



September 12, 2011

Dear CPCA members,

A new year for CPCA is just beginning and all of us on the *first* CPCA Board are excited about the year ahead. Plans are well underway for the second Cleveland Park Day which will be on Saturday, Oct. 1st, from 1-5 PM. This is also the **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of CPCA** so it will be a very special celebration! We look forward to seeing everyone on Connecticut Avenue. We need volunteers. If you have two hours to donate on October 1st, contact Jeff Davis (see below for contact information.)

We have also begun planning programs for the year. Our first membership meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> with our Councilwoman, Mary Cheh. Are you distressed about the stumblings of the new city administration? It doesn't do any good to sit home and kvetch. We are very pleased that Council Member Mary Cheh has agreed to come and have a conversation with us about what is going on and what steps need to be taken to get things on the right track. It's important that she hears your voice concerns. Please make an effort to come out on the 27<sup>th</sup>. It would be very helpful if you submit questions in advance to Susie Taylor (see below for contact information). We will begin at 6:30 PM with our business meeting.

**DC GOVERNMENT IN DISARRAY:  
WHAT'S GOING ON AND WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT IT?**

**A DISCUSSION WITH COUNCIL MEMBER MARY CHEH**

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27  
6:30 - 8:15 PM**

**CLEVELAND PARK LIBRARY, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR**

**Renew Today!** The new year also means that it is time for you to renew your annual CPCA membership which runs from October 1 to September 30. We have enclosed the renewal form and a return envelope for you to use. We hope you will renew right away. It saves lots of time and money if we don't have to send out more notices.

**Tax Exemption.** We are pleased to report that the IRS has granted CPCA tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the tax code. So your dues and any additional contribution can be taken as a tax deduction.

**Committees.** We hope you will also sign up to become active on one of our committees. The Cleveland Park Village effort is a result of just such a committee, as is all the work being done to enhance Connecticut Avenue and make it safer. And this year we are reinvigorating the Greening Committee which took a breather last year after a very active first year. We all love living in Cleveland Park. It deserves our love and attention. Cleveland Park depends on what we all contribute.

Finally, all of us on the newly constituted and elected Board of Directors want to be sure that you can get in touch with us to share your ideas about how to make Cleveland Park an even better place to live. Here is our contact information.

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With best wishes from us all,

Susie Taylor