



## Director's Notes: Monday, May 9th, 2022

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### Keeping Safe

The safety of our members is the number one priority for Foggy Bottom West End Village. We recognize that older adults, especially those with health issues are at highest risk for Covid. To that end, we are maintaining our policy requiring masks for all indoor events when not eating or drinking and requiring proof of full vaccination including a booster shot before attending any in-person event.

Because the latest variant is more contagious than previous variants we are taking an extra step to increase everyone's sense of confidence that village events are as safe as possible. We are asking everyone who attends indoor events where you will be taking your mask off in order to eat or drink to please take a rapid home test for Covid before attending the event. We will not be asking for proof of a negative test – this will be on the honor system.



We have test kits available at the office and can drop one off at your home or you can make arrangements to come by the office to pick it up. To stop by the office or to request that a kit be delivered to your home just send a note to [info@fbwevillage.org](mailto:info@fbwevillage.org) or call us at [202-333-1327](tel:202-333-1327). If you're unsure how to use the test kit, we can walk you through the process. Like many things, it's very easy once you get familiar with it and we can help make you familiar.

Although the West End Library is closed at present due to flood damage, [click here](#) to see other libraries and test kits pick up locations and their real time supply of test kits.

Thanks for helping to keep yourself and other village members as healthy as possible.

-Denise

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## **Pictures Needed!**

We are looking for photos of you out and about - whether that's here in D.C. or thousands of miles away. Please send me pictures of you, your pet, or a beautiful scene you've caught. Could just be you walking around the neighborhood, some spring flowers you enjoyed, enjoying a meal with a friend.....

We want to continue to include a page of members' pictures and photos that show what you're up to in our bimonthly newsletter, Musings & More. So, please, share some fun, natural beauty, or friendship!

-Denise

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## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

This week we are wishing a very Happy Birthday to four amazing people!

- Myrna Fawcett - May 10th
- Karen Hamrick - May 10th
- Denise Vogt - May 12th
- Alan Ingber - May 15th



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## **PROGRAMS**

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### **Visit to the United States Institute of Peace**

**Wednesday, May 11th, from 2:00  
PM until 3:00 PM  
US Institute of Peace, 2301  
Constitution Ave NW**



In this one-hour session, villagers will hear from USIP staff about the U.S. Institute of Peace and how it achieves its mission to prevent, mitigate, and resolve violent conflicts abroad. The session will be interactive, and visitors will be able to engage with USIP staff on issues of specific interest. Visitors will also learn about the Institute's headquarters and how it supports the organization's mission.

Confirmation of vaccination is required. Please register by May 2nd as USIP needs a list of registrants in advance of the talk.

[Register for the interactive visit here](#)

NOTE: The entrance to USIP is on 23rd Street NW, on the west side of the street, just opposite the C Street NW entrance to the State Department.

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## **MAY Guys Only at Lunch**

**Thursday, May 19th at 12:30 pm**  
**Held at RIS Restaurant, 2275 L St NW**



GOAL returns to RIS this month. [The menu can be found here](#). Hope you're ready for another fine lunch with sparkling conversation amongst delightful lunch-mates.

**Cost:** Each participant is responsible for the cost of his own lunch. Separate checks will be provided. The reservation is under the name Chalick.

**Accessibility:** The venue is fully accessible.

Open to all fully vaccinated and boosted male members. Please have vaccination status registered with the village prior to attending GOAL. The Village requests that you take a rapid test on the morning of the event and to only attend with a negative result

Registration is required. Please e-mail Morris Chalick at [mjchalick@verizon.net](mailto:mjchalick@verizon.net) by Tuesday, May 17th, if you plan to attend, so he can get a final headcount for the table reservation.

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**TUDOR PLACE - Afternoon  
Tea and Guided House Tour**  
**Thursday, May 19th, from 1:00 pm to  
3:00 pm**  
**Tudor Place, 1644 31st St NW**

Celebrate spring with a delicious tea followed by a tour of the historic Tudor Place mansion in Georgetown, the home of six generations of Martha Washington's descendants. Please join us for this special afternoon of delights in a unique setting surrounded by beautiful gardens.

This event is limited to 15 participants and has been fully subscribed. There is a waiting list should a vacancy arise with no payment necessary until an opening is confirmed. Cost of \$30 includes house tour and tea and may be paid by credit card or check to FBWE Village.

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## AFFINITY GROUPS

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### TUESDAYS

COFFEE & COMPANY at 10:00 am (weekly)

*Meets at Bread and Chocolate at [2301 M St NW](#) (contact for more information)*

Contact: [jfrumkin@fbwevillage.org](mailto:jfrumkin@fbwevillage.org)

CAREGIVER'S GROUP (1st and 3rd Tue.) at 1:00 pm

*Online via Zoom (contact for more information)*

Contact: [pfkramer38@gmail.com](mailto:pfkramer38@gmail.com)

### WEDNESDAYS

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP (1st Wed) at 2:00 pm

*Meets at West End Library (contact for more information)*

Contact: [jfrumkin@fbwevillage.org](mailto:jfrumkin@fbwevillage.org)

### THURSDAYS

GUYS ONLY AT LUNCH (GOAL) (3rd Thu) at 12:30 pm

*Various locations (contact for more information)*

Contact: [tlneve@rcn.com](mailto:tlneve@rcn.com)

TAKE FOUR AT TAZZA at 4:00 pm (weekly)

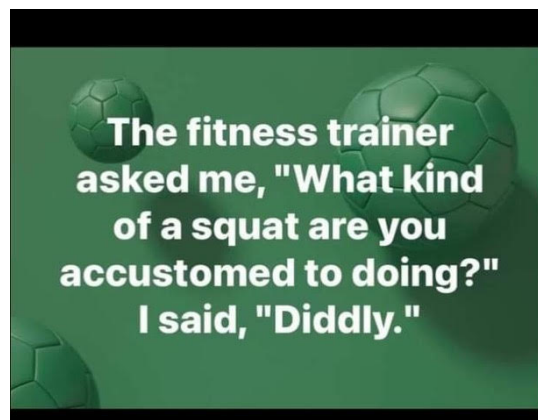
*Meets at Tazza Restaurant at [600 New Hampshire Ave NW](#)*

Contact: [jfrumkin@fbwevillage.org](mailto:jfrumkin@fbwevillage.org)

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## A BIT OF HUMOR

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## OTHER PIECES

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Who you gonna believe? Me, or your lyin' eyes?

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

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**Working with DC Area Afghan Refugees: An Update  
and Outlook Regarding Resettlement**  
Thursday, May 12th, at 2:00 PM

Solutions for Hometown Connections (SHC) works with refugees and



immigrants in the Washington DC Metro area, providing a network of mentors, tutors, and community connections. SHC founder Merritt Groeschel will update us on the issues facing Afghan refugees as they try to navigate life in the US and what to expect in the coming months as families from Ukraine begin to arrive and Afghan families separated during the chaotic evacuation begin to reunite.

[Register and find more upcoming speakers on the NWN site here](#)

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**Rose Theater Free Show**  
**Tuesday, May 17th, at 7:00 pm**  
**at the Washington Arts Club**



If Christ Was Born in a Barn, Dyin' in a Van Ain't so Bad. Written by Mark Charney and Cory Norman

"If Christ was Born in a Barn, Dyin' in a Van Ain't so Bad takes an imaginative look at one of the most controversial issues of the late twentieth-century, deciphering the man behind the moniker, Dr. Death."

[SAVE YOUR SEAT by clicking here](#), Reservations Strongly Encouraged.

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**Silvernest Information Session**  
**Tuesday, May 24 at 4:00 pm**

Join this informational Zoom presentation by Jennifer Hammer about Silvernest! Silvernest is a home sharing matching service that pairs aging homeowners with roommates and tools for long-term home sharing. Silvernest is putting a fresh new spin on sharing space and enjoying life with roommates. One that's clear-cut, hassle-free and built around each person's unique wants and needs. All are welcome to attend. The event is hosted by Cleveland & Woodley Park Village.

[Find more info and register here](#)

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Free transportation will be provided to this event. If you would like to sign up for it please contact the office.



## GRANDPARENTS AGAINST COVID-19

### INFO SESSION: DC GRANDPARENTS AGAINST COVID-19

Wednesday, May 25th at 3:00 pm on Zoom

Join DC Villages to learn about a new campaign by HelpAge USA, the US affiliate of an international organization dedicated to lifting the voices of older adults. You don't have to be a grandparent -- anyone over 60 who is willing to speak to family, friends or neighbors about vaccines is welcome. The program provides the tools you need to have the conversations.

[Find more info and register here](#)

### Save the Date – 2022 Capital Pride Parade

June 11 is Capital Pride, and the Department of Aging and Community Living is looking for community members to join them on their trolley during the Pride Parade!



Join in celebration. Email [dacl.communications@dc.gov](mailto:dacl.communications@dc.gov) to reserve a

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## WEBSITES FOR PUBLIC VILLAGE EVENTS

The Washington Area Village Exchange has a website for area villages to list their public programs. It includes many fascinating programs from a number of area villages. Check out their site, <http://www.dmvvillageevents.org/>, to see what might interest you.

You also might have interest in upcoming Village to Village Network programs. [You can find the full VtoV calendar on their website here](#). Please contact the office if you would like to register for any VtoV event.

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## How to Register for Village Programs

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Village programs and events will generally be announced only in the weekly Director's Notes, published on Monday morning.

- To register, first make sure you are logged into your account on the Village website. From the listing at the end of each program invite, click on the link.
- Then simply click the **REGISTER NOW** button and follow the prompts.
- Finally, click **COMPLETE REGISTRATION** (located at the top and bottom of the registration page).
- **You will receive an event confirmation email.** If you do not get this email, you are not registered. Please call the Village office at (202) 333-1327 and someone will be happy to help.
- **For some programs, you will use a personal email to register. Just email the person listed and let them know you plan to attend.**
- If you have any problems with registering for an event online, please call the Village office at (202) 333-1327 and someone will be able to register you for the event.

All FBWE programs take place on Zoom unless otherwise indicated.

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