

FOXHALL News

Newsletter of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association

November 2013

The November 20th FCCA Elections

The FCCA Board of Directors will be elected at our November 20th General meeting. We would like to have each of the FCCA neighborhoods represented on the Board.

Directors must be a dues-paying 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. (although some Board members serve “at-large” with no specific area of responsibility).

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. The Board also elects the Association officers (President, Treasurer and Secretary). If you are interested in serving on the FCCA Board of Directors please attend the November 20th meeting. If you would like more information on the Board please contact Bob Avery, current Board President, at 338-3834 or ravery@starpower.net.

FCCA November 20th membership meeting

In addition to our annual FCCA elections and police report, the November 20th FCCA membership meeting will feature a presentation by representatives from Safeway regarding their proposed re-development of the “little” Safeway store at 4865 MacArthur Blvd.

Preliminary plans have called for a tripling of the size of the current Safeway store, two levels of underground parking and building approximately 100 condominiums over the new store.

Safeway has indicated that their proposal is not set in stone and that they are interested in input from the community. We encourage you to come to the November meeting both to hear directly from Safeway what they are planning and to voice your concerns, if any, over their proposal.

FCCA CALENDAR

November General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, November 20th at 7PM

Topics: FCCA Board Elections, Safeway Proposal for New Store, Lab School Proposal for High School, German Embassy Update

Details

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

Need a ride? Contact Bob Avery

Foxhall Art Walk: Save the Date

December 8th: 1-4 PM Details on Page 2

Thank You to Our Newsletter Deliverers!

We extend a special thank you to all of our newsletter deliverers: Sara Paulson, Jenny Morgan, John Bray, Greg Squires, Hulit Taylor, Charlotte DonVito, Scott Polk, Jack Youtcheff, Peter Van Allen, Karen Volker, Claudia Vacirca, Jessie Kane, Ann Haas, Elliot Croke, and Carolyn Ortwein. Rain or snow, our loyal and dedicated newsletter deliverers make sure the *Foxhall News* is delivered to every area resident. This is not an easy task; but it is imperative so that neighbors have access to pertinent information necessary to remaining engaged in community activities. Our volunteers make this possible. If you would like to volunteer to help deliver, please contact 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

Third Annual Foxhall Art Walk and Sale

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8 FROM 1 TO 4 PM
SPONSORED BY THE FOXHALL ARTISTS
COLLECTIVE

View and purchase works from nine artists in three houses:

4454 Q Street NW— 4434 Q Street
NW – 1702 Surrey Lane NW

The Artists:

Amy Scheinman ~ Textiles

Bob Mikolitch ~ Urban Photography
and Cards

Chris Anninos ~ Glass

Iris Fabricant ~Watercolor Botanicals
and Oil Landscapes

Lisa Wood ~Textiles

Penny Woolley ~ Collage and
Painting

Sara Paulson ~ Silver and Enamel
Jewelry

Steve Barnard ~ Woodwork

Zamani Gallerie ~ Afghan Art (non-
profit organization to benefit Afghan
Education for a Better Tomorrow)

Holiday Refreshments and Arts Raffle

Sales: cash, checks, and credit
accepted. For more information about
the art walk or collective

Contact Chris Anninos
at canninos@rcn.com

Chisolm C. McAvoy, Adventurer, Dies at 81

Farewell Chisolm McAvoy, intellectual, adventurer, El Toro sailor, Wednesday Group bicycler, Washington Canoe Club kayaker and loyal DC sports fan with a deep love of people from all walks of life whom he was privileged to meet driving his Yellow Cab. Born New York City in 1932, he was the son of New York City mayoral candidate, Clifford T. McAvoy, and WGMS "Capitol Shopping Time" host, Frances Boardman Chisolm Land. A resident of Washington DC for 70 years, he died at home on Greenwich Parkway September 25th, watched over by his faithful Pug dog, Coco. After attending Woodrow Wilson HS, Hebron Academy and Wesleyan University, he graduated in the Class of 1956 from George Washington University. He later survived a plane crash in the South China Sea while traveling around the world.

Nephew Peter said it best, "Always quick with a smile, always kind and gentle, his sense of exploration, and fun are lifelong lessons that I will never forget. Uncle Chis could light up any day and any activity and turn it into an 'adventure', whether days on a sailboat, hiking remote parts of Little Cranberry or Bakers Island, a climb up Sargent Mountain, or early mornings as 'stern men' on local lobster boats. In his late 60's, we double-trapezed on a 14 foot sailing dinghy while setting an asymmetric spinnaker. In his 70's he wanted to sail the 18HT catamaran and with both of us on the wire, pitch-poled."

A life-long bachelor, attending Thanksgiving and Christmas gatherings, he was always a source of warmth, peace, reassurance, and interest in his beloved family which survive him. They include his sister, the Rev. Mary B. Johnstone and brother-in-law Robert L. Johnstone,

III of Newport RI, and 3 nephews: Stuart, Drake and Peter Johnstone along with 3 great nephews, Nick, Hunter & Ford Johnstone and a great niece, India Johnstone. He will be missed by many good friends.

Neighbors' Concerns Regarding Construction at the German Embassy

The FCCA has been informed that construction at the German Embassy is nearing completion. After February, the focus will be on internal refurbishment of the building with a plan to reoccupy the Embassy officially in July 2014.

Unfortunately, many Foxhall residents, particularly those that live closest to the construction site, continue to experience a variety of problems including but not limited to: rodent infestations (displaced from the construction site), parking, and littering. Frustration is mounting among neighbors who feel their complaints are not being adequately addressed.

Obstructed driveways, caused by vehicles belonging to construction site workers, are the biggest problem. This creates a very serious safety issue for individuals attempting to exit their driveways, especially during the morning rush hour. The Embassy has raised this issue with the contractor but the problem persists. Parking within five feet of driveways is illegal. Residents should call 311 to request parking enforcement for violations such as parking longer than allowed in a Residential Permit Parking neighborhood, morning and afternoon rush hour, or blocking a driveway, bus stop, crosswalk, or fire hydrant.

Separately, on several occasions German Embassy personnel have found used items left outside their

gate near their large construction dumpster. Residents are not permitted to leave unwanted items outside the German Embassy fence.

If you have comments or concerns related to the work at the German Embassy, please feel free to contact the FCCA liaison Karen Volker (karenvolker55@gmail.com).

Construction Update from the German Embassy

The German Embassy Renovation is on pace to allow for the Embassy to move back July 2014. Presently, the new utilities are being tied into Reservoir Road, upon request of city regulations, and should be completed in the road by mid-November. We apologize for exacerbating an already difficult parking situation, but the work is fully permitted and part of the reconstruction plans to allow for re-occupancy. The contractor agreed not to use the permit to its full extent as issued by the city, but rather to be flexible to ease the traffic situation.

Major concrete pours are underway for the exit stairs and mechanical plants of the main building. The ancillary buildings on-site are in the midst of structural upgrades before being completed. The exterior security fence is being prepared for installation. The outside of the building is being painted which will allow for the reinstallation of the sun shade systems. Inside, the entire main Chancery is being outfitted with walls, ceilings, and all of the mechanical and electrical systems.

We understand the neighborhood's desire for completion of the project sooner than later, but rest assured that the entire project team is working toward the same goal and cause a minimum of inconvenience.

Holiday Decorating Contest!

MALLORY LAWSON

Sleigh Bells ring...
Are you listening?
In the lane, snow is glistening...
A beautiful sight
We're happy tonight
Walking in a winter wonderland

With the abundance of catalogs in our mail these days, it's not hard to believe the Holidays are just around the corner. Time to get those creative juices flowing to help make the FCCA a Holiday Wonderland for all to enjoy. Once again we'll have our annual Holiday Decoration Competition with the following categories:

- Most Creative
- Most Festive
- Most Kid-Friendly
- Best Illumination
- Best Overall

In the event of close contenders, we'll have an honorable mention. Judging will be the week prior to Christmas. If you would like to join in (with mulled wine provided!), contact Mallory Lawson at MalloryLawsonASID@msn.com, or (202) 337-2805. We will publish the accolades in the January Newsletter. Happy Holidays to all!

Programs for Our Neighbors, at Georgetown University

CANDACE MOSELY AND JAMIE SCOTT

Georgetown University invites our neighbors in the Foxhall community to take advantage of the many programs and events that we have to offer. In addition to the highlighted events and opportunities below, we hope to see you at some of the performing arts events, library presentations, art galleries, athletic events, gym classes, academic classes and much more! For more information, please feel free to reach out to the Office of Community Engagement at 202-687-5677 or at neighborhood@georgetown.edu.

Planning 202

On Tuesday, November 19th, Georgetown University will host two Planning 202 sessions. This is an opportunity for our neighbors to participate in an open forum on the University's master planning process. The sessions will take place at 9:00 am in Lohrfink Auditorium and at 7:00 pm in McShain Large.

Personal Training Packages Available at Yates Field House

Yates Field House invites both members and non-members to take advantage of their holiday offer. Sign up for any personal training package and receive two complimentary personal training sessions. For more information, please contact Meghan Dimsa at 202.687.2395 or at mcd75@georgetown.edu

Upcoming Home Athletic Events

Women's Basketball vs. California on November 17th at 3:00 pm
Women's Basketball vs. Princeton on November 23rd at 2:00 pm
Men's Basketball vs. Lipscomb on November 30th at 12:00 pm

Late Night Noise? Call S.N.A.P.

The University maintains a 24/7 Community Hotline: 202-687-8413 to address concerns about student behavior off campus. If you are disturbed by noise at night or any other student behavior, please call the Community Hotline. In addition to fielding neighborhood complaints 24/7, from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Thursday through Saturday during the academic year and Friday and Saturday during the summer the Community Hotline dispatches S.N.A.P. (Student Neighborhood Assistance Program) patrols. S.N.A.P. cars and representatives will visit a reported address and manage the issues. The University has stated that it will investigate all of our complaints and refer those that are not related to students to the police. Also, to assist the Board in verifying University response to calls, please e-mail FCCA board member Conrad DeWitte at dewittecj@yahoo.com with any issues that arise.

Holiday Fire House Dinners

MARYANN GRIFFIN

For ten years, in the month of December, dozens of Foxhall neighbors have cooked and served dinners to the brave men and women at the Palisades fire house.

Unfortunately, similar to last year, we will not be able to do it this year because the fire fighters are temporarily out of the fire house and being housed in a building at the Delcarlia water treatment plant, behind a security gate with no public access. But "stay tuned" as we might want to plan some dinners once they return in the spring.

Side Walk Maintenance

The Foxhall area is very much a walking community – children going to Hardy Rec Center, medical students and University employees going up to GU, mail deliverers, dog walkers, joggers, and people going to the bus stops.

Leaves left on sidewalks often become very slippery, twigs and sticks become trip hazards, and low-hanging branches and untrimmed plants can hit pedestrians in the face.

Now that most of the leaves have dropped – and with winter fast approaching – please be sure that your sidewalks, steps and walkways are clear of all debris.

This is also an excellent time to remind folks, once it gets cold, to make sure to clear snow from their walkways. In addition to shoveling snow from the sidewalks, using salt to prevent ice from forming is key to keeping our walkways safe for pedestrians.

Whether you are an owner or a renter, this is your responsibility, and the pedestrians thank you.

FCCA Newsletter Submissions

Please send newsletter submissions to the editor at halchanlon@gmail.com by 31 December for the next newsletter planned for mid-January. Generally submissions should be under 300 words, but longer pieces may run by advance arrangement.

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

December 10, 2013

March 18, 2014

May 13, 2014

Georgetown Day at 6:30PM

December 3, 2013

March 11, 2014

May 20, 2014

Saint Patrick's at 7:30 PM

Jan. 21, 2014 –MacArthur Campus

April 15, 2014 –Whitehaven Campus

July 15, 2015 – MacArthur Campus

Foxhall Fright Recap

Thanks to our neighbors for another ghoulishly wonderful Foxhall Fright. Over 100 neighbors, friends, and wee costumed guests attended the event, as well as Mary Cheh, our Ward 3 Councilmember. Our four footed friends won prizes for the pet costume contest – special thank you to MaryAnn Griffin for your help with this! Special thanks also go to this year's event organizers, Lynn Wilner and Jennie Morgan and their wonderful crew, our neighbors who helped with set-up and clean-up of this event, and to our terrific Hardy Recreation Center staff— Rodney Brown and Connie Ratliff. Encore applause to our Palisades Community Band.

Interested in coordinating the Foxhall Fright event next year? Would you like to help with planning the Spring Fling that will take place in April 2014? Please e-mail to Caitlin MacKenzie at caitlin.mackenzie@verizon.net



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

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Ross, Marsha & Pete

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Cornoni, Vanessa & Paul
DeWitte, Conrad
Egan, Leonard
Fishkin, Nate & Jane
Iwanicki, Michael & Germana
Parke, Margaret Rebok
Pastor, Robert & Margaret
Paulson, Sara & Arne
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Reuter, Andrew
Rippeteau, Darrell & Judith
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Lawson, Mallory
Maco, Lisa & Paul
McEnery, Rosemary & Kevin
McKenna, Dolly & John
Milam, Sally & Jim
Monsanto, Lisa-Marie C.
O'Connell, Michael & Bob Mikolitch
Ortwein-Barry
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
Baab, Schuyler
Bailey, Michael & Mari
Baird, Mark & Mercedes
Barton, Terry & Jay
Bartos, Frank & Haleigh Hanlon
Bartos
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 & Shima
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
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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
Nicholson, John & Marmie
Nobbs, Catherine & Nick
O'Hara, Katie & Jim
Oblander, Britta & Carsten
Overend, Patricia
Phillips, Laura & Jared Cornfeld
Popkin, Richard & Karol
Provenzano, John & Beth
Rovani, Yves & Evelyne
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
Silard, Kelly & Debbie
Slone, David
Smart, Janice
Squier Household
Stanley, Florence
Staroba, Arden & Frank
Stevens, Guy
Stroh, Graham & Eryn
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
Lustig, Ray
McAvoy, Chisolm
Mendelsohn, Jack & Micaela
Metcalf, 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 & Cený
Wilkinson, Ted & Xenia
Woolley, Penelope

Non-Resident

Groat, Donna & Gary
Fuller, Laure

Donation

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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