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TWO SUCCESSFUL GET-TOGETHERS:



Shirley Thompson, Carroll Green, and Shannon Cockett at the home of Peter Kramer and Diane Wood in photo by David Hamilton

The latest gatherings to get the word out about East Rock Creek Village were held on July 7, 2015 and July 18, 2015.

Gloria Sulton, an ERCV at-large board member, and Dr. Ann Barnet, co-hosted a "wine and more" party at Gloria's lovely Colonial Village home. Peter Kramer and Diane Wood had a coffee chat on July 18, 2015 in the light and airy family room of their Takoma DC home. Four (4) people joined at the July 18th coffee chat and we are delighted to have them onboard as pledged members.

If you are interested in hosting a coffee chat, please let us know by email at info@eastrockcreekvillage.org or by calling 202-341-7775. Or if you would like a village board member to attend a gathering, call 202-341-7775.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, August 15, 2015



Nate Karch and Rebecca Donnellan will be holding a coffee chat at their home at 1875 Plymouth Street, NW, on Saturday, August 15, 2015 from 9:30 to 11:30 am. Please RSVP to 202-882-5882 or to 202-341-7775. Priority will be given to Nate and Becky's neighbors. A second coffee chat at a space to be determined is in the works.

PROGRESS: East Rock Creek Village has nearly 100 pledged members and 90 prospective volunteers!



Clyde Solomon, one of our newest members, in a photo by David Hamilton

THE CHAIR'S CORNER: Our summer membership campaign has caught on and we know that with your help we will meet our goal of opening East Rock Creek Village with 130 members and 100 volunteers.



Shannon Cockett, ERCV President

Fundraising is now our biggest challenge. We are halfway to raising our \$25,000 in start-up costs, having raised \$12,000 in a little over 7 months. Hiring an executive director, renting office space, setting up that office, conducting volunteer training, paying for background checks on volunteers, printing up membership and volunteer manuals, and getting liability insurance coverage in place are all part of our start-up costs.

We plan to ask local civic organizations, including our advisory neighborhood commissions, for their financial support, and we will hold a fall fundraiser.

But we also believe that there may be possible wealthy benefactors living in our midst.

So if you can afford to make a large donation to East Rock Creek Village or know of someone who might do so, please call 202-341-7775 or email us at info@eastrockcreekvillage.org. Or you may simply mail your donation to East Rock Creek Village, Post Office Box 60622, Washington, DC 20039.

With your help we will open our doors before the end of 2015.

MEET AT-LARGE BOARD MEMBER IBRAHIM "ABE" HUSSEIN:



Abe Hussein received his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1968. He has several decades of administrative clinical leadership in the field of mental health and mental retardation. In several states, namely Kansas, Michigan, and New York, he took the lead in closing large institutions by placing most elderly residents in small homes and day programs in the community. After retirement, he returned to Egypt as the Executive Director for the Egyptian-American Trade Council for three years. Subsequently, he returned to actual retirement in 2000. His volunteer activities include serving with AmeriCorps for three years, as well as spending time on several community functions and causes, including leadership in the Egyptian-American community. Abe and his wife, Kathy, reside in the Takoma Village Cooperative Housing complex and are enthusiastic East Rock Creek Village supporters.

THE "DOG DAYS" OF AUGUST:

