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Glover Park

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The Monthly Newsletter of the Glover Park Citizens' Association



This Way to the Fun!

Glover Park Day, Saturday, June 3

Karen Pataky

ark your calendars! Glover Park Day is just around the corner. Glover Park Day #32, our wonderful neighborhood festival, returns on Saturday, June 3 from 11 a.m to 5 p.m. at Guy Mason Recreation Center. This year will be more exciting than

The food court will be serving dishes from German sausages to pizza all day and the air will be filled with music by old favorites: Crush Funk and Hokum Jazz and two newcomers to our event, Glover Park's own Color School and Kiti Gartner and the Drifting Valentines.

This year will have even more exciting activities for kids! Thanks to the generosity of CommuniKids—a language immersion school with a branch in Glover Park—kids will be able to choose from moon bounces, face painting, arts and crafts and several carnival games.

And for you pre-teens and young teens, Hardy Middle School will again be operating a dunk tank where you will have a chance to dunk some of your favorite staff and teachers!

Want to register to vote but just don't have the time? We've got you covered. The DC Board of Elections will be at our event to register all eligible persons on site! For teens who will soon turn 18, that includes you!

Other highlights? DogChild returns with a challenging and fun dog agility course for all our canine friends. The Guy Mason Pottery Studio will be demonstrating their skills and selling their wares. And many artists and crafters from across the area will have exciting products for you to peruse.

Have a question for the DC government or community service groups? Many will be attendance to answer your questions. Check out the GPCA Glover Park Day website for a list.

Fear not, our traditional prize drawings are available all day for great prizes from local businesses. Of course, everyone will also be



able to buy a t-shirt to add to their collection. Do you have all 32?? In case you couldn't attend last year, the 2022 t-shirts will be available for purchase at half price! Don't forget! Glover Park Day is the perfect time to renew membership in the Glover Park Citizens' Association.

Please come out to enjoy the festivities, catch up with old friends and meet new neighbors.

We look forward to seeing you on June 3!

Glover Park Day Details on Pages 4-6



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Your Membership Supports Glover Park Day

Join/renew online now!

The GPCA promotes the well-being and interests of the residents of Glover Park.
Your dues support community events, local advocacy,
the publication of the *Gazette*, improvements to the neighborhood
including welcome signs, benches and pocket park maintenance.



President's Report

Peace Out for Summer

Lisa McCluskey

t's been a busy spring with lively discussions on bus routes, new traffic calming measures for biking and pedestrians, city budgets, changes at local schools and more.

So many Glover Parkers have once again stepped up to help make our city and neighborhood a welcoming, safe and sustainable place to live. I am amazed and thankful for the pride and volunteerism that we have in our community.

Many schools are already out for summer break, while DC Public School students and staff toil on until June 22. But already offices are starting up summer hours and many college-aged renters are packing up and heading out. This all means that the streets of Glover Park will soon be a bit quieter as we ease into another swampy summer lull.



This summer I hope that you take time to enjoy some of the simple pleasures of Glover Park life:

• Listen for the 8 a.m. playing of the national anthem at the National

Observatory as the flag is raised and again at dusk with the lowering "resting of colors," and bugle call.

- Watch a ball game at Guy Mason or at Stoddert's baseball field.
- Smell the BBQ wafting from mainstreet.
- Enjoy a walk in Glover Archbold Park and look for honeysuckle and check out what's growing in the Victory Gardens.
- · Kick back with a neighbor and catch up.

See you at Glover Park Day from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 3! The GPCA membership table will have giveaways, including a special item just for GPCA members.

Learn More About GPCA: Visit: www.gpcadc.org



GLOVER PARK DAY Schedule of Fun

11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Special Events

Face Painting with CommuniKids
Air Tattooing with Friends of Guy Mason
Moon Bounces with CommuniKids
Hardy Middle School Dunk Tank
Arts and Crafters for Kids with CommuniKids
Carnival Games for Kids with CommuniKids
Stretching Demonstration with Mission Slim-Possible



All Day Activities

Dog Child: Dog Agility Course

SnoCones with William R. Singleton Hope-Lebanon Lodge #7

Popcorn with Second District MPD

StoryTime with CommuniKids

Prize Drawings

2023 Glover Park Day T-Shirts

Community Service Organizations

Glover Park Citizens' Association

Live Music!





Food Court

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Old Europe Rocklands BBQ and Grilling Company Trader Joe's Whisked





GLOVER PARK DAY Musical Lineup



11:00 - 12 noon Hokum Jazz with Esther Haynes & JC Veve

12:00 – 12:15 p.m. Break

12:15 - 1:15 p.m. Crush Funk Brass with Santo Buzzanca

1:15 – 1:30 p.m. Break: Stretching Demonstration by Jaliyla Tillman, Mission Slim–Possible

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Kiti Gartner and the Drifting Valentines

2:30 – 2:45 p.m. Break: Announcement of Winners of the Best of Glover Park Day Contest

2:45 - 3:45 p.m. Color School with Jerry Hergenreder

3:45 - 4:00 p.m. Break: Musical Interlude by "The Neighbors"

4:00 - 5:00 pm: Colonel Josh and the Honky Tonk Heroes

Special Thank You to CommuniKids for their support of the 2023 Glover Park Day Children's Activities



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In Bocca Al Lupo

Janti Café

Launch

Ligne Roset

Mario's Trattoria

Pearson's Wine & Spirits

Point Chaud Café & Crepes

Sargent Cleaners

Shanghai Lounge

Starbucks Georgetown

Theodores

Wide World of Wines

Wingo's

Xiquet by Danny Lledó

Celebrating our Community

Best of Glover Park Contest Awards

Lisa McCluskey

he results are in! We have the winners for the first Best of Glover Park Awards. Many neighbors took time to nominate their favorites and vote. Thank you to all who participated in this celebration of Glover Park, and of the best people, places, foods and services that make our neighborhood great. Our hope is to shine a little light on local businesses, volunteers and organizations. Time will tell if we make this another annual tradition. Congratulations to all!

Best of Food and Drink Category

Best Burger: Rocklands BBQ & Grilling Company

Runner up: Wingo's 3rd Place: Good Guys

Best Outdoor Dining: Rocklands Barbeque & Grilling Company

Runner up: BreadSoda 3rd Place: Glover Park Grill

Best Pizza: In Bucco Al Lupo

Runner up: Angelico Pizza 3rd Place: Mario's Trattoria

Best Bar: BreadSoda

Runner up: Glover Park Grill

3rd Place: (tie) In Bucco Al Lupo and Wingo's

Best Breakfast/Brunch: Point Chaud Cafe & Crêpes

Runner up: Einstein Bagels 3rd Place: Glover Park Grill

Best Place to Get Coffee/Tea: Point Chaud Cafe & Crêpes

Runner up: Moge Tea 3rd Place: Einstein Bagels

Best Place to Watch Sports: Wingo's

Runner up: BreadSoda 3rd Place: In Bucco Al Lupo

Best Late Night Food: Dumplings and Beyond

Runner up: Rocklands Barbeque and Grilling Company

3rd Place: BreadSoda

Best Fine Dining: (tie) Old Europe and Xiquet

Runner up: Sushi Keiko 3rd Place: Mario's Trattoria

Best Entertainment: In Bocca Al Lupo

Runner up: BreadSoda 3rd Place: Good Guys Club

Best Wings: Wingo's

Runner up: Rocklands Barbeque & Grilling Company

3rd Place: Angelico's Pizza



Best Fast Casual: Rocklands Barbeque & Grilling Company

Runner up: Sprig & Sprout 3rd Place: Dumplings & Beyond

Best Happy Hour: BreadSoda

Runner up: Rocklands Barbeque & Grilling Company 3^{rd} Place: In Bocca Al Lupo

Best Goods and Services

Friendliest Staff: ACE Hardware

Runner up: Rocklands Barbeque & Grilling Company 3rd Place: BreadSoda

Best Hair Salon: Guven Salon and Spa

Runner up: Eivind and Hans 3rd Place: Hair Lounge Salon

Best Gym/Yoga Studio: Guy Mason Recreation Center

Runner up: Washington Sports Center 3rd Place: Yoga District

Best Spa Services: Acqua Nails

Runner up: Heads N Nails Salon and Spa 3rd Place: Bare Sugar and Wellness Spa

Best Specialty Store/Services: ACE Hardware

Runner up: Pearson's Wine and Spirits

3rd Place: (4-way tie) CommuniKids, Georgetown Valet, Glover Park Market and Sargent Cleaners

Best Medical Services: CVS Minute Clinic

Runner up: Elements Fitness and Wellness Center

Best Glover Parkers

Best Realtor: Nicole Jennings

Runner up: Ariadne Henry 3rd Place: Erin Sobanski

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Best Dog Walker: Allen Chester

Runner up: Domingo Lopez 3rd Place: tie, Dog Child and Ludwig

Best Community Volunteer/Advocate: Jackie Blumenthal

Runner up: Lauren Welsh

3rd Place: tie, Melissa Lane and John Snedden

Best Bartender: Steve, BreadSoda

Runner up: Will Vickers

Best of "Only in Glover Park"

Best Listserv thread: "Lost Turtle" from Sept 2021

Runner up: Glover Park Village

3rd Place: Civil Ones

Best Street: Wisconsin Avenue

Runner up: Huidekopper Place

3rd Place: Hall Place

Best Historical Place in GP: Glover/Archbold Park

Runner up: Holy Rood Cemetery

3rd Place: Guy Mason Recrational Center

Best New Business: In Bocca Al Lupo

Runner up: Whole Foods (again) 3rd Place: Mario's Trattoria

Best News for GP in 2022–2023: Whole Foods Opening (again)

Runner up: Glover Park Day is back!

3rd Place: Glover Park Village Food Support Program

Best Community Event: Glover Park Day

Runner up: Halloween Night

3rd Place: (tie) Art All Night and PorchFest

Best Place to Take an Out-of-Towner: National Cathedral

Runner up: Rocklands BBQ and Grilling Company

3rd Place: Glover Archbold Park



















GPCA May 2023 Meeting Minutes

Alicia Allison

President Lisa McCluskey called to order the May 2 meeting of the Glover Park Citizens' Association (GPCA), held via Zoom, just after 7 p.m. She noted this would be the last meeting until September 2023, given Glover Park Day in June and then a summer break. Lt. Johnson of the Metropolitan Police Second District (MPD2) was not present, thus there was no police report this month. Instead, after welcoming members, Lisa turned to GPCA Treasurer Maggie Simpson for a report.

Treasurer's Report

The GPCA Treasurer reported assets of \$16,050, down a bit from last month due primarily to the payment of the first tranche of a grant for Glover Park Village. (See the April 2023 *Gazette* for more details on the grant.)

Approval of the Minutes

The GPCA Secretary asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April GPCA meeting. A motion was made and seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Guy Mason Updates

Marsha Goldberg shared that the monthly book group would meet May 17 from 11 a.m. to noon to discuss Dial A for Aunties by Jesse Sutanto. Copies of the book are available at Georgetown Library. Lunch and a movie will take place May 26 from noon to 2:30 p.m. The movie this month is The Princess Bride. Both events are free. Marsha said that she (and until recently with another colleague) had funded the lunch and a movie event until now, but that it had become quite popular and up to 20 people had been participating in recent iterations, with ages ranging from 60 to 90. The movies are free, but the cost of lunch was getting quite expensive, especially in light of recent inflation. Marsha asked for a grant from GPCA for \$1000 to fund a year's worth of lunches for the monthly event participants. A motion was made and seconded to provide this grant, and the proposal will be voted upon in the September meeting.

Best of Glover Park Contest

Lisa McCluskey again shared information about a new GPCA contest, announcing that voting was open for Glover Parkers to bring some recognition to their favorite establishments. It is meant to be a fun way to showcase all the things that make our neighborhood so great.

Glover Park Day

Melissa Lane provided an update on Glover

Park Day, noting preparations are moving along. Crafters and community service organizations are signing up and volunteers are working on getting businesses signed up, as well to sponsor and participate. Business sponsors were down last year, as many were hurting after COVID, and organizers hoped those numbers will come back up now or next year. A number of items have become more expensive; using the field requires use of a generator, for example. Organizers will seek a grant from the ANC toward covering costs of the event. Communikids is sponsoring the childrens' ativities, concluding two moon bounces, arts and crafts, and story time. Folks with muscles are need for set up and break down in particular. If you can help, please sign up on the Glover Park Day tab of gpcadc.org.

Bus Route Change

Two people had answered her call for volunteers to serve as focal points for advocacy regarding WMATA's proposed changes to bus routes that serve Glover Park. Aileen Nowlan (aileen.nowlan@gmail. com, 202-321-3721) and Jesse Herman (Jherman10001@gmail.com, 561-573-6229) will work with community members to gather information and develop an advocacy plan of action and draft a letter to WMATA. They are solicity view from commuters, businesspeople, students, etc., and will seek to keep the community informed on developments they learn about in conducting this work. Aileen is a regular user, commuting to work on the D2; her child's preschool is also on that line. Jesse works for Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton but is taking on this project in his personal capacity. He noted how important the 30s buses are in connecting both sides of the city. One meeting participant asked the volunteers to look at the WMATA issue in the context of a recent proposal to put on a \$2 fee for Lyft/Uber rides. Participants in the meeting felt that the proposed changes could drive some people from public transport back into their cars. Another participant asked where Council Member Matt Frumin is on this issue, and asked the volunteers to look into that. Lisa remarked that GPCA is working on this issue in coordination with the ANC representatives, who have offered to gather all input and present it to appropriate officials. People can e-mail their input to anc3bmail@ gmail.com.

School Updates

One meeting participant noted stakes had gone up on the property of Stoddert

Elementary School and asked about the status of the addition. Lisa McCluskey said that plans for the addition were still not finalized. There would be a meeting with DC Public Schools representatives and architects May 11 to over the plans again. Based on initial renderings, the community had asked that the cafeteria not be on the garden side of the building, but on the west side instead. This would allow for preservation of the land surround the 200 year old tree and still allow for ten additional spaces on the garden side. That plan would preserve parking as well. The Stoddert community had asked that ideally all additions be made in the back, but there is not enough funding to do it that way. Work continues to finalize the plans for this project. Meeting participants offered to lend their voices to advocacy efforts to preserve the Stoddert tree when/if needed, and Lisa stated that she would keep people informed if that would be needed. Separately, Lisa noted that boundary studies were coming up and that the Deputy Mayor of Education would be holding town halls on May 16 and 17. Community support is needed to keep our neighborhood from being divided and put into a pattern for a school that is less accesible. The Foxhall Elementary School design and build has been put on hold until 2029.

Voting for a New Board

The GPCA Secretary presented the slate of candidates that had been circulated to membership in April. Before calling for a vote, she asked if there were any additional nominations, calling particular attention to the position of Secretary for which we do not have a candidate. There were no additional nominations, and participants voted in the following Executive Committee for 2023-2024:

President: Lisa McCluskey; Vice President: Chris Finnegan; 2nd Vice President: Allen Tomlinson; Treasurer: Maggie Simpson; Sergeant at Arms: Frank Martorana; Secretary: Open (interested volunteers can contact Lisa McCluskey)

In Memoriam: Lou Stovall

Allen Tomlinson closed the meeting by sharing a remembrance about the well-known printer Lou Stovall, who had provided silkscreen designs for several-years' worth of Glover Park Day tee-shirts for a very minimal fee. Allen learned that Mr. Stovall passed away recently and recommended GPCA draft a tribute for an upcoming *Gazette* or GPCA event.

Glover Park Dining Guide!

Enjoy a Night Out This Summer

Glover Park's mainstreet corridor offers a wide variety of shops and restaurants to enjoy. Forget the traffic, parking hassles or extra cost of a car service and enjoy a walk over to dine-in at one of our many local establishments. Ordering in or for pick up on busy weeknights is also a benefit of living close by.

Looking for entertainment or a special date night? Check out individual websites listed below or call for more information about offerings, including music, trivia, sporting event coverage or try out a new drink.

Don't forget the gift cards! Many local businesses offer gift cards, printed or virtual, that are perfect for anyone on your gift list.



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In Memoriam, Leslie Phillips Randy Rieland

The neighborhood lost a long-time Glover Parker last month. Leslie Phillips, who lived on Observatory Place since the late 1980s, died in her home after a year and a half battle with cancer.

She's remembered as a devoted dog lover and as someone who enthusiastically engaged in sidewalk political discussions. She spent her career in the world of politics, first as a congressional reporter with USA Today, then on the staff of Senator Joe Lieberman, working for the Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committees.

More recently, she was director of communications at the Joint Economics Committee Democrats and an opinion writer at the Constitutional Accountability Center.

She will be missed by family, friends, and neighbors. And her dog Bear.



Blue Metros Win Columbia Invitational Lisa McCluskey

DC Soccer Club's U13 Travel Team, Blue Metros, won the 48th Columbia Invitational Soccer Tournament on Memorial Day weekend. The team won all four games, including the final over Broadneck Soccer Club by 3 goals.

Four players on the team attend Hardy Middle School, and have been close friends and teammates for many years.





Warm Summer Sun

Warm summer sun, Shine kindly here, Warm southern wind, Blow softly here. Green sod above, Lie light, lie light. Good night, dear heart, Good night, good night.

Mark Twain









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price breaks	2022	2023	2022	2023	
\$1.5M	4	-	\$1.76M	-	-
\$1M	8	10	\$1.23M	\$1.33M	+8%
*	2	-	\$815K	-	-
Average all price points	14	10	\$1.32M	\$1.33M	+1%

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- Installing the adult exercise equipment.
- Ensuring the Dog Run has pet-friendly wood chips.
- Installing and maintaining the Fragrance Garden and heritage trees through-out the grounds.
- Hosting public art, music, and holiday programs for all ages in the park.



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The Gazette will be back in September!
Enjoy your Summer







