

The Buzz

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NLPNA WILL NOT MEET IN DECEMBER

History Beyond the Boundaries

The Capitol Hill Restoration Society has sponsored an architectural historian's study of the history of Capitol Hill beyond the boundaries of the Capitol Hill Historic District. The findings were presented in a series of public outreach meetings in November. Additional information, including a map and the context statement, is available at www.chrs.org>History and Preservation>Beyond the Boundaries. For more information call 544-0425 or email caphrs@aol.com.

Mayor's 2014 Annual Senior Holiday Celebration

This holiday celebration is one of the largest events held for District seniors. The event will take place at the D.C. Armory, 2001 East Capitol St., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10. Activities will include live entertainment, musical guests, wellness demonstrations, free facials, manicures, massages, and information exhibits featuring community and government resources, along with a festive lunch. RSVP at 724-5626.

Energy Saving Measures

The Housing Committee of Capitol Hill Village will present a seminar on energy saving measures, Friday, December 5, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Northeast Branch Library, 330 7th St. NE. Learn about solar panels, green roofs, window restoration, storm windows, energy efficient appliances, tax credits and grants, and more. The event is free and open to all.

Getting Rid of Laptops

Do you have a laptop that you no longer want? Here are some suggestions on how to get rid of it in an environmentally friendly way.

Byte Back (byteback.org) is a local non-profit dedicated to "bridging the digital divide." If you'd like to donate equipment to their First Time Technology program, send a list to Andrea Mack at amack@byteback.org or call 803-2704. They do not currently accept donations of desktop computers but will accept computer accessories such as monitors, keyboards, and mice in addition to laptops.

Best Buy will accept laptops and many other electronic devices for recycling. Visit bestbuy.com for more details.

Turtle Wings, just across the District line in Capitol Heights, offers a full range of electronic recycling, including laptops. Most items are free but check their website, turtlewings.com, for details.

DPW holds e-cycling (and hazardous waste collection) days at the Fort Totten facility, every Saturday and the Thursday before the first Saturday of the month. For more information visit dpw.dc.gov.

Rosedale Library Programs

Rosedale Library (1701 Gales St. NE) offers Story Time for babies and toddlers every Monday and Wednesday at 10 a.m., Youth Chess Club every Monday, 3:30 to 5 p.m., and Reel Reading Book Club the last Tuesday of each month, 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **NLPNA will not meet in December.** The usual small holiday gathering will not take place this year.
- **Energy Saving Seminar**, Fri. Dec. 5, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Northeast Branch Library, 330 7th St. NE. *See article.*
- **Senior Holiday Celebration**, Wed. Dec. 10, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., D.C. Armory, 2001 East Capitol St. *See article.*
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (Dec. 11), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit www.anc6a.org.
- **Carol Sing**, Sun. Dec. 14, 4 & 7 p.m., Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. *See article.*
- **NLPNA does not meet in January.**
- *The Buzz* is available at tinyurl.com/TheBuzzNews. Contact us at 543-3512 or elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com.

MPD-1D Listserv

The First District has a listserv for "crime prevention and awareness through police-community 24-hour online discussions." Contact information for personnel is posted. <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/MPD-1D/info>. More information can be found at: www.mpdc.dc.gov/page/policy-and-guidelines-email-discussion-groups.

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Hill Center Presents...

- Holiday Cookie Baking Class with Bonnie Benwick, Deputy Editor of *The Washington Post* Food Section, Sat. Dec. 6, 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. \$65. Code: 1917. Get a jump on baking the best holiday treats – both sweet and savory – with the experts who put the collection of delicious recipes together. Class participants will whip up Bonnie's favorite cookie recipes and everyone goes home with cookies!
- Introduction to Poker Workshop, Sat. Dec. 6, 1-4 p.m. \$15. Code: 2137. Try this three-hour quick class on Texas Hold'em Poker, the world's most popular poker game. The first two hours, the class will get educated on the basics of poker and Texas Hold'em. By the third hour, you'll be ready to play a small tournament against your classmates and instructors and have a chance to win some prizes!
- Hanukkah Lights Reading with NPR's Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz, Thurs. Dec. 18, 7 p.m. Free. Code: 1449. Stamberg and Horwitz bring their immensely popular NPR holiday broadcast to life with readings of specially commissioned stories.

Hill Center at Old Naval Hospital is located at 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE. To register for a program, call 549-4172 or visit www.hillcenterdc.org/home/programs using the registration code.

Got Yarn?

The Eliot-Hine MS knitting club continues to welcome yarn donations. They can be dropped on the porch at 1330 North Carolina Ave. NE. Bright colors in a medium weight work best.

Cat Food Donations Sought

Past donations are much appreciated but ongoing help is needed to feed our ferals. Just drop off on the covered porch at 1602 D St. NE.

Capital City Symphony Community Carol Sing

This beloved annual event will be held Sunday, December 14 with concerts at 4 and 7 p.m., in collaboration with the Congressional Chorus and the American Youth Chorus. Tickets are free but must be reserved (\$4 handling fee) on the Capital City Symphony (CCS) website or through the Atlas Box Office at 399-7993.

The CCS is a full-sized symphony orchestra based as one of the arts partners at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H Street NE.

Stopping Street Crime

One holiday tradition we could all do without is the annual increase in theft-from-auto. It's never a good idea to leave anything of value in your car, but as the gift-giving season approaches it becomes even more important. Plus we are already experiencing more problems than usual. Please help discourage crime by keeping your car as empty as possible.

Also, several neighbors have been accosted in our streets and alleys. In some cases, they were injured as well as robbed. Please be extra mindful of your surroundings.

BLACK NATIVITY

The Theater Alliance is staging the Christmas tradition, "Black Nativity," at their new location, Anacostia Playhouse, 2020 Shannon Pl. SE. Langston Hughes chronicles and celebrates the birth of Jesus, while also celebrating the birth of Blackness. This classic story (based on the Gospel of St. Luke), told through gospel, blues, funk, jazz, and dance, asks you to look inward and find the wonder in life. December 11 - January 4.

Tickets can be ordered at www.theateralliance.com or 241-2539. General admission is \$35; seniors and students are \$20. Group rates are available.

Capitol Hill Arts Workshop Presents...

- Faction of Fools Theatre Company, Inc. presents Great One Man Commedia Epic, Sat. Dec. 6, 13, and 20 at 2 and 8 p.m.; Thurs. & Fri. Dec. 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, and 19 at 8 p.m.; Wed. Dec. 17 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for adults; \$15 for students, seniors, and military; and \$10 for children under 12. For ticket information, email tix@factionoffools.org.
- Painting Clay & Sipping Cabernet with Clay Hollenkamp, Fri. Dec. 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$40 includes refreshments and wine.
- Working from the Figure, Fri. Dec. 5 and 19, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Work on drawings or paintings in front of a live model, without an instructor. Bring your own materials. Easels are available. The session is \$20 for drop-in students, \$76 for a four-class pass.
- CHAW Performance Festival, Sat. Dec. 13, all day. Free.
- Opening Reception for CHAW Adult Student Show, Sat. Dec. 13, 5-7 p.m. Free.
- Sip & Paint, Fri. Dec. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$30. Receive step-by-step instruction from teaching artists Ellen Cornett and Sheppard Bear while enjoying snacks and wine. All materials included.

CHAW is located at 545 7th St. SE. For more information or to register for any CHAW event, call 547-6839 or visit www.chaw.org.

Buzz Distributors Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 100 block of 11th St., 200 block of 12th St., 200 block of 15th St., 300 and 400 blocks of 13th St., and 1400 block of Ames Pl. This is a good opportunity for students to earn community service hours.

Donations are appreciated; checks should be made payable to NLPNA and delivered to 160 Tennessee Ave. NE.