December 2024 Newsletter

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Dear Georgetown Village Members and Friends.

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the year, getting ready to celebrate the winter holidays and the New Year! As we have made ourselves comfortable in the Georgetown Village Square at the Fillmore School, our programming has increased and we are enjoying seeing so many of you at our various activities. We have also been thrilled to see the growth of member-generated programs! Our very successful meditation, hiking, and mah jong groups were all started based on members ideas.

Speaking of members' ideas, we are planning our third annual Georgetown Village town hall, that will take place in January. It will be held on a Sunday afternoon that will not conflict with a home football game, and we invite all our members and volunteers to attend. At the town hall, we review the 2024 statistics and work on planning for 2025. Please start thinking about what you would like to see us add, any changes you think should be made, and comments that will help us continue to grow and improve our village.

The Fillmore School building is closed from December 25 through January 2. Our last in-building activities for the year will take place December 23. Our in-building programming will resume January 6.

As you know, Georgetown Village offers a myriad of activities and programs for our members, in addition to the many services our volunteers provide. None of this would be possible without the donations and support we receive. We hope you will be generous when you receive our end of year appeal, so that we can continue to provide you with our quality programming and refreshments. I also want to remind those of you who are founding members that it is time to renew your membership, renewal notices have been sent out.

The Georgetown Village board and staff join me in wishing you all a wonderful winter holiday and a very happy and healthy New Year.



<u>Mondays</u>

Dec. 2, 9, 16 & 23-11:30 am Basic Training 4 Your Body-Georgetown Village Square-(GVS) 1801 34th Street <u>1pm</u> Mahjong @ GVS <u>4 pm</u>-Stronger Memory-Online No In-building programs 12/30

<u>Tuesdays</u>

Dec. 10 10:30 am Health Care Discussion-Safely Enjoying Your Holidays Online 827 2873 7032 Passcode: 5391626-

<u>Wednesdays</u>

12-4-Drop by GV SquareDecember 11-10:30 amVisit to National Gallery for filmand viewing of Paris-theImpressionist MomentDecember 1811:00-Meditation-GV Square12:00 - Men's Lunch-PinstripesDecember 25 & January 1Merry Christmas &

Happy New Year Office Closed

<u>Thursdays</u> 11:30 am Exercise Class No Class 12/26 <u>DECEMBER 5</u>- GV Anniversary Party-Catering by Filomena Entertainment by Augmented Eight and Ray Biagini <u>December 19</u>-5:15 Movie Night-The Piano Lesson

All the best,

Lynn

Georgetown Village 13th Anniversary Party December 5-5:00 pm

We look forward to seeing our members and volunteers at our anniversary celebration on December 5. We are catering the party from Filomena's Restaurant this year, and bringing back the fabulous Augmented Eight group for an encore performance. We will also be treated to music from our favorite pianist, Ray Biagini.

This party is our annual thank you to members and volunteers for your involvement and support of Georgetown Village, we hope you will be there to join the fun! If you have not yet sent in your rsvp, please do so asap so we are sure to have enough food.

Paris 1874: The Impressionist Moment December 12-Meet at GV Office by 10:15

How did impressionism begin? Discover the origins of the French art movement in a new look at the radical 1874 exhibition considered the birth of modern painting. This is a remarkable presentation of 130 works that includes a rare reunion of many of the paintings first featured in that now-legendary exhibition. Revisit beloved paintings by <u>Paul Cézanne</u>, <u>Claude Monet</u>, <u>Berthe</u> <u>Morisot</u>, and <u>Camille Pissarro</u> and meet their lesser-known contemporaries. See the art norms they were rebelling against and learn what political and social shifts sparked their new approach to art.

We will share transportation to the museum to watch the 11 a.m. showing of the documentary that was produced for the exhibition with the support of Musee d'Orsay and Arte Film This new documentary takes a hybrid approach to the early story of that radical group of French painters known as the impressionists. Following the documentary, we will view the exhibit individually, as no tours are allowed. We will make plans to meet for lunch after viewing the exhibit, before returning to Georgetown.

Movie Night-The Piano Lesson December 19-5:15 pm

Our movie this month is The Piano Lesson, a movie based on the August Wilson play. Set in 1936b Pittsburgh, during the aftermath of the Great Depression, the movie follows the lives of the Charles family and an heirloom, the family piano which is decorated with designs carved by an enslaved ancestor. This very well reviewed movie deals with the themes of family legacies, heritage and the struggle for identity against the backdrop of African-American history.

Please remember, our volunteers are happy to provide transportation to Georgetown Village programs. If you wish to join us for any activity and need a ride, just let us know! We look forward to watching and discussing this movie with you on December 19.