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DC News

Snow in July?

As crazy as it seems to be talking about snow on a warm summer day -- DC requires residents to remove snow and ice from paved sidewalks, curb ramps and curb cuts abutting their property by DPW within the first eight hours of daylight after the end of a winter storm. However, there is a **Sidewalk Shoveling Exemption Program (SSEP)** which exempts qualified residents (age 65 plus or disabled) from enforcement by DPW for not removing snow and ice from their sidewalks. The "catch 22" is that one **must apply for the exemption between June 1 and October 31, 2023** – when the weather is warm, and no one thinks about snow and ice.

Here is the link for the online form:

<https://shovelexemption.dpw.dc.gov/form/age>

Here's more about the program.

<https://shovelexemption.dpw.dc.gov/>

Reminder: Glover Park Village has volunteers to help you shovel so don't hesitate to reach out if needed. Also, we are always on the lookout for shoveling volunteers!

Upcoming Glover Park Village Events

Coffee and Conversation ☕

Friday, July 21st, 2023

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

[Point Chaud Coffee & Crepes](#)

Come join us for some coffee and conversation at Point Chaud Cafe & Crepes in Glover Park. Together we will chat, sip and discuss our experiences with life. Order a good ol' cup of joe or something a little fancier as we enjoy the company of our neighbors.

We will plan our future meetings and chat about upcoming events. Let's bring more events to the Glover Park Village together!

[Sign up here!](#)

Silly Summer Ice Cream Social 🍦

Saturday, July 29th, 10:00-11:30 AM

[Guy Mason Recreation Center](#)

Come get some cool relief from the summertime heat and enjoy a variety of ice cream treats with your Glover Park Village friends at Guy Mason Recreation Center. Let's start our Saturday with ice cream for brunch with our neighbors! Make sure to bring your appetite for some sweet cool treats as we discuss the latest happenings together away from the summer heat.

[Sign up here!](#)

Glover Park Village Tech Corner

Gone Phishing?

Our very own Events Manager, Erin Byrne, who works for Tech Moxie when she isn't creating our next great event, gave a fascinating presentation in June on how to stay safe online. Perhaps you missed it but we've got you covered!

Since many of us conduct so much of our personal lives online, it is important to understand the best practices for staying safe online. It seems that the fraudulent telephone calls, emails, and pop-ups never cease.

Want to know more about how to recognize phishing (fraudulent) emails, avoid computer viruses and scams, and how to find trustworthy information online?

Please [click here to bring up the Tech Moxie flyer](#) Erin handed out and you can go [here](#) to learn more about Tech Moxie.

Tech Help and Helpers

Need Help with Technology? Just as a reminder, Glover Park Village has volunteers who can help you with simple tech problems such as:

- how to use email to send a message
- how to search for things online
- how to use your phone and
- many other daily tasks.

YES! I NEED TECH HELP!

Want to Help with Technology? - Now that we've promised help, we are also looking for helpers. This would be occasional support for simple technology tasks for those who are less familiar with computers or phones. Sign up below to put your name on a list to be called every few months to help someone learn something that will help them stay connected with their family and the world!

[Sign up here!](#)

I AM WILLING TO HELP!

Position Available

Want to be the Volunteer Czar?

Our wonderful Volunteer Manager, Leah Ferrier, is off to see the world and has left her position. We are looking to replace her with another wonderful person who knows how important our volunteers are and would like to:

- Guide potential volunteers through filling out the forms needed to be approved as a volunteer. Be in conversation with them to discover their availability and what they might like to do with the Village.
- Help volunteers report their time they spent on a task or a service they have completed.
- Encourage volunteers in every way to express their ideas for change or improvement, to help find other neighbors and friends who might want to volunteer, to make new volunteers feel welcome and busy.
- Maintain the volunteer database and be in touch with existing volunteers about where and how they can offer support to our service recipients.

We estimate this job would be about 6 (flexible) hours a week, sometimes less/more. Please think about doing this - Glover Park Village can really use your help. Let's talk: Call 202-436-5545 or email info@gloverparkvillage.org and say you are interested in learning more about the Volunteer Manager position.

A Snapshot of Recent GPV Events

Origins of the US Flag

Earl Williams gave us a colorful look at the history of Founding Father Francis Hopkinson's role in designing the Stars and Stripes and the legend of Betsy Ross. [Insert photo] Caption: Beth Miles made terrific Independence Day centerpieces!



Aaron Burr: Infamous Villain or Tragic Hero?

Jamie Stiehm is a Washington journalist who gave us the inside scoop on the real story behind the famous duel between Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton. [Insert photo with caption]

Want to see more? Go to the [video page](#) on our website of some of the recent events you may have missed!



Glover Park Village Green

Climate change is here in Glover Park and it's not going away any time soon. The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) includes more than 100 programs that will invest more than \$370 billion in climate action and tangible benefits for U.S. residents, including Glover Park Village families.

Some of these benefits include tax credits for you when you purchase efficient home appliances, water heaters, furnaces, air conditioners. Examples include:

- \$7,500 off the price of a new electric vehicle
- Up to \$600 off the cost of furnaces, windows, air conditioners, electric panel/circuit upgrades
- 30% off the cost of solar panels, geothermal heat pumps and other equipment

Want to know more about this? Interested in finally doing something about climate change? We'll send you information put out by Al Gore's Climate Reality group and how you can learn more about what we can do here in Glover Park to help prevent climate change from getting worse. Email holly@gloverparkvillage.org to indicate your interest.

Village News

DC Villages Collaborative Builds on Village Strengths

With the other DC Villages, Glover Park Village has participated in efforts to form the new [DC Villages Collaborative](#), which aims to strengthen villages' abilities to serve the community, while expanding Village resources for our communities across DC.

The 13 existing Villages across DC have worked together informally for the past decade. The leaders of each Village have held regularly meetings to share ideas and tackle issues of common concern.

The DC Villages Collaborative aims to respect the uniqueness of each Village while advancing shared goals and vision. Building on the informal partnerships the DC Villages have developed over the years, the plan is to share programs and

expertise, pursue grants, increase connections and advocacy throughout the District.

DCVC should increase the strength of the DC Village movement, leaders and staff can identify and take advantage of potential operational efficiencies, freeing up resources for more programming or services, for reaching new and more diverse participants in communities. It will hopefully also make us eligible for additional grant funding for programs that benefit DC Villages.

The Collaboration Council will hire a director to lead and manage collaborative DC-wide efforts and will have support staff looking for ways to build new Villages or support Village-like services where Villages don't currently operate. DC neighborhoods could benefit from healthy, engaged aging and advocacy for age-friendly policies, actions, and resources.

GPV Food Support Program



GPV Food Support Program Thrives

If you are interested in receiving a \$25 food box to be delivered to your home at the end of August, go to [Food Support Program](#) on our web site and [sign up](#). Each month the box is varied but to give you an example, a box might include: organic baby lettuce, marinated beef tips, tomatoes, oranges, chicken, carrots, potatoes, celery and lots of other goodies worth \$50 to \$60 at the grocery store.

The 10th of each month is the deadline to sign up for a food box and the third Friday of the month is the delivery of the food box (between 2 - 5pm).

If you want to sign up for August's box, [here is the link!](#)

Spread the Word

Please tell your friends and neighbors about the new GPV Food Support Program as "word of mouth" is a primary way the news will spread to those who could use some inexpensive delicious food each month.

And, as always, you can call 202-436-5545 to ask for help ordering a food box. And if you are interested in being a volunteer, click [here](#).

[Learn more about the Food Program](#)



We are always happy to receive donations!

Click [here](#) to donate online.

Or to donate by check, please send to:

Glover Park Village
PO Box 32255
Washington, DC 20007
A donation of any amount is hugely appreciated!

[Glover Park Village](#) is a volunteer-managed, non-profit organization. Our mission is to deliver services and support to people throughout Greater Glover Park. There is no cost to belong, to get services, or to attend events. Glover Park Village is funded by grants and [donations](#). We belong to the [DC Village Collaborative](#), the regional [Washington Area Villages Exchange](#) and the national [Village to Village network](#).



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