

Monday January 25

Woodley Park News

Metro fares and service. WMATA is asking for comments by this **Wednesday, January 27**, on steps it could take to close Metro's budget gap for the fiscal year that ends on June 30. The options it is considering can be found [on its website](#). The WPCA Executive Committee has been discussing these options and what, if anything, we should urge WMATA to do at this point, in light of the fact that none of the options is particularly attractive. Although there is not yet agreement on the details, there seems to be consensus that we should support the following: distance-sensitive increases in peak fares (*i.e.*, by 10 cents for long trips and 5 cents for short trips); a 10-cent increase for trips starting after midnight and for all fares paid with paper farecards; closing one Metrorail station entrance at stations with multiple entrances during evenings and weekends. We would also say that we would have supported peak-fare increases of greater than 10 cents for longer trips if WMATA had been considering that as an option. Please let [me](#) or any of [the other Executive Committee members](#) know by Wednesday morning if you have an opinion on the Committee's position.

The **Friends of the Cleveland Park Library** will hold its annual meeting next Saturday, January 30, at 1 pm at the Library. Nancy Davenport, DCPL's Director of Library Services, will be the featured speaker and will describe and clarify DCPL's current policies regarding the role of Friends organizations.

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 February 3 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.

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