

## Georgetown Village

### Neighbors Helping Neighbors

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Dear GV Members,

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming Anniversary Party on December 10, from 6:30-8:30 pm in Blake Hall at St. John's Episcopal Church, 3240 O Street NW. **ALL GV members and volunteers are invited**, if you have not received your invitation in the mail, please contact the office and let us know. This annual party is our thank you to GV members and volunteers for their support, and there is no charge for the party. We would like your RSVP as soon as possible so we know how many people to expect.

This year the delicious food is being donated by Clyde's Restaurant Group, a well-known Georgetown institution. Potomac Wine and Spirits, Inc. is generously donating the wine. Other local businesses are also showing their support of Georgetown Village by donating items for raffle prizes and a possible silent auction. Come prepared to support the Village and win some great prizes!

As we are celebrating our fourth year as a Village, we are looking for ways to grow and improve. If you have friends who could benefit from membership to Georgetown Village, please tell them about us, or give the office their contact information and we will reach out to them.

In addition we are looking to increase membership involvement in Georgetown Village by growing our committees, and having more members involved with program planning and other committees working to improve Georgetown Village. Please contact the office if you would like to get further involved in helping Georgetown Village, or if you have ideas and suggestions for us to implement.

As you enter the holiday season, please remember that our volunteers are happy to help you prepare your home for the holidays. If you need assistance hanging decorations, or getting your home ready, let us know!

Also, if you are doing online shopping with Amazon, remember to use Amazon smile and designate Georgetown Village as your chosen charity. There is no extra cost to you, and the Village will receive a donation from Amazon as a result of your shopping.

The board joins me in wishing you a wonderful holiday, Merry Christmas, and Happy and Healthy New Year!

Looking forward to seeing you on December 10,

Lynn



### December Programs

#### Mondays

##### December 7

10:15 am Book Discussion-  
3143 O Street NW

5:30 pm-Happy Hour-DG

#### Tuesdays

##### December 15

5:30 pm-Happy Hour-Daily  
Grill

##### December 22

TBD-Movie Night & Dinner

#### Wednesdays

##### Dec. 2, 16

10:30-Portable Electronics  
Support Group-1680

Wisconsin Ave. NW

##### December 9

10:30 am-Brain Games-  
1680 Wisconsin Ave. NW

#### Thursdays

10:30 am Coffee Talk

St. John's 3240 O Street NW

NO COFFEE TALK on

December 24 or 31

##### December 10

6:30 pm-GV Anniversary  
Party-3240 O Street NW

##### December 17

7:30 pm-Encore Choral  
Concert-G St. NW-see  
back page for information.

## Encore Chorale Concert December 17

In the spirit of the holidays, the December outing will be on Thursday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm when the Encore Chorale will present a Winter's Night Holiday Concert at the Church of the Epiphany on G Street NW.

The chorale plus a solo violinist will perform holiday pieces including *Rise Up and Follow that Star*, *Oseh Shalom*, *A Musicological Journey Through the 12 Days of Christmas*, as well as a carol sing-along with the audience. The Encore Chorale is a group of singers aged 55 and over who rehearse weekly with professional coaching and reach a high standard of choral singing. The concert is free, and we will arrange transportation for those who need it. Come and listen and sing. Let Lynn know if you are interested in attending and need transportation.

## December 2015 and January 2016 Book Discussion Selections

In December our book group will be discussing *The Stranger* by Albert Camus, in combination with a new acclaimed short novel. This novel, *The Meursault Affair* by Kamel Daoud, is a sort of sequel or prequel, about the anonymous forgotten Arab. These books will be discussed on December 7 at 10:15 am at the home of Joan Kennan, 3143 O Street NW.

January 11 the group will be discussing *In the Land of Invisible Women* by Qanta Ahmed. ***The decisions that change your life are often the most impulsive ones.*** Unexpectedly denied a visa to remain in the US, Qanta Ahmed, a young British Muslim doctor becomes an outcast in motion. On a whim, she accepts an exciting position in Saudi Arabia. This is not just a new job; it is a chance at adventure in an exotic land she thinks she understands, a place she hopes she will belong. What Dr. Ahmed discovers is vastly different. She finds rejection and scorn in the places she believed would most embrace her, but also humor, honesty, loyalty and love. A place where the author discovers what it takes for one woman to recreate herself in the land of invisible women. Location of discussion will be in the January newsletter.

## Celebration of Elizabeth Ridout's Life on December 8, 5:30 pm

Georgetown Village office has been notified that Elizabeth Ridout passed away on November 11, 2015. As Elizabeth was an active member of Georgetown Village we were asked to notify our membership that there is a celebration of her life scheduled for Tuesday, December 8 at 5:30 pm at the Freer Gallery of Art. If you are interested in attending this memorial, and you need transportation, please contact the Georgetown Village office at 202-999-8988.