

The Buzz

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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. The next presentation will be Wednesday, October 21, 6:30–7:15 p.m., at Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd and F St. NE. The speaker will be Capitol Hill resident Bob Sonderman, archaeologist on the Historic Preservation Review Board and with the National Park Service.

The event is free and handicapped accessible, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Nix the Ivy!

English ivy is an invasive, evergreen vine that can grow to 100 feet in length. It is native to Europe and was introduced into North America by early settlers for ornamental purposes. While it may initially look nice on the trunk of a tree, if it is allowed to grow it can cover a tree's branches and slowly kill the tree. If you have English ivy or any other vine growing on a tree, it's best to remove it before it damages the tree.



Evolve Gallery Opening

Evolve Property Management presents "Exotic Textures" featuring works by Betto Ortiz at the Evolve Urban Arts Gallery @ Pierce School Lofts, 1375 Maryland Ave. NE. Ortiz integrates the smooth surfaces of large photographs with the three-dimensional texture of mixed-media matting.

A free opening reception with a unique tasting menu and beverages paired with selected works will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Saturday, October 3.

Hours at the gallery are 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The exhibit is free and the public is welcome. To learn more about this month's featured artist or to become a featured artist, visit www.evolveLLC.com and click on "Urban Arts Project," or call 359-RENT x205.

Save Energy - Save Money

By David Burd, Vice President, Strategic Market Development, Earth Aid
Local DC-based company Earth Aid has developed a free service to enable households to track electric, gas, and water usage online in one place and receive customized tips to help them save. Earlier this month, we also launched a consumer rewards program where households are able to earn points based on energy and water savings, and redeem those points for discounts and offers at local businesses. Dozens of local merchants have signed up to reward residents for saving; search online by zip code to find the closest stores to you. Sign up today at www.earthaid.net.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **Evolve Gallery Opening**, Sat. Oct. 3, 4-7 p.m., Pierce School Lofts, 1375 Md. Ave. *See article.*
- **NLPNA meeting**, first Tues. (Oct. 6), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14th and C St. NE. All are welcome!
- **Walk to School Day**, Wed. Oct. 7, 7:30 a.m., Lincoln Park. *See article.*
- **Used Book Sale**, Sat. Oct. 10, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Southeast Branch Library, 7th & D St. SE.
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (Oct. 8), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit www.anc6a.org.
- **PSA 103 meeting**, 2nd Wed. (Oct. 14), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE.
- **Preservation Café**, Wed. Oct. 21, 6:30 p.m., Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd & F St. NE. *See article.*
- *The Buzz* is available at www.anc6a.org/publications.html. Staff can be reached at 543-3512.

Capital City Symphony...

is a full-sized orchestra based at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. The first concert of the season will be Sunday, October 25. Admission is free to children 16 and under. For more information, visit www.capitalcitysymphony.org/schedule.asp

Buzz Distributors Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 400 and 500 blocks of 11th St., 1100 block of C St., and 1200 block of Constitution Ave.

Walk to School Day

The annual Walk to School Day celebration at Lincoln Park will take place on Wednesday, October 7. Students from the Capitol Hill Cluster School, Maury ES, and other Capitol Hill schools will be gathering at the park at 7:30 a.m. to join their friends and neighbors in support of physical fitness, fresh air, and creating a walkable community. Following warm-up exercises and healthy snacks, participants will walk to school in groups.

To learn more about this international event, visit www.walktoschool.org.

Library Programs

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Toddler Times, Tues. & Thurs., 11:15 a.m. Ages 2-5
- ♦ Storytime for ages 3-7, Mondays, 4 p.m.
- ♦ Music & Movement, Sat. Oct. 3, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Trading Card Game Play, Mon. Oct. 5, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 12-19
- ♦ Teen Advisory Group, Wed. Oct. 7, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- ♦ Story & Craft, Sat. Oct. 10, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. Oct. 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- ♦ Story & Puppet, Sat. Oct. 17, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ SF/Fantasy Book Discussion, Mon. Oct. 19, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 12-19
- ♦ Teen Read Week Gaming Night, Wed. Oct. 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- ♦ Origami Club, Thurs. Oct. 22, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 6-12
- ♦ Storytime, Sat. Oct. 24, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Crafty Teens, Mon. Oct. 26, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- ♦ Boo! Tales & Treats, Fri. Oct. 30, 3 p.m. Costumes not required

The library is at 7th St. and Maryland Ave. NE, 698-3320.

Entertainment Books

The 2010 Entertainment books have arrived! Each book costs \$30, and NLPNA gets to keep \$5 from every book sold. All the money goes to support NLPNA activities, including printing *The Buzz*.

If you'd like to buy a book or help sell books, call Suzanne Wells at 547-2477, or email her at m.godec@att.net.

Computer Eco-tip

from greenlivingconsulting.com

Many of us use computers at home and at work. These are handy devices but cost us more than we realize by consuming energy even when not in use. When your computer "sleeps" or "hibernates" it is still using power, and "screen-saver" mode does not reduce energy usage. Even plugged in but not turned on, energy is still being drawn. The table below shows the watts consumed depending on whether your computer is off, hibernating, or on.

	Desktop	Laptop
OFF	4	1
Sleep	17	3
ON	68	22

Eco-practices for power usage:

1. Shut down your computer completely when not needed for multiple hours/long periods of time.
2. Unplug your computer while not in use.
3. Make sure your computer's energy-saving settings are turned on.
4. Get a power strip with a switch that you can turn off, or better still, a "smart strip" that detects and cuts power to unused electronics while offering surge protection.

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What's "On" in October

by Kathleen Donner

Two big races race through our neighborhood this month, the Army Ten Miler (October 4) and the Marine Corp Marathon (October 25). It's great fun to plant yourself along the course and cheer on the runners. Both races are also in need of volunteers.

"Homegrown: the Music of America" concerts bring authentic American music to their monthly noontime performances at the Library of Congress. On October 7, hear cowboy poets, songwriters and horsemen Wylie Gustafson and Paul Zarzyski.

Hear Blues on Mondays and Jazz on Fridays at Southwest Presbyterian Church for a \$5 cover – and very modestly priced food for purchase, if you wish.

Halloween at Eastern Market, traditionally on Halloween, will be held on Friday, October 30 this year.

Washington, DC is a city that can be enjoyed without a lot of money. Find hundreds of free and inexpensive things-to-do at <http://www.whatsoncity.net>. Plan ahead: Christmas events, activities and destinations are already featured.

Eastern Market Music

Live music will be provided at Eastern Market on Sundays through October 11. Links to information about the artists can be found at www.capitolhillcommunityfoundation.org/emm/fallseries.html.

Oct. 4 10:30 a.m.: *Janine Wilson* (Acoustic Roots)

1 p.m.: *Karen Collins & the Backroads Band* (Vintage Country)

Oct. 11 10:30 a.m.: *The Capitol Hillbillies* (Hokum Blues, New Orleans Jazz)

1 p.m.: *Frank Solivan & Dirty Kitchen* (Bluegrass)