

# The Buzz

North  
Lincoln Park's  
Neighborhood Newsletter

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## NLPNA DOES NOT MEET IN JULY

### Buzz Distributors Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 100 block of 15th St., 300 block of 14th Pl., 1100 block of E St., 1500 block of Constitution Ave., 1300 and 1500 blocks of North Carolina Ave., and 1400 and 1500 blocks of A St. This is a good opportunity for a young person in need of community service hours. Call 543-3512 or email [elizabeth\\_knits@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com).

We are also seeking free or low-cost printing. If you can print even a couple of hundred copies, that would be helpful.

Donations are also welcome; checks should be made payable to North Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association and sent to (or dropped off at) 160 Tennessee Ave. NE.

### 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade on Capitol Hill

For the tenth year running, Capitol Hill will have its own, home-grown 4th of July parade! PTAs from Capitol Hill schools, Capitol Hill Restoration Society, and many other local institutions will join in the procession. The Maury ES PTA will group at the 8th & I St. SE underpass and invites all "Cougars" to march with them. Bring a Maury sign or carry one provided.

The route begins at 8th & I St. SE and heads north on 8th to D St., west on D St. to 7th St. and then north past Pennsylvania Ave. to Eastern Market, where the marchers will disband. But the fun won't end there... After the parade, all are invited to participate in the Family Festival.

The parade kicks off at 10 a.m. You won't want to miss it!

### August NLPNA Meeting

The first Tuesday in August (the 7th) is National Neighborhood Night Out. Families and community groups across the country are encouraged to plan outdoor activities. NLPNA will again mark the occasion with a potluck supper in Lincoln Park. Bring a covered dish or beverage to share.

The Finance Committee will present a proposed budget for discussion and approval, and elections of NLPNA officers will be held.

If you would like to help plan the budget, contact Gloria Junge, Chair of the Finance Committee. She will have a planning meeting in July and can be reached at 546-4143.

### Free Spring Bulbs

The Capitol Hill Garden Club will, once again, give free spring-flowering bulbs for planting in public spaces on Capitol Hill. Daffodil and crocus bulbs will be given out in October for street tree boxes, pocket parks, school grounds, libraries, and community centers. Applications are due by September 15 and must include a simple planting plan and the name and contact information of the person(s) responsible for the planting. ANC 6A has provided grant money to support the program within the ANC's boundaries.

The application is available at [www.capitolhillgardenclub.blogspot.com](http://www.capitolhillgardenclub.blogspot.com). If you do not have internet access, you may contact Vira at 546-2534.



### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- NLPNA will not meet in July.
- **Capitol Hill Independence Day Parade**, Wed. July 4, 10 a.m., 8<sup>th</sup> St. SE. *See article.*
- **Capitol Hill Village Presentation on history of Capitol Hill's first settlers**, Wed. July 11, 7 p.m., 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE. All are welcome. *See article.*
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (July 12), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org).
- **Capitol Hill Village Happy Hour**, Wed. July 24, 5-8 p.m., Lounge 201, 201 Massachusetts Ave. NE. All are welcome. *See article.*
- **NLPNA meeting**, first Tues. (Aug. 7), 7 p.m., annual Neighborhood Night Out potluck supper. All are welcome! (*See article.*)
- *The Buzz* is available at [www.anc6a.org/publications.html](http://www.anc6a.org/publications.html). Contact us at 543-3512 or [elizabeth\\_knits@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com).

### Fagon Guide Delivery

The Fagon Guide is a free directory of organizations and businesses. Guides were recently delivered to homes in the NLPNA area. Anyone who did not receive a copy may pick one up from the front porch of ANC 6A Commissioner Nick Alberti, 1330 N. Carolina Ave. NE.

### THE BUZZ EDITORIAL TEAM

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## Capitol Hill Village, Five Years Old

by K. Sebastian Leon, Capitol Hill Village

This October, Capitol Hill Village, a community of neighbors helping neighbors, will celebrate five years of helping Hill residents remain Hill residents. This is an exciting milestone, and with more than 270 volunteers and 370 members, Capitol Hill Village is quickly becoming a cornerstone of the Hill community. Capitol Hill Village uses a "volunteer-first" policy to meet a wide variety of member service needs, everything from fixing a faulty internet connection to gardening assistance to rides to medical appointments. When members and volunteers aren't helping each other, they attend educational lectures, museum tours, theater events, book clubs, and a wide array of other social activities together.

In this spirit, Capitol Hill Village invites you to attend a discussion on Wednesday, July 11, led by GWU Professor and Capitol Hill Village member John Vlach, who will give a presentation on the history of Capitol Hill's first settlers. The event is free and open to the public. If you have not toured The Hill Center (921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE), arrive at 6 p.m. for a docent-led tour of the building before Professor Vlach's 7 p.m. presentation. Please RSVP to 543-1778 or [info@capitolhillvillage.org](mailto:info@capitolhillvillage.org).

We will also be hosting a Volunteer Happy Hour at Lounge 201 on Tuesday, July 24th, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Come by to meet some of our volunteers and mingle with your Capitol Hill neighbors. Lounge 201 is located at 201 Massachusetts Ave. NE.

Capitol Hill Village is always actively seeking new members and volunteers from the Capitol Hill community, and there is no age requirement to join. The Village also offers lower-income residents a special rate through its Membership

Plus program. To learn more about member services; social, cultural, and educational programs; and volunteering, visit us online at [www.capitolhillvillage.org](http://www.capitolhillvillage.org), call 543-1778, or send an e-mail to [info@capitolhillvillage.org](mailto:info@capitolhillvillage.org).

### Maury Talent Show

Maury Elementary School hosted Maury's Got Talent on June 1. Acts included a variety of musical performances plus dancing, juggling, and hula-hooping. Congratulations to all the performers!



Jala, Ms. George, Taleyah, Stella, Vivian and Nakia



Katelyn accompanies Olivia on violin



Dani and Ashton breakdancing

### Library Programs

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Paint Your Dream for 3-6 year olds, Mon. July 2, 9, 23, 30 at 4 p.m.
- ♦ Children's Book Club, Tues. July 3 at 4 p.m.
- ♦ Toddler Times, Tues. July 10, 17, 24, 31 & Thurs. July 5, 12, 19, 26 at 11:15 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Advisory Group meeting, Wed. July 11, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Story Times, Sat. July 14, 21, 28 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Mission Preservation (a museum teacher will guide participants through an activity where they determine the damage inflicted on historical artifacts), Wed. July 18 at 7 p.m. Ages 7-12.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. July 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Origami Club, Thurs. July 19, 4-5 p.m.
- ♦ Adult Book Club, Mon. July 23 at 7 p.m.
- ♦ Nicolo Whimsey (juggler), Tues. July 24 at 7 p.m. Ages 4-9.
- ♦ Teen Gaming Night, Wed. July 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.

The library, at 7th St. and Maryland Ave. NE (698-3320), is closed on Sundays and July 4 (Independence Day). Hours of operation are: Mon. & Wed.: 1 - 9 p.m.; Tues., Thurs., Fri., & Sat.: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

### Grade.DC.Gov

This site enables you to view how District residents graded certain District agencies (DPW, DDOT, DCRA, DMV, DPR). It also enables you to submit your own comments about those agencies. Visit [grade.dc.gov](http://grade.dc.gov) to report your experiences, whether they've been positive or negative, by completing an online form. Instructions for reporting through Twitter are also posted there.

On July 11, the collected data will be released in a grade format to hold our agencies accountable.