

Sunday April 25

## Woodley Park News

CM Mary Cheh is holding a **town meeting on crime in Ward 3**. Hear updates from MPD, National Park Police and WMATA Transit Police. Monday, April 26, 7:30 pm at St. Columba's Episcopal Church (4201 Albemarle St).

And **speaking of crime**, two incidents reported neighbors which MPD says should have prompted calls to 911:

A man was walking around the neighborhood going door to door, taking notes at each house whether anyone answered the door or not. If someone did answer, he would introduce himself as new to the neighborhood and getting to know neighbors. It struck me as odd that he chose mid-morning or early afternoon, when many people are likely to be away, never after work.

A woman was going through the garbage and recycling bins in an alley. When she noticed me watching her, she proceeded to go to other trash cans, and when I persisted, she eventually went to Connecticut Ave and grabbed a taxi. I assume that this was a search for identity theft material or the like.

Four **out-of-town potters** will exhibit in Woodley Park next month: [Sam Taylor](#) from southern Virginia, [Mark Shapiro](#) from western Massachusetts and [Bruce Gholson and Samantha Henneke](#) from North Carolina; click their names to go to their websites. Saturday, May 15 from 10 am to 6 pm, and Sunday, May 16, 11 am to 5 pm, at 2202 and 2226 Cathedral Ave. Questions, email [Judy Shapiro](#) or call Sam Taylor at (413) 320-6283.

***Dracula Is Dead: How Romanians Survived Communism, Ended It, and Emerged Since 1989 as the New Italy.*** Join former United States ambassador to Romania Jim Rosapepe and his wife, award-winning journalist Sheilah Kast, at Cleveland Park Library on Thursday, May 13 at 7:00 pm as they discuss their book and introduce readers to an amazing land - beyond Dracula, beyond Communism, to the vibrant culture, unique history, and 21st Century skills which define modern Romania.

Save the late afternoon of Saturday, June 12 for the annual **Woodley Park Picnic** in the park next to the Woodley Park playground on Cortland Pl. Details to follow.

### CALENDAR

The **WPCA Executive Committee** usually meets on the first Wednesday of the month; the next meeting will be at 7:30 pm on Wednesday May 5th at Stanford (Connecticut Ave and Woodley Rd). A draft agenda should be posted [on the website](#) a few days before the meeting. All are welcome.

**Hands on DC**, a volunteer project that "creates better schools and brighter futures for students in the District of Columbia," is having its annual Work-a-Thon in the city schools on Saturday May 15th. For more info and to sign up to help, click [here](#).

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