

FOXHALL News

Newsletter of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association

September 2013

Rental Property Update

The September 18th general meeting of the FCCA will focus on issues related to property and room rentals. There have been changes in DC law in the past several years which impact residents renting out all or a portion of their property. Also, as part of the recently formed Community Partnership, Georgetown University is taking a much more proactive role in educating students regarding landlord responsibilities and in identifying and helping the city to eliminate problem landlords.

The September 18th meeting will feature representatives from the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (which investigates and enforces landlord-related violations) and the head of the Georgetown University Office of Neighborhood Life. Both groups will make brief presentations on the rules and regulations covering rentals and the responsibilities of landlords plus respond to any questions residents may have.

The meeting will also include our usual police report and an update on the Lab School application for a 25 year lease on the Hardy School. This is an important meeting for anyone in the FCCA area who rents out a room or whole house or is contemplating doing so. All are welcome. We hope to see you on the 18th.

Gardens at Hardy Community Center

RUSS WATTS, GARDEN COORDINATOR

It has been a fruitful summer at the Hardy garden plots. Each of these well-tended and loved plots has been cared for by a person or couple for the duration of the year. As you can imagine, a lot of work goes into the preparation of the soil, planting of seeds and small starts, as well as the weeding and watering throughout the summer and fall. Harvested this summer have been sunflowers and Serrano peppers, heirloom, Early-girl, Roma and cherry tomatoes, kale, basil, edamame, cilantro and chard, squash in all forms, and so much more. The delicious fruits and vegetables are only for the owners of those plots to harvest and enjoy. Anyone who would like to become a future gardener can contact Russ Watts at hardygardencordinator@gmail.com in the late winter for a plot assignment. All gardeners must become members of Friends of Hardy.

FCCA CALENDAR

September General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, September 18th at 7PM
Topic: New Rental Laws

Details

Location: 4500 Q Street NW in the Hardy Rec Center.

Need a ride? Contact Bob Avery

Foxhall Fright: Save the Date
October 26th – See Page 2 for Additional Details

2013 Palisades Village House Tour

October 19, 2013
11:00am – 5:00pm

This is your opportunity to view some of the most beautiful and unique homes in the Palisades! Historical, traditional and contemporary homes will all be featured.

All proceeds benefit Palisades Village, helping neighbors stay in their homes as they age.

To purchase tickets, visit our website at www.PalisadesVillageHouseTour.org or call (202) 244-3310.

\$30 - Advance \$35 -Day of Tour

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When possible, please contact the appropriate FCCA Board Member directly to discuss issues and concerns—Focus Areas are listed after the board member's name. General issues can go to Bob Avery.

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Who Do You Call?

City-Wide Call Center

To request free bulk trash pickups, report dumping in alleys, rat problems, and a host of other issues, call 311.

DC Animal Shelter 576-6664

Police and Fire Departments

Call 911 for both emergency and non-emergency Police matters, including noise after 10 PM.

PEPCO

Power Outages 877-737-2662

Street Lights Out 269-0855

Washington Gas 624-6049

Ward 3 City Council Member

Mary Cheh, mch@dccouncil.us

Our ANC Commissioners,

Gayle Trotter at gt4anc@gmail.com

and Penny Pagano at

penny.pagano@verizon.net

Illegally Parked Cars

Report cars obstructing sidewalks or displaying suspicious guest parking permits by calling 311. D.C. law requires people who live in the city for more than 30 days to register their cars with the D.C. Department of Motor Vehicles or face a \$100 ticket every day.

Questionable Construction Projects

To report construction proceeding without required permits or that appears to violate code, call DCRA at 202-442-4400 and they will send an inspector very quickly. For work that appears to be contrary to the guidelines in the Historic District call Amanda Molson, 202-442-8827 or Amanda.Molson@dc.gov.

Problem Party Noise after 10 PM

Please call the Police at 911. There are significant fines and the possibility of a criminal record for violators.

Or you can try the Georgetown 24/7 Community Hotline

Report student activities that negatively impact our community at GU's 24/7 Hotline, 687-8413

Foxhall Fright:

Saturday, October 26, 2013, 3:00-5:00 pm at the Hardy Recreation Center

Please mark your calendars to join your neighbors in the annual costume parade and other family friendly Halloween activities. We need volunteers for planning and managing activities. If you would be willing to provide ideas for this fun neighborhood Halloween party, help with set-up, or help during the party so we can ensure our kids have fun, please contact Lynn Willner at lswillner@gmail.com or (202) 337-2189.

Membership for 2013 — It's Not Too Late to Join/Renew by Check or Online!

Did you know that last year the FCCA had one of the highest percentages of household memberships of citizens' groups in our area? This strong membership level allows us to better represent the interests of our neighborhood in many local matters. Two of our major accomplishments include the negotiated settlement of Georgetown University's 10 Year Plan and the designation of Foxhall Village as a Historic District. This could not have been done without strong community support.

Mail in the form found on page six with a check or go online to our website and join online. (www.foxhall.org). We look forward to hearing from you. Membership is for a calendar year, January to December.

Questions? Contact Jessie Kane at jmkane87@aol.com.

Margaret R. Parke, former FCCA President and long term Foxhall Resident

Margaret R. Parke, a retired vice president and branch manager of the old First American Bank, died June 10 at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital. She was 90.

Mrs. Parke settled in Washington in 1964 and began working as a teller at the old Union Trust Co. After a merger, she became one of the first female executives at First American Bank. She retired in 1988 as vice president and manager of the bank's MacArthur Boulevard branch.

Margaret Rebok was born in Philadelphia and was a 1943 journalism graduate of the old Penn Hall Junior College in Chambersburg, Pa. She moved frequently with her husband, a naval officer, and lived in Saigon from 1960 to 1962.

Mrs. Parke was a director of the altar guild, a vestry member and treasurer at St. John's Episcopal Church at Lafayette Square. She was a past president of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association in Washington and a member of the Army and Navy Club. She was also a member of the Circumnavigators Club, an organization of people who have circled the globe.

Her husband of 58 years, retired Navy Cmdr. Everett A. Parke, died in 2003.

Survivors include two daughters, Cynthia P. Beukema of Minneapolis and Margaret Ellen Parke of Fairfax County; a sister; two grandsons; and a great-grandson.

Holly Foss, former Foxhall Resident and Foxhall Art Collective Member

Long time Foxhall Village neighbor Holly Foss passed away of heart disease this past June. She was a friend of many in the FCCA and Georgetown area and will be greatly missed. Holly was an active member of our local Foxhall Art Collective (FAC), and showed her beautiful photographs in the past two FAC shows in early December. She also was very active with Christ Church in Georgetown and the Colonial Dames, volunteering at the Dumbarton House in Georgetown. Holly was born at Columbia Hospital for Women in DC and grew up in Chevy Chase, Maryland. She went to Wellesley College in 1974 and worked for magazines in Boston and New York. She also attended Yale Drama School and worked as an actress for several years, and was still involved in theatrical productions at the time of her death. Holly moved to Foxhall Village in the early 1990's, moving into a house that her mother had bought on Q Street in 1984. She began a career as a professional photographer, specializing in landscapes and citiscapes. Her work was shown in many Washington galleries.

NOMINATIONS FOR THE FCCA BOARD!

The FCCA Board of Directors will be elected at our November General meeting.

We would like to have each of the FCCA neighborhoods represented on the Board. However, to accomplish this we particularly need members who live on and/or south of MacArthur Blvd.

Directors must be a member of the FCCA and live within the FCCA geographic area. The term of office is one year. The Board meets once a month and each Director assumes responsibility for an area of interest, such as police liaison, school liaison, traffic concerns, development, etc. The Board as a whole sets the agenda for the membership meetings and acts in lieu of the membership when issues arise that require immediate action.

If you are interested in serving on the FCCA Board of Directors or know of someone who would, please contact Bob Avery, Board President, at 338-3834 for more information.

The FCCA Needs You!

The FCCA needs volunteers to represent our neighborhood on the five working groups that make up the Georgetown Community Partnership (GCP).

The GCP was established as part of the 2010-2017 Georgetown University Campus Plan. It provides a collaborative forum for Georgetown University and residents of Foxhall Village, Georgetown, and Burleith to implement the campus plan commitments which address the University's long term planning and the quality of life in our neighborhood. The GCP is composed of senior Georgetown University officials, students, and residents of the local neighborhoods represented by the Foxhall Community Citizens Association, the Burleith Citizens Association, the Community Association of Georgetown, ANC3D and ANC2E.

Each working group is focused on specific issues. The working groups are:

Safety and Student Life which addresses, among other things, the impact of student residents in the local neighborhoods including noise.

Environment and Landlord which focuses on trash in the neighborhoods and the upkeep of rental properties.

Transportation and Parking which addresses traffic to and from Georgetown University and parking both on campus and in the neighborhoods.

Communications and Engagement which works to publicize Georgetown University events and resources that are of interest to local residents and to communicate about the work of the GCP.

Data and Metrics which creates metrics to measure the progress on the commitments set forth in the Campus Plan.

In order for the FCCA to be represented effectively in the GCP, we need your help! The FCCA needs volunteers to commit to attend meetings for a particular working group for the next calendar year.

The working groups meet regularly—at least once a month. Meetings are held at Georgetown University and typically occur in the afternoon during business hours or early evenings on weekdays. Meetings are collegial and cover interesting and important topics.

For more information or to volunteer to serve as the FCCA representative for a particular working group, please contact FCCA Board Member Conrad J. DeWitte, Jr. at (202) 321-1700 or dewittecj@yahoo.com.

Scheduled BZA Meetings

Zoning regulations allow private schools to operate in residential neighborhoods so long as the schools are not likely to become objectionable in terms of noise, traffic, number of students or other conditions. The Board of Zoning Adjustment typically requires private schools to hold quarterly meetings with their communities. That provides an opportunity for neighbors to express concerns and schools to address them. There is the option of filing a complaint with the Office of Zoning if meetings are unsuccessful in providing a satisfactory resolution. Here are the dates for the next year:

Lab School, meeting at 1550 Foxhall Road at 6 PM

September 24, 2013
December 10, 2013
March 18, 2014
May 13, 2014

Georgetown Day at 6:30PM

December 3, 2013
March 11, 2014
May 20, 2014

Minutes for July FCCA Meeting

Crime Report Lt. Eric Hayes offered the Police Report for our area, PS 205. During the last reporting period there was one assault (domestic violence ending in arrest), two burglaries (house doors were unlocked), fifteen thefts from autos (thirteen of these thefts were from unlocked autos). This represents an increase from this time period last year. Most of these crimes were crimes of opportunity so please lock your doors.

Lab School Lease Extension Bob Avery reported on the request by the Lab School of Washington (Hardy Campus) for a lease extension to twenty-five years. Currently there are twelve years remaining on the Lab School lease. This request would roll over the remaining twelve years into the new twenty -five year lease. First, the Hardy School must be declared as surplus property by DCPS, and there must be agreement on the cost of the lease. The issue must then be reviewed and decided upon by the DC City Council. The review is scheduled for Fall 2013.

Georgetown Campus Plan In two to three years there will most likely be a grand plan presented to the community involving the renovation of the hospital.

Greenwich Parkway Application for Basement Apartment A homeowner in Foxhall Village submitted a "Use Variance" to build a basement apartment that would have converted her house from a single family to a multi-family dwelling. This would be unprecedented. The FCCA was opposed to this action. Subsequently, the "Use Variance" was dropped and a new application following standard guidelines was submitted. On July 15, 2013, it was reported that the homeowner withdrew the application.

Palisades Village There was a presentation by various members of Palisades Village. The emphasis of the organization, which was established in 20007, is on delivering the opportunity to age in place while assisting people to stay in their homes as long as possible. It is a neighbors helping neighbors group. Services include: transportation, handyman chores, friendly visits, errand running, assistance with paperwork, to name a few. In 2012, Palisades Village delivered over 1000 service hours. Peggy Newman, Executive Director, can be contacted at (202) 244-3310. Members and volunteers are encouraged to join.

FCCA Newsletter Submissions

Please send newsletter submissions to the editor at halchanlon@gmail.com by 3 November for the next newsletter planned for mid-November. Generally submissions should be under 300 words, but longer pieces may run by advance arrangement.

**FCCA Membership as of
September 30, 2013**

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Georgetown Day School
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Lab School of Washington
Ross, Marsha & Pete

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Egan, Leonard
Fishkin, Nate & Jane
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Diavatis, Demetri & Debora
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Kilby, Gene & Christine
Lawson, Mallory
Maco, Lisa & Paul
McEnery, Rosemary & Kevin
McKenna, Dolly & John
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Monsanto, Lisa-Marie C.
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Ross, Malcolm and Daphne R.
Schwartz, Jean Pierre & Helga

Sterling, Lisa & Jamie
Van Allen, Barbara & Peter
Vicini, Stefano & Mariarita
Walker, Audrey & David
Zucchi, Dario & Gio

Household

Andonyadis, Aveyris & Elly
Anninos, Paul & Christine
Anonymous
Arundel, Tom & Kara
Ayers, Darrell & Mary Jane
Bailey, Michael & Mari
Baird, Mark & Mercedes
Barton, Terry & Jay
Bartos, Frank & Haleigh Hanlon
Bennett, Brad & Curt Thorstensen
Blakely, Judith
Bodner, Anne
Bray, John & Leslie
Buck, Molly
Cannon, Holly & John Guttman
Caride, Julieta & Jose Merino
Casstevens, Kay
Cimburek, Susan & Sean Geham
Cogar, Joanne
Collier, Kevin & Maybelle
Crino, Michael & Colleen
Crow, John M. & Mary Pat Hayes-Crow
D'Amelj, Christian & Francesca Daverio
DeMuth, Tom & Janet Mann
Donahue, John & Beth
DonVito, Paul & Charlotte
Dornsife, Cinnamon & Charles Barber
Duzey, Olya & Bob Whalen
Ebell, Jackie & Christoph
Elting, Maureen & Jeffrey
Farrell, Janet
Fitzgibbons, Pete & Shimae
Floro, Maria & Tom Hungerford
Foster, Stephen M.
Garcia-Grinan, Ileana
Gentile, Nancyellen
Gillis, Richard & Carol
Griffin, MaryAnn
Guttman, Ron
Haas, Ann
Hafez, Ziad & Aida
Hanan, Tim & Jean
Harbold, Alexandra & Mike
Harburger, Patti
Harou, Patrice and Berengere
Harries, Garret
Hegarty, John & Daniele
Herman, Patty
Herzog, Laura, John & Jack

Holman, Robert & Dennis Bradley &
Robert Rokusek
Hurt, Adrienne
Ives, Donna & Gerry
Jablon, Cara & Robert
Jewett, Richard
Kirshbaum, Michael & Gina Price
Klusman, Susan & Larry
Lanman, Charlie & Mary
Levison, Carol & Fred
Lion, Andra & Barnard Steven
Magrath, William & Susan Shen
Manukian, Edward & Margo
Mattheisen, Dirk & Mariya
Matthews, Nancy
McCally, Tom & Ande
McGrath, Debbie
McKelvie, Rod & Claire
Michaels, Judith
Milaras, Saskia & Chrysanthos
Miller, Brandon & Chai
Pattamasattayasonthi
Morse, Emerante
Nash, Janet
Nevin, John & Kirsti
Nobbs, Catherine & Nick
O'Hara, Katie & Jim
Overend, Patricia
Phillips, Laura & Jared Cornfeld
Popkin, Richard & Karol
Provenzano, John & Beth
Rankin, Douglas & Mary
Ratigan, Elizabeth
Reznek, Sarah & Babette Pennay
Rovani, Yves & Evelyne
Schellinger, Dieter & Jessie Kane
Seferian, John & Nancy
Seltzer, George & Dianne
Shutzer, Jamie & Jenny Morgan
Siciliano, Bob
Sillard, Kelly & Debbie
Slope, David
Smart, Janice
Squier Household
Stanley, Florence
Staroba, Arden & Frank
Stevens, Guy
Strugala, Wieslaw & Siria Lopez
Sullivan, Kathleen
Taylor, Paul & Hulit
Tersoff, Janet & William Poole
Tillotson, Victoria & David
Tobey, Stephen & Julie Haidemenos
Volker, Karen & Kurt
Watts, Russell & Sunny
Wood, Lisa
Yildiz, Suzy Yoon

Senior

Bateson, William & Martha
Beg, Joan
Bemis, Gerald
Bhagat, Ved & Sudesh
Borras, Caridad
Bray, Howard
Brown, Chris & Mary Rollefson
Butterworth, Deborah
Chhabra, Harbans & Satpal
Conner, Chris & David
Corrado, Barbara & Ernest
Drake, Colette & Avery
Duignam, Carolyn & Milan Valuch
Farquhar, Claire
Gary, Stewart & Donna
Green, Karen & Steve Novosel
Greenwood, Bill & Marsha
Greer, Douglas & Annette
Guthridge, Daniel W.
Harvey, Barbara S.
Hass, Patricia
Hirshon, Consuelo
Klein, Solange
McAvoy, Chisolm
Mendelsohn, Jack & Micaela
Metcalfe, Ruth
Mix, Marilyn
Pierre, Andrew & Joan Root
Reese, Anne H.
Sherman, Claire R. & Stanley M.
Smith, Dorothy
Smith, Joan
Snyder, Timothy & Arlene
Szymkowicz, John & Carol
Tamborini, Susan & George Donovan
Tucker, Gene & Dolly
van Emmerik, Maureen Carty
Velsey, Victoria & Don
Wherry, David & Ceny
Wilkinson, Ted & Xenia
Woolley, Penelope

Non-Resident

Groat, Donna & Gary
Fuller, Laure

Donation

Anonymous
McAvoy, Chisolm
Rankin, Douglas & Mary
Sherman, Clair & Stanley
Snyder, Timothy & Arlene

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Thank you for your support!

If you would like to talk about how your interests might mesh with the FCCA's current needs for volunteers—from newsletter delivery to attending ANC meetings—let us know and a Board member will call you. No obligation.

Sure, call me!

Membership Form for the Calendar Year

Members must reside within FCCA area, be present, and be over 18 years of age to vote at meetings. Memberships are for the calendar year. Please make checks out to the Foxhall Community Citizens Association. Send to FCCA c/o Hulit Taylor, Treasurer, 1713 Surrey Lane, NW, Washington, DC 20007 or bring to a meeting!

Standard Memberships

- \$25 Household
- \$15 Senior household
- \$25 Non-Resident

Booster Memberships

- \$250 Patron
- \$100 Advocate
- \$50 Sponsor
- Donation \$ _____

Names (LAST, First, as you wish listing to appear—neatness counts. Example: DOE, Jane & John Smith)

Complete Mailing Address

Home Phone

Email Address for FCCA updates (Our email list is never shared.)

Date