

# The Buzz

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Lincoln Park's  
Neighborhood Newsletter

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## The Capitol Hill Restoration Society (CHRS) Presents...

the Preservation Café series, a free forum with topics of interest to the greater Capitol Hill community. The next presentation will be Wednesday, April 20, 6:30-7:15 p.m., at Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd and F St. NE.

This is the second of a two-part series on house history research. The speaker will be Matthew Gilmore, noted author, historian, and former reference librarian in the Washingtonian Division of the DC Public Library. In his February presentation, he outlined the resources needed to document your home, including maps, tax records, and photographs. In his April presentation, he will focus on how to learn about earlier residents of your house.

Together, these two Preservation Cafés provide a primer to get you started in researching your historic home.

The event is free and handicapped accessible, and the public is encouraged to attend. For more information, including handouts from the February café, visit [www.chrs.org](http://www.chrs.org).

### 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 North Carolina Ave., and 100-200 blocks of Tennessee Ave. This is an excellent opportunity for young people to earn community service hours. Contact *The Buzz*.

## ...and House & Garden Tour

Save Mother's Day weekend (May 7 and 8) for the Capitol Hill Restoration Society's Annual House & Garden Tour. This year's tour showcases the architectural heritage of southeast Capitol Hill including a preview of the \$10 million renovation of the Old Naval Hospital into the community-focused Hill Center. More than a dozen traditional and contemporary properties and artfully landscaped gardens will be on view for the 54th annual house tour. The homes feature a delightful blend of the past and the present.

Tour tickets are \$25 in advance (\$20 for CHRS members), \$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 16, where tickets and CHRS memberships can be purchased.

### SMD 6A04 Meetings

ANC 6A04\* Commissioner Nick Alberti attends the NLPNA meeting each month to meet with his constituents. These meetings are announced in *The Buzz* and posted on the Calendar page of the ANC 6A website, [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org).

Commissioner Alberti can be reached at [alberti6a04@yahoo.com](mailto:alberti6a04@yahoo.com) or 543-3512.

\* ANC 6A04 is irregularly shaped and bounded (roughly) by East Capitol St., C St. NE, 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> St., and 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> St. NE. Lincoln Park is included. A map is available on the Map page of the ANC 6A website.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **NLPNA meeting**, 1st Tues. (April 5), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14<sup>th</sup> and C St. NE. ANC 6A04 Commissioner Nick Alberti will be present. All are welcome. *See article.*
- **CHRS Hine Development presentation**, Tues. April 5, 6:45-8:45 p.m. *See article.*
- **PSA 103 meeting**, 2nd Wed. (April 13), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15<sup>th</sup> St. NE.
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (April 14), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org).
- **FreshFarm Market Opening**, Sat. April 16, 9 a.m.- noon, 625 H St. NE. *See article.*
- **Preservation Café**, Wed. April 20, 6:30 p.m., Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd & F St. NE. *See article.*
- **NLPNA meeting**, 1st Tues. (May 3), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14<sup>th</sup> and C St. NE.
- **NLPNA Yard Sale**, Sat. May 14, triangle park between 1300 blocks of North Carolina Ave. and A St. NE. *See article.*
- **Capitol Hill Classic race**, Sat. May 15. *See article.*
- *The Buzz* is available at [www.anc6a.org/publications.html](http://www.anc6a.org/publications.html). Staff can be reached at 543-3512 or [elizabeth\\_knits@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com).

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

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

This is our primary source of funding for community building activities. Donated items (tax deductible) to sell and volunteers to help stage the event are needed.

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.

### **Library Programs**

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Music & Movement, Sat. April 2 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Story Times for Ages 3-8, Mon. April 4, 11 at 4 p.m. and Sat. April 9 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Toddler Times, Tues. April 5, 12, 19, 26 & Thurs. Apr. 7, 14, 21, 28 at 11:15 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Advisory Group Meeting, Wed. April 6, 5-6 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Children's Room Book Club, Thurs. April 7 at 3 p.m.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. April 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ French Story Time (with guest reader), Sat. April 16 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Gaming Night, Wed. April 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Origami Club, Thurs. April 21, 4-5 p.m. Ages 6-12.
- ♦ Story Time and Egg Hunt, Sat. April 23 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Adult Book Club, Mon. April 25 at 7 p.m.
- ♦ Author LuLu Delacre, Thurs. April 28 at 3:30 p.m.

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

## **What's "On" in April**

by Kathleen Donner

April is all about the cherry blossoms and the huge number of events surrounding their emerging. The parade is on Saturday, April 9 at 10 a.m. along Constitution Ave. NW. The Japanese Festival follows at noon, but this year there is a \$5 charge for admission. Also on the 9th is the southwest waterfront fireworks display at 8 p.m. Arrive early for the musical prelude from 5-8:30 p.m.

The blossoms are expected to peak this year from March 29 through April 3. The lesser known but just as beautiful azaleas usually peak the last week in April. The National Arboretum is the best place to see the spectacular azaleas and they have not, as was reported, cut down some of their heirloom plants.

Also on April 9, volunteers are needed at the Kenilworth Park and Aquatic Gardens – just across the Anacostia. The Earth Day cleanup begins at 9 a.m. Wear closed toe shoes, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt.

Don't miss the annual family-oriented Shakespeare Birthday Celebration at the Folger on Sunday April 17, 12-4 p.m. Enjoy jugglers and jesters, music, song and dance, stage combat workshops, and more. It's the one day of the year when the Folger Reading Room is open to all – plus birthday cake, of course.

Find out more about all these events on What's On, Washington, [www.whatsoncity.net](http://www.whatsoncity.net). Enjoy!

### **Get Outdoors!**

Celebrate National Get Outdoors Day at Kingman and Heritage Islands Park on June 11 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. This event focuses on healthy outdoor activities for youth and adults and will be a great opportunity for the whole family to check out the recently re-opened park. For more information, visit [www.kingmanisland.org](http://www.kingmanisland.org).

## **H Street Farmer Market**

Opening Day at the H St. Fresh-Farm Market is planned for April 16, 9 a.m. until noon. Come celebrate the 2011 season at your neighborhood market. Meet new vendors and get reacquainted with your favorites. Suzanne Simon and Bettina Stern of Loulies will cook up something delicious from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Free.

Every Saturday through December 19, local farmers and producers will bring fresh, seasonal fruit and vegetables, organic and grass-fed meat, cheese, yogurt, eggs, honey, preserves, bread, pastries, and flowers to coax you out of bed. Open rain, snow, or shine!

EBT/SNAP cards, WIC and Seniors' FMNP vouchers accepted in the Double Dollars Program. Location: 625 H St. NE (across from H St. Self Storage). 202/362-8889. [www.freshfarmmarkets.org](http://www.freshfarmmarkets.org).

## **Capitol Hill Classic 10K**

The race this year will be held on May 15, starting and ending in front of Peabody School (at Stanton Park). More information and registration forms are available at [www.capitolhillclassic.com](http://www.capitolhillclassic.com).

To volunteer or for more information, contact Don Montuori at [don@capitolhillclassic.com](mailto:don@capitolhillclassic.com).

## **Plans for Hine Site**

CHRS will host a presentation on the Historic Preservation Review process for the Hine site from 6:45-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5 at Maury ES, 13th St. & Constitution Ave. NE. The meeting will include a Q&A with Stanton Development/Eastbanc on their proposed plans, information on the Historic Preservation Review Board process, and an opportunity for comments from attendees.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 543-0425 or visit [www.chrs.org](http://www.chrs.org).