

April 3, 2012

Dear CPCA Members,

It gives me great pleasure to announce, that after more than a year with CPCA as an incubator, Cleveland Park Village now has a Board! Chaired by Barbara Stevens, the CP Village Board also includes Jinny Stern, Elizabeth Fox and Bill Ince. Additionally, Jean Gorman, Mary Worstell, Minturn Wright and I are serving as advisors. Paper work has been submitted to the District of Columbia to register as a non-profit corporation. We are busy preparing an application to the IRS for non-profit 501c3 status.

As reported by Scott Brown at our March meeting, the 2010 census shows that Cleveland Park's population between the ages of 55 and 70 increased 43% from 2000 to 2010. Clearly this Aging in Place program will be an important asset to the community. A Village is emerging. Stay tuned!

As we work on the redesign of our website, we are also keeping in mind the needs and interests of families with young children who are an important part of our Cleveland Park community.

Our April meeting will explore Mayor's Gray's ambitious *Sustainable DC* initiative for DC to become a model of environmental sustainability for the country. http://sustainable.dc.gov We will also begin to explore what this could mean for CPCA's goal to have Cleveland Park become a model sustainable neighborhood. What role can we play locally in responding to the climate change crisis when it becomes increasingly clear we cannot rely on international negotiations or national actions to turn things around?

MAKING DC A MODEL SUSTAINABLE CITY

PSC Commissioner Lori Murphy Lee – smart meters & other initiatives

Andrea Limauro, Ward 3 Neighborhood Planning Coordinator for OP

Brent Blackwelder, Mayor's Green Ribbon Committee

Thursday, April 19

7:00 PM TO 8:30 PM

CLEVELAND PARK LIBRARY -- 1ST FLOOR MEETING ROOM

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

CPCA BUSINESS MEETING 6:30 PM

Commissioner Murphy will take a special look at the electric smart meters being installed across the city to promote energy efficiency and at questions that have been raised regarding their safety.

At our March meeting, we had a panel of all six candidates in the contested Democratic and Green/Statehood primaries for the open At-Large seat on the City Council. Moderated by Steve Mufson, there was a lively exchange among the candidates and with the audience in preparation for the April 3 primary.

Looking ahead, our May meeting will focus on the question of crime prevention. Recently there has been a marked increase in crime – especially robberies and thefts – in and around Cleveland Park. Representatives from the Metropolitan Police Department and other organizations will help us understand why some neighborhoods attract street crime, what communities can do to make their neighborhoods less attractive to criminals, and how we can better keep ourselves safe as we go about our lives.

CRIME & PREVENTION

Thursday, May 17 7:00 PM TO 8:30 PM

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June is fast approaching which brings CPCA's annual meeting and elections. The nominations committee is talking to members who are interested in joining the Board. I'm certain all current members of the Board will join me in stating that participation is a rewarding, worthwhile and FUN experience. If you are interested and would like to find our more, please contact Nominating Committee chair Pam Korbel at (202) 363-1189. We need you!

Cleveland Park sure puts on a glorious show each spring! We hope you are enjoying the season.

Best.

Susie Taylor and the CPCA Board