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FCCA Calendar

Next General Meeting!

Wednesday, January 18 at 7PM

Topic: St. Patrick's Middle School

Location: 4500 Q Street NW in the Hardy
Rec Center

Need a ride? Contact Bob Avery

in many local matters. Last year's major accomplishment was the negotiated settlement of Georgetown University's 20 Year Plan. FCCA won many concessions in this plan that will benefit our neighborhood. In addition, the association has been working in tandem with other citizens' groups to address the issue of airplane noise. All of this could not have been done without strong community support. We continue to need that involvement moving forward. A membership brochure and return envelope are enclosed with this newsletter. Please mail in your form with a check or go to our website and join online. (www.foxhall.org). Membership is for a calendar year, January to December. We look forward to hearing from you.

January Membership Meeting

In addition to updates on Airplane noise, the Georgetown University campus plan, Medstar hospital construction, and the lease on Hardy School, the January FCCA Membership will feature two presentations of great importance to the community. Head of School Peter Barrett will present St. Patrick's plans for a new Middle School on the corner of MacArthur and Eliot. In addition representatives of the DC Department of Parks and Recreation will discuss their vision of the future of Hardy Rec Center and ways to improve city-community interactions. This is our opportunity to ask questions and provide community input on these two critical developments in our area. Please come with your questions and your views. All are welcome.

FCCA Membership for 2017 Join/Renew by Check or Online!

Jessie Kane

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

Thanks and Help Wanted

Bob Avery, FCCA President

One thing that makes the FCCA different from any other civic organization in the District is that we deliver our newsletter to everyone within the FCCA service area whether they are a member or not. This is a long-time tradition of the association and dependent on the contribution of our team of volunteer 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 Crooke, Bob Avery, Raymond Quianzon, Gerald Bemis, and Gerry Ives. Each year we thank our loyal and dedicated newsletter deliverers who make sure the Foxhall News is delivered. 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. This year we have need of additional volunteers for three routes: (1) Eastern MacArthur Blvd, Lingen Rd and Ridgeview Way; (2) Kenmore Drive and Charleston Terrace; and (3) Reservoir between 47th and Foxhall and the west side of Foxhall between Reservoir and Q. If you can help us with any of these routes please contact Bob Avery at ravery@starpower.net.

New FCCA Board

At the November membership meeting, all existing board members except Andrea Ramirez and Karen Volker were re-elected. Unfortunately Andrea has moved out of the area and Karen is stepping down after years of service. We will greatly miss both of them for their great contributions to the community. Leo Blyth was added as a new member with a special interest in developing social events for young families.

Scheduled BZA Meetings

Share comments and concerns so they can be aired at the Board of Zoning meetings—public meetings that institutions are required to schedule with local communities according to their agreements with the BZA.

FCCA Board

Bob Avery, President, Police, and GU Liaison

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Andy Reuter, Treasurer

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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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Conrad DeWitte, ANC 3D09 Commissioner

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Brittany Aguilar, Administrator

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FCCA Newsletter Submissions

Send to britt.aggie@gmail.com by January 31 for the next newsletter. Generally 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

Ward 3 Liaison, Phil Thomas, Phil.Thomas@dc.gov

Our ANC Commissioners, Stephen Gardner, sgardner.gardnerlaw@gmail.com and Conrad DeWitte, 3D09@anc.dc.gov

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 Gabriela Gutowski, 202-442-8839 or gabriela.gutowski@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.

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

Join the FCCA Listserv!!

Keep up-to-date with all happenings in your community by joining the FCCA Listserv. Register today at **foxhall.org!**

GDS 6:30 pm, Library

March 7, 2017

May 2, 2017

Lab 6:00 pm

March 14, 2017 (Foxhall)

May 2, 2017 (Reservoir)

St. Patrick’s 7:30 pm

January 17, 2017

MacArthur campus

FCCA Membership Meeting 11/16/2016

Jessie Kane

Anthony McElwee, Second District Police Officer, reported on recent crime and traffic statistics.

Crime Report: There was one less crime reported than in the previous thirty day cycle. Thefts from autos continue to be the major crime. Officer McElwee suggested that garage door openers be removed from cars and all packages be taken from the front of houses.

Traffic Report: Officer McElwee issued twenty-seven tickets to drivers traveling in the left hand lane south on Foxhall Rd. who had ignored the “Left Turn Only” sign on Reservoir Rd. and continued southward.

Bob Avery, FCCA President, conducted the annual Board election. Standing Board members except for Karen Volker and Andrea Ramirez were reelected. Leo Blyth was elected to the Board with an area of interest for young families and social events.

The Georgetown Campus Plan was discussed. To help summarize the issues, here is the following explanation by Brady Holt as discussed in the 10/20/2016 issue of the Georgetown Dish:

“The university, with community support, was asking the DC Zoning Commission to simultaneously consider two aspects of its campus plan application: the full plan, which broadly covers the university’s development and operations over the next 20 years; and a “further processing” decision that would allow actual construction

to proceed immediately on a long-planned addition to the hospital. The latter reflects specifics about the new building rather than just the general outline included in a campus plan.

The Zoning Commission has previously granted campus plan and further processing applications concurrently, notably to American University. But community opponents around that Ward 3 school said the commission had approved too much without granting adequate time for review, and they successfully lobbied for a rule change — which just went into effect last month as part of a broader zoning regulations rewrite. Now, universities can apply for further processing only after their more-general campus plans have won approval.”

Bob Avery clarified that there will be caps on parking, student enrollment, and building as part of the new campus plan. Bob stated that the FCCA had secured several concessions e.g. no buses on the loop road, 244 beds moved back on campus (equivalent of 50 group houses), helicopter pad will move away from entrance #4. A zoning hearing on the campus plan, without the further processing of the hospital project, is now scheduled for Dec. 1. A vote in support of the plan keeps the FCCA at the table for future debate. After a thorough discussion, Howard Bray suggested that the University meet with the FCCA annually to update the community on their campus and hospital plans. A vote was called, Mr. Bray’s stipulation was included, and the members present voted 50 to 3 to approve the motion to support the campus plan as filed. A discussion of the hospital further processing plan will take place at the January FCCA Membership meeting.

Mayor Muriel Bowser was introduced and she in turn introduced her Deputy Mayors. Mayor Bowser articulated that her three top priorities are: focus on affordable housing; search for a new Police Chief; search for a Chancellor of Schools.

In response to questions from the audience, Mayor Bowser also commented on the following issues:

Schools Report: In addition to the search for a new Chancellor of Schools, attention needs to be given to the fact that the population in DC schools has increased. Graduation rates have also increased.

Fillmore Arts Center: She stated that she did not have an answer tonight. A change is warranted because there is a need to equitably fund all schools’ arts programs. She is waiting on a proposal.

Airplane Noise: On 09/15/2016 the FAA met with members of the community at the Georgetown Library. As a result of this meeting, there were over 800 comments sent into the FAA. The next meeting will be 12/15. Mr. Tommy Wells, Director of the DC Department of Energy and Environment, discussed the bids that are out for solicitation to complete a noise study. \$260,000 has been allocated for the study. FAA will deliver their comments after the study is completed. The Mayor’s office will share the results with the DC citizens.

Dear Neighbors of St. Patrick’s Episcopal Day School

Peter A. Barrett, Head of School

The next quarterly meeting concerning the operations of St. Patrick’s Whitehaven Campus and MacArthur Campus will be conducted on Tuesday, January 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the MacArthur Campus, 4925 MacArthur Boulevard, NW.

St. Patrick’s quarterly meetings are required by the Board of Zoning Adjustment as part of the special exceptions under which St. Patrick’s operates at these locations. We have conducted combined meetings for both locations, rather than separate meetings, since January 2008 and will continue to do so. The location of the meetings alternates between the MacArthur Campus (January and July) and the Whitehaven Campus (October and April).

The January 17 meeting will take place in the first-floor library, to the right of the main entrance, which faces MacArthur Boulevard. If you will be driving to the meeting, be sure to park in the parking lot behind the building, accessed off Ashby Street—not on MacArthur Boulevard, Ashby Street, 49th Street, or any other neighborhood street.

I would be pleased to receive suggestions for agenda items for this meeting. Please send them to me at barrettp@st-patsdc.org or at 202.342.2804.

Remaining meetings in this cycle occur on the third Tuesday of the months of April (18th on the Whitehaven Campus) and July (18th on the MacArthur Campus). We welcome your attendance at all of our quarterly meetings . . . and wish you all a Happy New Year!

2016 FCCA Treasurer’s Report

Andy Reuter, 2016 Treasurer

Income and Expenses

The following report presents the FCCA’s unaudited statement of operating income and expenses for 2016. This year’s income of \$9,667 included an increase in dues by 2.6 percent from 2015, which included continued growth in online payments made through Paypal. Interest income declined from 2015 due to lower interest rates paid on the FCCA’s two laddered certificates of deposit. The major expenses were for the newsletter and printing; the stipend for the FCCA administrator; community events; the FCCA website; and Paypal fees. Other expenses included the biennial DC corporation tax and office supplies and postage. The FCCA added \$1,383 to its Capital Reserve in 2016.

	2015	2016	Change
Income			
Contributions Received	-	-	
Dues	9,395	9,635	2.55%
Interest	74	32	-56.76%
Total Income	9,469	9,667	2.09%
Expenses			
Administrator	3,290	3,000	-8.81%
Paypal Fees	107	129	20.23%
Office Supplies & Postage	-	20	
Capital Reserve (Withdrawal)	(568)	1,383	
Events	651	248	-61.85%
Newsletter & Printing	4,901	4,628	-5.58%
DC Taxes (DC Corporation)	-	80	
Legal (Aircraft Noise Fund)	1,000	-	-100.00%
Website	88	179	103.39%
Total Expenses	9,469	9,667	2.09%

Total Assets

The FCCA's assets total \$39,303 as of December 31, 2016, an increase of 3.65 percent from 2015.

	2015	2016	Change
Total Assets			
Checking Account	3,146	3,940	25.24%
Savings Account	13,971	13,973	0.01%
CD	9,597	9,617	0.21%
CD	11,134	11,144	0.09%
Paypal Account	72	629	773.61%
Total Assets	37,920	39,303	3.65%

2016 Holiday Decorating Contest

Sara Paulson

Drum roll please. The following were the winners of the 2016 Holiday Decorating Contest:

Best Illumination

1935 Foxview Circle (Gayle Trotter and Family)

Runner up: 4509 Potomac Avenue (Judith Michaels)

Most Creative

4425 Greenwich Pkwy (Bill and Pat Brown, pictured below)

Runner up: 4447 Q Street (Matt and Anne Simmonds)

Kid Friendly

4501 Q Lane (Patrick and Bonnie Dempsey)

Most Elegant

4402 Q Street (Lise Adkins and Tom Murphy)

Runner up: 1700 Hoban (Elting Family)

Special thanks to Paul Ward for illuminating the trees on upper Q Street.

Thanks to all who made our neighborhood beautiful.

The Judges (Mallory Lawson, Sara Paulson, Andra Lion)



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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 - including newsletter delivery and attending ANC meetings - let us know!

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 Andrew Reuter, Treasurer, 4400 Volta Place, 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, Ex: DOW, Jane & John Smith)

Complete Mailing Address _____

Home Phone _____

Email Address for FCCA Updates _____ Date _____