## Georgetown Village Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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Dear GV Members,

How nice it was to see so many of you enjoying yourselves at our Fourth Anniversary Party. We have posted some great pictures of the evening on the Georgetown Village website-be sure to visit the site to enjoy the pictures and some nice memories of a lovely evening!

As GV President, Gail Nordheimer mentioned that night, we would love for more of you to get involved by joining committees and working with board members and others to help Georgetown Village continue to grow and improve. If you are interested in helping with the following committees: membership, communications, fundraising, or programs, please call the office and let us know. We will put you in touch with the committee chair and you can share your ideas and get involved.

I also announced that we wanted to start a new section in our newsletter and to share on our website. It would be called the Members' News Column. In this space we would share items of your choosing about yourself or your family members. This could include trips you've recently taken, books you've published, or anything you would like to share with other Village Members. To get something in the newsletter please email or mail it to the office by the third week of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter. If you have any questions about whether something should be shared, call the office.

This month's trip, arranged by our program committee is to The Textile Museum, newly located at George Washington University.

As you know, we are always trying to increase our number of volunteers to insure we can continue to provide you with the services you need. We have scheduled a volunteer training for January 13 at 3:00 pm in our office location-1680 Wisconsin Ave. Please share this information with any friends or neighbors who might be interested in becoming GV volunteers.

Also this month we have a lovely afternoon Tea and Talk scheduled with member Page Wilson. We are also continuing to offer our regular monthly programs, hope you can join us!

Best wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year!



## **January Programs**

Mondays
January 4
5:30 Happy Hour-Daily Grill
January 11
10:15 Book Discussion3139 N Street NW
January 18
MLK Day-GV Office Closed

Tuesdays

January 19
5:30 pm-Happy Hour-DG

January 26

TBD-Movie Night & Dinner

Wednesdays

Jan. 6, 20 & 27

10:30-Portable Electronics
Support Group-1680
Wisconsin Ave. NW

January 13

10:30 am-Brain Games1680 Wisconsin Ave. NW

3:00 Volunteer Training-GV Office-1680 Wisconsin Ave

Thursdays
10:30 am Coffee Talk
St. John's 3240 O Street NW
January 14
3:00 pm-Tea & Talk w/
Page Wilson-info on back

Fridays
January 15
11:30 am-Tour of Textile
Museum-info on back of
newsletter.

## The Textile Museum-George Washington University Museum–January 15, at 11:30

In the second half of the nineteenth century, Scottish photographer and travel writer John Thomson took four journeys across China. His photographs capture scenes and people from all walks of life—ministers, high officials, wealthy traders, street vendors, brides, boat women, monks, and soldiers—providing a lasting record of nineteenth-century China's landscapes, architecture, communities, and customs. This exhibition, organized by the George Washington University and the Textile Museum, presents a stunning selection of Thompson's photographs displayed alongside contemporaneous pieces from the Textile Museum's collection of Qing-Dynasy textiles and accessories. The colorful textiles will help bring Thompson's powerful black-and-white images to life.

Join other GV members for a private guided tour of this, the second Textile Museum exhibition in their new location at GW. There is a suggested donation of \$8.00 per adult on guided tours, cash or credit card preferred. Please leave any contributions with the receptionist the day of the tour.

Upcoming Book Discussions-January 11 & February 8

January 11 at 10:15 am, the group will be discussing In the Land of Invisible Women by Qanta Ahmed. The decisions that change your life are often the most impulsive ones. Unexpectedly denied a visa to remain in the US, Qanta Ahmed, a young British Muslim doctor becomes an outcast in motion. On a whim, she accepts an exciting position in Saudi Arabia. This is not just a new job; it is a chance at adventure in an exotic land she thinks she understands, a place she hopes she will belong. What Dr. Ahmed discovers is vastly different. She finds rejection and scorn in the places she believed would most embrace her, but also humor, honesty, loyalty and love. The book discussion will be held at the home of Rose Marie Caponio-3139 N Street NW.

On February 8 we are discussing <u>All the Light We Cannot See</u> by Anthony Doerr. This 2015 Fiction Pulitzer Prize Winning story is a multi-faceted tale about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. This meeting will be held at the home of Ingrid Mast-3253 O Street NS.

Tea & Talk with Page Wilson - January 14 at 3:00 pm

Georgetown Village member, Page Wilson recently published her interesting memoir-Carnage and Courage: A Memorir of FDR, the Kennedys and World War II. This interesting book tells the story of Page's journey beginning with a career in the US diplomatic corps. At President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's behest, Page left the US to serve in London with Ambassador Joseph Kenney as he took up his post just before WWII and the Blitz began. After being sent back to America for safety, Page's journey followed the lives of many woman of her generation, the struggle to maintain a home that is moved constantly and the worry for her husband in combat. This enjoyable book will be available for purchase and signing after Page's talk on January 14.