

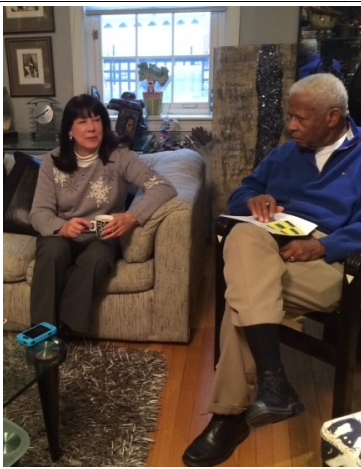
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# EAST ROCK CREEK VILLAGE VOICE

**FOR VALENTINE'S DAY**, show a little love for our seniors who have shown tremendous love for family, friends, and neighbors over the years. Consider making a tax-deductible donation to East Rock Creek Village, by mailing a check to P.O. Box 60622, Washington, DC 20039.

## **ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL COFFEE CHAT:**



*Shannon Cockett and Robert Watkins, III*

Small intimate gatherings are the best way of spreading the word about East Rock Creek Village. Several neighbors attended the coffee hosted by ERCV founding board member Gloria Sulton at her Colonial Village home on January 24, 2015.

If you would be interested in hosting a coffee chat in your home, please let us know! It's a wonderful way for us to reach prospective members.



*Shannon Cockett, President of ERCV*

**THE CHAIR'S CORNER:** We are excited by the prospect of opening our village doors this year. The sooner we reach 130 membership pledges from our current level of 71, add 25 more volunteers to the 75 onboard, and add \$20,000 to the \$5,000 we raised at the end of 2014, the sooner we will open our doors. It is as simple as that. So if you know of a neighbor who wants to stay in his or her home, but needs a little help, please let them know about East Rock Creek Village.

**GENEROUS DONATION:** After reading the first edition of "The East Rock Creek Village Voice," Pati Griffith of Shepherd Park was moved to make a donation of the office furniture and computer belonging to her late husband.

As Pati Griffith said, "I've learned through a dear friend who's a member of Capitol Hill Village, just what a difference a senior village can make."



*Office furniture donated by Pati Griffith*

Pati Griffith has also indicated that our board may use her basement as temporary office space until we find a permanent home for the village.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR GAME DAY!:**

Saturday, February 21, 2015 from 1-4 pm, we are having a game day at the Takoma Village Common House, located at 6827 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW. So bring your favorite board game and we'll provide a few of our own. Light refreshments will be served.



**THE SEARCH FOR A PERMANENT**

**HOME:** Carroll Green, the stalwart vice president of East Rock Creek Village is leading the search for permanent office space for our village.

He has attended numerous church services and bible study classes in the

communities of Brightwood, Manor Park, and Takoma DC. Everywhere he goes, Carroll makes personal appeals to the clergy in charge.

We know his search for low-cost office space will pay off, and we appreciate his personal commitment and sacrifice. Being an attractive bachelor, it appears that the church ladies are sometimes in hot pursuit of Carroll.



*Carroll Green, VP of ERCV*

**FOR VALENTINE'S DAY, A POEM BY ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING:**

*How do I love thee? Let me count the ways.  
I love thee to the depth and breadth and height  
My soul can reach, when feeling out of sight  
For the ends of Being and ideal Grace.  
I love thee to the level of every day's  
Most quiet need, by sun and candlelight.  
I love thee freely, as men strive for Right;  
I love thee purely, as they turn from Praise.  
I love thee with a passion put to use  
In my old griefs, and with my childhood's faith.  
I love thee with a love I seemed to lose  
With my lost saints, I love thee with breath,  
Smiles, tears, of all my life! and, if God choose,  
I shall but love thee better after death.*

