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Dear GV Members,

I am sure that, like me, you are happy to see the end of 2020-the no-good, horrible, terrible year that passed! The board joins me in wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year! We hope that we will be able to get back to in-person programming in a few months and look forward to seeing you in person. We also want you to know, that no matter what this year brings, Georgetown Village will be here to help you through it! We didn't stop in 2020, and we will not stop in 2021!

Our volunteers will continue to offer services in a safe sociallydistanced manner until the COVID numbers go down and the city opens back up. Remember, as the weather gets colder, we have volunteers who are happy to do your grocery shopping while you stay safe and warm at home.

We will continue to offer you a wide variety of programs and opportunities to connect with other members online and via phone calls. Our program committee has been very busy and we have some wonderful speakers already lined up through March! I am including a list of our upcoming programs, mark your calendars and plan on joining us for these interesting speakers.

We are paying close attention to all the news about the **vaccines** and will keep you informed via our website or emails. If you do not use online communications, be sure to call in on our COVID calls on Thursday mornings, or call the office if you would like information. **One important tip for when you get your vaccine is to be sure you know which vaccine you got, and to let the office know when you got it and when you need your second dose. We will keep track and call to remind you when it is time for your second vaccine. Remember, if you have questions, we have a weekly resource for you to call into our COVID calls on Thursday mornings at 10:30 and get the answers you want. Dial 515-604-9094, our meeting ID is 190-486-505. That is the same number to join our Wednesday morning social chats.**

Stay well,

Lynn



Mondays

January 18

GV Office Closed

10:15 am-Online Book
Discussion-Snow by John
Banville
Zoom Link will be sent in
email blast, to participate by
phone dial 301-715-8592
Meeting ID # 813 7852 3596
Passcode-453 865

Tuesdays

January 5 & 19
5:30 pm-Online Happy Hour

Zoom link will be sent in email
blast. To participate by
phone dial 301-715-8592

Meeting ID# 750-955 1044

Passcode-016 954

Wednesdays 11 am-Check-In Call-Dial 1-515-604-9094 to call in— Meeting ID is 190-486-505#

Thursdays 10:30 am Covid Information Call Dial 1-515-604-9094 Meeting ID is 190-486-505#

CCC Programs below-Zoom Links will be sent in email blasts.

January 14-5:30 pm Exploring Planet Word: Where Language Comes to Life

<u>January 28-5;30 pm</u>
Rediscovering the United
States

Cocktails, Conversations, and Covid Programs January 14-5:30 pm-Exploring Planet Word January 28-5:30 pm-Rediscovering the United States

On January 14, Rebecca Roberts, Curator of Programming for Planet Word will be giving us an exciting online tour of Planet Word. Planet word is the world's first voice-activated museum bringing words and language to life. This program will be a great preview of this state of the art museum, we will tour the museum and be able to ask questions. We are extremely fortunate to have Rebecca Roberts as our docent for the evening, she is a nationally recognized author and former program coordinator for Smithsonian Associates. I know this will increase interest for our trip to the physical Planet Word museum once we are able to do so. To call into this program: 301-715-8592 Meeting Id is 880 3014 5512 Passcode 393 033

On January 28, we will have an interesting program on traveling through the United States. We are all missing travel and will probably not go too far when we are able to do so again. With this in mind, our program chairs have lined up American journalist and travel writer Peter Greenberg to help us rediscover America in 2021. He will share some tips on how to rediscover important locations in the United States. Peter Greenberg is an extremely well known travel writer and has worked for CBS, NBC, AARP, etc. To call into this program dial 301-715-8592 Meeting ID 875 8106 2145 Passcode 992 292

Join us for these great online programs and feel free to share the information with your friends as well, these programs are open to the community to help keep our neighbors and friends engaged and involved while safely at home. Information to join these programs on Zoom will be in email blasts.

Online Book Discussion, Monday, January 18 10:15 am-chat 10:30 am Book Discussion Snow by John Banville

Banville is widely considered Ireland's greatest living novelist. He is a prize-winning much-translated novelist as well as the formal literary editor of the Irish Times, playwrite, memoirist, screenwriter and developer of long-form TV series.

This mystery is the first book in a new series by the author. It is a murder mystery set in rural Ireland in 1957. The NY Times described Banville's depiction of Ireland at the time as fascinating and made special note that the book does a good job of describing the way the Rom an Catholic Church held enormous sway both politically and emotionally over the country and its people.

If you love a good mystery and the opportunity to travel by reading stories set in other countries this book is for you! Join us to share your thoughts and opinions. Zoom information to join us will be in the email blasts. To phone in dial 301-715-8592, Meeting ID is 813 7852 3596, Passcode 453 865