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NOVEMBER COMMUNITY MEETING

The State of Georgetown Retail

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14 GEORGETOWN PARK MALL RECEPTION 6:30 PM, PROGRAM 7:00-8:00 PM

or our monthly meeting in November, CAG is partnering with the BID and the ANC to engage the community in discussing approaches to the issues associated with empty storefronts in the neighborhood. The once thriving retail district in Georgetown is changing and property owners are facing new challenges. Join us to learn more!





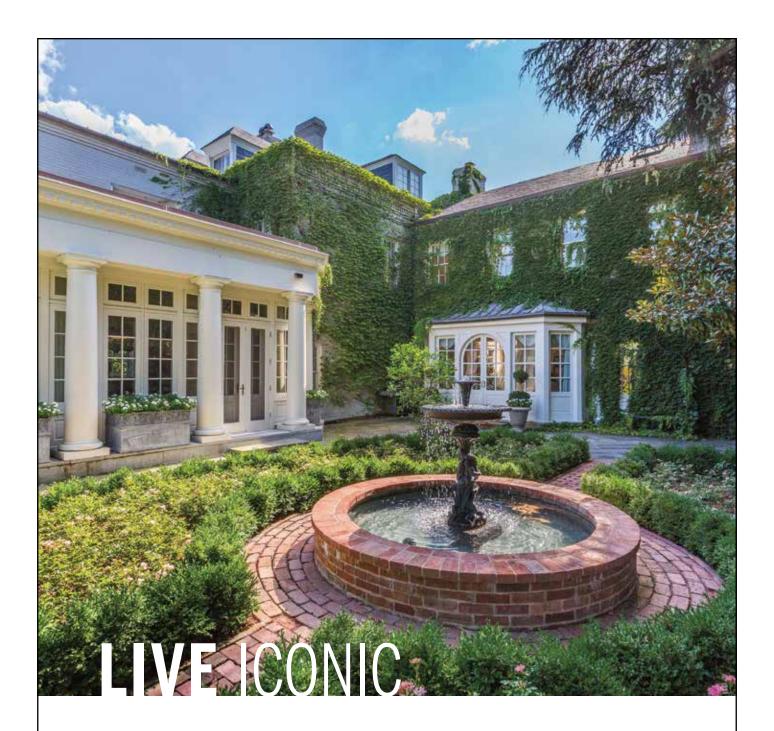
Join us for the 2019 CAG Fall Cocktails Fundraiser

he Citizens Association of Georgetown Fall Cocktail Fundraiser is sure to be an enchanting evening of elegant cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a unique musical guest. A special 'thank you' to Nancy & Marc Duber for generously hosting this popular event coming up November 5th!

Last Year's Party!

See invitation on page 5.





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President's LETTER

Dear CAG Community,

Fall has gotten off to a strong start for CAG, with an interesting kick-off community meeting at Hyde-Addison, a wonderful 30th-anniversary party for Trees for Georgetown at the Romm residence, a lively CAG concert in Rose Park, and a fun evening at Ella-Rue. Thanks to all of you who joined us for these events, which help support and build our community.

October and November will be equally busy. CAG's October community meeting featured the National Park Service and Georgetown Heritage giving the community a first full look at the revised plans for the C&O Canal (Oct 22nd at Pinstripes). For the November meeting, CAG is partnering with the BID and the ANC to engage the community in discussing approaches to the problem of empty storefronts (Nov 14th at Georgetown Park Mall). CAG's annual cocktail party and fundraiser will be Nov 5th at the lovely home of Marc and Nancy Duber. Attendance is limited, and tickets can be purchased (while they last) at www.cagtown.org.

Meanwhile CAG's committees continue their work, with two items of note this month. First, on Oct 17th the Public

Safety Committee organized a get-together for block captains to share perspectives on public safety. The key role of a block captain is to pass along safety information to neighbors. It is an easy job that helps keep everyone informed and safe. Please consider volunteering as a block captain if your block doesn't already have one. Second, the Historic Preservation and Zoning Committee reviewed several large office and residential proposals on Wisconsin Avenue (the former Zara space and adjacent buildings), Prospect Street (the parking lot behind Wawa), and Water Street (the building with Gypsy Sally's). Comments from the HPZ Committee feed directly into the Old Georgetown Board process, which is critical in preserving the architectural and historical integrity of the historic district. CAG also issued comments to the Board of Zoning Approval on the variance application of Call Your Mother (CYM), a popular bagel store hoping to operate out of the former Greenworks space at 34th and O. This case involves detailed provisions of the zoning law and has both strong proponents and opponents. We should find out soon how the BZA will rule.

Finally, this month CAG is launching a new Urban Landscape Committee, combining transportation, parking, and urban



planning issues under one group chaired by CAG Board member Stephanie Bothwell. This committee is sure to be busy, given Georgetown's ever-present parking concerns and the many innovations in transportation and urban design that are rapidly changing streetscapes here and elsewhere.

Cheryl Gray, PRESIDENT

SIP & SHOP!

What's the recipe for a successful and charitable SIP & SHOP? Friends with an attitude of fun and rosé on ice. Thank you to Ella-Rue! A portion of the proceeds benefit CAG.





Catherine Kerkam, Leslie Maysak



Krista Johnson, Mandi Howard, Leslie Maysak

UPCOMING CAG EVENTS/MEETINGS

CAG Cocktail Party

Tues Nov 5: – The Duber Residence.

January meeting on Homelessness

Time and Date TBD

CAG Annual Meeting

Dumbarton House – Tues, May 12th

Watch for announcements and updates on cagtown.org/meetings and facebook.com/georgetowncitizens.

ASPECTS OF GEORGETOWN

Edith Schafer

"So, we will go no more a roving so late into the night, though the heart be just as loving and the moon be just as bright." That's Byron talking. Then there is Tennyson on "looking on the happy autumn fields and thinking of the days that

are no more." Consider Shoeless Joe Jackson to whom it was lamented, "Say it aint so, Joe." But, of course, it was so. Back in 1919 he threw the game – for money – and broke the fans' hearts. There is no escaping the past.

Human beings have the ability to look back at the past and think how much they have lost.

But what has this got to do with Georgetown? Maybe a lot, because we had a glorious past and are waiting for the cycle to come around again.

So, let's look on the bright side: Crazy traffic, empty store fronts and potholes are not forever. And maybe someday we will have silent leaf blowers.

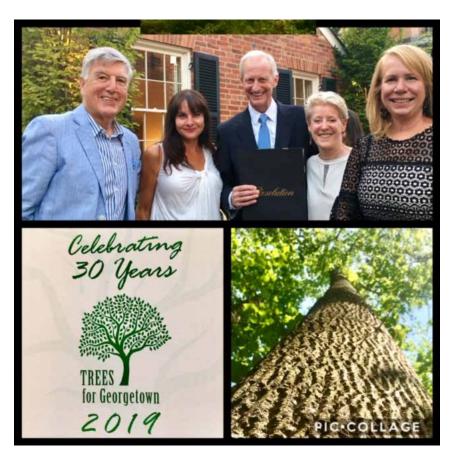
TREES FOR GEORGETOWN PARTY

Betsy Emes and Christi Cline

e want to thank everyone for donating and joining us for our annual cocktail party. It was a beautiful evening held in the equally beautiful home of Jennifer and David Romm. This year we also celebrated Trees for Georgetown's 30th anniversary. The occasion was marked by City Councilman Jack Evans presenting a resolution from the city stating that September 15 is "Trees for Georgetown Day" in the District of Columbia

We've been busy since the party. Several members of our committee have been out to then Casey Trees farm to select 35 new trees to be planted in the Spring. Thanks for your generous donations and it's never too late to donate to help keep our canopy thriving.

And don't forget, even though it's fall and we have cooler temps, we're still in a drought and our street trees still need to be watered.

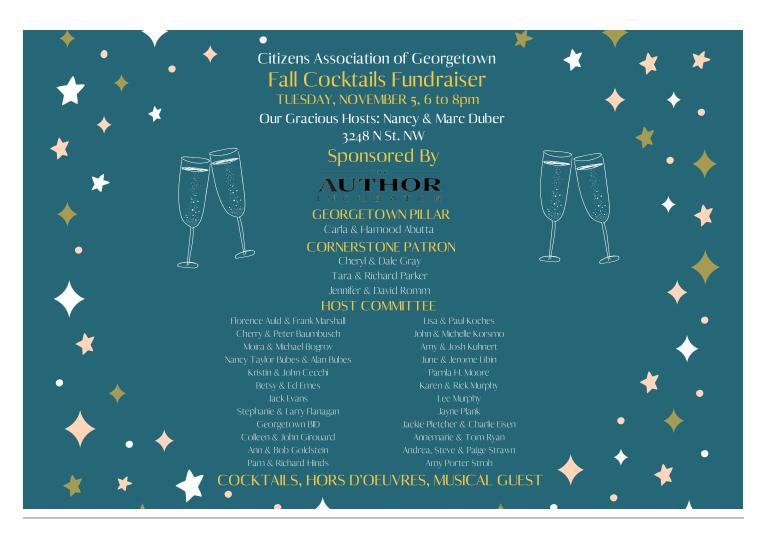


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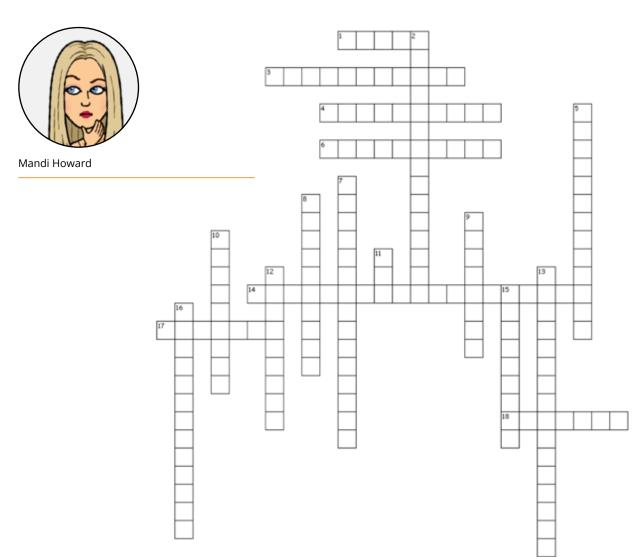
Welcome Back Concert in Rose Park

Our "Welcome Back Concert in the Park" was a success as community members gathered to picnic in Rose Park while enjoying classic rock music from THE OTHER SIDE. Jesse from Uprising Yoga Center guided us in a peaceful outdoor yoga session. Rocklands was offering BBQ for lunch, Captain Cookie and the Milkman tempted everyone with dessert while members of CAG passed our fresh apples picked from the orchards of Maryland. The weather was hot but that didn't stop the kids from creating art in the shade or dancing with the band. Whether they were visiting with ANC reps or talking real estate with the Compass agents, everyone was engaging, enjoying and embracing the day. Thank you to Friends of Rose Park as well as everyone who attended. We're already looking forward to next year!

Many thanks to our community sponsors at Compass Realty Georgetown!



Georgetown Trivia



Across

- 1. Julia Child's house was located on this Georgetown Street.
- 3. This movie's climactic scene ends when the protagonist is hurled down the 75-step staircase at the end of 36th Street. (2 words)
- 4. This Georgetown establishment is the oldest, continuously-operated jazz supper club in America and has hosted every major jazz artist from Ella Fitzgerald to Count Basie to Dizzy Gillespie, Tony Bennett and Wynton Marsalis. (2 words)
- 6. "Take Me Home Country Roads", originally about driving through Maryland, was written at 31st and Q Street by this artist. (2 words)
- 14. Located on M Street, this is where George Washington met with local landowners to acquire the District of Columbia. (3 words)
- 17. This is the last US President to reside in $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Georgetown}}\xspace.$
- 18. This U.S. President's son was laid to rest at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Down

- 2. This famous Hollywood actress resided in Georgetown while married to Senator Warner. (2 words) $\,$
- 5. JFK proposed to Jackie at this Georgetown establishment. (2 words)
- 7. This lawyer resided on M Street and went on to write the National Anthem. (3 words)
- 8. The C&O Canal extends 184 miles along the Potomac River from Georgetown to this city in Maryland.
- 9. Many years ago, when all Georgetown students were required to study Greek and Latin, the University's teams were nicknamed "The Stonewalls." It is suggested that a student, using Greek and Latin terms, started the cheer "Hoya Saxa!", which translates into...? (2words)
- 10. This person is famously quoted as saying "The hand that mixes the Georgetown martini is time and again the hand that guides the destiny of the Western world."
- 11. Tabulating Machine Company, which was founded in Georgetown and located on 31st Street, later went on to become this Fortune 500 company.
- 12. This Georgetown church is the home of one of the oldest African American congregations in the city. (2 words)
- 13. United Nations charter was outlined at this Georgetown location in 1944. (2 words)
- 15. This building is the highest point in Georgetown at 200 ft. (2 words)
- 16. Built in 1765 and located on M Street this is the oldest original structure in Washington, D.C. (3 words)

What Has CAG Done for You Lately?

Lisa Koches, Membership Chair

id you get a tour of the new Hyde Addison school at our Community Meeting or see our CAG officer patrolling the streets at night? Did you enjoy an afternoon of music and fun with your family in Rose Park or discover a new tree planted on your street? If so, then you can thank CAG! These are just a few examples of CAG's involvement in the community. Our programs educate, entertain and support the residents of Georgetown.

The catchphrase "It takes a village" has a new meaning for us. Georgetown is a village, your village. And CAG relies on staff and volunteers from this village to make Georgetown a special place in which to live. We also rely on annual dues and donations to run these valuable programs.

Please join or renew your CAG membership today. If you are unsure if your membership is active, just call or email the CAG office. We can quickly tell you if your annual dues have been paid. And to avoid this uncertainty in the future, enroll in the auto renewal option. It's easy and painless!



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— LEE CHILD Georgetown Garden Club

CAG BLOCK CAPTAINS ON THE JOB



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- Nov 1 8 2 Georgetown Visitation Esprit de Noel Annual Christmas market on Fri 11am to 8pm & Sat 10am to 4pm at 1524 34th Street NW. Shop from over 70 specialty boutiques. Free & open to the public.
- Nov 1-Nov 15

 Portraits of Courage – 10am to 10pm at Kennedy Center - Studio K at the REACH. This traveling exhibit brings together 66 vibrant oil portraits by George W. Bush. Free timed-entry tickets required.
- Nov 5 CAG Fall Cocktails Fundraiser 6pm graciously hosted by Nancy & Marc Duber and sponsored by The Author Incubator. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and musical guest! For tickets, go to www.cagtown.org
- Nov 6

 DC Central Kitchen's Capitol Food Fight 6pm at The Anthem on The Wharf.
 This star-studded fundraiser is returning to The Anthem for its 16th anniversary.
 Taste offerings from over 80 of DC's best restaurants while watching four local top chefs compete in a live onstage battle. 901 Wharf Street SW
- Nov 9

 The Evening Star Author Talk with Faye Haskins 1pm in the Peabody Room at Georgetown Library 3260 R St NW. What went on behind the scenes at the historic Washington Evening Star which was once among the top 10 newspapers in the country? Find out!
- Nov 11 Veteran's Day We remember all U.S. military veterans both past and present.
- CAG Community Meeting 7pm to 8:30pm at Georgetown Park Mall. Subject:
 Nov 14 Empty Retail Space discussion with representatives from the Georgetown BID and the ANC.
- Nov 15

 The Insular Worlds of Byzantium 9am to 5pm at Dumbarton Oaks 1703
 32nd St NW. Byzantine Studies Colloquium Byzantine islands may have been marginalized; speakers will address topics that will provide new and revised perspectives on the Byzantine Mediterranean and beyond.
- Nov 18 ANC 2E Monthly Meeting 6:30pm at Georgetown Visitation School Heritage Room on the 2nd floor. 35 St at Volta Place.
- Nov 19 Free Landmark Lecture: Bound by Fortune & Fortitude 6:30pm at Tudor Place 1644 31st St. NW. The Calverts of Riversdale and Peters of Tudor Place. Lecture by Kristi Gross. For more info, go to www.tudorplace.org History matters!
- Dumbarton at Dusk 5:30 to 8pm at Dumbarton House 2715 Q St. NW. Free
 Nov 21 admission. Live music. Cash bar. Light refreshments. Pop up exhibits. Come see
 Dumbarton House in a whole new light.

PLANNING AHEAD

- Nov 28 Happy Thanksgiving from all of us here at the Citizens Association of Georgetown! Let's connect on Instagram, Facebook or Twitter. Follow us! @cageorgetown
- M Street Thanksgiving brunch for the homeless and less fortunate. Volunteers needed from 6am to 11am. Please contact Beatris O'Connor at RiRa Restaurant: beatrisoconnor@rira.com or 202.802.1776.
- Nov 29 Holiday Parade of Lights 6pm to 8pm. The Magic of Christmas is the theme for 2019. This annual event is held in downtown Washington DC.
- May 12 CAG Annual Meeting Dumbarton House Save the date!

















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