Georgetown Village Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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Dear GV Members,

January was certainly a busy month and we enjoyed seeing so many of you at our programs and activities. We were also happy to train and vet five new volunteers to add to our roster-if you know someone looking to get involved as a Village volunteer, be sure to have them give us a call.

Of course, January was also the month of Blizzard 2016, and we were pleased to be able to help many of you prepare for the storm and get shoveled out! Your neighbors were ready and willing to help during the blizzard and we also received offers of help from people who are not yet Village volunteers but wanted to help our members. These volunteers helped to supplement the work being done by the GV volunteers, and enabled all our members who had requested help to be shoveled out by Monday morning! Truly a great illustration of *neighbors helping neighbors*.

Another great illustration of neighbors helping neighbors is our Portable Electronic Support Group where members and volunteers of Georgetown Village get together to share tips and ask questions about their portable electronic devices. If you have questions about your cell phone or table, or have learned some tips you would like to share with others join us for the Portable Electronics Support Group.

Many of you have had the opportunity to meet our wonderful new Administrative Assistant, Michele Parsonnet. Michele is working very hard to help us in the office and she has identified areas where we can better our communication efforts with our members. One area where we will be doing this is by keeping your family members informed about the Village and sending them monthly newsletters detailing our activities. We will be contacting members to get this information, if we do not already have it on file.

We have a couple of exciting trips coming up this month and next, be sure to sign up early for the trip to Glenstone as space is very limited.

Remember, the Village is here to help! If you need any assistance, please be sure to give us a call and we are happy to send a volunteer to give you a hand.



February Programs

Mondays February 1

5:30 Happy Hour-Daily Grill February 8

10:15 Book Discussion-3253 O Street NW

February 15

President's Day-GV Office Closed

Tuesdays
<u>February 16</u>
5:30 pm-Happy Hour-DG
<u>February 23</u>
TBD-Movie Night & Dinner

Wednesdays Feb. 3, 17 & 24

10:30-Portable Electronics Support Group-1680 Wisconsin Ave. NW <u>February 10</u> 10:30 am-Brain Games-

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Thursdays 10:30 am Coffee Talk St. John's 3240 O Street NW

Fridays February 26

11:00 am-GV Tour of Power & Pathos-info on back of newsletter.

March 11

11:00 am-GV Tour of Glenstone-the private museum in Potomac, MDspace is limited

Power and Pathos –Bronze Sculptures at the National Gallery of Art-February 26 at 11:00

Power and Pathos presents some 50 bronze sculptures and related works, dating from the fourth century BC to the first century AD. They span the Hellenistic period when the art and culture of Greece spread throughout the Mediterranean and lands once conquered by Alexander the Great. Through the medium of bronze, artists were able to capture the dynamic realism, expression, and detail that characterize the new artistic goals of the era. This exhibition will feature works from renowned archaeological museums in Austria, Denmark, France, Georgia, Great Britain, Greece, Italy, Spain, Tunisia, the United States, and the Vatican. As only a small fraction of ancient bronzes survives—most were melted down over the centuries--this exhibition offers an unprecedented opportunity to appreciate the importance of bronze in antiquity and the innovations of Hellenistic sculptors.

Join other GV members for this private tour of this fascinating exhibit. At this point we are very fortunate to have Dr. David Gariff scheduled to lead our group. Dr. Gariff is a senior lecturer at the National Gallery of Art and we have been privileged to have had him lead many excellent tours for our group. If you are planning to join us please RSVP by 2/23.

Book Discussion -All the Light We Cannot See February 8

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. Ten years in the writing, Anthony Doerr's All the Light We Cannot See is an epic work of historical fiction. With richly detailed language and characters who are both brave and heartbreaking, Doerr weaves together the stories of a French girl named Marie-Laure who has lost her eyesight and a German orphan named Werner. As Hitler's occupied territory grows, Marie-Laure and Werner's lives and families are torn apart by the war, yet this gorgeous novel is the story of people who, against the odds, find good in one anotherThis meeting will be held at the home of Ingrid Mast-3253 O Street NW.

GV Tour of Glenstone-12002 Glen Road, Potamac Md-March 11 @ 11 am

Georgetown Village members have the opportunity to tour Glenstone, the private art museum in Potomac Maryland. Glenstone only opens for small groups so this is a unique opportunity open to GV members. Glenstone has an outstanding collection of post-World War II and contemporary art. Rotating exhibitions are presented in a uniquely designed building and monumental outdoor sculpture is also presented in a specially designed landscape. The goal of the museum is to shift how art is seen and experienced. As our numbers are very limited for this tour, you should reserve quickly if you wish to attend. We will arrange carpools to get to the museum.