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Community and GU Negotiate New Agreement

A message from CAG President Jennifer Altemus

The Mayor was on hand last week to announce that Georgetown University and the community have worked out a negotiated settlement on key elements of a proposed revised Georgetown University Campus Plan. For the past two months I have been meeting with senior leadership of the University, ANC 2E, Burleith leadership, Foxhall leadership and ANC 3D. I firmly believe that we have developed a proposal that will go a long way towards alleviating many of the adverse impacts we experience living in such close proximity to the University. This is a genuine compromise whereby neither side got 100% of what it wanted, but we are all pleased with the outcome.



Photo: The Georgetown

We agreed to enter into negotiations because it appeared there was a real change in the vision of senior leadership at the University who recognize that genuine long term campus planning is needed. A sense of trust has been developed among the parties which goes a long way towards rebuilding a good relationship between the school and its neighbors. This is a result that all sides want.

The CAG Board has agreed to support this plan and has asked the Zoning Commission to do the same. A special ANC meeting at 6:30pm on June 14 at Visitation school will discuss the details and allow the ANC to vote to support this plan as well. **Some of the key details:**

- GU agrees to move 450 students from off-campus to on-campus. This is up from the 250 it had in its most recent offer. This number will be met by moving 65 undergrads out of Magis Row by the fall of 2013 and constructing 385 new beds by the fall of 2015.

- The bulk of those 450 new beds will be found by converting the Leavey Center hotel to dorm use.
- A new Georgetown Community Partnership will be formed by reps of the ANC, civic groups, and GU. It will serve as a forum for addressing issues without waiting for the next ten year plan. And it will be instrumental in creating the next campus plan.

- Living off-campus will be a privilege not a right. If students don't meet certain disciplinary or academic standards, they will not be permitted to live off-campus.
- Living on campus will become more attractive for students. GU's goal is to make students *want* to live and hang out on campus. One key element is the construction of a New South student center with a pub.

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Two More 2012 Concerts in the Parks!

Fathers' Day on June 17th • Red, White + Bluegrass Bonanza and Parade on July 4th

Calling all Dads and the people who love them! The next concert in the 2012 Concerts in the Parks summer series will be on **Fathers' Day, June 17th, in Volta Park, from 5 to 6:30.** This special concert will feature the Morrison

Brothers Band and their blend of southern rock, country, and pop.

In addition to the music, there will be plenty of food and activities for the whole family, including Haagen Daz ice cream, sack races, t-shirt

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Over 400 people enjoyed the May concert in Volta Park

Community and GU Negotiate New Agreement *continued from cover*

- Another key element of this is to make having parties on-campus easier. The idea is to ease up on students who want to throw parties in dorms so that they won't just go off-campus.
- By 12/31/2013, the School of Continuing Studies will be moved to a new downtown campus, Georgetown Downtown. This will free up 1,000 slots that GU will be permitted to reassign to other grad programs. On top of those 1,000 slots, the school will incrementally add approximately 1000 more grad students. Many of the expanded graduate programs are geared towards older students who already live in the DC area. The undergrad headcount will be capped at 6,675. This will bring total campus enrollment to 14,106. This number will be audited annually and not subject to averaging.
- The plan significantly improves measures for relieving parking and traffic congestion from GU traffic
- GU will explore the construction or acquisition of housing units for grad students outside Georgetown, Burleith, and Foxhall.
- GU will seek to obtain a new 100 acre campus on which they will put a large portion of their graduate programs.

In addition to the headway we made on the GU Campus Plan, we received a favorable ruling from the DC Court of Appeals on ABC issues. Two recent rulings uphold the legal standing of Voluntary Agreements as a provision of liquor licenses. Voluntary agreements are contracts entered into by alcohol establishments that become an actual part of the liquor license. The voluntary agreement transfers with the liquor license when a new business acquires that license. These agreements can cover anything from hours of oper-



Ron Lewis accepts his award from Jennifer Altemus, Jack Evans & Mayor Gray

ation, to capacity limits, to noise abatement issues. The idea of Voluntary Agreements is not to arbitrarily impose restrictions but to preserve quality of life for all. Georgetown is a unique federally protected historic district. Residents and visitors alike have come to expect a certain vibe in the area. That is why we need this tool to protect the community.

CAG Board Member (and ABC guru), Cookie Cruse, has been working with Councilman Graham on an ABC Task Force. Voluntary Agreements were discussed and will remain a part of the process for obtaining a liquor license in the District. We are relieved that both the courts and the City Council agree that these agreements are a legally binding effective tool in regulating liquor licenses.

Trees for Georgetown held a very successful fundraiser at the Cox Row home of Patrick McGettigan. I am grateful for his largess and to all of the people who made donations. These funds allow our dedicated group of volunteers to plant and maintain the trees that line the residential streets. They have planted over 2,000 trees, contracted watering services during drought periods and provided preventative maintenance of at-risk trees. Just one new tree costs \$900 to purchase and plant. And watering and maintenance can cost thousands. Our beautiful trees are not cheap!!

The 10th season of Concerts in the Parks is in full swing. The May 20 Pink and Green festival at Volta Park drew over 400 people. George-

town's singer and song writer, Rebecca McCabe, wowed the crowd. Be sure to come out for the rest of the series: Celebrate Fathers' Day at the Sunday, June 17 concert featuring the Morrison Brothers Band at 5pm in Volta Park. And the grand finale will be our 4th of July celebration on Wednesday, July 4 at Rose Park starting with the annual parade at 4:30pm then the By & By bluegrass performance at 5pm.

Mayor Gray and Jack Evans key-noted our annual meeting at the spectacular Dumbarton House. It was a special evening. We were able to pay tribute to four fantastic people who do so much for our community. Without the efforts of Nancy Taylor Bubes, Karen Daly, Ron Lewis, and Ruth Werner our neighborhood would be a really different place.

It was also our board elections. I was re-elected as president (which I am thrilled about – thank you!), Luca Pivato as vice president, Topher Mathews as secretary, Bob Laycock as treasurer, and directors, Diane Colasanto, Hazel Denton, Bob vom Eigen, and Pamla Moore. Also continuing on as directors are Brooke Carnot, Cookie Cruse, Barbara Downs and Brad Gray. Richard Hinds will continue as our legal advisor and Betsy Cooley as executive director. I am sorry to say that Renee Esfandiary Crupi has resigned from the board. She found that there weren't enough hours in the day to do everything she was committed to. I'll miss her spot-on advice and calming aura. I am thankful for all that she has done for our community.

Bob Laycock gave the Treasurer's Report. He emphasized that the organization is healthy but is completely reliant on membership dues, donations and sponsorships for income. Your continued support is appreciated and absolutely critical. To make a donation please visit our website www.cagtown.org.

—Jennifer Altemus

ASPECTS OF GEORGETOWN

COUNTRY ROADS

Right now our streets have the musky heavy smell of the flowering street trees --lindens. They are handsome trees and the good smell speaks of summer, there are those of us who really like that. The more nature -- the good kind of nature-- in our little urban village the better. There are many grace notes to life here.

So as we disperse for short or long periods of time as one does at this time of year, it shakes us out of little ruts. What if we have to deal with people who don't live in Georgetown? Or even in Washington? Can we handle it? We tend to be news junkies here, informed, opinionated, perhaps a trifle smug, but then suddenly we may be thrown together

with people out there who seem to have opinions of their own. This certainly is unsettling. Really. How dare they? Don't they know that we live in the red hot center of the action and know everything?

Everyone's assignment is to be "What I Learned this Summer in Time Spent out of Washington." You will be graded on coherence of thought, calmness, and ability to handle ideas that differ from one's own. First prize will be a plunge in the river with the Polar Bear Club in January — or whenever it is they do their thing. Second prize will be... no, I am forbidden to reveal what it is, but you will like it a lot. Or maybe not.

Obviously it will be beneficial for some of us to have a change of scenery to let our minds clear. Anyway, summer is about to fall on the land. Summer is good, too hot sometimes, but good. Summer, summer, summer, the soundless footsteps on the grass. That's Edith Wharton, who had a way with words.

We can get away from life coaches and wantologists, who, I believe, we need to pay to tell us what it is we want. What would be best would be a view of meadows, lush green meadows in the long summer dusk, and country roads that seem not to be in a hurry to go anywhere.

—Edith Schafer



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Local Artists Donate Work to Georgetown Library

Well-known Georgetown artists, Sidney Lawrence and Arthur Day, now have their artwork adorning the walls of the recently renovated Georgetown library. Arthur's colorful rendition of Georgetown streets and Sidney's exquisite thin-line ink drawing of a DC cityscape, donated by Tom Birch, hang over the two fireplaces on the first floor. The Friends of the Georgetown Library called the donations a "joyful rendition of our Georgetown streets." Visit the library to see these wonderful pieces generously donated by Georgetown neighbors.



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Rebecca McCabe and her singing girls at May Concert



Concerts Committee members Amy Kuhnert and Kelly Doolan keep the creativity going at the arts and crafts table



Sprinkles Cupcakes were a huge hit



Hannah Isles and son, Peter



MPD Officer Atkins with David Ferreira and daughter Zoe

decorating, water balloon tosses, temporary tattoo “parlor,” and a father-child dance. Prizes have been selected with that special guy in mind and include Ace Hardware gift cards and ties from Britches and Vineyard Vines. What better way to pay tribute to all those hardworking Dads than with a kick-back afternoon in the park? Bring a picnic or step up to the Ball or Nothing meat ball truck and try a “summer” meatball (*think crab meatballs*) for dinner.

Then, on Wednesday, July 4th, the tenth annual Concerts in the Parks season wraps up with an Independence Day celebration in Rose Park. Decorate before or head over to the Rose Park basketball courts at 4pm to deck out your dogs, trikes, bikes, and strollers for the annual All American

Red, White, and Blue parade. The march begins at 4:30pm and will circle the park. There will be a prize for the most patriotic decorations, so don't hold back. More is more!

At 5pm, celebrate our country's independence with a slice of Americana, as By & By entertains with its unique urban bluegrass sound. Join your neighbors for the annual East Village versus West Village Tug-O-War (bragging rights are at stake!) and test your teamwork with a loved-one in a three-legged race. And, show off your “inner Rodin” in our first-ever watermelon carving contest. Entries should be prepared at home and will be voted on during the concert!

—Maryann Surrick
Concerts Committee



Enjoying a little cotton candy!
(photo Shaun Courtney)



Judge Griff Jenkins with the very cute winner of the Pink and Green contest

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Celebrating — and Protecting — Our Neighborhoods' Unique History



Enjoying the block party (l-r): Michele Jacobson's daughter, Celeste Maslovsky and baby Grace; Bob Hanse, (Leonard (Leni) Ellen background next to Shirley Barth), and Marjorie Kask

The quaint Cherry Hill neighborhood, home to about 350 people, is tucked away just west of Wisconsin Avenue and south of the canal. On the beautiful evening of May 12 the neighborhood held a block party to thank DDOT for work well done and to thank the ANC, CAG and Councilmember Evans' office for their support. Like the party held on the same spot in 1955, guests enjoyed good food and conversation and square danced under Japanese lanterns. The earlier party celebrated the repeal of the District's Dwelling Act of 1955 and the paving of Cherry Hill Lane — which ensured the little streets and houses of Cherry Hill Lane and Cecil Place between the Potomac River the the C&O canal would be saved.

Recently an application to build condominiums on a vacant lot in the heart of the Cherry Hill neighborhood at Grace Street and Cecil Place spurred me to research the lot's history. Since 1751, the lot has only held single family residential structures. The first structure was a stone house built in the 1750s that was eventually torn down and replaced in the 1800s with row houses facing Grace Street.

These were torn down in the early 1900s and the vacant lot was obtained in a swap by the Steinbraker family in the 1940s. It has been used as a yard for their electrical and general contracting businesses ever since.

On the rare occasion that construction is proposed on vacant land in Georgetown, the absence of structures doesn't alter the history of the lot which, along with neighboring historic structures, can help inform the design of the new structure so that it preserves the character of the historic area. The residents of Cherry Hill and CAG continue to hope that the new development reflects the history of the lot and is compatible with the neighboring historic structures in order to preserve the character of Georgetown.

—Michele Jacobson
CAG Historic
Preservation Committee



Neighbors square danced — just like they did in 1950's block Party, Meg, Christopher Fletcher, Diane Liesman, Greg Pfeiffer, Deborah, Kay and the caller, Jim Wass in the middle

Welcome and Farewell

At last Scheele's Market has found a new owner. Thanks to the heroic efforts of Mike Peabody, Marilyn Melkonian, Peter Jost, Tom Birch and many others, the historic market at Dumbarton and 29th has been bought by Mr. Dong-Kuk Kim. Mr. Kim will carry on the traditions established by the Scheele family and that were enhanced and expanded for over twenty years by Mr. and Mrs. Lee.

It is sad to say good-bye to our friends the Lee's who have contributed so much to so many in our neighborhood. Mrs. Lee wrote in her farewell note, "To us Scheele's was more than a business; it was part of our family. And that family extended well beyond the streets of Georgetown." She went on to add, "We can never thank you enough for your unending show of love and support for the little corner store."

Mr. Kim said he intends to make some improvements to the store, replace the appliances, and add more organic products. He and his wife live in Columbia, Maryland and have both had retail experience. He is working the cash register now, and greeting Scheele's loyal clientele, who happily look forward to many more years of shopping.

Mike Peabody and a number of enthusiastic neighbors are organizing a block party on June 21st to help raise funds to complete a final agreement with the property owner to guarantee Scheele's stays on the corner for at least fifteen more years. The tickets will be \$75 per person and will provide a unique opportunity to eat, drink and make merry on a Mid-Summers night in Georgetown.

Meanwhile Joseph Stachowski has opened his full service meat market at 28th and P where the old Griffin Market used to be. He makes sandwiches, offers a delectable variety of sausages, cold cuts, bacon, pate, pigs feet, sweet breads, and milk and butter from a dairy in Pennsylvania called Trickling Springs. He also has fresh lamb, chicken and beef, and meals to carry out. He said he intends to do some catering as well and has a good and experienced partner in Jyoti Mukherjee whose father owned the wonderful Indian restaurant Apana. The new place will be called Stachowski's.

So farewell and thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Lee. Welcome to Joseph, Jyoti and Mr. Kim, and.....

Support our local markets, we need them!

—V V Harrison



Welcome Huan! Recent George Washington University graduate, Huan Wang will assist Elizabeth Maloy (pictured here) and Betsy Cooley in the CAG office in June and July



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Friends of Scheele's Block Party!

Celebrate Scheele's Market on June 21st from 6-9pm on 29th Street between O and Dumbarton Streets. Scheele's Market is a landmark in the Georgetown neighborhood, serving as a grocery for over 100 years. When owners Mr. and Mrs. Lee decided to retire, the community rallied and formed the group Friends of Scheele's to raise money and guarantee the property remains a grocery. The group succeeded but is looking for additional donations to keep it a local and on-going store and tradition. Come celebrate Scheele's and meet the new owners! Reserve a space by contacting Mike Peabody 2811 Dumbarton St. NW, DC 20007

Mayor Gray Speaks at CAG Annual Meeting

Mayor Vincent Gray addressed the CAG Annual Meeting on Wednesday, May 30 at Dumbarton House and Councilman Jack Evans, along with Jennifer Altemus, presented awards to outstanding community leaders.

Long-time ANC 2E commissioner Ron Lewis was presented with the Belin Award for distinguished service to the Georgetown community. Mayor Gray praised him for his efforts to reach a settlement in the negotiations regarding the Georgetown University Campus Plan. "What a great victory that would be for everybody if everybody could come together and find a way to solve this issue with the campus plan," remarked Gray. Jennifer said: "Instrumental in working with the DC government to secure city services for Georgetown, Ron is a thoughtful team builder who masterfully and patiently orchestrated the town-gown discussions."

The William A. Cochran Community Service Award for exceptional efforts to protect and enhance the community's parkland and architectural resources was presented to Karen Daly, executive director of Dumbarton House. Since taking the reigns of the historic house museum in 2008, Karen has seen museum attendance surge by 75%. She has also overseen the installation of an herb garden that is open to the public; inaugurated more public events and programs including concerts, theater

performances and films; and spearheaded multiple preservation initiatives to protect Dumbarton House.

Ruth Werner, the reliable and effective liaison between the DC Council and Office of Jack Evans and the

legislation alerts and reminds property owners living in historic districts of important information about property law and regulations.

The Martin-Davidson Award for an outstanding business serving the community and enhancing the historic character of Georgetown was presented to the vivacious and energetic Nancy Taylor Bubes of Washington Fine Properties. Nancy is a community leader who connects businesses and new comers to important activities in the neighborhood. Involved in numerous organizations including Friends of Volta Park, Friends of Rose Park, the Georgetown Village, and Trees for Georgetown, Nancy

also is a Public Safety block captain. She has co-chaired the Georgetown Gala for three years and has been a key supporter of the Concerts in the Parks from the beginning.

Nomination committee member, Barbara Downs, presented the slate of officers who were unanimously elected: Jennifer Altemus, President; Luca Pivato, Vice President; Topher Mathews, Secretary; Bob Laycock, Treasurer; and Directors Diane Colasanto, Hazel Denton, Bob vom Eigen, and Pamla Moore. Treasurer Bob Laycock presented the annual financial report. Many thanks to Dumbarton House for providing gracious hospitality in their beautiful setting to over 120 CAG members and to Safeway Catering for generously providing a sumptuous buffet of hors d'oeuvres.

—Elizabeth Maloy



Councilmember Jack Evans, Honorees Ruth Werner and Ron Lewis, CAG President Jennifer Altemus Honorees Nancy Taylor Bubes and Karen Daly



Jack Evans introduced Mayor Gray (seated)

Georgetown community, was presented the Charles Atherton Award for exceptional service by a dedicated public-sector professional and protecting Historic Georgetown. Ruth is well known for her work on many community issues – large and small. Ruth worked closely with Councilman Evans and CAG's Historic Preservation and Zoning Committee in drafting the Historic District Property Improvement Notification. This new

Trash Inspectors Serve Us All

Over the last month there has been a noticeable spike in citations for sanitation violations in Georgetown. On June 4, the city's trash inspectors issued 18 violations, and they came back again the next day to issue even more. Fines range from \$75 for a first offense to \$1,000 for a fourth violation.

The inspectors from the Department of Public Works (DPW) Solid Waste Education Enforcement Program (SWEEP) are continuing to actively patrol our communities on a regular basis. The lead inspector for our area is Sonya Chance, sonya.chance@dc.gov. If you see what appears to be a violation, use your cell phone to take a picture and send it to Inspector Chance, along with the address, date, and any information you may wish to provide.

There are still violations occurring far too often in Georgetown. Please remember:

- Use solid waste containers that have tight-fitting lids. Except inside a proper container, plastic bags are illegal for solid waste disposal. Trash cannot be left outside the trash container.
- Put your trash out no earlier than 6:30pm the evening before and return your container to your property by 8pm on your collection days.

- Do NOT leave trash containers or recycling bins on public space during non-collection times. On most Georgetown streets, public space extends quite a ways back from the street — at least ten feet, and often to the front of the residence. Sometimes public space includes the area behind a fence in front of a house! (The only way to know what is and is not public space is to consult the DC government's records.)

We should all observe the trash regulations for many reasons:

- Rats will go to the areas where there are sanitation violations.
- Sanitation violations lead to litter which not only result in unsightly conditions in our community, but the litter works its way into our storm drain system and directly into the Potomac River. Plastics, and other items, are toxic in our water system.
- The Metropolitan Police Department reports that degraded sections of the community (including from sanitation violations) can attract crime, due to a sense of a lack of security.
- The City of DC (and all of us) saves money when we follow the sanitation regulations. Following the regulations means the city does not need to spend extra dollars

cleaning up litter. And recycled items are considered a commodity which the city sells for revenue. Those individuals and businesses that ignore the recycling rules are costing us all money.

Speaking of recycling, please place only recycling items in the recycling bin; trash contaminates recycling materials. Do not place recycling items in the trash can; throwing away recycling materials is an opportunity cost. **DO NOT PLACE THESE IN YOUR RECYCLING BIN:** light bulbs of any kind; window glass or glass cookware; clothing; syringes or needles; Styrofoam (or any foamed plastics); carryout cartons; salad bar containers, clam shelled plastics (e.g. containers for berries, small electronics and sometimes light bulbs) or pizza boxes. For more information about recycling in DC, look at: <http://dpw.dc.gov/DC/DPW/Services+on+Your+Block/Recycling/Residential+Recycling+FAQs>

—Patrick Clawson,
CAG Beautification Chair

With much thanks to Jeff Jones, the Community Public Works Group person on our ANC (Advisory Neighborhood Commission). Jeff is a fireball of energy who works actively with DPW about trash issues, and he is a great source of information about DC rules and practices regarding trash.

D.C. C.O.P.S. Classic in Memory of Sgt. Joseph Pozell

The 9th Anniversary D.C. – C.O.P.S. Classic golf tournament will be held on Monday, August 13th in honor of Reserve Sergeant Joseph Pozell at the Westfields Golf Club in Clifton, VA. *Officer Pozell was struck by a vehicle while directing traffic at the Wisconsin Avenue and M Street intersection in 2005 and succumbed to his injuries three days later.* Started in 2003, this tournament raises money for the Washington DC Chapter of Concerts of Police Survivors with 100% of the proceeds donated to the organization. Growing from a small get together of 75 players in 2003, last year's tournament grew to 260 golfers. The morning tee time has sold out, but the afternoon session is still open – registration begins at 1pm with tee time at 2pm. Individual golfers \$135 and foursome \$540. Visit www.dccopsclassic.com for more information.

Dumbarton Oaks Park Conservancy Celebrates its First Year

I have a particular bond with Dumbarton Oaks Park starting from when I happened to rent an apartment across the street. Then I discovered the beauty that is Dumbarton Oaks Park. Here right in the heart of the city was a valley of brooks and bridges, dells and dogwoods. It was unlike any city park I had ever seen before. And I was certain that there was no way in Hell I'd be lucky enough to live so close to such a treasure.

While still stunning, the park certainly is not in great shape. The original designs of the great Beatrix Farrand have faded away as structures collapsed and invasive plants marauded the landscape. Unlike its sister Dumbarton Oaks Gardens, which is maintained by the deep pockets of Harvard, Dumbarton Oaks Park is maintained on a shoestring budget by the National Park Service. Into this gap last year entered the new Dumbarton Oaks Park Conservancy.

Led by Rebecca Trafton, this organization seeks to restore Dumb-

arton Oaks Park to the state it was in the 1920s, when Farrand was hired by Robert and Mildred Woods Bliss to design the estate's gardens and woodlands. They have their work cut out for them.

The organization celebrated its one year anniversary at the Italian Embassy. Invited to speak to the standing room only crowd was Betsy Rogers, the former administrator of the Central Park Conservancy in New York. This hugely successful conservancy is the model of the Dumbarton Oaks Park Conservancy (and really any park conservancy).

Rogers spoke of the importance of place for a park and the therapeutic aspect of natural surroundings. Most of all she emphasized the critical role the the public-private partnership played in restoring Central Park. This is the point of the conservancy and the point of bringing in a bunch of swells to a pretty embassy and feeding them wine: money!

The Conservancy has already done a lot to improve the state of the park.

They've held several weeding sessions, which address the most pressing problem of pernicious vines choking off everything in sight. And the Executive Director of the conservancy, Ann Aldrich, spoke of the organization's plans to start the heavy lifting of true restoration by targeting two acres immediately within the park's gates. She promised that in five years, much of the original fabric of the park could be restored.

Following the presentation, I quickly slipped away from the embassy and hopped back on my bike. Riding through the Rock Creek trail to Lovers Lane, I decided to take a detour through the park I had just heard so much about.


Riding over the bridge and entering the valley, I was struck again at how special this park is. I passed dogwalkers and a small family of deer as I chugged my heavy Schwinn up the rocky paths. The cool air floated down from the woods as twilight started to fall.

There are plenty of beautiful spots in Georgetown, whether on the veranda of a \$10 million estate, the benches of Book Hill or the banks of the Potomac. But for me, the meadows of Dumbarton Oaks Park top them all. Turning back to Lovers Lane, I couldn't help but think back to that first walk through the park almost nine years ago. I couldn't believe then that I would be so lucky to live so close to this park. Nine years later and I still can't believe it.

—Topher Mathews
CAG Board Secretary
(adapted from his Georgetown Metropolitan blog)

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SUMMER COMMUNITY EVENTS AND CALENDAR

Sat. June 16	A Golden Fathers Day at Tudor Place; 10:30-11:30am; ages 5+; tour the historic mansion then learn all about gilding and create a gold-leaf frame to bring home; adult \$3, member child \$7, non-member child \$10; 1644 31st Street; www.tudorplace.org .
Sun. June 17	CAG Concert in the Park featuring The Morrison Brothers Band & Fathers Day activities; 5pm; Volta Park, 34th & Q Streets.
Sun. June 24	Georgetown Walking Tour: Mr. Nourse's Neighborhood, Georgetown c. 1800; join an hour-long tour and see Georgetown through the eyes of Dumbarton House's first resident, Mr. Nourse; 1pm; \$10, children under 3 are free; meet at corner of 27th & Q Streets; www.dumbartonhouse.org to pre-pay and for more information.
Mon. July 2	Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2E Public Meeting; 6:30pm; Heritage Room, Georgetown Visitation, 35th & Volta Streets; agenda available at www.anc2e.com ; call 338-7427 for information.
Tues. July 3	Fourth of July Ice Cream Social; 1-3pm; tour the museum, create your own ice cream sundae in the garden, and participate in games and crafts; member children \$5, nonmember children \$10, adults \$5, free for military families; Tudor Place, 1644 31st Street; visit www.tudorplace.org for more information.
Wed. July 4	CAG Concert in the Park featuring the By & By Band and the Fourth of July Parade; parade begins at 4:30pm at the basketball courts, concerts begins at 5pm; Rose Park, 26th & P Streets.
Wed. July 11	Jane Austen Film Fest at Dumbarton House; enjoy the outdoor movie event featuring Jane Austen's "Emma," grounds open at 7:30pm; free; 2715 Q Street; www.dumbartonhouse.org .

See You at the Concerts! Have a Great Summer!