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Village News

New Leaders Sought by June 2

Three GSV director positions are up for election. We encourage members to consider a leadership role. As a Board Member, you will participate in activities, help set the direction for the future of GSV, and get to know some of your neighbors better. The terms are three years. If you want more information, please reach out to the Nominations Committee (Amos Matthews at amatt47@verizon.net, Phyllis Romito at phyllisromito@yahoo.com, and Tom Finch at pattytomfinch@yahoo.com) by June 2.

Do You Want a Cloth Face Mask?

The Village has been offered a supply of cloth masks to distribute to members and volunteers. If you would like some, please respond to wendy@greaterstonegatevillage.org and note your name, the quantity requested, and if you will need the masks delivered to your front doorstep, or if you can pick the masks up at 14605 Stonewall Drive. Requests must be received by Tuesday, June 9. Please note that we have not yet received the masks and we don't know the final number we will receive.

First Responder Tribute a Big Success

We are pleased to report that the Stonegate Community and the Greater Stonegate Village (GSV) were very generous in showing their appreciation to Fire Station #24. With the funds collected, GSV was able to provide dinner from Mission BBQ for the A, B, and C shifts along with dessert plus signs expressing our thanks for all they do. The station's captains and crews were extremely appreciative. Our thanks to Paula Cirincione, GSV volunteer, for suggesting and coordinating the event, and to our photographer, Rollin Frasier, for allowing us to share the event with everyone. The photos will be posted to the website shortly. Thank you, Paula, Rollin, and everyone who contributed.

The Lieutenant of Fire Station #24 launched "Friday Night Lights," a drive-by in different neighborhoods, which started this past Friday in Stonegate to show appreciation for the "extreme kindness" of the community.

Will You Start the Conversation?

Greater Stonegate Village is pleased to announce a movie discussion group starting in June. We are seeking another volunteer willing to lead a small interest group on gardening, reading,

needlepoint, theater, cooking, bridge, current events, or the topic of his/her choice. The group will allow you to connect with your neighbors by Zoom (for now, but hopefully in person later) and share common interests. If you want to learn more about launching a group, please contact Wendy at wendy@greaterstonegatevillage.org.

Action Needed - Zoom Update

If you are participating in our Zoom gatherings or may in the future, you need to know that Zoom is releasing robust security enhancements and making changes. Zoom released Zoom 5.0, setting a new standard in video communications security, and after May 30 all Zoom users will be required to upgrade before joining meetings.

You may be prompted to update when you next open Zoom. You may also go to <https://zoom.us/download> to update Zoom. You can select the appropriate upgrade for the version of Zoom that you have been using. You can learn more about the upgraded security features at <https://zoom.us/docs/en-us/zoom-v5-0.html>. To see which version of Zoom you are using open the app and look at the bottom of the Zoom window.

Do you want some assistance with Zoom? Please reach out to Wendy at wendy@greaterstonegatevillage.org and we will have a volunteer walk you through your Zoom questions and challenges over the phone. If you prefer, you can also attend GSV events by telephone.

Keeping Track of COVID-19

Montgomery County Government recently made a dashboard available so we can all track the local impact of COVID-19. You can find the dashboard and other related information at <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS/RightNav/Coronavirus-data.html>.

Village Events

Greater Stonegate Village Annual Meeting and Cocktail Celebration

Join us as the Board of Directors elects three new directors as well as new officers. We will hear about plans for the future and share ideas with the Board. Bring your favorite cocktail so we can toast to another successful year.

When: Sunday, June 7, 5 pm – 6 pm

Where: On Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8396768530>

Meeting ID: 839 676 8530

One Tap Mobile: +13017158592,,8396768530#

Dial: +1 301 715 8592

Klezmer: American Music

Klezmer music is the secular folk music of the Jews of Central and Eastern Europe. In the first

decade of the 1900s, this music flourished not only in the Old World but also in the New, in the immigrant community of New York City. There, the sounds of the European "Fiddler on the roof" mixed with the sounds of early jazz and Tin Pan Alley. The result was a quintessentially American sound. This presentation will trace the history and evolution of Klezmer music from the Old World to the New, up until the present day, and the modern Klezmer revival. Audio, video, and "live" performances from the speaker will make the program as exciting as the music itself.

Speaker: Seth Kibel is one of the premier woodwind specialists (clarinet, saxophone, and flute), working with some of the best bands in klezmer, jazz, swing, and more.

RSVP: Please let Geri know you will be joining us. You can reach her at gcooperman@aol.com.

When: Wednesday, June 10, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Where: On Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87355432420>

Meeting ID: 873 5543 2420

One Tap Mobile: +13017158592,,87355432420#

Dial: +1 301 715 8592 US

Movie Discussion Group Kickoff Meeting

We've all been watching a lot more movies lately and it will be fun to discuss our favorites with other movie buffs. The group is open to new movies, old movies, documentaries, or whatever participants find of interest.

RSVP: Please let Bob know you will join us and share your thoughts in terms of format with him at robertramseynd@gmail.com.

When: Thursday, June 17, 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Where: On Zoom. Login information to be provided as the event approaches.

Monthly Cocktail Hour

Bring your drink of choice and join your neighbors to enjoy one another's company.

When: Thursday, June 25, 5 pm – 6 pm

Where: On Zoom. Login information to be provided as the event approaches.

Fraud and Identity Theft

Thieves use fraud and identity theft to steal billions of dollars from millions of people every year. Seniors are particularly vulnerable. Learn about fraud and identity theft, how it's accomplished, how to protect yourself, and what to do if you are a victim.

Speaker: Ted Meyerson is a speaker for AARP Maryland on several topics as well as a representative for AARP on various organizations. He is a member of the AARP Fraud Watch Network Volunteers and an AARP Volunteer Engagement Trainer. He formerly chaired the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life and has served on various State and County

task forces and commissions. Additionally, he was president of a non-profit that brought information to seniors, is past president of United Seniors of Maryland, and is a former Vice-Chair of the Howard County Commission on Aging.

RSVP: Please let Geri know you will be joining us. You can reach her at gcooperman@aol.com.

When: Wednesday, July 15, 1 – 2:30 pm

Where: On Zoom. Login information to be provided as the event approaches.