



# DUPONT CIRCLE VILLAGE

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“In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years.”

— Abraham Lincoln

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### Welcome New Members!

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## My New Best Friend... For 15 Minutes

Last January, I had just walked through George Washington Circle on my way home, joining several people who were waiting for the red light on New Hampshire Avenue to change.

By Peggy M. Siegel\*

The first thing I noticed was the back of his head—or more precisely, the iconic logo on his baseball cap atop the back of his head. “Are you a Yankees fan?” I asked. “Nah,” he laughed easily. “I’m from here. I just wear the cap to annoy my roommates, all native New Yorkers” he confessed, as we began to cross the street. “I’m a diehard Nats fan.”

“Me, too,” I chimed in. “But with dual loyalties,” explaining that I had grown up in Cleveland, part of a family, neighborhood, and city of diehard Indians (now Guardians) fans who had been waiting 77 years for our home team to win another World Series.

He seemed interested, so we continued talking while walking. The two of us covered a range of topics during the next 15 minutes. Our thoughts on the underdog Nationals’ World Series victory in 2019. The exciting transformation of the Washington Commanders led by new owners and coaches, a



phenomenal young quarterback who was reenergizing veteran players and fans alike, and an organizational culture that had produced a winning team—uplifting a city desperate for good news. He predicted that the Philadelphia Eagles would go on to win the Super Bowl—and he was right. Both of us agreed, however, that Philly fans were obnoxious. We then touched upon basketball phenom LeBron James and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, in deference to my local roots. I, in turn, learned that he had grown up in Northwest DC and currently attended GW.

We had reached the corner of New Hampshire Avenue and M Street, the final destination of our shared space and animated conversation. “What’s your name?” I blurted out, in an attempt to memorialize the moment. “Christian,” he replied. “I’m Peggy.” We shook hands.

A 78-year-old, 5’4 1/2” white woman from Cleveland and a 20-something,

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# President's Notes



David Schwarz

Last month a number of us saw the Theater J play, "Your Name Means Dream," which portrayed the relationship between an aging woman and her robot 'caregiver'. Among other things, the play raised the question of whether robots (or other artificially intelligent devices) are conscious. Of course, the question could be refined. For example, we could distinguish between having a self-awareness of one's perceptions and actions and having feelings about these—being happy, sad, in pain, and so on. But the basic question is whether these constructed intelligences have what we could recognize as an inner life that in any way corresponds to our own.

Why does the question matter? Well, we seem destined to have ever increasing interaction with artificial intelligence whenever we turn on our computers, our 'smart' speakers, or our 'smart' phones. And while robotic caregivers (and other service providers) are still in the future, some of us may yet see them in our lifetimes. The possibility, then, that they might have consciousness raises a number of interesting issues. They might have rights, so it might matter how we treat them. Correspondingly, the issue of a kind of slavery might rear its ugly head. On the other hand, we might feel as though we have personal relationships with them. Then the question of these relationships' meaning might

arise—certainly that was a theme of the Theater J play. Could they take the place of human relationships?

So, how could we determine whether there is artificial consciousness? Certainly not by any direct experience of it, since there's no way we could get 'inside' an artificially intelligent being and see the world from its perspective. Of course, there's no way we can do this with other humans either, so one could adopt a form of solipsism on which only one's own mind is certain to exist. The philosopher and mathematician Rene Descartes ("I think, therefore I am") considered such a view; arguing himself out of it required invoking the idea of God. In any event, seeing other people (and animals) as conscious beings does itself require a kind of faith. The question, then, is whether we should be willing to extend that faith to artificial beings whose behavior exhibits the traits that we take to indicate consciousness in our fellow humans.

I think there are at least three possible answers. The first is 'absolutely not'. This is to hold that there is an unbridgeable gap between intelligence as it arises in nature and intelligence as it is created in the laboratory or factory. But it is not clear why this should be so—or that the line between the natural and the artificial can always be sharply drawn. As things currently stand, we

and our fellow organic creatures are 'wetware', while artificially intelligent beings are 'hardware'—and, perhaps intuitively, the two seem, somehow, fundamentally different. But it's not a given that artificial beings will never be created out of wetware—or that diseased parts of our own wetware, even in our brains, might not someday be replaceable with hardware implants. So, what of the hardware/wetware divide then?

Alternatively, we could say that if something behaves as if it is conscious, then it is ("if it quacks like a duck..."). But the trouble with that is the suspicion that we could be fooled by clever mechanical mimicry. If you have used tools like ChatGPT, you will know that it can be very like talking with another person, even though you aren't. And at least in this case, there is no pretense on the part of the tool or its creators that it is anything but a very sophisticated information-retrieval mechanism.

The third possibility is to be open to artificial consciousness, but to suppose that it involves more than a certain kind of behavior. In the case of ourselves, we know that our consciousness involves the ability to be self-aware—at least to some extent, to know what we feel, perceive. So, if we are presented with an artificial being that is designed with a corresponding functionality—that monitors its internal states and acts of the basis of what it detects—then we could consider this a kind of consciousness. Of course, this is not necessarily a consciousness with emotional or moral dimensions. So, if the being tells us how it feels, we might reasonably wonder how we should interpret such statements—and that would probably depend on how these beings are built. Could we count them as our friends? Maybe... but, ultimately, that would be our decision to make.

# Meet Member, Rebecca Martin

By Tom Carmody

**Rebecca Martin** has been a member of the Dupont Circle Village for 4 years. She was not so engaged in her first year but has steadily increased her participation in Village activities since that time.

Rebecca is originally from California's Bay Area, spending time in Marin county, Berkeley and San Jose. She has lived in Vermont and Wisconsin before moving to the District in 2002. She came to DC to continue her career in higher education. But, at the same time, she had targeted DC for some years as a desired place to live as she has a brother in the District and a son in southern Maryland.

As she and her partner aged, in the interest of downsizing, they moved to a condominium on 16th Street NW, near the Masonic Temple. With her new neighborhood, Rebecca joined the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA).

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## My New Best Friend... For 15 Minutes

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6'+, lanky Black kid from DC with an engaging smile. An unlikely pair, perhaps, but united in the moment by a love of sports.

"Go Nats" he shouted and waved. "Go, Nats!" I shouted and waved back.

Finally, it was spring and the start of a new baseball season. Reassuring symbols of hope and possibility in an increasingly unpredictable world.

"Baseball is unique," political analyst and long-time Boston Red Sox fan Mike Barnicle recently observed on Morning Joe. "It creates both memories for individuals and a history for families." For friends, too, I thought to myself.

In January, a fellow walker named Christian in a Yankees cap had become my new best friend...for 15 minutes. But the memory of our chance encounter lingers on.

*\*Peggy is part of the DCV memoir writing group*



The DCCA is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization focused on enhancing the neighborhood's diversity, beauty, cleanliness and historic character. Rebecca got involved in maintaining a garden at the corner of New Hampshire and T Streets and also served on the board.

Rebecca's involvement with DCV began as she provided care for her partner and retired. Her life and available time changed considerably as he transitioned to an assisted living facility and subsequently died. She accepted an invitation to become a "meal maven," preparing special meals for 3-4 homebound Village members once a month.

Her engagement in Village activities expanded from there. Rebecca joined a weekly walking group and started playing mahjong. While she had never played before, the very friendly group helped her to learn. She also credits her new mahjong skills with her lifelong pleasure in playing games of all varieties. She occasionally attends Village-sponsored happy hours as well as organized tours of museum exhibits.

Through the Village she learned of the Encore Creativity for Older Adults, the nation's largest choral arts organization for adults 55 and over. Rebecca very much enjoys the Encore Chorale, singing choral classics in four-part harmony.

Again, through Village connections, Rebecca joined the "Smithsonian Women's Committee" which organizes the annual Smithsonian Craft Show, the largest in the country. The annual Show raises a great deal of money for the Smithsonian, which it distributes to Smithsonian institutions through a grant process.

Outside of the Village, Rebecca maintains a very busy calendar. She is an active member of All Souls Unitarian Church and a strong advocate for social justice causes. She has worked on voting rights efforts, providing support to migrants and pushing back on authoritarianism. She is also an active (if novice) birder.

Rebecca is an avid traveler. A most recent favorite trip was to Vietnam and Cambodia. Next up, a visit to New River Gorge National Park for a birding festival!



# May Calendar

Visit the DCV website [calendar](#) to find further information for each event listed below.

**REGISTER** Online, or at [admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net), or contact DCV Office at (202) 436-5252

## **Tour — Rock Creek Cemetery**

Thursday, May 1st, 10:30 am — 12:30 pm

Location: 201 Allison Street, NW

Registration Deadline: April 29th

Contact Beth Merricks at [bmerricks@msn.com](mailto:bmerricks@msn.com) or (202) 328-0746

## **Asian American Month Film: Past Lives**

Friday, May 2nd, 3:00 — 5:00 pm

Location: 2121 Decatur Pl NW

Registration Deadline: Thursday May 1st

Contact Monica Heppel at [mlheppel@gmail.com](mailto:mlheppel@gmail.com) or (856) 332-0916

## **Men's Book Group**

Monday, May 5th, 11:00 am

Location: 2121 Decatur Place NW

Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

## **Tour — Inspir Embassy Row Senior Living & Lunch**

Monday, May 5th, 11:30 am — 1:30 pm

Location: 2100 Massachusetts Ave NW

Registration Deadline: May 2nd

Contact Beth Merricks at [bmerricks@msn.com](mailto:bmerricks@msn.com) or (202) 328-0746

## **DCV Annual Gala**

Friday, May 9, 2024, 6:00 — 9:00 pm

Location: American Geophysical Union

2000 Florida Avenue, NW

Registration Deadline: May 5

Contact Eva M. Lucero at

[execdir@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:execdir@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

## **Tour — Asian American Heritage Month Pictures of Belonging (SAAM)**

Monday, May 12, 2025, 1:30 — 2:30 pm

Location: 8th and G St. NW

(Gallery Place Metro)

Registration Deadline: May 11th

Contact Beth Merricks at [bmerricks@msn.com](mailto:bmerricks@msn.com) or (202) 328-0746

## **Navigating the Path Ahead**

Tuesday, May 13th, 3:30 — 4:30 pm

Location: Virtual

Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252



## **Happy Hour — Perry's Rooftop (1 of 2)**

Wednesday, May 14th, 4:30 — 6:00 pm

Location: 1811 Columbia Rd

Registration Deadline: May 12th

Contact Sam Liberto at [Sjliberto@gmail.com](mailto:Sjliberto@gmail.com) or (607) 372-2881

## **Happy Hour — Onggi Korean Cuisine (2 of 2)**

Wednesday, May 14th, 3:30 — 5:00 pm

Location: 2100 P Street, NW

Registration Deadline: May 12th

Contact Barbara Friday at [viernesbarb@yahoo.com](mailto:viernesbarb@yahoo.com) or (202) 841-0695

## **Home Social Hour — Downing**

Wednesday, May 14th, 5:00 — 6:30 pm

Location: Jeanne Downing's Home

Registration Deadline: May 11th

Contact Jeanne Downing at [bjdowning8@gmail.com](mailto:bjdowning8@gmail.com) or (202) 494-8159

## **LGBT Elders Day Luncheon**

Friday, May 16th, 12:00 — 1:30 pm

Location: Annie's 1609 17th St. NW

Registration Deadline: May 14th

Contact Bob McDonald at [bobmcddc@gmail.com](mailto:bobmcddc@gmail.com) or (202) 957-1859

## **Film Noir Movie Screening and Discussion**

Saturday, May 17th, 2:00 — 4:00 pm

Location: DCV Office, 2121 Decatur Pl, NW

Register online or contact [patricia.baranek@yahoo.com](mailto:patricia.baranek@yahoo.com) or 202-812-4854

## **Home Social Hour — Abrams**

Sunday, May 18th, 4:30 — 6:00 pm

Location: Matt Abrams' Home

Registration Deadline: May 15th

Contact Matt Abrams at [mjabrams@verizon.net](mailto:mjabrams@verizon.net) or (202) 361-6322

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# May Calendar

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## **Sunday Soup Salon — Mindel & Lewis**

Sunday, May 18th, 5:30 — 7:00 pm

Location: Home of Caroline Mindel and Lynne Lewis

Registration Deadline: May 15th

Contact [carolinejmindel@gmail.com](mailto:carolinejmindel@gmail.com)

or (202) 271-1760

Contact [lynnlewis940@gmail.com](mailto:lynnlewis940@gmail.com)

or (202) 365-7055

## **Live and Learn —**

### **Finding An Assisted Living Facility**

Monday, May 19th, 3:30 — 5:00 pm

Location: DCV Office, 2121 Decatur Pl, NW

Registration Deadling: May 18th

Contact Ellen Brody [volunteer@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:volunteer@dupontcirclevillage.net)

or (202) 436-5252

## **Home Social Hour — Parein**

Wednesday, May 28th, 5:00 — 6:30 pm

Location: Jon Parein's Home

Registration Deadline: May 25th

Contact Jon Parein at [jonp@verizon.net](mailto:jonp@verizon.net)

or 202 297 2877

## **RECURRING EVENTS**

### **Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention**

Tuesdays, 2:00 pm and 3:30 pm

Location: DCV Office

Limit: 8

RSVP: Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

### **Online Meditation**

Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00 am — 9:30 am

Location: Virtual

RSVP: Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

### **Chair Yoga**

Tuesdays, 10:30 am — 11:30 am

Location: Virtual

RSVP: Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

### **Accessible Mat Yoga**

Mondays, 3:30 pm — 4:30 pm

Location: Virtual

RSVP: Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252



## **Coffee and Conversation**

Thursdays, 10:00 am — 11:00 am

Location: Annie's Paramount Steak House

1609 17th Street, NW

RSVP: Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

## **Bridge Group**

Thursdays, 1:30 pm — 3:30 pm

Location: DCV Office — enter at 2111 Decatur Pl NW

RSVP: Register online DCV Office

[admin@dupontcirclevillage.net](mailto:admin@dupontcirclevillage.net) or (202) 436-5252

## **Mahjong**

Thursdays, 2:00 pm — 4:00 pm

Location: hosted live by Bobbi Milman

RSVP: Bobbi Milman, [rmilman@comcast.net](mailto:rmilman@comcast.net)

or (202) 667-0245

## **Knitting Group**

Every Thursday, 4:00 pm

Location: Zoom

RSVP: Sheila Lopez at [sheilablopez@gmail.com](mailto:sheilablopez@gmail.com)

## **Dupont Circle Walking Group**

Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday

8:30 am (Winter/Fall)

8:00 am (Spring/Summer)

Location: meet at the fountain in Dupont Circle

## **Adams Morgan Walking Group**

Every Tuesday, Thursday at 8:00 am

Meet at northwest corner of Kalorama and Columbia that borders Kalorama Park



# Welcome New Staff Member, Phyllis Kimmel Health & Wellness Operations Manager



By Bob McDonald

**T**he Village provides comprehensive health and wellness education, programs, and services aimed at enhancing the overall quality of life for all members. Our focus includes

addressing common concerns in the aging community, such as preventive care and offering support to members requiring additional services.

The **Health and Wellness Committee** addresses social and health-related challenges to enhance the lives of our members. To assist our members in leading healthy, safe, and active lives, the Committee has established three main goals:

1. To provide health and wellness education including personal and home safety to our members;
2. To provide information and services to proactively support health and independence; and
3. To provide support to members with chronic or acute physical and mental challenges.

Over the past year, the Committee has grown in members as we have fleshed out our objectives in meeting these goals. Three teams were formed to work on each of these goals. Considering the importance of this work, a decision was made to search for a part-time staff member to manage the Committee's responsibilities.

We are very excited to announce that we have identified an excellent person to fill this position, **Phyllis Kimmel**.

Phyllis is a lawyer and long-time resident of DC; she has lived in Adams Morgan for 20 years. She works for herself and specializes in energy regulatory law, with a focus on advocating for lower electricity prices, improved integration of renewable energy, contractual rights and regulatory compliance.

Phyllis grew up in Poughkeepsie NY, in a family of mathematicians and computer programmers. She took a different path while attending college at Wesleyan University in Connecticut, where she majored in psychology. Interested in public policy, she moved to the DC area where her first job out of college was at a small non-profit in Dupont Circle. Following that, Phyllis attended law school at NYU, where she focused on public interest law. She returned to DC where she worked on low-income energy issues at the National Consumer Law Center and then served as a consumer advocate at the DC Office of People's Counsel.

Phyllis worked for 19 years at a law firm, representing rural electric cooperatives, municipalities, state agencies and non-profits. Eventually, she decided she wanted more flexibility in her schedule, so in January 2020, she took a leap of faith and quit her job and started her own firm doing the same type of work.

Throughout her career, making time to volunteer has always been a priority for Phyllis. Over the years, Phyllis has been a peer mentor to women recently diagnosed with breast cancer (a program called Survivors Offering Support), helped low-income DC residents complete their taxes (Community Tax Aid), led numerous walks and hikes for several local hiking clubs, and photographed events for local community groups.

Phyllis began volunteering with DCV in 2023, and recently decided she wanted to ramp up her commitment to the needs of the organization itself. Given her own and family members' experiences with the health care system, she has long been enthusiastic about helping others on health-related matters. The part-time project manager role for DCV's Health and Wellness Committee not only gives Phyllis an opportunity to do just this but also has the immeasurable benefit of expanding her connection to local members of the community, for which she is very grateful.

**Join us in welcoming Phyllis!**



## May Birthdays



### Happy Birthday to all Villagers born in May!

Ellen Brody, Laurie Coburn, Nancy Gamber, Anna Greenberg, Mike Higgins Pete Klempay, Donald Krumm, Louise Krumm, Margaret Long, Barbara Meeker, Beth Merricks, Yvonne Mishler, Kenlee Ray, Dwaine Rieves, Joy Rodman, Leslie Sawin, Pat Scobie, Ken Shuck, Peggy Siegel, Gail Snider, Charles Timbrell, Joan Treichel, Sue Trent, Holly Van Fleet and Rosemary Winslow



# My Way: Reviewing Session Two

By Leslie Sawin

DCV program **My Way: Preparing for the Inevitable: Plans and choices for the end** of life held its second session, **Defining a Life Worth Living in its Last Chapter** on April 21, 2025. Starting from the premise from Compassion and Choices that “Everyone should have the information they need to make end-of-life decisions with knowledge, power, and support.” My Way offers six sessions to introduce the steps necessary to make decisions from personal goals and preferences and achieve these in a personal way.

The sessions are interrelated and synergistic, they build upon each other. Our first session, **Getting Your Life in Order**, focused on three basic tasks that represent the first step in our process: getting your house in order: decluttering and downsizing, creating wills and/or trusts, powers of attorney and other legal documents; and preparing a God Forbid list. This session provided the basic first steps for planning for the end of life. It was very well received.

Session Two explored the nature of and process for making end-of-life decisions using **My End -of-Life Decisions, An Advance Planning Guide and Toolkit** provided by Compassion and Choices. **Donna Smith** from Compassion and Choices was our guest speaker. The twenty participants gathered again into four small groups and worked with the Compassion and Choices booklet to talk through what decisions need to be made and how best to think about them. After a general discussion, participants worked in smaller groups of two or three to work with the questions posed in greater detail.

The discussion was lively and substantive. Evaluation data indicated that this session was useful (4.65 out of five), informative (4.65) and the handouts were helpful (4.5). Written portions of the evaluation questionnaire responses indicated that participants gained valued ideas (“Love the interactive aspect – the group sessions and sharing comments”), appreciated discussion time with one another (“Continue with the sharing portion of this”) and found the session to be very useful (“Great format”).



The next session, **Planning to Ensure a Good Death for You**, will be held on May 19. It is our hope and expectation that some of the ideas and valuable information that come out of these sessions will be shared in the future with the larger DCV community as Live and Learn sessions or other outreach efforts.

- Session 1: Getting Your Life in Order**
- Session 2: Defining a Life Worth Living in its Last Chapter**
- Session 3: Planning to Ensure a Good Death for You**
- Session 4: Awareness of and Planning for Physical and/or Cognitive Decline**
- Session 5: End of life options**
- Session 6: Options for Celebrating Lives Well Lived**

The program began on March 24th. It will meet on consecutive months except for the summer: April 21st, May 19th, June 16th, September 15th and October 20th.



## MONTHLY MEAL

May is Jewish-American Heritage Month (as well Asian-American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month). **Ceceile Richter** submitted the following, which was originally published in the Washington Post.

### Sheet Pan Latkes

*Servings: 3-4 (makes 10 to 12 latkes)*

#### Ingredients

1 1/2 pounds russet potatoes (about 2 large), peeled  
1 small yellow onion (5 ounces)  
1 teaspoon fine salt, plus more as needed  
1 large egg  
1/2 cup neutral oil, plus more as needed  
Sour cream or applesauce, for serving

#### Directions

Position racks in the upper and lower thirds of the oven and place a large, rimmed sheet pan on each of the racks. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees.

Using the coarse side of a box grater or a food processor fitted with a shredding blade, grate the potatoes and onion together. Line a colander with a tea towel and transfer the potato mixture to it. Season lightly with salt and twist the ends of the cloth to wring out as much liquid as possible.

Transfer the potato mixture to a large bowl, add the egg and mix until thoroughly combined. If you feel the mixture requires additional binding, add one teaspoon flour or cornstarch; season with the salt and mix well to combine. Cover with a clean tea towel or a large plate to prevent the potato mixture from browning.

Remove the sheet pans from the oven and add 1 tablespoon of the oil to each. Return to the oven for 1 to 2 minutes.

Remove the hot sheet pans from the oven, gently tilt the pan to distribute the oil and set on a heatproof surface. Using a 1/3-cup measure, dollop 5 to 6 latkes onto the hot sheets, spacing them about 2 inches apart. Add another 3 tablespoons of the oil to each sheet pan, drizzling it around the mounds.

Return the sheet pans to the oven and bake for 20 to 25 minutes until bottoms are golden. Using a thin metal spatula, flip the latkes and gently press. If the pans are dry, drizzle a little more oil around the pancakes. Rotate the sheet pans from front to back and top to bottom and return to the oven for another 10 to 15 minutes, or until the latkes are golden brown all over.

Serve warm, with sour cream and/or applesauce on the side.



## Springtime in the Park

Dupont Circle Village

2025 Gala

Friday May 9

6:00 - 9:00 PM

American Geophysical Union





# Out and About



▲ **Carol Galaty** and **Ken Shuck** are seven hours away from DC hiking, snorkeling and enjoying the Polynesian culture and food in American Samoa!



▲ DCV members viewing the Elizabeth Catlett exhibit at the National Gallery of Art.



▲ **Art Fornari** and the LGBTQ+ group visited the American Art Museum to see the exhibit, *The Shape of Power: Stories of Race and American Sculpture*.



## April Birthdays



**Irene Price** hosted the April birthday celebration in her beautiful art-filled apartment. L-R **Jeanette Barker**, **David Schwarz**, **Barbara Friday**, **Alice Tetelman** and **Jane Pierson** were the celebrants.



▲ In mid-April **Kathy Price** and **Jock Covey** greatly enjoyed an adventure-filled two-week trip to Morocco including the cities of Casablanca, Fes, Marrakech and Essaouira. While there Kathy's 4th grandchild, the first girl, was born in Brussels!



# Out and About



▲ **Lee Reed**, DCV's Health Care Navigator, uses DCV Social Worker, **Meaghan McMahon's** back to demonstrate to member **Suzanne Charlick** the type and extent of back surgery Suzanne will be undergoing.



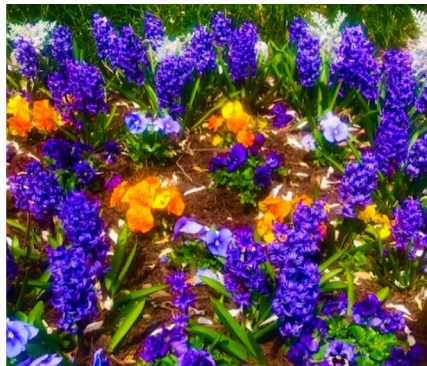
▲ **Pat Black, Kathy Cardille and Judi Lambart** (and sister Jan-honorary Villager) were recently in South Africa.



▲ **Dan Leathers and Patty Zweibel** at the Prague Castle, Prague in early April. Photo taken by a nice stranger. Patty is wearing a hat made by the DCV Knitting Group that she won in the DCV Gala Silent Auction a couple years ago!



▲ **Karen St John** visited New York City with a group from the University Club of DC. Dinner at the top of the Metropolitan Club overlooking Central Park.



▲ **Jim Chamberlin** took photos of beautiful Spring blooms while out in the neighborhood.



# Out and About



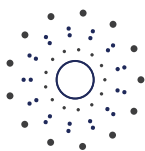
▲ The DCV Walking Group eating in Georgetown after one of their walks. The group meets at the Dupont Circle Fountain on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8 am.



▲ What could be better to make you feel young on a birthday in your 80's than beginning it with a Skyline Drive hike in the mountains on a piece of the Appellation Trail including picnicking on rocks with a precipitous view of the valley and blue mountain range beyond? **Ken Shuck** treat hit the bullseye for **Carol Galaty's** birthday, and an excellent gourmet dinner and a lovely night in a historic B&B in Little Washington (but neither was at the well-known "Inn" there!).

▲ 15 Villagers enjoyed perfect weather and an engaging tour of Dumbarton Oaks Park led by landscape architect **Jeffrey Catts**.

**DCV Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:** Dupont Circle Village (DCV) is committed to being a diverse, equitable and inclusive organization. We condemn all forms of discrimination in our society. We aim to make our organization one that is open and welcoming to all. We recognize that the human experience comes in all colors, shapes, abilities, economic circumstances, ages, backgrounds, gender expressions and identities, and sexual orientations. We strive to celebrate these differences and recognize how they benefit our community. To this end, we will do what is necessary for us to grow as a community and as individuals who respect and care for one another.



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