The Buzz

North Lincoln Park's Neighborhood Newsletter

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NLPNA Yard Sale Trash or Treasure?

The North Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association (NLPNA) yard sale will be held Saturday May 17, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. 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. If you can make a donation or work the event, please contact *The Buzz*.

To volunteer, call 543-3512 or email elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com, with "yard sale" as the subject.

Capitol Hill Classic

The NCB Capitol Hill Classic will kick off its 35th annual run on May 18th at 8:30 a.m. The event includes a 10K, a 3K, and a kids' fun run, all of which start and finish in front of Peabody Primary School on Stanton Park. The 10K course goes out to RFK Stadium and back (and includes the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail), while the 3K goes to Lincoln Park and the fun run is a lap around Stanton Park for kids of all ages. All proceeds from the Classic go to the Capitol Hill Cluster School.

To get more information, register, or volunteer to help, visit capitolhillclassic.com or email director@capitolhillclassic.com.

THE BUZZ EDITORIAL TEAM

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Capitol Hill Arts Workshop Presents...

- Drop-in Figure Drawing, Fridays, May 2 & 16, 6:30-9:30 p.m. \$20.
 Work on drawings or paintings in front of a live model in a session without an instructor. Please bring your own drawing materials.
 Easels are available
- Taffety Punk Theatre's Rulebreaker Rep presents two plays opening Wed. May 7, 7:30 p.m. \$15. The plays focus on literary giants confronting their own dangerous delusions while wrestling with questions of innocence, liberty, and selfpossession. Bloody Poetry follows writers Percy and Mary Shelley. her half-sister Claire Clairmont, and Lord Byron through six years of the quartet's entangled existence. *Charm* presents the fascinating presence of Margaret Fuller, who upends the maledominated literary world of Hawthorne, Emerson, and Thoreau. Performances run Wednesdays through Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. with some Saturday matinees until Saturday, May 31. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit www.taffetypunk.com.
- Sip & Paint, Fri. May 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$30. Receive step-by-step instruction from teaching artists Ellen Cornett and Sheppard Bear as you create your own masterpiece, all while enjoying snacks and wine.

CHAW is located at 547 7th St. SE. For more information on all CHAW events, call 547-6839 or visit www.chaw.org.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Capital City Symphony Finale, Sun. May 4, 5 p.m., Atlas, 1333 H St. NE. Details at www.capitalcitysymphony.org.
- NLPNA meeting, first Tues. (May 6), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14th & C St. NE. All are welcome!
- ANC 6A meeting, second Thurs. (May 8), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit www.anc6a.org.
- CHRS House and Garden Tour, Sat. & Sun., May 10-11. See article.
- NLPNA Yard Sale, Sat. May 17.
- Capitol Hill Classic race, Sun. May 18. See article.
- **Preservation Café,** Wed. May 21, 6:30 p.m., Ebenezers Coffee House, 2nd & F St. NE. *See article*.
- Homesharing seminar, Sun. June 6, 9:30 a.m., Northeast Branch Library, 330 7th St., NE. *See article.*
- *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 1500 block of A St., 1500 block of North Carolina Ave, 1100 block of C St., unit blocks of 14th St. and 15th St., 300 block of 14th Pl., and 200 block of 15th St.

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

Hill Center Presents...

- Hill Center Concert Series featuring the Hill Center Jazz Ensemble: A Tribute to Oscar Peterson, Ray Brown, and Ed Thigpen. Wednesday, May 7, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15/advance, \$20/day of. The Ensemble, led by bassist Eric Wheeler, presents favorite tunes, including arrangements from West Side Story.
- District Sounds Concert Series: Redline Graffiti, Friday, May 9, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$10/advance, \$15/day of. Hosted by Chris Richards of *The Washington Post*, District Sounds features Redline Graffiti, garage rock mixed with electronica and R&B. The performance follows a moderated conversation between Richards and the musicians.
- Volunteer Capitol Hill, Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m. -2 p.m. Free. Learn about a wide variety of opportunities for volunteer service, featuring over 30 nonprofit organizations that need assistance. Whether you are looking to make a difference in the community, develop new job skills, make new friends, or spend time together as a family, Volunteer Capitol Hill will have diverse opportunities that can easily be matched to your availability, skills, and interests. This is also a great opportunity for vouth with service requirements for school. Honor the many contributions of Nicky and Steve Cymrot to the Capitol Hill community.
- American Roots Concert Series: Rebecca Frazier, Sunday, May 18, 4 p.m. Free. The Concert Series continues with Rebecca Frazier, widely known for the bluegrass outfit Hit & Run.

Register at www.hillcenterdc.org or call 549-4172. Hill Center at Old Naval Hospital is located at 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE.

The Capitol Hill Restoration Society Presents...

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

Kim Williams will give a presentation on the DC Historic Preservation Office's Alley Buildings Survey, highlighting the Capitol Hill area, on Wednesday, May 21, 6:30-7:15 p.m. at Ebenezers Coffee House, 2nd and F St. NE (downstairs). The event is free and the public is encouraged to attend. No reservations required.

... and House & Garden Tour

Save Mother's Day weekend (May 10 and 11) for the Capitol Hill Restoration Society's (CHRS) 57th Annual House & Garden Tour. With the theme "Capitol Hill, A Community of Choice, A History to Explore," this year's tour is a walkable mile and a quarter between 3rd and 9th streets and Constitution and Independence avenues.

While much of historic Capitol Hill is Victorian, this tour includes four frame houses from the Civil War era and the decade following. Many of the homes include fine displays of antiques, both American and French, dating to the eighteenth century, and art ranging from local designers to paintings and graphics from around the world. There are several extensive gardens, including one with an unusually large koi pond.

Tour tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 the weekend of the tour. They may be purchased at www.chrs.org and at select venues around the Hill (see website for locations). CHRS will also have a booth at Eastern Market on weekends.

Swarm of Bees?

If you see a swarm of bees, local beekeepers will be happy to catch them and give them a safe place to live. Call Toni at 255-4318 or email dcbees@dcbeekeeper.org.

Pocket Park Update

The Historic Preservation Office has received a request to install a fence eliminating public access to the western side of Reservation 266, the pocket park formed by 13th St. and Tennessee Ave., south of Constitution Ave. The application is posted at www.anc6a.org/SMD04/HPORes266FenceRqst0414.pdf.

Sharing Your Home with Others

Have you ever thought about earning some extra money by sharing part of your home with other persons? The Housing Committee of Capitol Hill Village (CHV) is giving a seminar on June 6 to present a variety of ways to arrange for renters. This will include organizations that match homeowners and renters for shortterm stays, websites that match college students and other adults with homeowners, as well as arrangements that link homeowners with visiting scholars through local institutions such as the Smithsonian and the Folger Theater.

Legal requirements and practical implications will be addressed. Persons who have rented and been renters will discuss their experiences.

Finally, two speakers will discuss co-housing, a concept in which individuals join together to buy or build an apartment building in which they each own their own complete apartments, but there are also extensive communal spaces. A local architect who is interested in developing a co-housing project in the Capitol Hill area will attend.

The seminar will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Northeast Branch Library, 330 7th St., NE. There is no charge to attend and all are welcome. To ensure that sufficient seating is available, registration is required; call Capitol Hill Village at 543-1778.