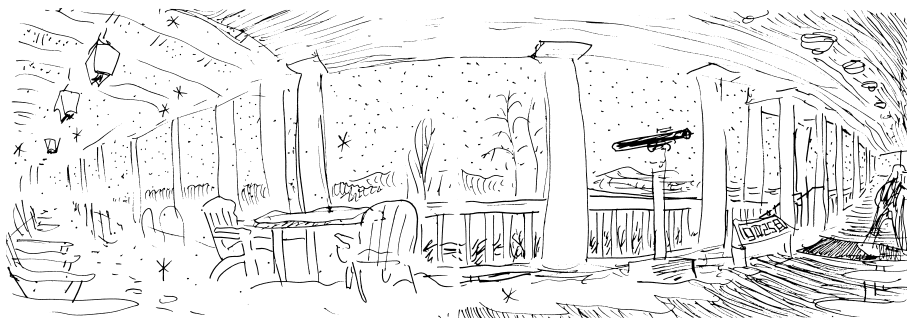


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WHAT MAKES A COMMUNITY?

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BEING KNOWN
+ RECOGNIZING
EACH OTHER



NOSTALGIA
FOND MEMORIES
OF PEOPLE + PLACE



A SENSE OF
BELONGING



COMMON
INTERESTS



SHARED
EXPERIENCE



CONNECTED-



-NESS

FINDING
COMMON
GROUND



NEIGHBORS
WILLING TO HELP



SOCIAL
CAPITAL:
KNOWING HOW TO
GET THINGS
DONE!



SAFETY



ABILITY TO
AFFORD A
HOME



HELPING AN
ELDERLY PERSON
ACROSS THE
STREET



"FIRST THING WE
THINK OF IS...
TOWNSPEOPLE."



INVITING PEOPLE IN
+ WELCOMING THEM



"THE OCTOPUS"
EFFECT

ALL THE PEOPLE
+ CONNECTIONS
THAT HELP YOU
WHEN TIMES
ARE HARD...