



DCPS Restructuring Feedback Sessions & Community Meetings

April 9, 6-8 p.m. at Barnard Elementary School (430 Decatur St. NW) to discuss the possible reuses of Clark and Rudolph Elementary School.

April 10, 4:30-6 p.m. at Bell Multicultural SHS (3145 Hiatt Place NW) to discuss: Cardozo, Coolidge, Dunbar, Roosevelt, Wilson Senior Highs.

April 10, 6-7:30 p.m. at Bell Multicultural SHS to discuss: Anacostia, Ballou, Eastern, Springarn, Woodson Senior Highs.

April 15, 6-7:30 p.m. at Emery Recreation Center (5701 Georgia Ave. NW). Ward 4 Councilmember Muriel Bowser is hosting a community meeting to hear ideas about uses for school buildings. For more information about this meeting, please contact Joy Holland at 202-724-8052 or jholland@dccouncil.us.

Visit www.k12.dc.us for more information about school restructuring.

New Foot Beat Officers in Ward 4

MPD Commander of the Fourth District Linda Brown announced the reinstatement of seven new Full Stride Officers, also known as foot beat officers in the ward. The officers will be on patrol every day in specific neighborhoods throughout the Fourth District. Community members are encouraged to look out for and engage in contact with the foot beats. "They are out there to work closely with you and help keep your neighborhood safe," says Commander Brown.

Ward 4 Age in Place Symposium

The Hattie Holmes Senior Wellness Center at 324 Kennedy St. NW will host a Ward 4 Age in Place Symposium on April 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Representatives from Age In Place programs will be on hand to speak with the community's senior citizens on a multitude of topics. Age In Place offers senior citizens quality home repair and maintenance services

to improve the reliability of their homes, promote senior independence, and make it possible for seniors to stay in their homes longer. For more information please contact Joy Holland at jholland@dccouncil.us or call 202-724-8052.

Ribbon Cutting for New One-Stop Employment Center

The DC Department of Employment Services has launched a One-Stop Career and Information Center in the Emery Recreation Center at 5701 Georgia Ave. NW. The center will be open five days a week and provide career counseling, career planning, resume assistance, direct job placement, classroom and on-the-job training, access to America's Job Bank (both online and via phone), information about local and national labor markets, assistance with filing unemployment compensation and much more. A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for April 9 at 1 p.m.

Community Bulletin Board Installed at the Trolley Turnaround Park

ANC 1A Commissioners Larry Ray and Betty Pair have coordinated the installation of a community bulletin board at Trolley Turnaround Park, 11th and Monroe. Commissioner Ray would like to thank 3DG, Inc. John Goldman; Red Rocks Pizza, James O'Brien; and Briley Developers, J Briley for their contributions to this project. The board will be divided into five parts: Mayor's Office, Councilmember Graham, CHCA, NCHCA and ANC 1A 04 and 07. Ray and Pair will moderate the board to increase community communication.

Neighbors and Businesses Promote 11th Street Development

Neighbors and business owners met in March at Red Rocks Pizza 11th Street NW to discuss the potential development of the 3300 and 3400 blocks of 11th street, which are zoned for both businesses and residents. Right now, 11th Street is anchored by Wonderland Ballroom at 11th and Kenyon and Columbia Coffee Café at 11th and Monroe with Red Rocks Pizza in the middle at 11th and Park. Good Buy Laundry is now thriving at 11th and Lamont. Five more businesses are planned. The meeting group agreed that they want a collaborative environment rather than an adversarial one. They will create this environment through monthly neighborhood clean up's, periodic meetings and much electronic communication and meetings. Contact Larry Ray for more information DCLarry@aol.com. – Submitted by ANC Commissioner Larry Ray. Ray is also the president of the Columbia Heights Citizens Association.

Two Washington-area interior designers, Sherry Burton-Ways and Susan Featherstone-Schemm of Design Scheme Interiors, LLC, have launched a new internet radio show, "Inside Design," which will air on Internet Radio WFLO (www.im4radiodc.com) on April 18 and every other Friday morning from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The 90-minute show, originating from Largo, Md., includes a mix of talk and music. The music is urban contemporary, jazz and neo-soul. The talk is about interior decorating with a special guest appearing on each show. For more information on Design Scheme Interiors, visit www.designschemeinteriors.com or call 202-582-5555.



The Greater Washington Urban League's Third Annual Housing Fair

Sub-Prime Survival—Home Ownership Through the Housing Crisis

The GWUL will hold its annual housing fair April 12, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club at THEARC (1901 Mississippi Ave. SE). The purpose of this citywide fair is to assist low- to moderate-income area residents interested in purchasing a house, townhouse, condominium or coop in the District through a family of home purchase assistance programs administered by GWUL and funded by the DC Department of Housing and Community Development. Workshops will be held, and counselors will be on hand. For more information, call 202-265-8200 ext. 242 or visit www.gwul.org.

Household Hazardous Waste and E-Cycling Event April 26

The Department of Public Works will hold its annual spring Household Hazardous Waste and E-Cycling collection event April 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Carter Barron Amphitheatre parking lot at 16th and Kennedy streets NW. This drop-off service is free and open to all District residents. Accepted items include: leftover cleaning and gardening chemicals, small quantities of gasoline, pesticides and poisons, paint, solvents, electronics and more. Call 311 or visit www.dpw.dc.gov for a complete list of all accepted items.

Daytime Mechanical Street Sweeping Resumed

Daytime mechanical street sweeping has resumed in heavily trafficked neighborhoods that receive regular street cleaning. Alternate-side parking restrictions in these areas are now in effect, and \$30 parking tickets will be issued during street sweeping hours in areas posted with "No Parking/Street Cleaning" signs. Parked cars may be towed to allow the sweepers access to the curbside. Visit www.dpw.dc.gov for more information.

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2nd Runner Up

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1219 9th Street, NW, 202-289-8158

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Small Contractors: Learn More About Surety Bonds & Insurance

Experts from the Office of Contracting and Procurement along with the Washington, DC, Small Business Development Center at Howard University and the US Small Business Administration will teach participants how to qualify for SBA guaranteed surety bonds for contracts up to \$2 million. The class on April 22, from 10 a.m. to noon, will be held at 441 Fourth St. NW, Suite 1112. Pre-register at www.dcsbdc.org/events or call 202-806-1550. Classes are free.

ONE DC Seeking Applicants for Kressley Organizing Institute

ONE DC (formerly Manna CDC) wants talented individuals with a recognized commitment to organizing, policy change, and a social justice-based education process to submit applications for the Kressley Organizing Institute, which is designed to support and train local organizers through an intensive six-day training institute, and seeks to build the capacity of individuals and/or organizations working District-wide around resident-led campaign development and action planning. While the institute is seeking individuals who have an interest in professional community organizing, it is especially interested in community leaders working at the grassroots level to build the collective power and leadership of their fellow community members. Free, but spaces are limited. Application materials, available at www.onedonline.org, are due by April 11. The institute runs from June 8 -14. Contact Ericka Taylor at 202-232-2915 or jmuhammad@onedonline.org for more information.

Community Heritage Project

The DC Humanities Council is requesting proposals for projects focused on community heritage, history and preservation projects in DC. A wide variety of formats is acceptable, from a historical resource center for your neighborhood to an oral history project. Grants of up to \$4,000 are available. Proposals are due May 1. Grant assistance workshops will be held April 9 from noon-1:30 p.m. and April 17 from 6:30-8 p.m. For more information, visit www.wdchumanities.org or contact Steven Mu-

hammad at 202-387-8391 ext. 13 or grants@wdchumanities.org.

Formal Dresses Needed For the Prom

The Princess For a Night (PFAN) project, now in its fifth year, is once again collecting formal gowns and bridesmaids dresses to defray the high cost of prom so that all students can participate. If formal gowns or bridesmaids dresses are cluttering up your closet, this is a great opportunity to clean house and be charitable at the same time. Dry cleaned dresses, shoes, handbags, jewelry and unused make-up will be collected through April 25. PFAN is especially in need of dresses for sizes 0-4 and sizes 18+. Drop off donations at Hitched Bridal Couture and Creative Planning Salon, 1523 Wisconsin Ave. NW, www.hitched-salon.com, Tue.-Thur. between noon and 8 p.m., Friday between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Saturday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Councilmember Brown's College Round-Up Trip a Success!

At-Large Councilmember Kwame Brown accompanied a group of 45 DC public high school students from Anacostia, Ballou and Dunbar high schools to a college entrance fair in Tarboro, North Carolina. Brown sponsored a bus to help transport students to the fair where 30 Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) were on-hand to offer scholarships, financial aid and acceptance letters to qualified participants on the spot. In total, 44 of the 45 students were accepted into a college. College Round-Up, a program of the Black Heritage Museum and Cultural Center, has successfully brought low-income, underprivileged and underserved students together with colleges and universities for the benefit of the students, the colleges and the communities. Visit www.Kwame08.com to learn more.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Earth Day 2008: Spring Into Action

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Plant a Tree in DC

Earn a \$50 rebate

Spring is tree planting season

Large canopy trees provide extraordinary environmental and community benefits. That's why Casey Trees and the District Department of the Environment (DDOE) have teamed up to offer a rebate of up to \$50 to individuals who plant a shade tree on private property in DC this spring.

One rebate per residential property. Ornamental and smaller-growing trees such as dogwoods, cherries and crape myrtles are not eligible for this rebate. Mail your completed rebate request by May 31, 2008.

www.caseytrees.org www.ddoe.dc.gov/riversmarthomes

Spring is prime tree planting season. To help re-green DC, Casey Trees and the District Department of the Environment are offering a rebate of up to \$50 to individuals who plant a canopy tree on residential property.

REBATE TERMS AND CHECKLIST:

1. Purchase a large canopy tree (such as an oak or elm).
2. Plant it at a residence in DC.
3. Complete and sign this coupon.
4. Mail coupon and tree purchase receipt or photocopy with price circled by May 31, 2008.
5. Receive your rebate in 3-5 weeks.

TREE CARE PLEDGE
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Size of tree _____ Price of tree _____
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Hands on DC Spring Work-a-Thon, Volunteers and Donations Needed

This community-based, volunteer-run organization conducts an annual work-a-thon in the spring to improve the physical condition of DC public schools while raising money for college scholarships for local students. This year's work-a-thon takes place April 26. The average DC public school is more than 63 years old and the existing lists of school repairs across the city total over \$2 billion dollars. Hands on DC needs donations to buy supplies and support the scholarship fund and work-a-thon volunteers. To volunteer, e-mail volunteer@handsondc.org. Any contribution is welcome – even \$5 will buy a paint brush to put one volunteer to work. Donate online by visiting www.handsondc.kintera.org and click "General Donation" or by mail at PO Box 57094, Washington, DC 20036-7094. More details at handsondc.org.

Service-Oriented Organizations and Individuals Needed to Work with Homeless Men

The Father McKenna Center (19 I St. NW) near Union Station, operates a drop-in center for men, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Most of the men are homeless and are either in recovery or are active substance abusers. The center is looking to partner with: a university department to place students in internships; a service organization to provide any type of assistance from clerical, to professional, to creative writing or art to feeding during the day or evening hours; employers who may want to offer staff time and expertise; anyone who is interested in proposing an idea and serving men in great need. Contact Maceo Thomas at 202-285-4529 or maceothomas@gmail.com. ■