



CALVERT HOUSE NEWS



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Looking Back...

August 1st of this year marks the 230 anniversary of the birth of Francis Scott Key, writer of the Star Spangled Banner. Although born in Maryland, Francis Scott Key spent much of his life right here in Woodley Park. Francis's uncle, Phillip Barton Key, built the Woodley Estate in 1801, which he named after Woodley Lodge in Reading, England. There, he spent time studying law at the Inns of Court.

Phillip Barton Key and his wife, Ann Plater, made Woodley the center of a dazzling social scene in the early 19th Century. Ann Plater, the daughter of a wealthy planter, was known for her brains, beauty, refinement and hospitality. She was a great asset to Phillip's growing law practice in Georgetown, which included his nephew and protegee— Francis Scott Key, who regarded Woodley as his second home.

Today's Woodley Park is named for this great estate of which it was once a part. The Woodley Estate House can still be seen on the rounds of The Maret School at 3000 Cathedral Avenue, N.W.

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Calvert House Summer Social



Mark your calendars! On Saturday, July 18th, from 3:30 to 5:30 PM, Calvert House will be hosting a Beer and Bratwurst Summer Social. Come join your neighbors on

the terrace for a few hours of fun and fellowship.

The terrace is located over the upper garage near the outside parking lot. It can be accessed by the rear stairwell terrace exit door, near apartment 214, or by the gate in the outside parking lot.

We'll have some tables and chairs set up, cold beer and bratwursts with all the fixings! Don't miss one of the most fun occasions on the CH social calendar.

Where ART Thou?

If you can recognize this piece of art (below), name its location *and* be the first to contact the manager with the correct answer, you'll win a fabulous Calvert House gift and bragging rights.



Write your answer on a note 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.

Congratulations to two sharp eyed residents' who spotted last month's sculpture (below) while on a Saturday walk. The likeness of General Peter Muhlenberg (statesman, clergyman and soldier of the Revolutionary war) is located in a park on Connecticut Avenue at 36th and Ellicott Streets, NW.



Manager's Corner

By the time you receive this newsletter, new signs will have been posted in our guest parking area off 24th Street. If not, they soon will; so it seems a good time to go over the policies regarding these spaces.

First, you will notice new signs labeled *Future Resident Parking*. These spaces are to be used exclusively for guests of the Leasing Office during the hours of 9 AM to 5 PM Monday through Saturday. *Vendor Parking* spaces are to be used exclusively by contractors working in the building 9 AM to 5 PM Monday through Friday. Outside of

these designated hours, these spaces are for residents' guests, as are the spaces labeled *Guest Parking*. All guests parking in these spaces must sign in at the front desk and place a guest parking sticker on the dashboard of their car.

Please be aware that guest vehicles parked in the *Vendor* or *Future Resident* spaces during reserved hours or parked without a guest permit, run the risk of receiving a violation sticker, a parking ticket or being towed. Your cooperation in following these policies ensures that all residents' guests have an equal chance at using these spots. *Laura Berney*

DC Outdoor Film Festivals

The District came very close to losing one of the highlights of summer, *Screen on the Green DC*. Luckily, the Trust for the National Mall stepped in with last minute funding to partner with HBO and Comcast to save this beloved event. Once again, Washingtonians can picnic and watch moving pictures nestled between the beautiful lights of the Capital Dome and Washington Monument. *Screen on the Green* runs Monday Nights from July 20th through August 10th. The first movie will be *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. The rest of the schedule will be announced soon online.

Here are other outdoor film festivals which you can enjoy in our area:

• **Rosslyn Outdoor Film Festival: "I Love the 80's"**—

Located at beautiful Gateway Park at Lee Highway near the Key Bridge, this hugely successful outdoor film fest plays movies every Friday in the summer at dusk. Come early for good seating and pre-film festivities. Located just two blocks from the Rosslyn Metro Station.

July 3—*Top Gun* (1986)

July 10—*Karate Kid* (1984)

July 17—*Back to the Future* (1985)

July 24—*Short Circuit* (1986)

July 31—*E.T.* (1982)

August 7—*Pretty in Pink* (1986)

August 14—*Beetlejuice* (1988)

August 21—*Ghostbusters* (1984)

August 28—*Meatballs* (1987)

September 4—*Ferris Bueller's Day Off* (1986)



• **Comcast Outdoor Film Festival at Strathmore Hall**—Conveniently located at the Grosvenor Station on the Red Line Metro, Comcast holds its Outdoor Film Fest on the rolling lawns of lovely Strathmore Hall all in one week. Gates open at 6:30 PM and shows begin at 8:10 PM. Food and snacks will be for sale with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the NIH Children's Charities.

Friday, August 14—*The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*

Saturday, August 15—*The Dark Knight*

Sunday, August 16—*Kung Fu Panda*

Monday, August

17—*Indiana Jones*

and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

Tuesday, August 18—

Singing in the Rain

Wednesday, August

19—*Twilight*

Thursday, August 20—

Slumdog Millionaire

Friday, August 21—

Enchanted

For those newcomers to the pleasures of outdoor

film festivals, please be aware of a few things. First, most, but not all, film fests are free of charge; please check with the organizers of the festival to determine if there is any cost. Second, bring your own seating, whether it is a low chair, a blanket or your backside. High chairs are not allowed and may result in cat calls and whistles along with more official requests for you to take them down. Third, facilities are limited. Jiffy Johns are the standard and stands to purchase food or drink are not always arranged. Traditionalists usually prefer bring their own picnic. But please, no glass bottles or alcohol.

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

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Hot Tickets!

After 2008's record-breaking year on Broadway, more and more film stars are answering the call of the stage. This year, two Academy Award winning actors are coming to D.C.

- Helen Mirren will star in Jean Racine's *Phaedra* at The Shakespeare Theater this fall.

- Cate Blanchett is coming to the Kennedy Center to perform as Blanche Dubois in Tennessee William's *A Streetcar Named Desire*.

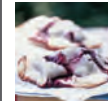
Watch for tickets to go on sale for these great performances coming to a theater near you!



Blueberry Lovers Rejoice!

July was proclaimed National Blueberry Month by the Department of Agriculture on May 8th, 1999. Blueberries are grown in 35 states. The United States produces over 90% of all of the blueberries in the world. They have been used in soups, stews and more, for centuries. According to the *New England Journal of Medicine*, blueberries help prevent infections in the urinary tract in much the same way that cranberries do. They may also help to prevent macular degeneration according to Ronald L. Prior, Ph.D., director of the USDA.

Could eating blueberries also be one of the keys to living to a ripe old age? Foods that are rich in antioxidants are supposed to help reduce your chance of getting cancer and heart disease, and blueberries are loaded with them. Out of 40 different fruits, juices and vegetables, the blueberry has the highest antioxidant level, according to the North American Blueberry Council.



BLUEBERRY TURNOVERS

1 (8 ounce) package refrigerated crescent rolls; 1/2 cup fresh blueberries 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar; 1/4 cup prepared vanilla frosting (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 375°.
2. Roll out crescent dough triangles. Place 1 T blueberries on the widest end of each triangle. Sprinkle 1/2 teaspoon confectioners' sugar over blueberries on each roll. Start with the wide end, roll up each crescent around blueberries; pinch both sides to seal completely.
3. Bake in the preheated oven until golden, about 12 minutes. Remove to cool on a wire rack for 5 minutes; dust with the remaining confectioners' sugar. Drizzle with the vanilla frosting.

In the Know

Please make note of these important items of information for residents of Calvert House...

- **The 4th of July:** Did you know that the roof of Calvert House is one of the best spots in city to view the July 4th fireworks? This year July 4th is a Saturday and we expect many of the residents to take advantage of our Sundeck and Sunroom. Near dusk we will be putting out sodas and chips to add to the festivities. Please help yourself to the goodies and enjoy one of the benefits of living in this great location!
- **Voicemail:** Communication is the key to any great relationship and CH management want to be available to you! Voice mail boxes have been set up for the Community Manager, Laura Berney and the Leasing Manager, Rosalind Faulkner. Now you will have the option of leaving a private voicemail for either at any time. Just call 202-462-8900 and ask the front desk attendant to transfer you to their voicemail. Of course, as always, feel free to contact them in person during office hours or by e-mail.
- **Facebook:** Are you a member of Facebook? Then become a fan of Calvert House DC! One of your neighbors has created a CH Facebook page to help residents get to know each other and the neighborhood better. This is a forum by residents for residents. Search for it on www.facebook.com and connect.
- **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 new 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 paid by 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.

- **Vending Area:** Vending machines are located on the first floor just before the door leading to the laundry room and rear parking exit. Find a great selection of drinks and snacks.



- **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.

- **Sunroom/Sundeck:** Please enjoy these great public spaces, but remember: no glass bottles or cups, no candles, no private parties and no music without headphones. Thanks for helping us to ensure these spaces remain safe and comfortable for all who would like to use them.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July Events			1 Rent is due	2	3 Holiday Observed Office Closed	4 Independence Day
	5	6 Rent is late Late fees due	7 Full Moon	8	9	10
12	13	14 Bastille Day	15	16	17	18 CH Summer Social
19	20 Apollo 11 Moon Landing	21	22 New Moon	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

July/August Festivals and Events



- Capital Fringe Fest**—July 9-26: Hundreds of creative performances by local, national and international artists will perform one act plays, comedies, dramas, musicals, dance, puppetry, improvisation, clowns, hip-hop, jazz, poetry, mime, and more. All of this year’s Festival venues will be in the Downtown area, creating a true, “festival atmosphere.” Come hang out at Fort Fringe in the Baldacchino Gypsy Tent Bar and enjoy food, drinks, entertainment, and catch the latest buzz about all the Fringe performances. You can also use your Fringe button at one of our many Button Pal establishments in the Downtown Area! The 09’ Fringe Button will be available on June 22. All festival tickets are \$15 (plus a one time purchase of a \$5 Fringe button). Book Tickets beginning Monday, June 22. They can be bought online at www.capfringe.org or by phone

at 1.866.811.4111. And, starting on July 7, tickets can also be bought at the Fort Fringe in the Festival Box Office at 607 New York Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20001.

- Legg Mason Tennis Classic**—August 1-9: Andy Roddick returns for the eighth time since turning pro in 2000. Tickets are on sale now at www.leggmasontennisclassic.com.
- Arlington County Fair**—August 19-23: This is the Arlington’s largest multi-day event—held at the Thomas Jefferson Community Center—featuring midway rides and games, competitive exhibits and awards, over 200 famous racing pigs, vendor displays and exhibits, Arlington County Police K-9 demonstrations, a petting zoo, pony rides and more. Visit www.arlingtoncountyfair.org.

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