

FOXHALL News

Newsletter of the Foxhall Community Citizens Association

September 2014

FCCA Agenda: September Meeting

The September FCCA membership meeting will be on Wednesday September 17th, 7PM at the Hardy Rec Center, 45th & Q. In addition to the Police report, the meeting will feature presentations on two important developments in our area. The Lab School has started construction on their new high school as part of their Reservoir campus. School representatives will describe the construction schedule with particular focus on events that might impact traffic, noise, and parking in the campus area. The second presentation will focus on the recent city proposal to shift Foxhall Village from the Key Elementary School territory to Hyde School in Georgetown. A group of Foxhall Village Key School parents appear to have successfully delayed this change but it still looms as a very real possibility. The issues surrounding this proposed change will be discussed at the September 17th meeting and there will also be an opportunity for community input on the proposal.

Looking ahead, the November FCCA meeting will be our annual election meeting where the Association's Board of Directors for 2015 will be elected. 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 in the evening of the third Tuesday of each 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). Because of this it is important that the Board membership be as representative of the FCCA membership as a whole as possible. If being on the Board interests you please contact Bob Avery at ravery@starpower.net or just attend the November meeting.

Halloween Decorating Contest

Ghosts and goblins listen up! Foxhall is resurrecting the Halloween decorating contest. We need 3-4 volunteers to help us judge on Wednesday October 29, in the evening, time TBA. We will drive around the streets of the FCCA neighborhood together and rate the houses. There will be three or four winning categories. You see great decorations and have a chance to meet some new neighbors. It is a one-time commitment. If you are interested in "being a judge for a night" or would like more information, email MaryAnn Griffin at magriffmail@gmail.com.

Thanks for your help with building our "spirited" community!

FCCA CALENDAR

September General Membership Meeting: Wednesday, September 17th at 7PM

Topic: Lab School Construction and City Proposal to Rezone Foxhall Village from Key Elementary to Hyde School

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

Need a ride? Contact Bob Avery

Foxhall Halloween Party: Saturday October 25th, 3 to 4:30PM

Foxhall Howl: Friday October 31st, 5:30 to 6:15PM

Halloween in Foxhall!

The Foxhall Halloween Party on October 25th at the Hardy Recreation Center between 3 and 4:30PM, will have live music, children's costume parade, pet costume contest, pumpkin decorating and more. The Foxhall Howl at Lower Q Street Circle (between Surrey Lane and 44th St) will have live music, and costume parade kick-off to trick-or-treating on Friday, October 31, 2014, 5:30PM-6:15PM. We would appreciate event volunteers from each of the following neighborhoods: East Palisades, Canal View, Colony Hill, Senate Heights, Dumbarton, Foxhall Village, Charleston Terrace, Indian Rock Terrace, and Georgetown Reservoir. Please email Caitlin to volunteer at mackenziecl@verizon.net and/or come to the planning meeting. Our first planning meeting on Sunday, September 28th at 4PM at the outside picnic tables at the Hardy Recreation Center. All welcome.

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Send to britt.aggie@gmail.com by 30 October. Submissions should be under 300 words, but longer pieces may run by advance arrangement.

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, mcheh@dccouncil.us

Our ANC Commissioners,

Gayle Trotter, GT4ANC@gmail.com

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Illegally Parked Cars

Report cars obstructing sidewalks or displaying suspicious guest parking permits by calling 311.

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 Frances McMillen, 202-442-8839 or frances.mcmillen@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

Going out of town?

Email Officer Mcelwee to check on your home periodically at anthony.mcelwee@dc.gov

The Green Corner: How to Turn Your Yard into a Wildlife Haven

We are incredibly lucky to have our neighborhood bound on two of its three sides by national parkland, and part of an important watershed. Many of us know well the wildlife that abounds in these woods: owls, deer, raccoons, foxes, flying squirrels, bats, toads, turtles, ducks, and red-tailed hawks among many other bird species. A fun and easy thing to do in your own backyard, is to create a garden that attracts wildlife and helps restore habitat, through the National Wildlife Federation's "certified wildlife habitat program".

As taken from the nwf.org website..."Whether you have an apartment balcony or a 20 acres farm, you can create a beautiful garden that attracts wildlife... from butterflies and hummingbirds, to yellow finches, cardinals and more". The application is easy, can be done online at the www.nwf.org website, and you can even purchase a sign noting that your yard is a certified wildlife habitat! Fun for the whole family, a learning tool for how to incorporate natural habitat in your landscaping, and one way to be a steward of our neighborhood national park.

In Memory of our Neighbor: Tim Hanan

On June 1, Tim Hanan passed away after being hospitalized for brain cancer. Tim was born in NYC, and attended The Hotchkiss School in Connecticut, Williams College, and the University of Virginia Law School. At Williams, he was captain of the football and track teams and president of his fraternity, Delta Kappa Epsilon. Tim spent three years as a JAG in the Air Force. Discharged with the rank of Captain, he returned to NYC as a senior partner with his family's admiralty law firm.

Tim moved to Washington in 1982 and headed the Government Relations office of Mobil Corporation. Politics was a passion for Tim. He was a member of Robert Kennedy's Senate and Presidential campaign staffs, campaign manager for NYC Mayor Abe Beam's reelection, and a campaign manager for Sen. Edward Kennedy's Presidential primary campaign. In addition to community services he performed for neighborhoods he lived in and a mayoral task force, he was on the Boards of the Washington Opera, Arena Stage, Ford's Theatre, and the Wolf Trap Foundation.

Tim and his wife, Jean, both real estate agents, and their daughter, Kelly, a recent Wharton graduate, rented in Foxhall Village for almost five years and purchased their residence this past December. Tim may be best remembered in Foxhall as the charming, handsome man with Brit, the family's beloved ruby Cavalier King Charles spaniel, who preceded his dad and walking companion, and the two are no doubt now enjoying a very peaceful stroll.

In Memory of our Neighbor: Dorothy Plack Smith

Dorothy Plack Smith, 88, died on July 13, 2014, at her home in Washington, DC, from congestive heart disease. She was born on November 1, 1925 in Hagerstown, Maryland. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Goucher College in Towson in 1947 with a degree in Chemistry and Microbiology. She continued her education at Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT, where she earned a MA in Chemistry in 1949. She married fellow Wesleyan alumnus and WWII veteran Harold E. Smith, (deceased 1968), of Springfield, MA.

She taught chemistry from 1961-1966 at Western High School in the District, including Honors and Advanced Placement classes, and was chairwoman of the Science Department from 1964-1966. She became an NIH Predoctoral Fellow in 1966-1968, and a Research Associate in Inorganic Chemistry at Georgetown University in 1969, and received her doctorate in 1975. She was Manager of the News Service of the American Chemical Society (1972-1980). Through this venue, she initially brought the story about the destruction of the ozone layer by chlorofluorocarbons to the attention of the public. In 1980, she became an editor at the Proceedings of the National Academy of Science, where she remained until retirement in 1996. She was a member of the American Chemical Society, the National Association of Science Writers, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. After retirement, she was a passionate gardener, was involved in the Foxhall Community Citizens Association, and travelled widely throughout Europe. She is survived by her daughter, Barbara Smith-Demo, and son-in-law, Zeljko Demo, of Zagreb, Croatia, and nieces June Mobely of Lynnville,

Tennessee, and Joan Welton of Lakewood, Colorado.

Holiday Dinners for the Local Fire Fighters

MARYANN GRIFFIN

Some of you may remember that we have in years past served home cooked holiday dinners in December to our local fire fighters at Engine Company 29. We have not had a chance to do this for the past 2 years since they were relocated when the firehouse underwent renovations.

I would like to resurrect this tradition that involved nearly 50 volunteers in past years and was great fun for all of the kids who joined in. It is easy: once we get a schedule, you pick a date (all are on weekends), make a dish and drop it off at the firehouse on the appointed night. For those of you are new to Foxhall Village, you will find it a great way to meet new neighbors. If anyone is interested in being part of this great tradition or would like to learn more, email me at magriffmail@gmail.com.

The Lab School Renovation Update

WENDY JENNIS

The Lab School of Washington hopes to begin the utility work this month to construct a new high school building. The new building will be located on Lab's Reservoir campus next to the gym on Whitehaven Parkway on the current site of two small Lab buildings, which will be razed. The new high school's main entrance will face the existing Lab parking lot, and school drop-off and pick-up traffic flow will remain as it is today, i.e., through the Reservoir entrance. Gym entrances were modified to allow the construction office to be located inside the former weight room. This avoids the need for a construction trailer. Once it starts, the utility work is expected to take three-to-four months. This work will require periods of one-way traffic on Whitehaven for about seven weeks. A flag person will be employed to coordinate the traffic. After that, and during most of the construction, traffic will flow in two directions. In addition, after the first few weeks of utility work, pedestrians will be rerouted to the north side of the street for the distance of the construction site and the duration of the project. Students and faculty are excited about the new building, which will provide much needed "breathing space." Currently, The Lab School High School is housed on one floor of the main school building on the Reservoir campus, sharing stairwells with the 5th through 8th graders who are located on the other floors. The larger classrooms in the new building will allow flexible seating arrangements and will enable the creative teaching methods used to educate Lab students, who have dyslexia, ADHD or other learning differences. The building will also house state-of-the-art science labs and maker spaces, a variety of meeting and education areas, and a

two-story-high common area that will permit the assembly of all high school students in one place.

To keep the community informed about its project, The Lab School has created a construction webpage accessible to the public. The page will include regular construction updates, as well as contact information for general inquiries and emergency situations. To access the Campus Building Project page go to www.labschool.org, click on "Outreach" on the right in the black banner and then click on "Campus Building Project." You can also go directly to www.labschool.org/page/outreach/Campus-Building-Project. For questions about the Lab School or the construction project, please contact Wendy Jennis, Director of Community Relations, at wendy.jennis@labschool.org.

Calling All Foxhall Village Artists!

CHRIS ANNINOS

Be a part of the 4th Annual Foxhall Village Art Walk!

The Foxhall Artist Collective planning meeting will be held on Tuesday September 30 at 7:30 PM at 4454 Q Street (upper Q street circle).

For more information, please contact Chris Anninos at canninos@rcn.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:

Georgetown Day School: Main Campus, 6:30 PM

December 2

March 3

May 5

Lab School: Foxhall Campus, 6 PM

September 23

December 9

March 17

May 12

St. Patricks, 7:30 PM

October 21 (Whitehaven Campus)

January 20 (MacArthur Campus)

April 21 (Whitehaven Campus)

July 21 (MacArthur Campus)

Crime in Our Neighborhood: Preventing Thefts from Auto

One of the most common types of theft is theft of valuables from your automobile. The following thefts from autos were reported in July within our area:

Auto Theft: 07/10/2014

~5300 - 5399 BLOCK OF SHERIER PLACE NW

Unknown suspect(s) stole a GPS device from a parked vehicle. There were no signs of forced entry into the vehicle.

Auto Theft: 07/15/2014

~4500 - 4599 BLOCK OF Q STREET NW

Unknown suspect(s) smashed the passenger side window of the vehicle and stole a purse containing assorted personal items.

Auto Theft: 07/24/2014

~2000 - 2199 BLOCK OF FOXHALL ROAD NW

No details

Theft from auto is strictly a crime of opportunity that can be prevented if you take away the opportunity. Thieves generally won't waste their time breaking into autos that don't have valuables in plain sight.

The best way to prevent theft from your auto is to always keep valuables

“outta sight.” Never leave cell phones, briefcases, suitcases, or small electronic devices (smart phones, tablets, GPS, etc.) in your car in plain view. Take these items with you, or secure them — all the time, every time!

If your car has a trunk, use it. Put valuables in there or in 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.

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

Laptop computers, tablets, cellular phones, and other personal electronics are a target of choice for thieves because they are small, valuable, can be removed quickly, are easily hidden, and there is a market for them. A thief can sell a stolen laptop, MP3 player, or other device to an unsuspecting used computer store or pawnshop, and easily receive up to half its value in cash.

FCCA 2014 Membership Update

Currently we have slightly over 200 of the 900 households in our area who have joined FCCA for 2014. We are hoping to enlist many more members.

Your FCCA membership allows you to control the direction of your neighborhood association. Joining provides each household with one vote on any matter put forward to the membership, including budget approvals and Board elections. It also allows you to be eligible to serve in a leadership role within your neighborhood by serving on the Board of Directors. You only get out of your neighborhood what you put into it.

A benefit of living in a thriving neighborhood is having a sense of community. Similar to participating at your house of worship or a social group, being a part of your neighborhood association signifies a desire to belong to a group that affects you and your family's well-being. Whether it is staying connected to your neighbors via email communications, being a FCCA liaison, volunteering for a community project, or serving as a Board member, you get out of your neighborhood what you put into it.

Join FCCA today. We need your support for the many challenging issues that lay ahead. Thank you.

FCCA Membership as of
September 1, 2014

Patron

Georgetown Day School
Kern, Melissa & Bill Deegan
Lab School of Washington
Ross, Marsha & Pete
Smith, Lola
St. Patrick's Episcopal Church and Day School

Advocate

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Cooley, Diane & Alex Pires
Daly, Rob & Karla
DeWitte, Conrad
Fishkin, Nate & Jane
Iwanicki, Michael & Germana
Monsanto, Lisa-Marie C.
Pastor, Margaret
Paulson, Sara & Arne
Polk, Scott & Karen
Reuter, Andrew
Rippeteau, Darrell & Judith
Squires, Greg & Margot
Zucchi, Dario & Gianna

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Bilik, Al & Mary Jane
Bowers, Joel & Sue
Chester, Alec & Kim
Cogar, Joanne
Conn, Jackie
Cornoni, Vanessa & Paul
DonVito, Paul & Charlotte
Harburger, Patti
Josey, Ron & Marisse
Lane, Jan
Maco, Lisa & Paul
Nash, Janet
O'Connell, Michael & Bob Mikolitch
Rankin, Douglas & Mary
Ross, Stuart
Shouhayib, Akram & Laila
Van Allen, Barbara & Peter
Walker, Audrey & David

Household

Andonyadis, Aveyris & Elly
Anninos, Paul & Christine
Anonymous
Arundel, Tom & Kara
Baab, Schuyler
Bailey, Michael & Mari
Baird, Mark & Mercedes
Balevska, Petya
Balolia, K., & G. Arnold & M. Stanley
Barry, Mark & Sydney Garmong
Bartos, Frank & Haleigh Hanlon
Bartos Belk, Joanne
Berlinksy, Audrey & Stan
Blakely, Judith
Botman, Dennis & Soonhwa Yi
Bourdaudhui, Robert & Susan
Bray, John & Leslie
Buchanan, David & Brooke
Cannon, Holly & John Guttman
Cassetta, Guido & Patricia Violante
Carter, Rozan
Chan, Linda
Chhabra, Harbans & Satpal
Conroy, Amy & Emmet
Cooter, Dale and Mary
Cornfeld, Jared & Laura Phillips
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Crow, John M. & Mary Pat Hayes-Crow
Daniel, Peter
Deegan, Bill & Melissa Kern
DeMuth, Tom & Janet Mann
Donahue, Edward & Aimee
Donahue, John & Beth
Dornsife, Cinnamon & Charles Barber
Dworken, Josh & Sloane
Dyke, Jonathan & Susan
Egan, Leonard
Elting, Maureen & Jeffrey
Ferguson, Sydney, Amos & Elizabeth
Fulco, Carolyn
Foster, Stephen M.
Garcia-Grinan, Ileana
Gelb, Shapiro
Gillis, Richard & Carol
Griffin, MaryAnn
Guttman, Ron
Haas, Ann
Hafez, Ziad & Aida
Hamelin, Lucille
Hand, Ann & Lloyd
Harou, Patrice & Berengere
Harris, Lynn
Hines, Bob & Elizabeth
Hirshon, Consuelo
Hungerford, Thomas & Maria Floro
Isaac, Howard & Elizabeth Klein
Ives, Donna & Gerry
Jablon, Cara & Robert
Jewett, Richard

Juarrero, Alicia
Kappas, Jeannine
Kilby, Gene & Christine
Kimball, Peter & Leslie
Kone, Amadou & Mary
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Kwalwasser, Harold
Lanman, Charlie & Mary
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Levison, Carol & Fred
Lindstrom, Lisa & Jason Smith
Lion, Andra & Barnard Steven
Magrath, William & Susan Shen
Maguire, Mike
Malkani, Ravina & Naresh
Manukian, Edward & Margo
Mathis, Andrea & Brian
Maurelli, Mona
McGrath, Deborah
Metz, Mihriyexcem
Miller, Brandon & Chai
Pattamasattayasonthi
Morgan, Jenny & Jamie Shutzer
Morse, Emerante
Nevin, John & Kirsti
Nicholson, John & Marnie
Nielson
O'Hara, Katie & Jim
Oblaender, Carsten & Britta
Ortwein-Barry
Ovca, Jodi
Palacios, Tara
Parrish, Lynn
Peasley, Carol
Percesepe-Wallace
Pettit, Debra
Philipovich, Sonia, Philip, Alexander & Diane
Pires, Cooley
Popkin, Richard & Karol
Quianzon, Ray
Rankin, Dyllan
Reed, Dr. David & Gary Goodsell
Reid, Chip & Nina
Reinbird, Carol L.
Reznek, Sarah & Babette Pennay
Rovani, Yves & Evelyne
Rovira, Marisse
Scanlon, Bethany
Schellinger, Dieter & Jessie Kane
Siciliano, Bob
Silard, Kelly & Debbie
Simmons, Chris & Adrienne Shoch
Skonberg, Steve
Slone, David
Slowinski, Kent
Staroba, Arden & Frank
Stevens, Guy
Strugala, Wieslaw & Siria Lopez
Taylor, Paul & Hulit

Tersoff, Janet & William Poole
Thomas, David & Marjana Martinic
Tobey, Stephen & Julie Haidemenos
Volker, Karen & Kurt
Walsh, Hadley & Jack
Ward, Paul & Rick Roldan
Watts, Russell & Sunny
Williams, Joseph & Jodi Ovca
Wood, Lisa
Woolfolk, Robert & Jane Schubert
Wyss
Zubler

Senior

Acebal, Julia
Barras, Caridad
Barton, Terry & Jay
Bateson, William & Martha
Beg, Joan
Bhagat, Ved & Sudesh
Bodner, Anne
Bordonaro, Robert & Barbara
Brown, Chris & Mary Rollefson
Butterworth, Deborah
Chhabra, Harbans & Satpal
Corrado, Barbara & Ernest
Drake, Colette & Avery
Duignam, Carolyn & Milan Valuch
Gary, Stuart & Donna
Greenwood, Bill & Marsha
Groat, Donna & Gary
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Harris, Cory & Randy
Hass, Patricia
Herman, Patty
Klein, Solange
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Wolfe, J. Thomas
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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