

# Washington Evaluators 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration October 1, 2014 Cleveland Park Library

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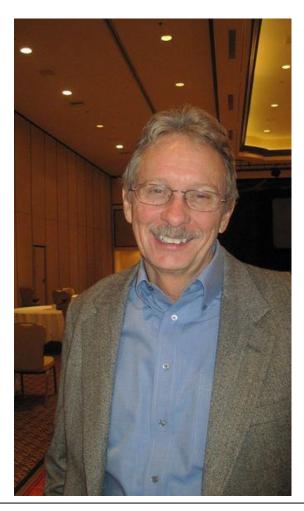
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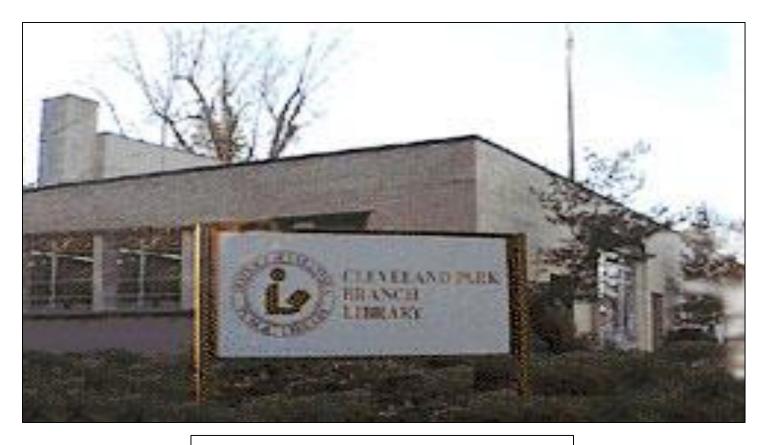
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Location for the WE Organizing
Meeting September 1984
and
30th Anniversary Celebration 2014

#### WASHINGTON EVALUATORS

THE BOARD OF THE WASHINGTON EVALUATORS (WE) INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR

30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Wednesday, October 1, 2014: 5:30pm - 6:30pm Cleveland Park Library

3310 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008 Followed by a Happy Hour at the Uptown Tap House

In 1984, Michael Hendricks, a Washington, DC based evaluation consultant, had a great idea. Mike was the president of Evaluation Network (ENet), one of two organizations (with the Evaluation Research Society) that in 1986 became the American Evaluation Association (AEA).





Mike thought, "Why not organize an evaluation community in the Washington, DC area? WE was founded in 1984, and our first meeting was in September of that year. Twelve of us met in the community room of the Cleveland Park library."

To celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Washington Evaluators will once again gather at the Cleveland Park Library. Former and current WE leaders will discuss how WE has evolved. Attendees are invited to participate in an open discussion: "How can evaluation communities of practice address



evaluation challenges and take advantage of opportunities to sustain evaluators and the evaluation profession?" The results will be presented at a session at the 2014 AEA Conference!

After the celebration, join us two blocks north at the Uptown Tap House for light snacks and a cash bar with happy hour prices.



WE 30™ ANNIVERSARY HAPPY HOUR October 1, 2014: 6:30pm – 8:30pm Uptown Tap House, 3412 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008

Please RSVP to http://washingtonevaluators.org/events.







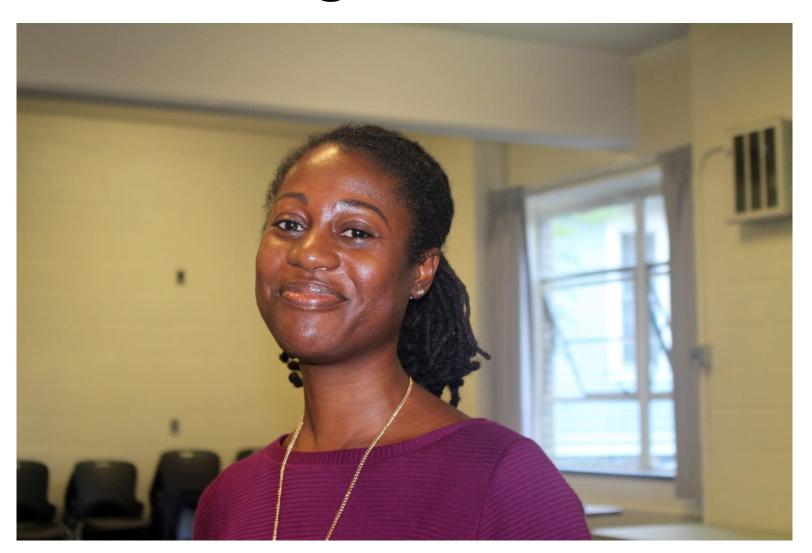


#### DRAFT: Brief history of Washington Evaluators (WE) The first meeting of WE was held at Cleveland Park Library on September 24, 1984 with 12 people attending. Washington Evaluators' main activities have been brownbag sessions, conference, meeting, and social events (get-together, holiday party, and happy hour). In 2010, WE became a non-profit organization in the District of Columbia. Chairs and Presidents 1. Chair Mike Hendricks 1984- 1988 2. Chair Nena Vreeland 1988 - 1989 3. Chair George Liacopoulos 1989 - 1993 4. Chair Mary Ann Scheirer 1993-1995 5. President Kathy Newcomer 1995-1997 6. President Valerie Caracelli 1997-1999 7. President Paul Johnson 1999- 2002 8. President Norma Fleischman 2002-2009 9. President Brian Yoder, 2010, 2011 10. President Eric Abdullateef, 2012, 2013 11. President Brian Yoder, 2014, 2015 12. President-elect David Bernstein 2016, 2017 o Monday, September 24, 1984 The first meeting at Cleveland Park Library. Newsletters. o Saturday, July 29, 1989 Backyard BBO o Around 1989, discussion on WE logo. Thursday, June 23, 1994 A Gala Banquet, Speaker: Eleanor Chelimsky (President-elect, AEA). Saturday, March 18, 1995 Washington Evaluators Conference co-sponsored by Department of Public Administration, Theme: "Evaluation, Reinvention, and Change," George Washington Tuesday, March 11, 1997 Send-off of Mike Hendricks (Hunan Gourmet Restaurant) Saturday, March 7, 1998, Washington Evaluators Conference, Theme: "Challenges for today's evaluator: methods and issues." o 1999 or 2000 Washington Evaluators website was launched July 20 and 22, 1999 The Evaluators' Institute/Washington Evaluators Panel Meeting 1999 WE participated in Panel Discussion at AEA Annual Conference, "Starting AEA affiliate organizations: Lessons learned in building community capacity and membership, a formative review. July 19, 21, and 26, 2005 Washington Evaluators and the Evaluators' Institute co-host evening 2001-2010 o By-law was voted in 2009. March 16, 2010Washington Evaluators became a non-profit organization. 2009-website redesign began and completed in 2010. NOTE: Please contact Mika for corrections and new information. yymika@gmail.com 202-460-3499



Former WE President Kathy Newcomer and WE President-Elect David Bernstein







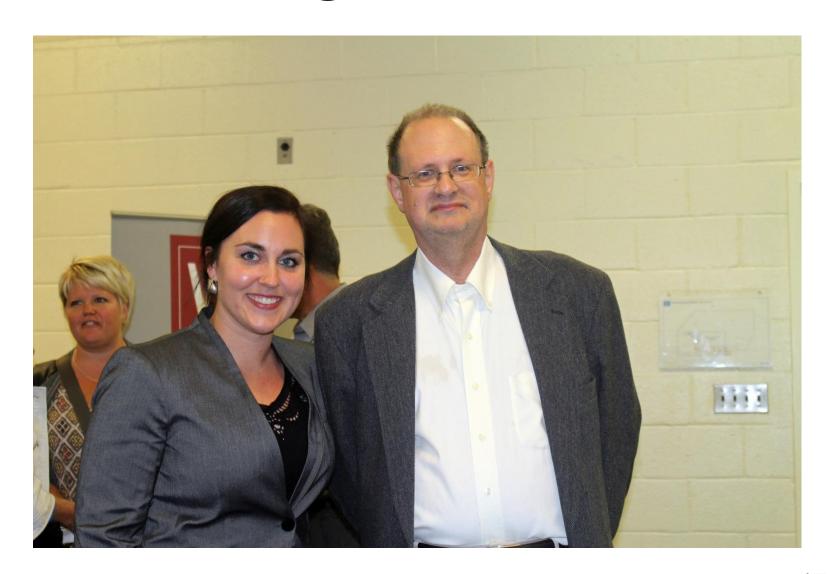
WE President Brian Yoder



Mika Yamashita, WE Historian Former AEA Treasurer Brian Yates







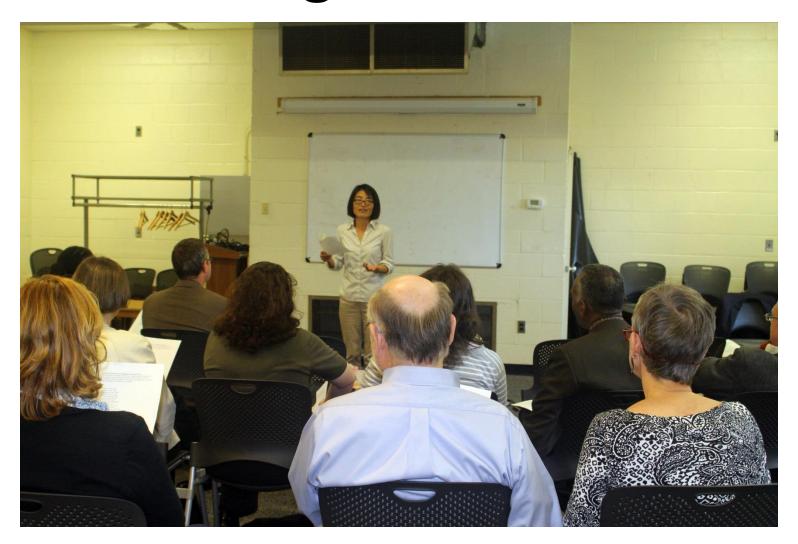


Kathy Newcomer and Mika Yamashita



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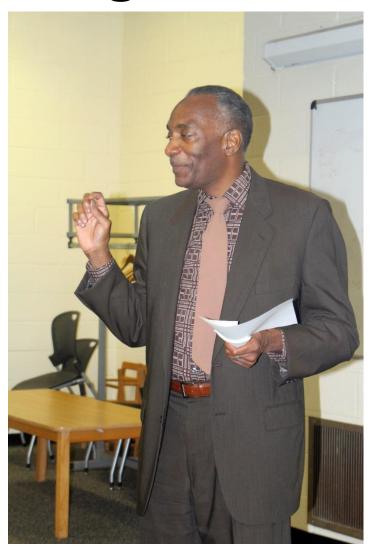




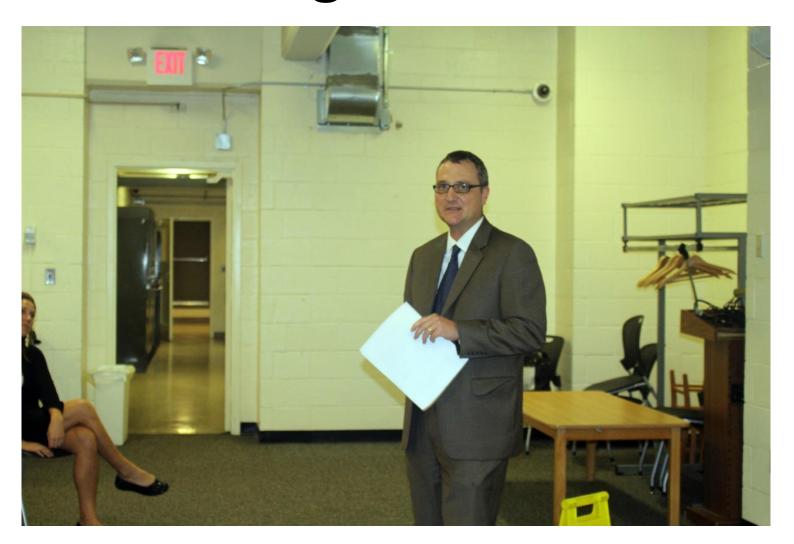


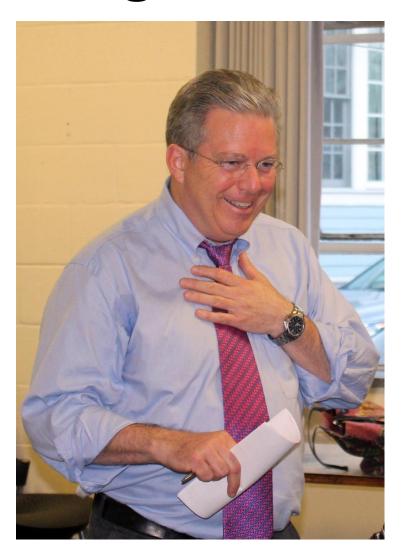














Brian Yoder and WE Program Chair Val Caracelli



Time to Celebrate 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Happy Hour at the Uptown Tap House



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