

## bulletin board



John R. Kinard in his Neighborhood Museum office on Martin Luther King Avenue SE. Photo: Anacostia Community Neighborhood Museum a Smithsonian Institution.

### Celebrating The Legend That is John R. Kinard

John R. Kinard was a curator, activist, minister and well-loved community leader in Washington, DC; but Kinard was best known for pioneering the Neighborhood Museum (Anacostia Community Museum) in 1967 that was dedicated to educating the community and preserving its history through the eyes of its residence. While serving as pastor at John Wesley African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Kinard established the museum to create a place that provided a sense of pride in the African-American community and involved the neighborhood in positive and uplifting programs. The community will commemorate the 20-year anniversary of Kinard's passing and celebrate the passion and achievements of his life on Aug. 23, 4 p.m., at the AMEZ Church at 1615 14th St. NW. All are welcome to attend.

### One Day, One Ride, One Cause

The second annual 40-mile charity biking event One Day, One Ride, One Cause takes place Aug. 16 to raise awareness of HIV and AIDS in the District and to raise funds for two District-based AIDS-related organizations: Women's Collective and Building Futures. The nonprofit bicycling team, Brother to Brother Sister to Sister United (BBSSU), is the event organizer. The anticipated route of the ride may go through your neighborhood – visit the event website [www.1day1ride1cause.org](http://www.1day1ride1cause.org) to check the map. Also, visit the website to register for the ride. \$50 through Aug. 15; \$75 on-site registration on the day of the ride.

### A Mother's Summertime Tea

All are invited to attend the fifth annual "Mother's Summertime Tea," on Aug. 30, from 3-5 p.m., at the ballroom of the historic Willard Intercontinental Ho-

tel, 1401 Pennsylvania Ave. NW. This free event is organized to promote support and healing for the survivors and victims of violent crime. RSVP by Aug. 23 at 202-373-0398 or [innerthoughts@starpower.net](mailto:innerthoughts@starpower.net).

### Extreme Green Neighborhood Makeover

Nominate your neighborhood for CarbonfreeDC's Extreme Green Neighborhood Makeover by Aug. 28, and you and 19 other families in your neighborhood could be sponsored by CarbonfreeDC for a green makeover. CarbonfreeDC will use \$20,000 to green the homes of 20 families as the families choose. For each home, the organization will purchase affordable carbon-reducing

and money saving solutions like CFL bulbs, programmable thermostats, weather stripping, water heater insulation blankets and Energy Star-rated appliances. As funding permits, the organization may also install insulation or make additional repairs. CarbonfreeDC will ask eco-consultants to donate their time to do a complete energy audit of each home and recruit volunteers to help the families install the equipment. To qualify, a home must be owned by a family member who is not receiving government assistance on energy bills, and a head of household would need to self-identify as under-served or low-income. Metro-accessible neighborhoods strongly preferred. To nominate your neighborhood or to receive more information, e-mail Rhys Gerholdt at [rhys006@gmail.com](mailto:rhys006@gmail.com), call 202-341-1323 or visit [CarbonfreeDC.org](http://CarbonfreeDC.org).

### Restaurant Week

Destination DC and the Restaurant Association Metropolitan Washington present the 15th Washington, DC, Restaurant Week Aug. 24-30. Nearly 180 of the city's best restaurants will feature a special three-course lunch menu for \$20.09 and a three-course dinner menu for \$35.09. Prices do not include beverages, gratuity or tax. Many restaurants in DC North neighborhoods are participating. Visit [www.washington.org/restaurantwk](http://www.washington.org/restaurantwk) for a full list of participating restaurants and to reserve your table.

### Common Good City Farm Seeks Farm Coordinator

Common Good City Farm, a productive community food garden at Third and V streets NW in LeDroit Park, is seeking a volunteer farm coordinator to work five to nine hours per week. This organization increases fresh food access to low-income DC residents through its Green Tomorrow program and teaches health

and nutrition to kids and adults. The farm coordinator co-manages the farm during open hours of operation. Job duties include: facilitating/assisting volunteers and Green Tomorrows participants with farm work; following weekly to-do list of weeding, planting or other farm work; watering plants; welcoming passersbys, answering questions about the farm and explaining farm programs; and more. For more information, call 202-330-5945 or visit [www.comongoodcityfarm.org](http://www.comongoodcityfarm.org).

### Police Bike Ride

On Aug. 20 at 6 p.m., Mount Vernon Triangle Community Improvement District will host the second annual neighborhood bike ride with the Metropolitan Police Department. Come explore Mount Vernon Triangle with residents and police officers on bike; say, "Hi," to merchants and look at crime hot spots in the neighborhood for an hour. Call 202-661-7590 or visit [www.mountvernontriangle.org](http://www.mountvernontriangle.org) for more information.

### DCPS Beautification Day

Beautification Day, the annual event established in 2005 as a city-wide "spruce up" of all DC public school buildings in preparation for the first day of school, will be held Aug. 22, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., and DCPS needs volunteers at over 100 schools for landscaping, picking up trash, light painting, planting flowers, sweeping sidewalks and other external beautification efforts. Volunteers will receive their assignment from the site manager on Aug. 22. Event takes place rain or shine. Volunteer in advance by calling 202-442-5447 or e-mailing [dcpsvolunteers@dc.gov](mailto:dcpsvolunteers@dc.gov).

### USPS Offices to be Consolidated

As part of a nationwide cost-cutting measure, the United States Postal Service is considering consolidation of eight postal branches in DC – three of which are in the DC North area: LeDroit Park at 416 Florida Ave. NW, Petworth at 4211 Ninth St. NW, and Woodridge at 2211 Rhode Island Ave. NE. This list is subject to change. For more information, visit the Postal Regulatory Commission website at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov).



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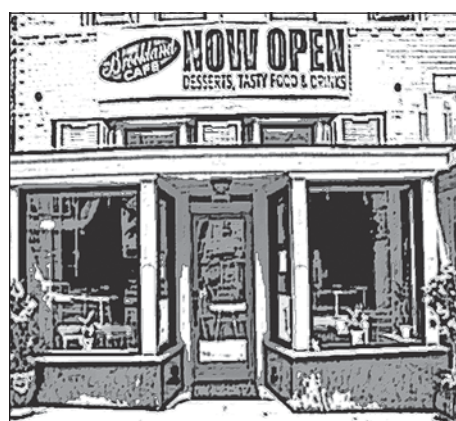
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**TITLE:**

86-year-old six-time Democratic DC mayoral candidate Faith was the first runner up in the ninth annual American Classic Woman Washington, DC Pageant, held July 18 at the historic Lincoln Theatre on U Street NW. Ward 1 resident Faith performed Lord Buckley's Jazz Gettysburg Address and modeled a golden evening gown that looked like something Cleopatra would have worn. Eight contestants competed for the American Classic crown, with Ward 4's Rose J. Bullock, 61, taking home the prize. Photo: Pleasant P. Mann, Courtesy Shaw Main Streets.

## Third Annual Back to School Hair Cuts, Dental Screening and School Supplies Giveaway

The Metropolitan Police Department once again is coordinating this annual back-to-school event Aug. 17, 1-4 p.m., between the 3200 and 3500 blocks of Georgia Avenue NW. Children ages 5 to 13 will receive free dental screenings, haircuts and school supplies (while supplies last). Families are invited to mingle with members of the MPD, enjoy a meal and entertainment, and receive information in reference to crime prevention, health care and more. Organizations, non-profits, faith based organizations, schools, etc., are invited attend, set up tables (organizations are responsible for providing their own table), and provide information and social services. The MPD is accepting donations – books, clothes, school supplies, giveaways and more – prior to the event. Contact: Officer B. T. Davis, 240- 426-5829; Officer L. R. McKoy 202-576-8222; Civilian M. Santiago, 703-819-9434; or Sgt. G. Pollock 202-576-8222- PSA 302.

## CentroNía Now Managing the Bilingual Community Academy

On July 1, CentroNía welcomed ABC-Academia Bilingüe de la Comunidad/Bilingual Community Academy Public Charter School under its umbrella of educational programming. This will be the second Charter School CentroNía will manage. Since 2004, CentroNía has managed DC Bilingual Public Charter School. This partnership with ABC expands CentroNía's bilingual, multicultural educational outreach into the sixth, seventh and eighth

grades. CentroNía educates more than 1,700 children, youth, and families in the greater Washington, DC, metropolitan area. For more information on ABC, visit [www.abcpcs.org](http://www.abcpcs.org), call 202-822-6301 or e-mail [info@abcpcs.org](mailto:info@abcpcs.org). Applications are still available for the 2009-2010 school year.

## Engine Company #4 Renamed after Fire Chief Burton W. Johnson

Last month, the District renamed Engine Company #4 in honor of the late retired Fire Chief Burton W. Johnson, who was the first African-American fire chief in the District of Columbia. Councilmembers Kwame Brown (At-Large), Phil Mendelson (At-Large) and Jim Graham (Ward 1) co-introduced the legislation to rename the fire house, which is located at 2531 Sherman Ave. NW. Chief Johnson served as Fire Chief from April 23, 1973, until his retirement on March 1, 1978. His service to the District spanned 35 years.

## Second Annual Life Day: 10,000 Book Bag Giveaway

The Life Center Church and At-Large Councilmember Kwame Brown are teaming up once again to host Life Day: 10,000 Bookbag Giveaway, Aug. 16, at The Life Center Church (5610 Linda Lane, Camp Springs, Md.), noon-3 p.m., and the Ambulatory Care Center at DC General Hospital (1900 Massachusetts Ave. SE), 3-6 p.m. More than 10,000 bookbags will be given away to at-risk children attending schools in the greater Washington metropolitan area. The day of the event, Life Day will also be hosting a Healthy Choices Expo, during which time health experts will be on hand to show kids how to read and interpret nutrition labels and how to prepare their own healthy lunches and after-school snacks as well as how to manage stress with meditation and yoga. Ginuwine and his wife Solo will make a special appearance to support the event. For more information, to volunteer or to make a donation, visit [www.10000bookbags.com](http://www.10000bookbags.com).

## August is Noise Enforcement Month

The Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration has designated August as "Noise Enforcement Month" and will issue citations throughout the month to ABC-licensed businesses who generate noise of such intensity that it can be heard in residentially zoned areas. In the DC North area, ABRA especially will be enforcing noise violations in Adams Morgan and the U Street corridor. The citation for a first-time noise violation is \$250; the citation for a second-time violation is \$500. District residents can report potential or ongoing noise violations to ABRA during normal business hours, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., by calling 202-442-4423; or after normal business hours, by calling 311. Residents can also e-mail noise complaints through the ABRA website at [www.abra.dc.gov](http://www.abra.dc.gov).

## Free Radon Test Kits

The District Department of the Environment is offering free radon test kits for District residents, and those who have tested their homes for radon with results below EPA's action guideline will received a "Passed" radon window decal. DDOE hopes that these window decals will encourage residents to test their homes for radon. The National Academy of Science estimates that radon causes between 15,000 and 22,000 lung cancer deaths each year in the United States, and that 12 percent of all lung cancer deaths are linked to radon. To receive a free radon test kit, call the radon hotline at 202-535-2302 or sign up at [ddoe.dc.gov/radon](http://ddoe.dc.gov/radon).

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## District of Columbia Department of Health Serving District Residents

*The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is the largest, continuously conducted, telephone health survey in the world. It enables the District of Columbia Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to monitor modifiable risk factors for chronic disease and other leading causes of death.*

*If you receive a telephone call on the behalf of the District of Columbia Department of Health to respond to a short survey, we encourage you to participate.*

*The data results from the survey will help DOH programs/health agencies guide health policy decisions, increase public awareness of personal behaviors that have negative consequences, and monitor progress toward achieving health objectives. All information is used to improve the quality of life of District residents.*

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