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The Club will be closed for summer break July 30th – Sept 6th.

AUGUST 2016

SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

Thursday, September 8. Luncheon with Guest Speaker: Buffet lunch at noon. Join us to meet **Kevin Kallaugh**, aka KAL, the award-winning journalist responsible for the amusing and provocative editorial cartoons featured in the *Baltimore Sun* and *The Economist* of London. He will speak about his work as an international satirist, commentator and cartoonist, and share some of his work related to the target rich 2016 elections. In an illustrated lecture, KAL will discuss the challenges of his craft and treat us to a live drawing demonstration. This program will be a lively season opener for Fall 2016! **In order to meet the high demand for this program, we will offer a buffet lunch and row seating for no more than 60 in attendance.**

Monday, September 19. Current Events Discussion: Lunch and Discussion at noon. Please join us as we contemplate and try to understand the issues of the day with the help of articles by respected thinkers. Come and bring your informed views, your sense of humor, and perhaps a guest or two.

Monday, September 19. French Table: 12:00-1:00. Join other Club members for an hour of conversation and lunch, *en français* with a little English, but mostly French. You don't have to be fluent to enjoy the hour -- come listen and speak when you wish. Please sign up in advance.

Tuesday, September 20. Luncheon with Guest Speaker: Upstairs at noon; Lunch at 12:15. Newly retired President and CEO of Sheppard Pratt Health System, **Steven Sharfstein, M.D.**, will address the issues mental health care of past, present and future with his recollections and reflections of his 25 years at Sheppard Pratt Health System. Dr. Sharfstein came to Sheppard as a vice president in 1986 and became president in 1992. During his presidency, Sheppard Pratt Health System has evolved from a psychiatric hospital to a health system inclusive of inpatient, day hospital, intensive outpatient, outpatient, and special education services, with more than 38 locations throughout Maryland.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, October 13. Luncheon with Guest Speaker: Upstairs at noon; Lunch at 12:15. **Dr. Peter Beilenson** served as the Baltimore City Health Commissioner for 13 years under Mayors Kurt Schmoke and Martin O'Malley. He focused his efforts on improving child health outcomes (reducing lead poisoning, infant mortality and teen pregnancy); reforming drug policy (implementing a needle exchange program, starting an overdose prevention program, and increasing and enhancing drug treatment), and violence prevention (implementing Operation Safe Kids). He then served as Howard County Health Officer under County Executive Ken Ulman for six years. Among many initiatives, the most significant was the Healthy Howard Access Plan---one of only two comprehensive local health plans in the country providing a full range of clinical services to the uninsured. With the passage of the Affordable Care Act, Beilenson led the effort to implement a nonprofit health insurance

co-op enabled by the ACA. He is currently CEO and President of the co-op: Evergreen Health. Beilenson has a bachelor's degree from Harvard College, a medical degree from Emory University, and a master's degree from then Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. He is married to Chris, a social worker, and has five children. He will be talking about the benefits and challenges of the Affordable Care Act in its third year of full operation and will provide some thought on how the outcome of the election will impact Obamacare.

Monday, October 17. Current Events Discussion: Lunch and Discussion at noon. Please join us as we contemplate and try to understand the issues of the day with the help of articles by respected thinkers. Come and bring your informed views, your sense of humor, and perhaps a guest or two.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, October 20th. Annual Meeting. Watch the newsletter for more information.

Monday, October 24. French Table: 12:00-1:00. Join other Club members for an hour of conversation and lunch, *en français* with a little English, but mostly French. You don't have to be fluent to enjoy the hour -- come listen and speak when you wish. Please sign up in advance.

AROUND THE CLUB

ANNUAL MEETING ENCORE!! By popular demand we are planning our **Second Accessories Sale** to benefit the Club's coffers. So, please go through your closets and drawers and donate nearly new scarves, belts, handbags and jewelry for our members' only sale! The sale will be held from 11-12:30 at the Maryland Club prior to our Annual Meeting there on October 20th. Members will remember having great fun as we try on our fellow members' contributions. Please bring your donated items to the Club in September where they will be stored before our committee sorts and prices each item. Please label your bag "For Annual Meeting." New members are urged to join our sales committee, which will hold its first organizing meeting on September 13th at the Club. Please contact Marsha Ramsay if you want to help (ramsaymarsha@gmail.com) or have questions.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joan Elaine Schochor: Joan is a retired interior designer. She volunteers at the House of Ruth and is interested in oil painting, gardening, design and decorating. Thank you to Phyllis von Stade and Jane Meyer for sponsoring her membership.

Carla Stone Witzel: A retired lawyer, Carla enjoys sailing, opera and lectures. She lives in Bolton Hill and knows several club members through her love of playing bridge. Thanks to Barbara Francis and Carrie Cass for proposing her membership.

Myrna Poirier: Myrna is an architect who is also a board member of DRU/Mondawmin Healthy Families where she counsels prospective parents, following them with their children through age 5. Her interests include art, architecture, travel, and theater. While fluent in French, she is currently studying Italian. Thank you to Jane Dyer and Michelle Pasternak for sponsoring her membership.

Barbara Matheson: Barbara, a retired Associate Professor of Physiology at the University of Maryland, is a deacon and a member of the Congregational Life Committee at the Second Presbyterian Church where she also mentors college students. She is interested in gardening, cooking, reading, history and travel. Thank you to Joan Feldman and Carrie Thornbery for proposing her membership.