

The Buzz

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NLPNA Yard Sale

The NLPNA Yard Sale took place, as usual, on the Saturday after Mothers Day. And what a miserable day it was – overcast and drizzling when it wasn't actively raining. Well, it could have been worse. The Mullins family set up their deluxe popup tent and we have plenty of tarps. Usually we place the tarps on the ground, protecting clothes and such from grass and mud. This year we had them strung from the trees to provide extra shelter. And, thanks to Mark Grace, we had a truck lined up to carry off the "leftovers." It was a bit late arriving and the sales staff was feeling tired and damp by the time it showed up, but it is such an improvement over the caravan to Goodwill that we used to run.

Receipts were definitely down. We had fewer donations and fewer shoppers than we have come to expect. Probably a lot of folks assumed the sale was cancelled. But we took in a little over \$600 which is pretty darn good, all things considered.

Many thanks to the volunteers who made this event a success, the folks who helped with set up and clean up, the sales people, the donors, and the shoppers!

NLPNA Finance Committee

The Finance Committee will present a proposed budget for discussion and approval at the August NLPNA meeting. If you would like to help plan the budget, please contact Gloria Junge, Committee Chair. She will have a planning meeting in July and can be reached at 546-4143.

NLPNA will not meet in June

The Capitol Hill Restoration Society Presents...

Historic Streetcar Film

In the 1950s, a streetcar enthusiast filmed the entire DC streetcar line. The Capitol Hill Restoration Society will show selections from this film, with a talk by a panel of experts, including Laura Trieschmann of EHT Traceries, at the Society's June 7 membership meeting. The doors will open promptly at 6:45 p.m., with the presentation to begin after a very short business meeting.

Maury ES, on the corner of Constitution Ave. and 13th St. NE, has generously offered their multi-purpose room for the occasion. Please enter on 13th St.

This event is free and open to all in the Capitol Hill community. No reservations are necessary. For more information, email CapHRS@aol.com or call 543-0425.



ANC 6A Grants Available

Grant money is available from Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A to qualified organizations with proposals that would benefit residents of ANC 6A. Grants amounts are generally small, usually less than \$1,000. Restrictions do apply.

Please visit the Other Documents page of the ANC website, www.anc6a.org, for more details. If you need assistance, send an email to anc6a@gallaudet.edu with "ANC 6A Grant" in the subject line.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **NLPNA will not meet in June** – so that all can attend the Streetcar Film the first Tuesday in June (see below). Meetings are usually held at 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14th and C St. NE.
- **Historic Streetcar Film**, presented by CHRHS, Tues. June 7, 6:45 p.m., Maury ES, 13th St. and Constitution Ave. NE. *See article.*
- **PSA 103 meeting**, 2nd Wed. (June 8), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE.
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (June 9), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit www.anc6a.org.
- **NLPNA will not meet in July.**
- *The Buzz* is available at www.anc6a.org/publications.html. Contact us at 543-3512 or elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com.

Buzz Distributors Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 400-500 blocks of 11th St., 500 block of 13th St., 100 block of 15th St., 1200 block of F St., 1500 block of Constitution Ave., 1500 block of NC Ave., and 200 block of Tennessee Ave.

This is a good opportunity for young people who would like to earn community service hours.

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Want Trees?

NLPNA will be partnering with Trees for Capitol Hill (TFCH) again this fall to plant trees on public property. Funds from NLPNA and TFCH will be used to match neighbors' contributions. Neighbors wishing to sponsor a tree must commit to digging the hole and watering for the first two years.

To sponsor a tree, call 543-3512 or email elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com with "trees" as the subject, before June 11.

TFCH now has a website; visit <http://treesforcapitolhill.org>.

Library Programs

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Story Times for Ages 3-8, Mon. June 6, 13 at 4 p.m. and Sat. June 11, 15 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Toddler Times, Tues. June 7, 14, 21, 28 & Thurs. June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 11:15 a.m.
- ♦ Summer Reading Kickoff, Wed. June 1, 4 p.m.
- ♦ Teen Advisory Group Meeting, Wed. June 1, 5-6 p.m.
- ♦ Music & Movement, Sat. June 4 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Children's Room Book Club, Sat. June 4 at 3 p.m.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. June 8, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Teen Gaming Night, Wed. June 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Origami Club, Thurs. June 16, 4-5 p.m. Ages 6-12.
- ♦ French Story Time (with guest reader), Sat. June 18 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Summer Reading Program - Make your own book, Mon. June 20 at 1p.m. (children).
- ♦ Make a solar oven, Mon. June 27 at 1 p.m. (children).
- ♦ Adult Book Club, Mon. June 27 at 7 p.m.

The library, at 7th St. and Maryland Ave. NE (698-3320), is closed on Sundays.

... Please Water Trees

The NLPNA area received several new trees last fall, through the efforts of both Trees for Capitol Hill and the city. However, the trees will need supplemental water for at least their first two summers if they are to survive. A quick blast from a hose encourages poor root development. It's much better to let the water trickle for 20 to 30 minutes. Tree gators (those green watering bags) or buckets with a small hole work well for this purpose.

It might seem that Mother Nature has been providing enough rain, but it doesn't pay to be over-confident. By the time a tree looks like it needs water (is shriveled or drops leaves), it has already been damaged. Don't wait. Be proactive!



Treegator in action

Evolve Urban Arts

Evolve Property Management presents "Shenanigans," featuring works by Lindsey Applebee at the Evolve Urban Arts Gallery @ Pierce School Lofts, 1375 Maryland Ave. NE, in the H Street Arts and Entertainment District. The show will continue through June 25. To view this exhibit, please call 359-7368 for an appointment.

Fagon Guide Delivery

The Fagon Guide is a free directory of community organizations and neighborhood 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 North Carolina Ave. NE.

Census Redistricting

Every ten years, the District must redraw ward boundary lines in an effort to maintain a roughly equivalent population in each ward. According to the 2010 Census results, Wards 7 and 8 must add population, while Ward 2 needs to reduce population. But while Wards 5 and 6 aren't required to move increase or decrease their population, both wards border the three wards that need to grow and shrink. The result? The boundaries of Wards 5 and/or 6 likely need to be changed so that Wards 2, 7, and 8 meet the legal requirements.

One proposal is that the eastern edge of Ward 6, possibly the area east of 17th St., be transferred to Ward 7. This would include Eliot-Hine JHS and Eastern SHS. If this is of concern to you, you may want to call the members of the City Council's Redistricting Committee: Michael Brown, 724-8105; Jack Evans, 724-8058; and Phil Mendelson, 724-8064.

Metro Meets Google Maps

Metro riders can now plan their trips using Google Maps online or with their mobile device. Visit www.maps.google.com, select "Get Directions" and the "public transit" icon, and enter a start and end address. People with mobile devices can use the Google Maps for Mobile application or by visiting m.google.com/maps on their phone's browser.