



# CAG

CITIZENS ASSOCIATION OF GEORGETOWN

## Newsletter

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## CAG AWARDS & ELECTIONS

### MEET NEW MEMBERS, HEAR CAG HIGHLIGHTS

**TUESDAY, MAY 23**  
**NEW MEMBER RECEPTION, 6PM**  
**RECEPTION 7PM; PROGRAM 7:30 PM**  
**DUMBARTON HOUSE, 2715 Q STREET**

CAG's annual awards and elections meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23. The meeting will include the presentation of CAG's prestigious awards to outstanding community leaders for 2017. The reception and annual meeting will be hosted at Dumbarton House, 2715 Q Street. This year we are also having a special reception at 6pm for new members of CAG.

The prestigious Belin Award will be presented to Jennifer Romm for her expert and dedicated work in preserving the historic character of Georgetown.

June Libin, Edith Schafer and Lee Child of the Georgetown Garden Club will be honored with the William A. Cochran Award for exceptional efforts to protect and enhance the community's parkland and architectural resources.

The Martin-Davidson Award to businesses that have contributed significantly to the community will be presented to Michael Rankin of TTR/Sotheby's.

One highlight of our Annual Meeting will be the presentation of Legacy Society pins to members who have promised to remember CAG by leaving a bequest in their wills. The pins will be presented by President Bob vom Eigen with remarks by Planned Giving and Gifts Chair Victoria Rixey. If you have recognized CAG in your will, please let us hear from you so we may include you in this special ceremony.

The Charles Atherton Award for exceptional service by a dedicated public-sector professional for outstanding work preserving and protecting historic Georgetown will be presented to Kevin Brandt of the National Park Service. There will be a special appreciation award presented to Appalachian Spring for their 25 years serving Georgetown retail and the CAG Block Captains will also be given special recognition. Election of CAG officers and four directors for 2017-2018 (see p.9 for slate) will also take place at the May 23 meeting – which is the organization's annual meeting. Treasurer John Richardson will report on the financial condition of the organization.

Please join us to welcome new members and honor people in our community who have made Georgetown a better place.

## REBECCA RETURNS TO CONCERTS IN THE PARKS

Erin Mullan, *Concerts Co-Chair*

It's nearly Memorial Day, and that means it's time for CAG's Concerts in the Parks, everyone's favorite summer concert series that is free and open to the public in beautiful Volta and Rose Parks.

The 2017 Concerts in the Parks committee and our incredible sponsors have been hard at work planning, and we have a terrific lineup of bands, as well as fun family activities and tasty treats.

On Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, Rebecca McCabe will be returning to the stage for our first concert, presented by TTR Sotheby's International Realty. Rebecca, Georgetown's own favorite singer-songwriter, will no doubt have the crowd dancing and lip synching to the latest hits and old favorites. The concert will be from 5:30-7pm in Volta Park.

The Father's Day concert, presented by Compass Georgetown, will be held Sunday, June 18th from 5:30-7pm, and the final concert of the season will be in Rose Park on Sunday, July 9th from 5:30-7pm.

The Concerts in the Parks series continues to draw an ever-larger audience of families and friends of all ages from the Georgetown community and beyond because of the great bands, fun family activities, free treats, and food trucks. The 2017 season promises



**Left: Rebecca McCabe will perform. Right: Presenting Sponsor TTR Sotheby's has fun plans for the May concert.**

to be among the best yet thanks to the generosity of our wonderful sponsors and the dedication of the hard-working committee. Join your neighbors and friends and these wonderful community events!

If you are interested in sponsoring the concerts or joining the committee, contact [amylooney@cagtown.org](mailto:amylooney@cagtown.org).

**See [cagtown.org/concerts](http://cagtown.org/concerts) and [facebook.com/georgetowncitizens](https://www.facebook.com/georgetowncitizens) for Concerts information and updates!**

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# President's LETTER

The CAG fundraiser at Via Umbria on April 6 was a wonderful success that will help fund CAG's Concerts in the Parks series. The concerts will occur on May 21 and June 18 (Father's Day) at Volta Park and July 9 at Rose Park.

The West Heating Plant (WHP) design proposal went well at the April 3 meeting of ANC2E. CAG adopted a resolution at its board meeting on March 21 expressing support for the design plan, and at the ANC the design received a favorable 7-1 vote to approve the design. Things did not go so well at the Old Georgetown Board (OGB) on April 6. There were questions whether the addition of the vertical fenestration to the north and south facades and the large glass exposure on the east façade were necessary. There was not a consensus among

the three commissioners on the changes to the proposed design, and no vote was taken. The OGB invited the WHP owners to consult with the OGB staff to gain a consensus. Hopefully, there will be a modified proposal that will gain support from the OGB. The demolition of the three walls of the existing building could also be controversial, but that is an issue for the D.C.'s Mayor's Agent to consider.

There were protests from three historic preservationists that opposed destruction of any WHP walls, but they have no resources to acquire the property, or to preserve the deteriorating walls, or to eliminate hazardous materials within the building.

CAG's Annual Meeting will be held on May 23 at the Dumbarton House located at 2715



Bob with John Korsmo, Kathy Prendergast and Jennie Reno at Via Umbria

Q Street. The reception will begin at 7 p.m., and the program will commence at 7:30 p.m. The presentation of Annual Awards, the Election of Officers, and the Legacy Society Induction in recognition of those who have committed to recognize CAG in their wills. For more information on the Legacy Society, please go to CAG's website at: [Cagtown.org/plannedgiving](http://Cagtown.org/plannedgiving).

Bob vom Eigen, PRESIDENT

## IT'S SPRING... TIME TO WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Lisa Koches, Membership Chair

Spring in Georgetown means warmer temperatures, flowering trees and lots of pedestrians on M Street! But it is also the time for CAG's Annual Meeting. This year the meeting will be held at the historic Dumbarton House at 2715 Q Street on May 23 at 7pm.

As membership chair I am on a mission to recruit individuals to join our great organization. I wish everyone in Georgetown would realize how much CAG does for the community. We help make it a safer, more beautiful and a FUN place to call home. The membership committee also works to make new members

feel integrated with CAG. We find that people join and then say, "Now what?"

For this reason we have initiated a new member reception prior to our annual meeting. The reception will start at 6pm, an hour before the meeting. Members of the CAG team will be present to welcome new members, provide information about our programs and answer any questions. We want everyone to feel they are a part of CAG, whether they have been members for 10 days or 10 years!

Membership in CAG provides an opportunity to meet fellow neighbors, exchange ideas and develop a sense of community in our village. If you come across someone who is foolish

enough NOT to belong to CAG, please encourage them to become a member. And then we will see that lucky person at the new reception on May 23!

## EcoTip

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— LEE CHILD  
Georgetown Garden Club

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# Aspects of Georgetown:

## THE NATURE FIX: IT'S GOOD FOR WHAT AILS YOU.

Edith Schafer

**T**his is my subject and now someone else has written a book about it. In order not to be pedantic and preachy, I'll just pass on what the author says. Anyway it's the right time of year to talk about this. *Although any time of year is a good time of year for my favorite subject.*

We are talking about how to combat nature deficit disorder, because it's important. Maybe we are talking about rescuing kids who play games on their phones all day or grownups who are glued to the computer and have forgotten there is a world out there.

Studies show that when people walk in

nature, it makes them happier and smarter. They obsess over negative thoughts much less than when they walk in a city. Nature gives our brain a chance to recover from stressors, of which there seems to be no shortage in modern life. Something precious has been lost in our submission to technology.

A few days in nature will yield a 50% improvement in creativity and attention span. It lessens aggression. We are better off when we can listen to birds singing rather than trucks rumbling. (Am I beginning to bore you yet?)

Tolstoy said he was never so happy as when he was mowing the grass at Yasnaya Polyana (his country place). Vladimir Nabokov's

mother made him kiss the ground when they arrived at their country estate from the city each summer.

Not all of us have country estates, but you get the idea. We are blessed with glorious woods and parks nearby. We should use them. Of course many do, but not enough. In Korea you can obtain something called forest elixir, no, it's not a drink, it's the scent of pine woods and it lowers the blood pressure. There is lots more information where this came from but I will spare you. For now.

The Nature Fix by Florence Williams is a book just out and it just might cause you to caste off your chains and run barefoot through the dew-drenched grass of May.

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# TRASH TALKING:

## March Meeting at GU's Healey Center

CAG members, board members and current and former ANC Commissioners gathered in the Social Room of the Healey Family Student Center at Georgetown University on March 22 for a presentation of panelists addressing the frequently-cited concern of many residents: rodents and trash. Patrick Clawson, CAG's Co-chair of Rodents, Trash and Recycling headed up the program and introduced the panelists.

The speakers included Gerard Brown, the Program Manager in the Rodent Control Division at the DC Department of Health; Sonya Chance, the Ward 2 inspector for the DC Department of Public Works' Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program (SWEEP); and Cory Peterson from Georgetown University's Office of Neighborhood Life.

Mr. Peterson began the presentation with a clever video parody of a popular TV commercial featuring an animated rat and Georgetown students that is shown to all new students upon

arrival. Trash orientation is required for every student regardless of whether they live on or off campus. Mr. Brown shared information and statistics on complaints in the neighborhood including the startling fact that residents (rather than students) are now responsible for the majority of trash violations.

Ms. Chance fielded questions from the audience and in some cases scheduled an immediate meeting to address specific complaints as well as give residents her contact information so she could directly respond to situations in progress. [Sonya.Chance@DC.gov](mailto:Sonya.Chance@DC.gov)

John Wiebenson of the Business Improvement District discussed BID's extensive efforts with rodent control in the alleys behind food establishments.

Georgetown University generously provided the beautiful, modern space as well as a wine bar and gourmet antipasto hors d'oeuvres table. For more information or to help with CAG's rodent control efforts, please contact [clawsonp@aol.com](mailto:clawsonp@aol.com)



**Left:** Cory Peterson and Patrick Clawson; **Center:** CAG members learn how to combat trash and rodents; **Right:** Cute SWEEP "swag" reminds residents to clean up

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salad)



### BASKET FOR KIDS | \$12 SERVES 1

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#### ❑ BASKET OPTION 3

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white bean dip  
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#### 2017 CONCERT DATES:

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# IN SEARCH OF MY ANCESTORS... AND A GLASS OF JAMESON

Walter the Obscure [Groszyk]

In the pre-Internet era, a long-deceased aunt sought for years to tie our family to Marcus Daly. An Irish immigrant, Daly became a copper baron and founder of Anaconda Copper in Butte, Montana. Success eluded her. Several years ago, I took up the search, but the connection remained elusive. Poor to non-existent Irish records prior to the mid-19th century, and a clannish propensity to recycle the same, small set of forenames did me in. The exasperation point (enough to drive one to drink) came when I found records for three John Mannings, all born within a year of each other in 1825 in a small village of perhaps 300 souls.

Thus, I turned to the family history of my maternal grandmother. The family, of Irish, French, and English descent, was established in the New World when John Neville, my maternal great-great grandfather, emigrated from County Wexford, Ireland, arriving in St. John's, Newfoundland, circa 1800. He seems to have prospered over the course of fifty years, owning two substantial farms and other holdings.

Turning next to accounts set out in various histories of County Wexford, I found references to the landholdings of various Nevilles in southern Wexford, particularly the barony of Rosegarland. It is likely the first Nevilles arrived in Wexford soon after 1175, the year King Henry II (a Norman King of England) carved out Counties Wexford and Waterford as English crown possessions. What happened 350 years subsequent is succinctly described in Burke's Landed Gentry: "...the [Neville] family continued there until David Neville, last baron of Rosegarland, attained 1535 for his part in Silken Thomas' Rebellion, and [his] lands forfeited. Thereafter, the family fell into obscurity." David Neville (whom I have come to name David the Foolish) was apparently sent to the Tower, and I like to think his body departed from that place in two pieces. (Attainder means forfeiture of rights and property, typically for treason.)

Backing into the family genealogy seemed to have run its course. I was about to leave it at that, when I was struck by the idea of reversing the search, starting instead with the family's origin.

I quickly learned the first Neville was Richard de NovaVilla. Richard de NovaVilla was born in 1025, in the northeast corner of Normandy. He participated in his cousin William the Conqueror's invasion of England in 1066 and remained there, as did his progeny. Within a generation, de NovaVilla became the French de Neville.

The ancestral lineage fell like dominoes thereafter. Richard de Neville was the son of • Balderic Teutonicus de Courcy, born 977, Caen, Normandy • Balderic's father was Wigmeric de Courcy, born 952, near Reims • Wigmeric's father was Charles Carolus de Courcy, born 925, near Reims • Charles de Courcy's father was Charles III (Charles the Simple), king of the Franks, born 879, Picardy France • Charles III's father was the short-lived Louis II (Louis the Stammerer), born 846, Compiègne, France • Louis II's father was Charles II (Charles the Bald, although he apparently wasn't) born 823, Frankfurt, Germany • Charles II's father was Louis I, born in 778, in Aquitaine, France. Louis I was known as Louis the Pious. • Louis I's father was Charlemagne, born 742.

Looking for a baron, I had come up with kings. I called my sister with the news. She exclaimed, "We've gone from downstairs to upstairs in a single afternoon." I replied, "I'll drink to that!"

## CANAL CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

The contractor is hard at work reconstructing the C&O Canal basin between locks 3 and 4, including shoring up and stabilizing the basin walls.

**Top Left:** Canal West from 30th St; **Top Right:** Canal East from Thomas Jefferson St; **Bottom:** Canal Ramp Lock 3 basin by Foundry Building



Photo credit: Walter Groszyk

## GEORGETOWN HERITAGE

As you may recall, Georgetown Heritage and the National Park Service recently announced the selection of James Corner Field Operations—the world-renowned urban design and landscape architecture firm known for projects such as New York City's High Line—to develop a Master Plan for Georgetown's one-mile section of the C&O Canal.

More than 130 community members and media attended a public meet-and-greet with the James Corner team on March 27 to learn more about the firm and its approach to creating a vision for the future of the canal. James Corner explained that his team would bring a 'light touch' to an already historic and beautiful place, enhancing and exposing what exists and creating opportunities for further activation and interpretation.

Another important take-away from the meeting: This will not be another High Line. Georgetown's C&O Canal is its own unique asset and neighborhood treasure, and design plans will honor its history while also looking toward the future.

While there has been much excitement surrounding this announcement—as well as press coverage in everything from The Washington Post to The Kojo Show and WTOP—some have also asked why the canal even needs to change. It's a fair question, yet the answer is clear: The canal, as it is today, cannot sustain itself. Much of it is over 180 years old, and its structural integrity must be restored and revitalized for future generations to enjoy, with a rigorous plan for maintaining this historic place moving forward. While we are making those repairs, we have the opportunity to think bigger and make this stretch of the canal live up to its potential.

The community is an integral piece of this project and we look forward to engaging you further. Visit [www.georgetownheritage.org](http://www.georgetownheritage.org) for more information and updates. This is just the beginning!



# UMBRIAN HOLIDAY

The concerts season kicked off Thursday, April 6th with a special Italian evening upstairs at Via Umbria. The crowd sipped on delicious beverages including aperol and negronis from the spritz bar, and enjoyed a selection of Umbrian cheeses and affetati. A brief respite from the day's rainstorms meant the crowd could enjoy the beautiful outside patio. Many thanks to the Kickoff Party chairs – Katie Battle, Kelly Doolan, Amy Kuhnert, Kelly Stavish, and Karin Wheeler.



**Left:** Amy Kuhnert, Kelly Stavish, Karin Wheeler, Erin Mullan, Amy Looney, and Kelly Doolan; **Center:** John Lever, Karin Wheeler, and Jack Evans; **Right:** Tess Finnegan, Amy Stroh, and Avery Miller

## SUIT UP

V.V. Harrison

We have all passed by them. The two men's store with the wildly flamboyant suits, jackets and shoes displayed in the windows of adjacent storefronts on Wisconsin Avenue. Their names are Milano and Venturi. They have been in business for many years and we have wondered, as we wandered past, what keeps them going? Who buys the merchandise, and why? Finally, my curiosity got the best of me when I saw a suit in Venturi's window that defied description. It was red and green, with stripes and roses. I had to find out how many were in stock, what they cost, and who would buy them. So I went in and asked. A very nice older gentleman greeted me in the empty store and happily answered my questions. He said the suit in the window was a copy of a \$3,500 designer model, but could be had at the Georgetown store for \$350. I delicately asked who his clients were as I perused the suits and jackets in an array of sparkling colors. He replied "mostly basketball players and entertainers." I told him I was fascinated by his "unique" inventory and would like to write a piece for my newsletter. He took my name and number and said he would have "the Boss" give me a call. Several days later, having received no call, I returned, only to be told "the Boss" wasn't interested.

Over many years, I have written many stories about Georgetown shops, and have always been greeted with enthusiasm. Not this time. So I went next door to Milano. "Going Out Of Business" "70% Off" signs were in the

window and all throughout the store. I met Tony, the owner, who told me he was on a month-to-month lease due to a raise in his rent. Offering the same star spangled suits and jackets as his neighbor, he also had a shoe display that simply intrigued me. Black velvet slip-ons with silver, gold and red dollar signs on them. Several pairs even had the word "Millionaire" inscribed on them. As I was taking a picture for posterity, a man walked in, asking if they carried size 16. He was disappointed when the answer was no, but I stepped up and bought a pair to give an unsuspecting fellow for Christmas, knowing he has nothing in his closet to rival them!



## DON'T IGNORE OUR STREET TREES

Betsy Emes, *Trees for Georgetown Chair*

We need your help! Our newly planted street trees are desperate for water and so many are being neglected. Ooze tubes and gator bags, installed on each newly planted tree, are either standing empty or removed from the tree. What's going on??

These trees are very thirsty and need water! If you have a newly planted tree near your house, please fill the ooze tube (watering bag) installed around each tree. If water isn't slowly "oozing" out of the bag, punch a few extra holes in the bottom with a large safety pin or very small nail. Instructions are on the side of the bag.

The city has also planted many new trees. They need water, too. Gator bags (with zippers) have been installed around these trees which need filling, as well.

Watering once a week will go a long way toward helping our street trees thrive. Start watering all your trees, NOW, especially the young ones. If there is no watering device, a slow hose placed at the base of the tree for 30 minutes should do the trick.

Watering is the single most important thing you can do to help ensure the survival of our street trees. Please do not hesitate to contact Trees for Georgetown at [Treesforgeorgetown@gmail.com](mailto:Treesforgeorgetown@gmail.com) if you have questions or need help.

Thanks for helping to keep our canopy growing!



# Slate for CAG Officers and Directors

Richard Hinds, *Nominating Chair*

**T**he nominating committee has proposed the slate of officers and four of the directors. Please come to the CAG meeting at Dumbarton House on May 23 to cast your vote.

## President – Bob vom Eigen

Bob and his wife, Ann, have lived and raised their children in Georgetown since 1978. Bob practiced law in Washington since 1970 until he retired in 2011 from the firm of Foley & Lardner LLP, located at Washington Harbour. Bob currently serves as President of the Citizens Association of Georgetown. He is also a member of the Executive Committee and the Historic Preservation & Zoning committee. He has served as President of the Friends of Georgetown Waterfront Park (FOGWP) since 2006, and served on the fundraising committee of the Georgetown Waterfront Park Commission that preceded FOGWP's creation. Bob is the Vice President and Director of the Georgetown Village, which provides volunteer assistance to seniors living in Georgetown and Burleigh.

## Vice President – Jennifer Altemus Romm

Jennifer, raised in the Washington DC area, graduated from Georgetown University in 1988. Currently, she is an event planner at the Library of Congress. She is a former president of CAG and currently is a co-chair of the CAG Georgetown Gala Committee and the Alcohol Beverage Control Committee. She is the lead CAG representative for the Georgetown Campus Plan and is part of the Steering Committee of the Georgetown Community Partnership. A Georgetown resident for over 30 years, she and husband David Romm, live at 3303 Water Street.

## Secretary – Hazel Denton

Hazel Denton has lived on P Street for 22 years, during which time she has been active in a number of neighborhood activities and organizations including CAG where she is Chair of the Parking Committee. She is Co-Chair of the Parking and Transportation Working Group of the Georgetown Community Partnership. Hazel currently teaches courses in health and population issues at Georgetown University. Previously Hazel had a 20-year career at the World Bank.

## Treasurer – John Richardson

John Richardson (Harvard '64) started a residential building company in Washington, D.C. in 1976, that has come to concentrate on historic restoration.

He has been active on the vestry at Christ Church, Georgetown, as well as the fund raising and rehabilitation of city parks in public-private partnerships with the D.C. Department of Parks and Recreation. Currently

he is a Board member of the Citizens Association of Georgetown. From 1996-2006 John was chairman of the Hearing and Speech Committee at Children's Hospital. He served in the U.S. Army Special Forces (1964-1967) with the Montagnard people in the Central Highlands of Vietnam.

He lives in Georgetown with his wife Nina Marshall Leake, a photographer and producer of videos for charitable causes. They have one son, Scott Maclean Richardson.

## Director – Karen “Cookie” Cruse

A CAG board member for over eighteen years, Karen is co-chair of the Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) Committee, working diligently to create a balance between the residential and commercial sectors. She coordinates with businesses and residents to modify and answer concerns regarding liquor licenses -- known as settlement agreements. “Cookie” is a key liaison person with Georgetown University on town-gown matters, serving on the Safety and Student Life Committee of the Georgetown Community Partnership. She also assists with editing the CAG newsletter and is a regular volunteer at the Senior Center Lunch Program and Meals on Wheels. She and her husband, Jim, live on 35th Street.

## Director – Barbara Downs

A resident of P Street, Barbara has served on the CAG board in several capacities -- as President and on numerous committees including Public Safety, Beautification, Gala, Membership and Nominating. She is also active in the Georgetown Garden Club and the Senior Center at St. John's. She and her late husband, Tim Downs, have been pivotal leaders in Georgetown, from CAG Beautification Days to the O & P Street renovation project.

## Director – Hannah Isles

Hannah Isles has lived in Georgetown since 2006 and recently moved from 33rd Street to 30th Street. She started her career as a political fundraiser and later transitioned to public relations working for private sector and non-profit companies including AOL, GE, Powell Tate, and Share our Strength. In 2007 she left office life to work at home raising her two children, Nina and Peter. She has served on the committee for CAG's Concerts in the Parks program for the past 8 years and currently chairs the committee. She is married to Adam Isles.

## Director – John Rentzepis

John has lived in Georgetown since 2000 and has been Co-Chair of the Public Safety Committee since 2014. For many years, he has been involved with Friends of Book Hill Park serving as a volunteer and board member. He works in alternative investments and resides on P Street with his wife and two daughters.

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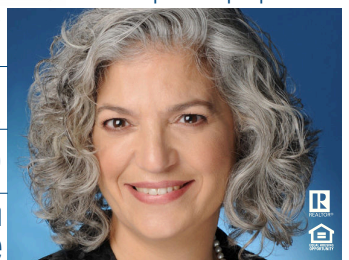
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- Mon May 1** **ANC 2E May Meeting** at Georgetown Visitation, 6:30pm. Heritage Room, Main Building. 35th St at Volta Place NW. [www.anc2e.com/meetings.html](http://www.anc2e.com/meetings.html)
- Sat May 13** **Georgetown Garden Tour** 10am-5pm. Afternoon tea included in ticket price. Tickets available at Christ Church, 31st and O Streets. [www.georgetowngardenclubdc.org](http://www.georgetowngardenclubdc.org)
- Sun May 21** **Little Folks Preschool Art Exhibit & Sale** at 3257 Q Street NW 3-5pm. Art, music, food, and fun. Free and open to the community.
- Sun May 21** **First CAG Summer Concert in the Parks** at Volta Park, 5:30-7pm
- Tue May 23** **CAG Annual Meeting** at Dumbarton House, 2715 Q Street. Reception at 7pm, program 7:30-8:30pm. Presentation of Annual Awards, Election of Officers, and Legacy Society Induction (in recognition of those who have committed to recognizing CAG in their wills – for more information, see [cagtown.org/plannedgiving](http://cagtown.org/plannedgiving)).
- Tue May 30** **ANC 2E Meeting** at Georgetown Visitation, 6:30pm. Heritage Room, Main Building. 35th St at Volta Place NW. [www.anc2e.com/meetings.html](http://www.anc2e.com/meetings.html)

## PLANNING AHEAD

- Sun June 18** **CAG Father's Day Summer Concerts in the Parks** at Volta Park, 5:30-7pm
- Mon June 29** **ANC 2E Meeting** at Georgetown Visitation, 6:30pm. Heritage Room, Main Building. 35th St at Volta Place NW. [www.anc2e.com/meetings.html](http://www.anc2e.com/meetings.html)
- Sun July 9** **Third CAG Summer Concert in the Parks** at Rose Park, 5:30-7pm
- Thu June 29** **ANC 2E Meeting** at Georgetown Visitation, 6:30pm. Heritage Room, Main Building. 35th St at Volta Place NW. [www.anc2e.com/meetings.html](http://www.anc2e.com/meetings.html)

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