



From the President

Dear Members, Volunteers and Friends,

By the time you open this newsletter, you may have received your invitation to this year's annual Benefit on May 10th. I hope you have put the date on your calendar as you won't want to miss a great party. We will have an exciting Silent Auction full of really tempting items, delicious appetizers donated by Tony and Joe's /Nick's Riverside Grill and, as always, the gorgeous views from atop the Foley & Lardner offices in Washington Harbour. But what I enjoy most is the opportunity to see and thank so many of you, our devoted members, volunteers and generous supporters.

This year as always, we will celebrate your support of Georgetown Village. We will also honor Nancy Taylor Bubes who has been a faithful and major pillar of support from even before the Village opened its doors. As you may remember, before we launched the Village, Nancy offered her home and hospitality so we could meet with neighbors who were interested in learning about a potential Village. Since that time, she has supported every Anniversary Party and Benefit with generous donations plus wine, flowers, staff and goody bags. What we really love is Nancy's upbeat approach and marvelous ability to increase everyone's enjoyment – even while selling just one more raffle ticket! While Nancy is singularly devoted to the Village, we really honor her for her tireless and generous support of so many organizations that are the mainstay of our local community and DC. We are lucky to have her here.

So, why do we ask you to support Georgetown Village? Although our resources are small we make good use of them. Members and volunteers know well how large an impact the Village has on the quality of life of an important sector of the community. As you know this could not happen without your support and the thousands of hours of time and expertise provided by dedicated volunteers and our small staff, who deserve our deepest gratitude. But membership dues cover only about half of our budget – the rest must come from generous individuals and businesses.

We hope you will become a Sponsor. Benefits of Sponsorship are listed on our website:

www.georgetown-village.org or at the office. We would love to include you among the Sponsors listed in the printed program, so please let us know your Sponsorship level by no later than April 15th.

We all know people whose dearest wish is to stay in their home as they age. You can help them get their wish and you'll know that you have played a major role in making Georgetown Village even better in the days ahead.

With appreciation for your involvement and support,

Gail Nordheimer, President

We hope to see you at our weekly events

Happy Hour is always on the 1st Monday and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Movie Night is always the fourth Tuesday of the month (unless there is a conflict).

Coffee Talk is every Thursday morning at 10:30 at St. John's, 3240 O Street, NW.

Please use the Potomac Street entrance.

The Portable Electronics Help Session is on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at the GV Office, 10:30 am.

Book Group will meet on April 16 at Toni Russin's to discuss *"Sisters in Law: How Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Sandra Day O'Connor Went to the Supreme Court and Changed the World"*

NANCY TAYLOR BUBES

by Joan Kennan



From time to time in this newsletter, we take a pause from news about our activities to highlight individuals who have made, and are making, a significant contribution to the Georgetown Village either by their volunteer work or by other means. One such person is Nancy Taylor Bubes.

A native of Fredericksburg, VA, Nancy moved to Washington after gaining a fine arts degree and hoping to work for the Smithsonian. As there were no job openings at the Smithsonian at that time, Nancy pursued other opportunities, eventually discovering her real talent for selling houses to which the many real estate signs in front of Georgetown houses can certainly attest. Since then, Nancy has become one of the top-selling real estate agents in the Washington area but there are many other facets to her life that may not be as well

known, among them, her support for the Georgetown community. She has been described as the “most un-Washington of Washingtonians”, totally unedited and in perpetual motion, down to earth, warm and friendly. As an example, each October, Nancy turns her home on 31st Street into a spooky, haunted Halloween house that attracts big crowds of neighbors and visitors. In front is a creepy fortuneteller and popcorn stand that Nancy cheerfully staffs. For the July 4th holiday, Georgetown residents are pleasantly surprised to find an American flag on their doorstep, courtesy of Nancy.

Nancy first heard about the Village concept from a friend who was considering starting one in Georgetown. At that time, Nancy had concerns about her elderly mother who was coping with the challenges of aging. Even though her mother eventually moved to an assisted living facility, and sadly died last fall, Nancy was quick to realize just how valuable a Village might have been for her mother in the years prior to her illness. Nancy showed her immediate support by hosting a “launch party” to introduce interested neighbors to the soon-to-be formed Georgetown Village.

Since that time, Nancy’s contributions have been on-going. It is hard to enumerate how much she has done for the Village because one doesn’t know where to begin. In addition to significant and generous financial support, Nancy serves on the Village’s Advisory Board; assists with the annual Georgetown Village holiday party, paying for wine, food, gift bags and encouraging guests to buy lots of raffle tickets. In the fall of 2013, she hosted the Village’s first fundraising party in her back yard. In recent years, at the Village’s annual spring fundraisers, Nancy provides the gift bags and, last year, fresh flower baskets.

We are truly grateful for the years of support from our generous neighbor which is why the Board has selected Nancy to be honored at this year’s fundraising event on May 10, an event that will provide us the opportunity to thank her for all that she has done for the Georgetown Village. Looking forward to seeing you there!

WITH THANKS TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS

April is Volunteer Month so we could not let it go by without thanking all our wonderful volunteers! Georgetown Village could not exist without the help of our dedicated volunteers as their efforts enable everything we do. Certainly, they provide all the many services we are able to offer. Our most frequently requested services are: transportation to medical appointments; help with technology such as setting up a computer, TV or remote and medical paperwork organizing. As you know, we also offer many other services and our volunteers have many skills!

Our motto is if you need something “Just Ask” and if we can, we will help you. Whenever possible we try to fill all requests. A member needed someone to brush up on her French before a trip and one of our volunteers agreed. A younger volunteer likes to sew so when a member needed to have some clothes altered, she was delighted to help. Our volunteers helped to put out food for a reception following a member’s funeral. A member who was injured on a trip needed to be picked up with her luggage at the airport and a volunteer readily appeared to transport her. We have many members who want help with Christmas decorations or with making Shutterfly holiday cards with photos and volunteers readily oblige. We can’t fill every unusual request, but when we can we are always ready to help. And all this is thanks to our amazing and versatile volunteers! Please remember to thank them when they help you.

In honor of National Volunteer Month, all village volunteers, old and new, are invited to an informal Luncheon for Volunteers at Joan Kennan’s house on April 10. There you can meet each other and share experiences of your work with Georgetown Village.

COORDINATING HEALTH CHALLENGES THROUGH THE YEARS

Who will coordinate your care if you can't? Do you know how Georgetown Village, geriatric social workers, your ministry and healthcare services can coordinate help when you need it?

Georgetown Village has organized a panel of experts to address this topic on **April 12th**. The panelists will include: geriatric case manager, Deb Rubenstein, Director of Consultation, IONA Senior Services; Rev. Elizabeth Keeler of Christ Church Georgetown; John Bradshaw of Georgetown Home Care; Pam Godwin, nurse practitioner and Lynn Golub-Rofrano, Executive Director, Georgetown Village.

The discussion will focus on case studies of a person at three different ages (70's, 80's and 90's) and stages of life.



John Bradshaw, Gail Nordheimer, Lynn, Pam Godwin and Leslie Smith planning for the Health Planning Panel.

Each panelist will describe his or her respective role in caring for the person at that stage and questions from the audience will be encouraged regarding each stage. Emphasis will be placed on coordination of care, and audience members will be given a continuum-of-care handout that illustrates the coordination of various services. The panel discussion will last approximately 45 minutes to an hour followed by dinner and discussions with individual panelists.

This event will be held at St John's Church, 3240 O Street, NW at 5:30 followed by drinks, dinner and discussion with the panelists. **Reservations are required so please call the office 202-999-8988 or email lynn@georgetown-village.org to reserve your spot by April 6th.**

MINI CHATS FOCUS ON ART & LANDSCAPE DESIGN

by Jessica Townsend



On May 18th a group of Village members met to Chat With... Jane MacLeish, a distinguished landscape designer. The group explored Jane's lovely garden, which she has designed to incorporate a sense of movement. Then, after wine and nibbles, the group settled in for a fascinating slide presentation by Jane on some of the major and smaller gardens she has designed. She emphasized that she tries to make gardens welcoming, flowing and fun, which is also a good way of describing our time with her.

On Sunday May 6th at 2 pm, as part of the Chat Series, we are offering a Mini Chat - mini because we can accommodate only a very small number of people. Village member Monika Holmgren will generously open her home, allowing us to view her remarkable art collection, which includes works by Sam Gilliam, Gene Davis, Leon Berkowitz, Joan Danziger, and Robert Ludwig. Monika collected art with Harry, her late husband whom many of you will remember, which is installed in her small apartment in a 100-year-old town house. The space was refitted for aging in place in 2005, and everything in the apartment was carefully chosen for excellence in design and has a mid-20th-century feel. Monika will talk about how she and Harry collected art and what each piece means to her. In addition, Georgina Owen, a Georgetown arts consultant who knows Monika's collection well, will be on hand to talk about each of the works and the artists. Georgina has several decades of experience in appraisals and advising clients on collections and is a Certified Member of the Appraisers Association of America. Make your reservation early for this special Mini Chat as we have very limited space.

Our editor, Henrietta LaMotte thanks our writers: Joan Kennan, Carol Cavanaugh, Ann Satterthwaite, Andrea Kiernan, Hans Kaper, Toni Russin and Joann Serrani and our proof readers: Motrya Hanas and Nancy Shaffer.

Join Us For These Upcoming Tours

Friday, April 13. Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian, 4th and Independence SW.

We will celebrate the Cherokee Days Festival with noon lunch at the Mitsitam Cafe featuring indigenous cuisines of the Americas and Native foods. At 1:30 we will have a guided tour providing an overview of the museum's history as well as the Americas exhibit. We will then tour the Cherokee Days Festival which includes: story telling, traditional flute music, weaponry, woodworking, beadwork, basket weaving, pottery demonstrations and dance performances.

Sunday, April 3 at 10:30AM Cherry Blossom stroll through Chevy Chase's Kenwood neighborhood. We will carpool together from Georgetown and park on a side street off Brookside Drive and walk along Brookside as far as members of the group are able. For those who don't want to walk, we will drive slowly through Kenwood.

Saturday, April 28. Don Ciccio and Figli, 6031 Kansas Avenue, NW. 2nd floor. From the picturesque Amalfi Coast in southern Italy to historic Washington DC, an Italian family's legacy steeped in rich tradition lives on through the launch of Don Ciccio and Figli. Francesco "Ciccio" Amodeo, President and Master Distiller, has created a small batch, hand crafted line of artisanal spirits. We will arrive at 1 PM for a free tour and complimentary tastings of Amari, Apertivi and Cordials.

Friday, May 18. Hillwood Museum, 4155 Linnean Avenue NW. We will arrive at Hillwood at 10:15 for a 10:30 tour of the gardens. At this time of year there will be 500+ azaleas in bloom. Cost for the tour is \$15 per person, Hillwood members are free. We will have afternoon tea at the Hillwood Cafe at noon. Cost is \$28.50. This will be followed by the Artistic Tables Exhibit featuring dazzling designs and tables set in style.

Book Group will meet on May 14 to discuss "I Have Always Loved You" by Oliviera Robin, a fictionalized account of Mary Cassat and Degas..

Remember To Renew Your Membership. If you have an invoice that is due, please renew promptly.



GEORGETOWN VILLAGE

Calendar of Events - April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Happy Hour	3 10:30 Cherry Blossom Stroll through Kenwood	4 10:30 IT Support Group	5 10:30 Coffee Talk Trader Joe's Trans.	6 Safeway Trans. <i>Deadline for Health Panel reservations</i>	7
8	9	10 Luncheon for Volunteers- Joan Kennan's home	11 Men's Lunch Group at Paolo's	12 10:30 Coffee Talk Health Panel & Dinner 5:30	13 Safeway Trans. Nat'l American Indian Museum Tour	14
15	16 Book Group at Toni Russin's house	17 Happy Hour	18 10:30 IT Support Group	19 10:30 Coffee Talk Trader Joe's Trans.	20 Safeway Trans.	21
22	23	24 Movie Night	25	26 Coffee Talk	27 Safeway Trans.	28 Trip to Don Ciccio & Figil
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NAVIGATING THE BUMPS IN THE ROAD**

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