

# FOXHALL News

Newsletter of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association

September 2012

## DCHPO Representative for Foxhall Village to Address FCCA

PAUL DONVITO

At our September 19th general meeting Amanda Molson, the DC Historic Preservation Office's (DCHPO) representative for the Foxhall Village Historic District, will be on hand to address questions about renovations within the historic district. This presentation comes in the wake of a number of violations that have resulted in large fines to owners and the necessity to redo renovations at the owner's expense.

Ms. Molson will review types of projects which require permits, the process for obtaining proper permits, as well as the "Foxhall Village Design Guidelines," a booklet put together by the DCHPO (and the FCCA) which lays out regulations and procedures for our historic district. The booklet is available on the Historic District tab of our website, <http://www.foxhall.org/>.

Please try and attend and bring questions - or feel free to contact Amanda Molson at [amanda.molson@dc.gov](mailto:amanda.molson@dc.gov).

## Foxhall Listserve

LISA MACO

Want to feel more connected to the Foxhall community? Why not join the FCCA list-serve to get timely information about city services, alerts, crime reports, plus share tips and questions with your neighbors.

Once you have a Yahoo account, simply search "fccalistserve" on

Yahoo Groups and follow the simple steps to join.

Please contact Lisa Maco, one of your friendly local list-serve moderators, at [lisa.maco@me.com](mailto:lisa.maco@me.com) if you have any question.

## Gayle Trotter: Running for ANC 3D 09

Your concerns are my concerns. I will passionately represent all of our neighborhood's residents if elected. I have lived in this ANC district with my family since 1998. I was born in D.C. and have represented individuals and entrepreneurs in my law practice for nearly two decades. In past years, I have volunteered actively in local community efforts to promote the interests of children, families and other residents of our neighborhood. The residents of this ANC district treasure the unique qualities of our neighborhood. I will serve the neighborhood as an approachable, responsive and accountable advocate.

My priorities include: improving the safety and security of our neighbors and their homes; controlling the effects of traffic in our neighborhood; monitoring and engaging with the seven schools and universities nearby to ensure that their plans are consistent with residents' interests; and responding to the needs and concerns of the ANC residents by advocating for their interests. You are welcome to contact me at [gayle.trotter@gmail.com](mailto:gayle.trotter@gmail.com) with any

thoughts or concerns. I look forward to hearing from you!

## FCCA CALENDAR

**General Membership Meeting  
Wednesday, September 19 at 7 pm**

Topics: Foxhall Village Design Guidelines & Update on GU's Revised Campus Plan

Location: 4500 Q Street NW  
Hardy Rec Center

Need a ride? Contact Bob Avery

**Foxhall Freight 2012  
Saturday, October 28 (Rain or Shine)  
3:30 pm to 5:30 pm**

Save the Date for the Foxhall Freight: Saturday, October 28, 2012, 3:30pm – 5:30pm. Our annual neighborhood Halloween party is coming right up! This favorite neighborhood tradition typically includes a costume parade, potluck refreshments and pumpkin decorating. Plan to meet at "Q" Street Circle in costume at 3:30pm for the start of the parade. **To keep the fun going this year, we need a volunteer coordinator for the event. Keep the tradition alive- please volunteer!** Please call/e-mail Caitlin at [202-577-8770](tel:202-577-8770) / [caitlin.mackenzie@verizon.net](mailto:caitlin.mackenzie@verizon.net) to volunteer.

## Thefts from Autos

MALLORY LAWSON

One of the most common types of theft is theft of valuables from your automobile. Theft from auto is strictly a crime of opportunity that can be prevented if you take away the opportunity. Thieves generally don't waste time breaking into cars that don't have valuables in plain sight.

Please take the precautions listed below to help ensure your auto is not targeted by thieves:

### *Keep Your Valuables Out of Sight*

The best way to prevent theft from your auto is to always keep valuables out of sight. Never leave cell phones, briefcases, suitcases, or electronic devices (cell phones, iPods, laptop computers, etc.) in plain view. Take these items with you, or secure them—all the time, every time.

### *Secure Your GPS Device*

While many GPS devices are mounted in the dashboard of the vehicle, the police department encourages anyone who uses a portable GPS device to take it with you when you park the car.

### *Use Your Trunk*

If your car has a trunk, use it or utilize a locked glove compartment. Hiding items under seats is better than leaving them in plain view, but securing them inside the glove compartment or trunk is a far better deterrent.

### *Don't Tempt Thieves with New Purchases*

During the holiday season especially, or any time you're shopping, place packages in the trunk.

### *Remove Your Radio Faceplate*

If you can unfasten your sound system and take it with you, or lock it in your trunk, do so. And don't forget to do the same with your CDs and tapes.

### *Lock It Up*

Also, keep your car doors and windows locked—all the time!

## Notes from June (06/20/12) FCCA Meeting

JESSIE M. KANE

FCCA Board Member, Conrad DeWitte, chaired the meeting.

Officer Anthony McElwee (anthony.mcelwee@dc.gov), 2nd District, reported that crime in our area is down 50% from this time last year. The major problem appears to be thefts inside the home by a known person, e.g. a contractor. Officer McElwee also cautioned to keep vehicles locked with valuables out of sight.

Discussion then centered on the main topic of the evening, the Proposed Revised Georgetown University Campus Plan, if approved, would be in effect until 12/31/17. Conrad DeWitte introduced guests who included Ron Lewis, ANC 2E chair, and three representatives from Georgetown University. The key elements of the plan were:

Formation of a new collegial partnership of senior GU leadership and community representatives – the Georgetown Community Partnership – to work toward making the Campus Plan a success and to work together on planning for the future.

Community members would include representatives from community organizations in Georgetown, Burleith, Foxhall, as well as ANC2E and ANC3D.

450 more undergraduates will be housed on campus at the Leavey Center and other on campus locations by Fall 2015.

Undergraduate enrollment will remain at a maximum of 6,675 and total enrollment at the main campus over

the Campus Plan period to be a maximum of 14,106 students.

New emphasis on a living and learning campus that centralizes student social life on campus maintaining the peaceful, quiet atmosphere of our residential neighborhoods.

A new commitment to explore providing University-sponsored graduate student housing outside the Georgetown, Burleith, and Foxhall (all of FCCA area, not just Foxhall Village) communities.

Acknowledgement of long-term goals of the community and GU for the future, including a new satellite campus for Continuing Education Students of up to 100 acres located elsewhere; cooperating in developing and implementing a 20 year campus plan following the success of the 2011-2017 plan; and the mutual goal of “a collegial and harmonious relationship between the University and the community to address future plans and common issues in an effective, creative and lasting way”

The proposed agreement was presented to FCCA members for a vote and approved.

## Private Schools' Quarterly Meetings

ANN HAAS

Private schools to operate in residential neighborhoods under certain stipulations. The Board of Zoning Adjustment typically requires private schools to hold quarterly meetings with their communities for neighbors to express concerns and schools to address them. Here are the dates for the upcoming meetings: Georgetown Day School: Tuesday, September 11, 2012, 6:30 pm (Rahel Rosner, rrosner@gds.org) Lab School: Monday, Sept. 17, 2012, 6:00 pm (Katherine Schantz, schantz@labschool.org)