

Notes from Program Advisory Committee Meeting  
November 1, 2017

Committee and staff members present: Rita Miller, Gertrude Slifkin, Helen Vamvas, Ron Irion, Bob Loftus, Stephanie Olshan, Harriett Karuhije, Melanie Rose White, Anne O'Neil and Jennie Fogarty.

Anne and Jennie went over upcoming trips and programs.

Melanie

The Council will deal with the survey in December; they have been focused on the development at 5550 Friendship Blvd. She asked everyone to save Dec. 15 for the volunteer and staff party.

Rita

Suggested showing the movies "Above and Beyond," "Shalom Italia" and "Zorba the Greek"; a sing-along with sheet music and a piano accompaniment; inviting Marvin Kalb to discuss his latest book, "The Year I was Peter the Great" and Steve Samtur for his "Back in the Bronx" presentation; and, hiring the Seth Kibel Klezmer band.

Helen

Said she'd heard from several at Tuesday tea that they would like a Beginning Spanish class. She recommended inviting the author of "Thunder Dog" to speak and watching a Dr. Phil episode about caregiving. She also recommended trips to La Ferme, the Berkshires, and Café Renaissance in Vienna, Va. for a formal tea.

Bob

Asked about creating a listserv for the whole Village to communicate including finding out what people want in the way of classes. He recommended a trip to see the Vermeer exhibit at the National Gallery and the Marlene Dietrich exhibit at the Portrait Gallery.

Stephanie

Suggested talks on art therapy and on preparation for disasters; trips to the Chrysler Museum in Norfolk, Hillwood, the Hirshhorn to see the Ai Weiwei exhibit, and the National Geographic to see the "Tomb of Christ" exhibit; a family outing to the zoo; inviting a gospel choir to perform in February; holding a fundraiser for Puerto Rico; and two ideas for New Year's Day- asking children to write their "Wish for the New Year" on a piece of paper and then stringing them across the room and also having samplings of what we offer at the Center.

Ron

Requested showing "The Bridge of Spies" again on movie night and trips to the Freer Gallery and the newly developed Wharf in SW D.C.

Harriett

Suggested a "Monuments by Moonlight" bus tour and trips to the races and Longwood Gardens.

The committee's next meeting will be in January, depending on the date of CAC's meeting.