

# The Buzz

North  
Lincoln Park's  
Neighborhood Newsletter

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## **The Buzz is (still) Broke!**

In the April issue we reported that the "Buzz fund" has been depleted and distribution might have to end with the May issue. We've had a reprieve, having received donations and offers of limited free printing from loyal Buzz readers (thank you!!). But we are still far short of what it costs to continue for the rest of the year. If you enjoy receiving *The Buzz* and would like to see it continue, please consider making a tax-deductible contribution. Checks should be made out to North Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association and sent to (or dropped off at) 160 Tennessee Ave. NE.

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., 1500 block 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.

## **NCB Capitol Hill Classic 10K**

The NCB Capitol Hill Classic in support of the Capitol Hill Cluster School will be held on May 20 at 8:30 a.m., starting and finishing in front of Peabody School at Stanton Park.

For information and registration, visit [www.capitolhillclassic.com](http://www.capitolhillclassic.com). To volunteer, contact Mike Soderman at [info@capitolhillclassic.com](mailto:info@capitolhillclassic.com).

## **NLPNA Yard Sale Trash or Treasure?**

The North Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association (NLPNA) yard sale will be held Saturday, May 19, in the triangle park between the 1300 blocks of North Carolina Ave. and A St. NE (between 13th and 14th streets).

This annual event is our primary source of funding for community building activities including tree plantings and *Buzz* distribution (!!!!). Plus awesome deals abound!

Donated items (tax deductible) to sell and volunteers to help stage the event are needed. If you can post a flyer or two (in a place where you'll remember to remove it later), we can email it to you.

For more information or to volunteer, call 543-3512 or e-mail [elizabeth\\_knits@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com), with "yard sale" as the subject.

## **The Market at Miner**

by Jon Wadsworth

Come join the Miner Elementary School PTO at "The Market at Miner," a great opportunity to support a neighborhood school! Recent offerings have included fresh produce, great deals on collectibles, jewelry, baked goods, quality clothing, wood carvings, toys, natural body products and cosmetics, and much more.

Located in the school parking lot, 601 15th St. NE, this event will recur every Sunday and the second and third Saturdays of each month, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

New vendors are always welcome. For information, contact Omowali Sia, 240/464-0268.

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

- **NLPNA meeting**, first Tues. (May 1), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14th & C St. NE. All are welcome.
- **National Bike to School Day**, Wed. May 9. Local celebration in Lincoln Park. *See article.*
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (May 10), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org).
- **CHRS House and Garden Tour**, Sat. & Sun., May 12-13. *See article.*
- **Preservation Café**, Wed. May 16, 6:30 p.m., Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd & F St. NE. *See article.*
- **NLPNA Yard Sale**, Sat. May 19, triangle park between 1300 blocks of North Carolina Ave. and A St. NE. *See article.*
- **Capitol Hill Classic race**, Sun. May 20. *See article.*
- **NLPNA meeting**, first Tues. (April 3), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14th & C St. NE. All are welcome.
- *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).

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## The Capitol Hill Restoration Society Presents...

the Preservation Café series, a free forum with topics of interest to the greater Capitol Hill community.

Robert Pohl, our neighbor and professional tour guide, will relate salacious true stories from his new book "Wicked Capitol Hill," Wednesday, May 16, 6:30-7:15 p.m. at Ebenezer's Coffee House (downstairs), 2nd and F St. NE.

The event is free and handicapped accessible, and the public is encouraged to attend. Some of the material may be unsuitable for children – we hope.

### ... and House & Garden Tour

Save Mother's Day weekend (May 12 and 13) for the Capitol Hill Restoration Society's (CHRS) Annual House & Garden Tour. This year's tour showcases homes and gardens between Massachusetts Avenue and East Capitol Street. More than a dozen traditional and contemporary properties and artfully landscaped gardens will be on view for the 55th annual house tour. The homes feature a delightful blend of the past and the present. The walkable tour includes modern renovations as well as traditional homes. Some are three floors and of brick while others are two stories of wood frame. Each has a different perspective on interior design. All look upon our neighborhood of Capitol Hill, remembering what life was like a century ago. Join us for Windows on Our World.

Tour tickets are \$25 in advance (\$20 for CHRS members until April 15), \$30 the weekend of the tour. They may be purchased online at [www.chrs.org](http://www.chrs.org) and at select venues around the Hill (see the CHRS website for locations). CHRS will also have a booth at Eastern Market on weekends beginning April 14, where tickets and CHRS memberships can be purchased.

## H Street Farmer Market

Join us at 13th and St. NE, the new location of your neighborhood farmers market! Asparagus will be there to usher in the spring, with strawberries appearing sometime in the weeks ahead. Thanks to your support, FreshFarm Markets is celebrating its fifteenth anniversary by matching up to \$15 in food benefits for low-income shoppers who use EBT/SNAP cards to buy fresh, seasonal food from local farms; recipients of WIC and SFMNP vouchers are also eligible to participate in the Matching Dollars Program. The market is open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon, even when it rains.

For more information, call 362-8889 or visit [www.freshfarmmarkets.org](http://www.freshfarmmarkets.org).

### Brahms Meets Jazz on H Street

The Capital City Symphony, our local full-sized orchestra, has the final concert of their season at 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 13 at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St., NE. The concert, "Brahms meets Jazz," features two popular works: Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue, with pianist Scott Beard, and Brahms' Symphony No. 3

Tickets can be purchased at [www.capitalcitysymphony.org](http://www.capitalcitysymphony.org). Adults \$20-\$25; Senior/Student \$16-\$20; children (age 16 and under) *free* but must be reserved in advance.

### Bike to School Day...

will be celebrated the morning of Wednesday, May 9 as local students gather in Lincoln Park for fun and healthy snacks before pedaling off to school in packs. Scooters are also welcome. The details are still in development but the event is sure to be as much fun as the Walk to School Day event in October. The school with the highest percentage of participation will win the coveted Golden Bicycle award. For more information, visit [www.chpspo.org](http://www.chpspo.org).

## Library Programs

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Toddler Times, Tues. May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & Thurs. May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 11:15 a.m.
- ♦ Children's Book Club, Tues. May 1 at 4 p.m.
- ♦ Teen Advisory Group meeting, Wed. May 2, 5:15-6:15 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Music & Movement, Sat. May 5 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Story Time for 3-6 year olds, Mon. May 7, 14, 21, 4 p.m.
- ♦ Story Times, Sat. May 12, 19, 26 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. May 9, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Teen Gaming Night, Wed. May 16, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Origami Club, Thurs. May 17, 4-5 p.m.

The library, at 7th St. and Maryland Ave. NE (698-3320), is closed on Sundays and on May 28.

## Campaign Finance Reform

A ballot initiative has been proposed that would prohibit corporations and other business entities from making direct contributions to political campaigns in DC. A petition drive is underway to bring this issue before the voters in November.

For more information, visit [dcpublictrust.org/wordpress1/](http://dcpublictrust.org/wordpress1/) or [www.facebook.com/dcpublictrust](http://www.facebook.com/dcpublictrust).

### Please Water Trees

The mild winter and early spring have been pleasant indeed (though a disappointment to snow lovers), but newly planted street trees are likely to need supplemental water earlier than usual this year. By the time a tree looks like it needs water (is shriveled or drops leaves), it has already been damaged. Don't wait. Be pro-active! A limited number of tree bags are available through Trees for Capitol Hill. Contact *The Buzz* to borrow one for the season.