



CALVERT HOUSE NEWS



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Thank You Calvert House Residents

Residents of Calvert House very generously contributed over \$2,500.00 dollars to the new Calvert House Gift Fund. The employees listed below benefited from the fund and would like to offer their thanks to all who helped make their holiday a bit merrier!

- Nicole Eddy
- Rosalind Faulkner
- Rayon Gordon
- Gaston Hounnou
- Nora Jacowe
- Lasandra Johnson
- Cheryl Matcho
- Wayne Parker
- Jose Pena
- Fernando Perez
- Jose Perez
- Anna Terry
- Angela Troy
- Shirley Watts



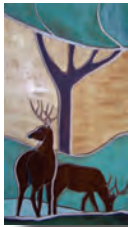
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Where ART Thou?

If you can recognize this piece of art (right), name its location, *and* be the first to submit your answer, you may win a fabulous Calvert House tote and bragging rights.

Please submit your answer in writing and give it to the front desk *or* e-mail it to 2401.lberney@communityrealty.com. Be sure to include your name and apartment number on your entry form.



Looks like last issues challenge (at left) was made a bit too hard! There was no winner last newsletter, but rather than give it away, I thought I'd give a hint. This picture is part of a much

larger mural just a 10 minute walk from Calvert House. Keep your eyes open!

And in honor of African American History Month, this month's artwork is below.



Manager's Corner

Calvert House truly has an amazing group of residents! In addition to the generous contributions to the new gift fund, CH collected over 184 pounds of food and goods during the Thanksgiving food drive and over 35 toys for the Marine Corp Toys for Tots campaign. With such an incredible response to these campaigns we will be sure to do more in the future.

We also had a wonderful turn out for this year's holiday party! Over 100 residents came by the lobby to share good food and drink while mixing and mingling with their neighbors. I heard great comments about the selections of savories and sweets from Peggy Surdyk Catering and was thrilled to hear, both

that night and days after, that so many of you had a very enjoyable time. Here's hoping that this party's success will continue in the years to come.

A note for those of you that may have Christmas Trees; when you are ready to dispose of your tree, please call the front desk and ask that our porters remove the tree for you. They will come to your apartment with a bin and take it to the bulk trash room. Doing this will not only make your day easier, but help keep our hallways and elevators free of pine needles.

Thank you for making a busy 2009 such a success! Best wishes for a happy and most excellent 2010!

Laura Berney

XXI Winter Olympic Games Vancouver, Canada: February 12 to 28

The time has come for athletes of the world to gather together and test their mettle against the finest of each nation in winter contests of speed, strength, endurance and skill. Watch the Olympic coverage from February 12th to 28th on NBC and root for your country, your favorite athlete or team or whomever's story captures your heart this games.



Winter Olympic Facts:

The first Winter Olympic Games were held in 1924 in Chamonix, France. Prior to this time the sports of figure skating and ice hockey were part of the summer games. With the separation of the winter games, more sports were able

to be added. Currently there are 15 sports in 3 categories.



The Alpine sports are Alpine Skiing, Freestyle Skiing and Snowboarding. The Nordic sports are Biathlon, Cross Country Skiing, Ski Jumping and Nordic Combined. The Ice Sports are Bobsled, Luge, Skeleton, Ice Hockey, Figure Skating, Speed Skating, Short Track Speed Skating and Curling.

When the Olympics resumed after World War II in 1948, both the summer and winter games were held in the same year. In 1992 the winter games separated from the summer games and they began being held in alternating even years. The first Winter Olympics in this schedule was the 1994 games in Lillehammer, Norway. This year's Olympics marks the second time Canada has hosted the games. The first was in Calgary in 1988.

	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Norway	98	98	84	280
2	United States	78	80	58	216
3	Soviet Union (1956-88)	78	57	59	194
4	Germany	57	57	39	153
5	Austria	51	64	70	185

Valentine's Day 2010

There's nothing wrong with flowers and chocolate. And no woman would say 'no' to a romantic dinner or a small boxed gift. But if your poetry writing is rusty and you're looking for something special yet out of the ordinary, here are two events couples can enjoy together that are sure to bring a smile.



Woo At The Zoo

On Thursday, February 12th, the National Zoo is hosting Woo At The Zoo, where couples learn about animal mating, dating and reproductive habits in an honest and humorous forum. This is a free event with complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Cash Bar available. Find out more at <http://nationalzoo.si.edu>.

Naked at the National Gallery

Put on your sleuthing cap and try to figure out clues that will lead you and your sweetheart throughout the National Gallery of Art to find famous unclothed figures in Watson Adventures Scavenger Hunt. This event takes place on February 14th at 2:00 PM. For more information and to purchase tickets go to www.watsonadventures.com.

Details

If you are a new or prospective resident to Calvert House, we're glad you've visited and/or made your home with us. We know you have choices, and we thank you for making our home your home.

Please feel free to contact the front desk and office staff with any questions you might have about the building, amenities or policies. We are here to help you 24 hours a day.

We're On Line

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday.....9 AM to 5:30 PM
 Saturday.....10 AM to 5 PM
 Sunday.....By appointment

Calvert House Staff

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 Engineer Assistant.....José Peña

**"You know you're in love
when you can't fall asleep
because reality is finally
better than your dreams."**

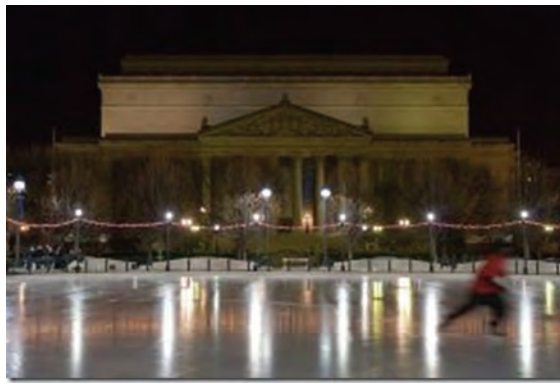
Dr. Suess

In the Know

- **Fitness Center:** Just a reminder, to use the new Fitness Center, residents will need to sign a fitness center agreement. If you are not able to visit during business hours, please contact the office to make other arrangements. Once this agreement is signed, your key will be programmed to work the fitness room door, and you can start working off the holiday goodies!
- **Rent:** Please remember when you pay your rent on the first to include your apartment number and parking space number on your check. Also, we ask that you use an ink pen rather than a marker or pencil. Our check scanner doesn't process pencil or marker well. Using ink will help us process your check more efficiently.
Remember that you also have the option to pay your rent online instead. Sign up with paylease.com and have your rent debited from your check card or credit card each month.
- **Zipcars:** A car at hand just when you need one! They save time and money and you only pay for the time you use it. A Zipcar is available in our Calvert House visitors' lot and right across 24th Street. Sign up today at www.zipcar.com and take advantage of this convenience.
- **Carts:** Small folding carts are available at the front desk for your use to carry packages and groceries from the lobby to your apartment. Larger luggage carts are also available at the rear entrance to the building by the laundry room. All carts should be signed out at the front desk.
- **Bulk Trash:** If you have boxes or large trash items, please do not leave them in the trash rooms, but take items to the bulk trash area in the lower garage. Boxes should be broken down, and all items should be placed inside the fenced area. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Skating into a Great Winter

Life is too short to miss a seasonal treat like outdoor skating! Lacing up that skate and taking that first glide onto the ice can feel magical. Should your abilities (or lack thereof) have you spending much of your time getting back on two feet from a cold seated position, it can still be a good time. At right is a list of three nearby outdoor rinks where you can take advantage of the great winter outdoors. Even if you're not a skater, these venues are great to visit and can offer the fun of watching others impress...or fall down. Who knows, maybe you'll see a future Olympian on the ice.



National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden Ice Rink (pictured below left)
7th Street and Constitution Avenue
Washington DC
202-737-4215
Archives or Smithsonian Metro

Bethesda Metro Ice Center
3 Bethesda Metro Center
Bethesda MD
301-656-0588
Bethesda Metro

Pentagon Row Ice Rink
1201 South Joyce Street
Arlington VA
703-418-6666
Pentagon City Metro



Hot Drink Recipe: Hot Zultry Zoe

Keep warm this winter with a grown-up version of the childhood favorite—hot chocolate. Even if you don't normally like Tequila or Galliano, the flavors blend so well as to create a new taste sensation. If you can't find Mexican hot chocolate use the regular version, but add in cinnamon. This is definitely worth a try on a cold evening.


Ingredients

1 1/2 oz good Tequila
1/2 oz Galliano
2 oz cream
Mexican hot chocolate

Mix the first two ingredients into a mug or Irish coffee glass, and fill it

with hot chocolate. Stir and top with cream, using the back of a spoon to layer it or use whipped cream. For a more festive appearance, top the cream with cocoa powder, grated nutmeg or ground cinnamon. Enjoy!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January Events					1 New Year's Day Rent is due	2
3	4	5	6 Feast of the Epiphany Rent is late Late fees due	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Calvert House Wine & Cheese	15	16
17 Golden Globe Awards	18 Martin Luther King Day Office Closed	19	20 Breakfast To Go	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Grammy Awards						Full Moon

January/February Festivals and Events



- **Washington Antiques Show**— This long-running show features 44 premier dealers from the U.S. and Europe, offering a wide range of furnishings and decorative arts, vintage jewelry, porcelains, ceramics, silver, and architectural garden accents. The show runs January 8th through 10th at the Katzen Arts Center at American University. Go to www.washingtonantiques.org.

- **Washington Auto Show**— This year's auto show at the Washington Convention Center from January 27th through 31st will feature such celebrities as wrestler/actor John Cena, actor Idris Elba, Redskins Antwaan Randal El and Jason Campbell and many more. The theme for this year's show is the shifting balance of power in the industry from Detroit to Washington. Details at www.washingtonautoshow.com.

- **Chocolate Lovers Festival**— Come to Old Towne in Fairfax, VA on February 6th and 7th for the Taste of Chocolate, featuring chocolate vendors selling their wares; the Chocolate Challenge, all arts made from chocolate; the Kiwanis chocolate chip pancake breakfasts; a craft show at Fire Station 3; and much more. Visit www.chocolatefestival.net.

- **International Wine Festival**— The 11th Annual Washington D.C. International Wine & Food Festival will be held on February 13th and 14th at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center. This is the largest indoor wine event in the Mid-Atlantic with over 150 international wineries participating annually along with food vendors, and manufacturers of related lifestyle products and services. Details at www.wine-expos.com/dc.

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