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Candlelight Service 9/11 Tragedy

Members of the Capitol Hill community will commemorate the horrific events of September 11 with a candlelight gathering from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Lincoln Park. Representatives of more than a dozen Capitol Hill congregations and organizations have taken part in creating an interfaith service that has as its themes remembrance, reflection and healing.

Since September 11 people have come together in our community to help one another cope with this tragedy and to live out our lives in the midst of uncertainty. Common concerns about family, friends, and neighbors, as well as country and world have strengthened the bonds among us. The service is seen as a way of bringing together the Capitol Hill community for a time of further reflection and healing.

In case of rain the gathering will be held at the Lincoln Park United Methodist Church, 1301 North Carolina Ave., NE.

Additional ways to commemorate September 11th include organizing community dinners before the service from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Neighbors might invite others in their community for a potluck dinner to reflect on the impact of September 11 and/or organize dinners at their places of worship and sharing how their faith has become stronger or been challenged by the attacks. A third possibility is for one congregation to invite another of a different faith to join in a pot luck dinner.

Lane Memorial 9/11 Commemoration

Lane Memorial CME Church (14th & C St.) will open its doors at 6:00 a.m. on September 11 for personal meditation and prayer. Services will be held at noon and 7:00 p.m.

Sculpture at Maury

Here's an update regarding the sculpture by local artist Marcia Billig, to be installed on the triangle in front of Maury ES.

Marcia has been working at the foundry for the last two weeks creating a wax model based on her initial clay version of the sculpture. These are the next steps in the fabrication, which she expects to take about six more weeks:

- The wax model is cut into sections.
- Each section is coated in layers of another substance to create a "shell."
- The coated sections are "cooked" to melt the wax.
- The wax is poured out, leaving hollow shells.
- Molten bronze is poured into each shell.
- The shells are removed from the bronze.
- The bronze sections are welded together.
- Surface imperfections are filled and the welded joints are ground down.
- Patina is applied.
- The sculpture is born!

Our contact at the DC Public Art Initiative, Sherry Schwechten, expects the dedication ceremony to take place sometime between mid-October and early November.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- ANC6A, first Thursday (Sept. 5), 7 p.m., Miner E.S., 601 15th St. NE.
- NLPNA meeting, first Tuesday (Sept. 3), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial Church, 14th & C St. NE. Michelle Gelsino from the CSDC, and a representative from the Cesar Chavez Public Charter High School for Public Policy will attend to discuss the sale of the Kingsman property. (See article.) All are welcome.
- ANC6B, second Tuesday (Sept. 10), 7 p.m., Old Naval Hospital, 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE.
- Candlelight Commemoration 9/11 Tragedy, Sunday, Sept. 8, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Lincoln Park. (See article.)
- 9/11 Memorial, Wednesday, Sept. 11, services at noon and 7:00 p.m., Lane Memorial Church, 14th & C St. NE. (See article.)
- BikeDC, Saturday, Sept. 14, 8:00 a.m. (202) 628-2500, www.waba.org.
- NLPNA meeting, Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial Church, 14th & C St. NE.
- *The Buzz* editorial staff can be reached at 543-3512. Visit us at www.nlpna.juniperdc.com.

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Enrichment at Maury

The Maury Summer Enrichment Academy was the “brain child” of three teachers (Ms. Ball, Ms. Walker, and Mr. Spradley) at the school. They wrote a grant application to provide funding for a program to “enhance students’ higher-order thinking and reading skills.” The academic component included computer technology, problem solving (puzzles, board games, logic problems), and creative writing. Other components included athletics, creative arts, and community service. Field trips related to the academic activities were included as an incentive for regular attendance and good citizenship. The monitor from the DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation was favorably impressed, declaring it to be one of the very best in the city.

The summer program at Maury ended in August but there is still time to enroll your child in the after-school enrichment program that will continue throughout the school year. For more information, call 698-3838.

Directory

To be included in the NLPNA directory, call Elizabeth at 543-3512.

Neighborhood Night Out

The NLPNA celebrated Neighborhood Night Out at the August meeting with a pot luck supper in Lincoln Park. We had a good turnout and delightfully cool weather – the weather we deserve after surviving record-breaking heat. It was great fun to see the younger neighbors racing around together, knocking the stuffings out of a soccer ball. As usual, the food was delicious. Thanks so much to everyone who attended.

Council member **Sharon Ambrose** stopped by for a visit and discussed neighbors concerns including the disposition of the Kingsman property. Council member **David Catania** also paid a call.

Help Our Students

As the school year begins, some neighborhood children are returning to school without the supplies they need to make the most of their educational opportunities. Both Maury and Miner ES would welcome donations of paper, pencils, binders, etc. If you can help, drop off your donations at the schools or with Elizabeth Nelson at 1330 North Carolina Ave.

Learn about Kingsman Sale

Don’t miss the September 3rd NLPNA meeting if you’d like to learn more about the plans for the closed Kingsman School (located at 14th and E Streets, NE). Michelle Gelsino from the Charter School Development Corporation (CSDC), and a representative from the Cesar Chavez Public Charter High School for Public Policy, will attend the meeting to talk about their organizations and their future plans for Kingsman.

This is an important meeting for our neighborhood to learn more about whether the existing building will be torn down or renovated, how many students are expected to attend the school, when the work on the building is expected to begin, and many other questions. If you have questions before the meeting, call Michelle Gelsino at 454-9919.

Tree Gaiters

Tree gaiters are still available. Call Elizabeth at 543-3512.

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