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Join our old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration

Come dressed in your favorite red, white, and blues to Hubert Humphrey Park from **2 to 4 p.m.** for the Friendship Heights Village Fourth of July festivities—rain or shine! Flags, bunting and balloons will transform the park into a patriotic, fun fair for all ages.

You'll enjoy carnival games, ponies rides, and a train ride around the block. There will be a free concert featuring the Jack Stanton Band. This popular band will fill the air with the sounds of America's best loved songs.

Bows the Clown and fortune tellers will be on hand. There will be hot dogs along with snow cones, cold lemonade, fresh popcorn, and decorated cupcakes.

A central part of the celebration will be remarks from gathered officials and an award presentation to those who've given their time and talents to improve the Village's quality of life. Each year the Village Council chooses a recipient for the Elizabeth Scull Outstanding Community Service Award. The award was established to commemorate Elizabeth Scull's lifetime of service to the residents of Montgomery County. This year's recipient is Maryland State Treasurer Nancy Kopp.

In addition, special community service awards will be presented to Gertrude Friedman, Margaret Gaus, Robin Dinerman, Bea Glazer and Doris Hoffman.

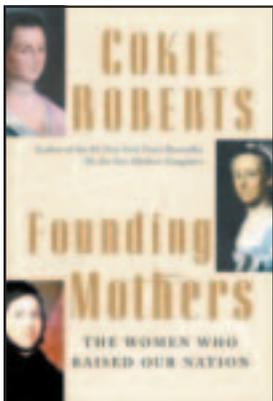
Broadway smash 'The Producers' comes to the Kennedy Center

Three years ago, "The Producers" won 12 Tony Awards—more than any show in Broadway history. Join us for a matinee performance of this "blissful spectacle" on **Saturday, July 24.**

Mel Brooks's musical comedy has been called the funniest show ever seen on stage. Alan Ruck and Lewis Stadlen play the unscrupulous producer and his accountant who scheme to create a Broadway show that is destined to be a flop but turns out to be a hit.

We will leave the Village Center at 12:45 p.m. and return by 5 p.m.

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Hall of Famer Cokie Roberts to speak at Village Center

Cokie Roberts, cited by the American Women in Radio and Television as one of the 50 greatest women in the history of broadcasting, will discuss her book, *Founding Mothers: The Women Who Raised Our Nation*, at the Village Center on **Thursday, July 8, at 7:30 p.m.**

Founding Mothers looks at the fiercely patriotic women, mostly wives, sisters or mothers of the Founding

Fathers, who were crucial to the shaping of a new nation. Drawing on personal correspondence, private journals, and even recipes, Ms. Roberts reveals the trials and triumphs of individuals like Abigail Adams, Mercy Otis Warren, Deborah Read Franklin, Eliza Pinckney, Catherine Littlefield Green, Esther DeBerdt Reed, and Martha Washington.

Cokie Roberts is a senior news analyst for NPR News and a political commentator for ABC News, where for 15 years she has covered Congress, politics
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Camp Friendship — see page 2.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Join the Fun Bunch at Camp Friendship

Camp Friendship is coming back this summer with puppets, pizza, pool parties and creative crafts. Pre-school children ages 2 through 6 years of age are invited join in the fun at Camp Friendship, a summer camp featuring arts, crafts, music and more. The week-long program begins **Monday, July 19** and continues each day **through Friday, July 23**. Each session begins at 10:30 a.m. and ends at 12 p.m. Children and their parents or guardians are invited to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy from noon to 12:30 p.m.

On Monday, Judy Brown of the Bob Brown Puppets will teach children how to make simple marionettes. On Tuesday, children can try their hands at crafts with easy photo frames. On Wednesday, weather permitting, we'll cool off with a pint-sized pool and pizza party. On Thursday, the crafts continue with tissue flower bouquets. Our finale will feature children dressing up as characters from Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs in a *Catriona's Castle* presentation. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Children should wear an art smock or old shirt on craft days.

The cost is \$35 per child for all five sessions. Sign ups begin immediately at the Village Center. Sign up early because this camp fills up fast. There are 20 spaces available. **The deadline is Wed. July 14.**

Puppets at Glen Echo Park

Children ages three and up are invited to join us for a day of fun with puppets at Glen Echo Park on **Wednesday, Aug. 4**. We'll depart from the Village Center at 11 a.m. for The Puppet Company at Glen Echo to see the musical fossil fantasy "Dreamosaurus." This DinoRock production features lively songs and cute baby dinosaurs who help little Nelson conquer his fears and get a good night's sleep. Following the 55-minute performance, we'll gather in the park for a picnic. We'll supply dessert; you bring the nutritious stuff. We should return to Friendship Heights by 2 p.m. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The cost is \$12.50 per person, and includes transportation, ticket to the show and refreshments. Residents and guests may sign up immediately at the Village Center. Nonresidents may sign up beginning July 14. There are 21 tickets available. Limit four tickets per family. The deadline to sign up is July 27.



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We'll depart from the Village Center at 4 p.m. and arrive in Annapolis in time to window shop before boarding the 74-foot wooden schooner. We should be back in Friendship Heights by 10 p.m.

The cost is \$62, which includes transportation, evening sail, picnic dinner and tax and gratuities. Call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 for details.



Perennial favorite returns for a glorious evening at Wolf Trap

The Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra, conducted by Keith Lockhart and featuring vocalist Faith Prince, will perform at Wolf Trap on **Wednesday, August 11**. Join us when we attend their program entitled "Broadway Babies."

We will leave the Village Center at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$67, which includes an orchestra seat, transportation and gratuity. Residents and one guest may sign up immediately; nonresidents may sign up July 7. There are 24 tickets available.

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This five-night, six-day trip will take us to the Sandhills of North Carolina, the barrier islands of Georgia and the low country of South Carolina. Along the way, we'll also visit Savannah, one of the south's most beautiful and charming cities.

We'll leave the Village Center at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday and travel to Mid Pines Resort in Southern Pines, North Carolina, a picturesque village just five miles from Pinehurst. That evening enjoy dinner in the resort's acclaimed restaurant.

The next morning following breakfast, we'll travel to "Georgia's jewel," Jekyll Island. Our home for the next two nights will be the Jekyll Island Club.

Founded in 1886, it was the winter retreat for some of America's most elite families. Restored to its original splendor in 1986, it is now a National Historic Landmark. This Victorian hotel is nestled among live oak trees festooned with Spanish moss.

Monday evening we'll enjoy a Low Country Cookout. Tuesday morning following breakfast, we'll meet our guide and begin our tram tour of the Jekyll Island Historic District, featuring the grand cottages of Morgan, Vanderbilt and Rockefeller, among others.

Lunch on Tuesday will be at the historic King and Prince Hotel overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. In the afternoon, we'll tour St. Simons Island, the largest of Georgia's Golden Isles. We'll drive through Fort Frederica, the site of Georgia's

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Rothstein Scholarship applicants sought

The Village Council is now considering applications for grants under the Robert & Sylvia Rothstein Educational Scholarship. The scholarship is funded by the Village of Friendship Heights and friends and family of Robert & Sylvia Rothstein.

This scholarship is based on merit, not financial need. Residency in the Village is required. There are no age restrictions.

Application forms and copies of the Criteria and General Conditions are available on the Village's website, www.erols.com/friendshiphtsvillage, and at the Center. Applications must be received by Aug 1. For details, call 301-656-2797. All donations to the Rothstein Scholarship fund are tax-deductible.

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Thursday, July 1, 7:30 p.m. — *Calendar Girls*. Nigel Cole directs this feel-good comedy based on a true story of a group of working-class British housewives who became overnight celebrities by posing in a nude calendar in order to raise more than 500,000 pounds for a new leukemia unit. The film follows the adventures of best friends Chris Harper and Annie Clarke, both members of the charitable Rylstone Women's Institute in North Yorkshire. After Annie's husband John succumbs to leukemia, the friends are motivated to take some action. They convince the group to craft a tastefully nude calendar featuring the usual ladies' activities of gardening and baking. Despite disapproval of the

Institute's leader Marie, the calendar quickly becomes a bestseller and leads the group to Hollywood. Stars Helen Mirren, Julie Walters, and John Alderton. Rated PG-13. Running Time: 108 minutes.

Thursday, July 8, 7:30p.m. — *No Movie*. Booksigning with Cokie Roberts, see page 1 for details.

Thursday, July 15, 7:30 p.m. — *No Movie*. Café Muse, see page 17 for details.

Thursday, July 22, 7:30 p.m. — *No Movie*. Booksigning with Anne Applebaum, see page 14 for details

Thursday, July 29, 7:15 p.m. — *Girl with a Pearl Earring*. The

subject of one of Johannes Vermeer's most enduring portraits becomes the focus of this biographical period piece from director Peter Webber. *Girl with a Pearl Earring* is told from the point of view of Griet, a teenaged girl who leaves her family's care in the country to become a servant for the Vermeer household in the bustling burgh of Delft. When she arrives, she finds herself at the low end of the servant totem pole, until she's allowed to clean "the master's" painting quarters. There, she quite literally catches the eye of the taciturn, reclusive Vermeer, and over a period of time, he begins to craft her portrait. Stars Colin Firth, Scarlett Johansson, and Tom Wilkinson. Rated PG-13. Running Time: 99 minutes.

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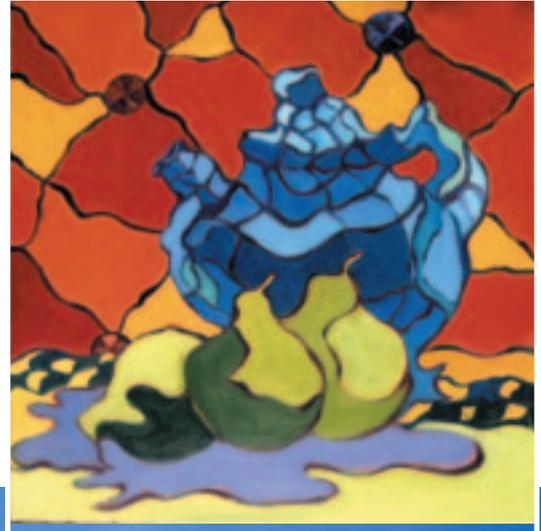
Three cheers for area artists

You are invited to visit Friendship Gallery and see "Three Cheers for the Red, White, and Blue—A Celebration of the Fourth of July." This multimedia juried exhibit, sponsored by the Village of Friendship Heights and open to all area artists, will run through the month of July. Its patriotic themes are inspired by parades, family gatherings, picnics, fireworks, and heroes. The exhibit is held in conjunction with the annual celebration at the Village Center. All are invited to meet the artists at a reception on **Sunday, July 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

Prizes will be awarded for first-, second-, and third-place as well as honorable mention. Winners will be selected by exhibit juror, Joan Samworth. Ms. Samworth is a noted artist who has exhibited widely and has taught all ages for 17 years. For the past five years, she has been an art instructor for junior and senior high students in southeast Washington. Her project has developed into the Corcoran Apprenticeship Program, which produces public art. Ms. Samworth is currently co-directing a large mosaic to be installed at the Nannie Helen Burroughs Bridge. Other public art works she has directed are the Twin Oaks Children's Garden, the Kenilworth Gardens Educational Center and Fletcher-Johnson Educational Center. She instructs her students to "paint what you know. Each person is unique and his/her painting will reflect that uniqueness." Ms. Samworth teaches a weekly class at the Friendship Heights Village Center.

The exhibit begins July 2 and runs through July 31. Exhibit hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Art work in the auditorium is occasionally not available for viewing because of certain activities in that room. Please check with the front desk receptionist when you arrive.

"Stained Glass Still Life," and "Mathews Farm-Upstate N.Y." oils by Joan Samworth



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MAT PILATES

A 6-week session begins July 20. Meets Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$65 for residents and \$75 for nonresidents. This non-impact program, which conditions the body "from the inside out," develops muscle balance and proper spinal alignment. Pilates is revitalizing and renewing, not exhausting! The exercises are performed on a mat and are performed in a sequenced order. This is a beginners and intermediate class, but is not recommended for pregnant women or, unless directed by a physician, for those with more

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TAI CHI (Thursday)

This 6-week session begins July 8. Meets Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$30. Session ends August 19 (there will be no class July 22).

TAI CHI (Tuesday) -

This 6-week session begins July 6. Meets Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$30. Session ends August 17 (there will be no class July 20).

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SCRABBLE

This active group of Scrabble players meets at the Center every Thursday, beginning at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

VILLAGE PLAY TIME

Children of all ages are welcome to be together at the Village Center most Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Games, toys and play equipment will be set out in the auditorium for their enjoyment. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver, friend or family member over age 13.

WALKING CLUB

Leaves the Center every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8:15 a.m. for a walk through a nearby neighborhood.

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CONCERTS

Concerts are performed Wednesdays, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., in Hubert Humphrey Park.
In the case of inclement weather, concerts will be performed in Huntley Hall.

Wednesday, July 7 — **Ericka**

Ovette. Ericka Ovette brings the soulful sounds of jazz greats Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, and Ella Fitzgerald to the Village Center. This internationally acclaimed vocalist sings standards and contemporary jazz, with a vocal style reminiscent of these jazz legends.

Wednesday, July 14 — **Caje Trio.**

Caribbean Arts Central offers the finest of steel-drum mini ensembles. CAJE Trio features Steel drums or Mallet Kat (which produces marimba/steeldrums sounds) and Keyboards, with Bass and/or Percussion. Caribbean keyboardist and composer David Boothman weaves an authentic musical tapestry with the finest steel-drum musicians in the Mid-

Atlantic area. The interplay with keys and the sound of steel playing through familiar melodies creates the right Caribbean mood. The music is infectious, soothing and fiery creating that tropical "déjà vu." CAJE Trio is perfect for background ambience and light dancing. The group has performed in numerous venues including the National Press Club and the Smithsonian Institution. National appearances include the Cape May Jazz Festival and BET's "Jazz in the Sun" in Barbados.

Wednesday, July 21 — **Jacques**

Johnson. Jacques "Saxman" Johnson has been compared to Stanley Turrentine and Grover Washington, and has worked with such greats as Bob Hope, the Coasters and the Drifters. An

accomplished musician and composer, his repertoire includes jazz, blues, country, pop, rock and contemporary music.

Wednesday, July 28 — **The**

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2004 Pulitzer winner to speak at center

The Pulitzer Prize for General Non-fiction was awarded this spring to Anne Applebaum for *Gulag: A History*. She will discuss her book at the Village Center on **Thursday, July 22, at 7:30 p.m.**

Ms. Applebaum, a columnist and member of the editorial board of *The Washington Post*, has written a narrative account of the origins and development of the Soviet concentration camps that operated for more than sixty years. It is the first fully documented history of the gulag and is based on newly accessible Soviet archives as well as scores of camp memoirs and interviews with survivors. Slave labor was used not only for mining and heavy industries, but for producing some of the country's most important science and engineering as well as all kinds of consumer products.

Please sign up in advance, as seating will be limited. Call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 to register. Copies of the book, provided by Politics and Prose Bookstore, will be available for sale.



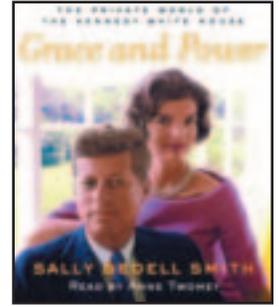
Best selling author to speak about Kennedy years

In *Grace and Power: The Private World of the Kennedy White House*, Sally Bedell Smith takes the reader inside the Kennedy White House and divulges

previously unknown aspects of the lives of JFK and the First Lady. Ms. Smith will discuss her book at the Village Center on **Monday, July 19, at 7:30 p.m.**

The author interviewed scores of Kennedy intimates, including many who have never spoken before, and used as her source letters and personal papers made available for the first time. In a front page story in *The Washington Post Book World*, a reviewer writes: "*Grace and Power* will be a runaway bestseller, deservedly so. The book is impressively well researched and smartly written. It is rich in character sketches, anecdotes and accounts of events."

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The cost is \$29. Sign ups for residents and their guests begin immediately at the Village Center. Each resident may bring three guests. Non-residents may sign up starting July 9.

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There is no cost for the Suburban Health lecture, but please call 301-656-2797 to let us know if you plan to attend.

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The cost of the trip is \$89, which includes a ticket in the mid-orchestra section, transportation and gratuity.

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Cafe Muse presents...

This month's Café Muse, on **Thursday, July 15, at 7:30 p.m.**, presents poets W. Perry Epes, Anne Harding Woodworth, and Brian Gilmore, who are all featured in The Word Works' anthology *Cabin Fever: Poets at Joaquin Miller's Cabin*.

W. Perry Epes is chair of the English Dept. at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, Va. He read in the Joaquin Miller Cabin series in 1999, and he coordinates the Young Poets Competition for Word Works. Anne Harding Woodworth is author of 2 collections of poetry including *The Mushroom Papers*. Brian Gilmore is the author of two collections of poetry, *Elvis Presley is alive and well and living in Harlem* and *Jungle Nights and Soda Fountain Rags: Poem for Duke Ellington*. He is currently a columnist with The Progressive Media Project, a contributing writer for *Jazz Times* and writes the column "Nightbeat" for *DC North* newspaper.

Classical guitar selections are performed by Michael Davis at 7 p.m. Attending poets are invited to participate in an open reading. A sign-up sheet will be available at 7 p.m.

Café Muse is presented by The Village of Friendship Heights and The Word Works, a nonprofit literary organization. The evening is free, but please call the Village Center at 301-656-2797 to let us know you are coming.

"When I am an old woman I shall wear purple

With a red hat which doesn't go and doesn't suit me."

These are the first two lines of a poem entitled "Warning" by Jenny Joseph. The popularity of the poem led to the creation of The Red Hat Society, an organization for women over fifty who "believe silliness is the comedy relief of life and, since we are all in it together, we might as well join red-gloved hands and go for the gusto together." The RHS has chapters all over the country that meet regularly and plan activities that are fun and always involve wearing a red hat and purple outfit. RHS has held two national conventions since it was founded—imagine an entire hotel filled with women in red hats! If there is an interest in founding a chapter in Friendship Heights Village (and someone willing to be the "Chapter Queen"), the Center will provide the space. Please call 301-656-2797 if you would like to be a charter member.



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first military outpost, then visit the hauntingly beautiful Christ Church, built in 1736. We'll also stop at St. Simon's Lighthouse, which consists of four structures including an 1872 brick lighthouse, keepers dwelling, 1890 oil house and a Victorian gazebo.



we'll enjoy a picnic lunch and tour at Drayton Hall. The oldest preserved plantation house in America, it remains in almost original condition after seven generations. Once in downtown Charleston, our guide will take us on a tour of the historic area, accenting the culture of

We'll return to the hotel, where you'll have time to relax at the resort. Choose casual or elegant dining options at the hotel for dinner on your own.

On Wednesday morning following breakfast, we'll travel north to historic Savannah. En route, we'll visit Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation. Visitors can walk beneath live oaks to this antebellum home furnished with fine antiques, and then gaze from the porch past magnolias to the marsh where rice once flourished. Upon arrival in Savannah, we'll be treated to a Southern luncheon at Mrs. Wilkes' Boarding House.

That afternoon, we'll enjoy a driving tour through one of the most beautiful cities in America. During our tour, we'll learn about the city and visit some of its beautiful squares and monuments. Later, we'll check into the Mulberry Inn, in downtown Savannah in time for afternoon tea. That evening, dine on your own in one of Savannah's riverside restaurants.

Our next stop is Charleston, South Carolina, where

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and public policy. During her more than 30 years in broadcasting, Ms. Roberts has won numerous awards, including two Emmys, and has been inducted into the Broadcasting and Cable Hall of Fame.

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On Friday, following breakfast we'll depart from Charleston for the trip back to Friendship Heights. Lunch and dinner on the final day will be on your own.

We should return to Friendship Heights by 9 p.m.

The cost of the trip, which includes transportation, five nights' deluxe accommodations, three dinners, three lunches, five breakfasts, admissions, guide fees, taxes and gratuities, is \$995 per person based on double occupancy.

The single supplement is \$330. A \$500 deposit is required at sign up. The deposit is refundable until Aug. 9. Full refund is available after Aug. 9 only if trip is full and your space can be resold. The balance is due Aug. 9.

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Emergency Cell Phones Available for Seniors

The Bethesda District station of the Montgomery County Police is issuing cell phones to senior citizens that will allow the person to call 911 only.

The purpose of the program, said Officer Dana Matthis, community services officer for Montgomery County Police, Second District, is to get as many cell phones out to the seniors who are out and about and can report incidents when they see them.

"It serves a dual purpose," said Matthis, "for crime fighting as well as medical emergencies. If a senior is a victim of a crime, he or she can report it immediately."

The program has been in place for about two years and continues to grow, said Matthis. "We're constantly getting calls for phones and donations. It's progressing at a steady pace, but we would still like to get as many phones out there as possible."

Steve Steinberg, a volunteer at the station, will be distributing the cell phones by appointment only. He can be reached at 301-657-0622.

The police are also collecting cell phones and have donation receipt forms available. For more information, call Officer Dana Matthis at 301-657-0119.



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