



May 9, 2012

Dear CPCA Members,

I'm delighted to report that the Nominating Committee, led by Pam Korbel, has completed its work and proposed a slate of candidates to serve as CPCA's Board of Directors for the next term. Thank you, Pam! All Board members are elected for a one-year term. Elections take place at our annual meeting, which is on Thursday, June 14th at the library, beginning at 6:30 pm. Be sure to mark your calendar.

Current Board of Director members proposed for re-election are Ruth Caplan, Jeff Davis, Ana Evans, John Korbel, Ann Hamilton, Clark Madigan, Mark Rosenman, and Susie Taylor. Proposed new members are Rachel Cox, Christopher Fioravante, and Margie Siegel.

Our by-laws include a provision for nominations by petition: "**Section 3.04. Nomination by Petition.** Additional candidates for officers and at-large members of the Board may be nominated by petition, signed by at least ten (10) members and delivered to the Nominating Committee at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall promptly notify the membership of any candidates nominated by petition. Nominations from the floor at the annual meeting are prohibited and shall not be recognized." Such petitions are welcome.

I turn now to a more imminent event. The recent increase in crime in Ward 3 has put everyone on alert. In the past two years, there have been at least 16 street robberies (most violent and more than half while armed) along or very near the Cleveland Park Connecticut Avenue shopping/dining strip. Additional robberies have occurred elsewhere within CPCA boundaries and still more in Woodley Park.

At our next meeting, we will investigate what makes particular neighborhoods attractive to criminals and how we can better keep ourselves safe.

The Metropolitan Police Department's Assistant Chief Diane Groomes, head of the Patrol Division, and Commander Reese, head of the Second District, will address these issues, as will Bill Starrels of the Georgetown Advisory Neighborhood Commission, which has been very active in crime prevention.

CRIME & PREVENTION

Thursday, May 17

7:00 PM TO 8:30 PM

CLEVELAND PARK LIBRARY -- 1ST FLOOR MEETING ROOM

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

CPCA BUSINESS MEETING 6:30 PM

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Looking back, at our March meeting, a panel of three specialists led a discussion helping us explore roles can we play locally in making DC a model sustainable city, which is the goal of Mayor Gray. Many thanks to PSC Commissioner Lori Murphy Lee, Andrea Limauro, Ward 3 Neighborhood Planning Coordinator for OP, and Brent Blackwelder, a member of the Mayor's Green Ribbon Committee, for serving as our panelists. The next step is to look at what we can do here in Cleveland Park to become a model sustainable neighborhood. Contact Ruth Caplan (244-8566) if you would like to join CPCA's Greening Committee.

I also want to alert you to the fact that the owner of the liquor license at Ireland's Four Fields has sold the license. The purchaser is identified as The Uptown Tap House. We believe the purchaser is McFadden's. When a license is sold and there are no "substantial changes," approval is usually granted automatically by staff at the Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA).

In anticipation of a possible liquor license sale, I wrote to the director of ABRA last March requesting that, in the event of a sale, ABRA would send a request for a hearing to the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board to give CPCA and others a chance to testify regarding concerns. Three of our ANC Commissioners made a similar request. Director Moosally acknowledged receipt. He informed me this morning that he has forwarded our request for a review to the ABC Board for its consideration. I will keep you apprised of the situation, especially whether we will need to take further action.

We hope to see you Thursday, May 17th!

Best,

Susie Taylor and the CPCA Board

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