

President's Letter

Happy New Year, Ladies!

Let the blessings and warmth of our holiday season lead us into 2024 with opportunities for personal growth and giving back.

Our Charter100 DC Holiday Tea at the Sulgrave Club was well attended, with three prospective new members! Sadly, a few members had to cancel due to COVID and other medical situations. After a short program and singing, we remembered an early member of Charter100 Arizona - Sandra Day O'Connor.

Our Program and Special Events Committees have great plans this year, so stay tuned and watch for Save the Date emails.

Don't miss our January 16th Program at Restaurant Ris in DC. Judith Hunter did a fine job coordinating this venue for our January Program Speaker, Barbara Garlock. Read about Barbara's advocacy work on the Announcements page.

Remember, Guests Are Welcome!

Also, if you have someone you would like to sponsor for Charter 100 DC membership this year, they must attend three events and submit their paperwork the Membership Committee by April!

I look forward to seeing you on the 16th.

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** 

2024

My best, *Paula* 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# How a National Quilting Challenge Changed Community Advocacy

Barbara Garlock - January 16, 2024 - 12:00-2:00 PM



Join us to hear about how women combined artwork and advocacy for DC statehood.

Barbara Garlock spent 25 years as a nonprofit executive and consultant. Now retired, she serves on the Boards of the League of Women Voters - DC (LWV-DC) and the Alliance for New Music Theater.

An avid quilter for years, Barbara co-founded

Quilts4DC shortly after the House of Representatives passed HR41, which called for the establishment of the Douglas Commonwealth. LWV-DC was a natural sponsor for Quilts4DC. As Barbara told ABC-7 last year, "quilts have long been a way that women have used their power. For most of American history, women did not have a voice other than their needle and thread."

"Quilters stitch their feelings and beliefs into fabric."

LWV-DC and local quilters reached out to other chapters and quilters around the county to ask for support for DC statehood. They found a supportive community that extended into other arts and media.

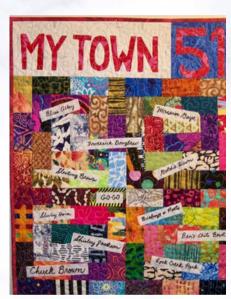
A graduate of Wharton and Wellesley, Barbara will share the lessons learned about engaging and energizing communities with practical tips and lessons learned from other artisan advocacy efforts.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, Continued**

Barbara will answer questions about using art to educate the public, advocate for social change and use creativity to engage their community. If you or someone you know is involved with community-level initiatives, invite them -- you don't want to miss this opportunity!

These photos show some of the quilts produced by members of Quilts4DC sold at auctions to support DC Statehood.













# SAVE THE DATE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024 @ 12 PM

Join us Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at Hillwood Museum and Gardens for another chef-prepared lunch and an engaging speaker.

Keep an eye on your email for details and ticket information!

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### Say Hello to Nancey McCann



"I like socializing," Nancey McCann says, "and giving back." She packs in both with a zest to admire.

For 28 years, Nancey worked the Government Relations Director for the of American Society Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ASCRS) and continues to consult for them. She also serves on boards and three volunteers on Charter100 DC Programs and Special Events Committees. It was her idea for the Titanic Exhibition event.

Nancey is a Board member of the Holland Foundation for Sight Restoration led by former ASCRS President Edward J. Holland, MD, a pioneering ophthalmologist in the treatment of Severe Ocular Surface Disease. She serves on the Development and Center of Excellence Committees focusing on fundraising and helping with coding and reimbursement.

She is also on the Alumni Board for her alma mater, Marietta College, in Ohio and chairs their Alumni Development Committee. "I made lifelong friends at Marietta," Nancey says, "and the liberal arts education I received allowed me to pivot into a new career. I was originally a high school English teacher."

#### **Nancey McCann, Continued**

Nancey's third Board position is with the Beta Xi chapter of Marietta's Alpha Xi Delta national sorority, where she met many of those lifelong friends.

In her free time, Nancey regularly enjoys water aerobics and pickleball at Lifetime Fitness - "my happy place." She leads one busy life!

Nancey came to Charter100 DC through work friends - Cathy Cohen and Alyssa Fox. She enjoys the different business and personal backgrounds among the women and their openness. "Everyone is so nice, welcoming, and sharing their experiences. I love all the people I've met here!"



Learn more about the Holland Foundation for Sight Restoration at https://hollandfoundationforsight.org/

## FROM THE SCRAPBOOK

2024 Sulgrave Holiday Tea





















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Holiday Tea, continued













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"It is the individual who can and does make a difference even in this increasingly populous, complex world of ours. The individual can make things happen.

It is the individual who can bring a tear to my eye and then cause me to take pen in hand. It is the individual who has acted or tried to act who will not only force a decision but also have a hand in shaping it.

Whether acting in the legal, governmental, or private realm, one concerned and dedicated person can meaningfully affect what some consider an uncaring world.

So give freely of yourself always to your family, your friends, your community, and your country. The world will pay you back many times over."

— US Supreme Court Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, The Majesty of the Law: Reflections of a Supreme Court Justice

Charter 100 DC brings together women of outstanding accomplishments in diverse fields.