

# The Buzz

North  
Lincoln Park's  
Neighborhood Newsletter

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## NLPNA will not meet in July

### Free Spring Bulbs

The Capitol Hill Garden Club will, once again, give free spring-flowering bulbs for planting in public spaces on Capitol Hill. Daffodil and crocus bulbs will be given out in October for street tree boxes, pocket parks, school grounds, libraries, and community centers. Applications are due by August 15 and must include a simple planting plan and the name and contact information of the person(s) responsible for the planting. ANC 6A has provided grant money to support the program within the ANC's boundaries.

The application is available at [www.capitolhillgardenclub.blogspot.com](http://www.capitolhillgardenclub.blogspot.com). If you do not have internet access, you may contact Amy at 486-7655.

### August NLPNA Meeting

The first Tuesday in August (2nd) is National Neighborhood Night Out. Families and community groups across the country are encouraged to plan outdoor activities. NLPNA will again mark the occasion with a potluck supper in Lincoln Park. Bring a covered dish or beverage to share.

The Finance Committee will present a proposed budget for discussion and approval, and elections of NLPNA officers will be held.

If you would like to help plan the budget, contact Gloria Junge, Chair of the Finance Committee. She will have a planning meeting in July and can be reached at 546-4143.

### ... Please Water Trees

The NLPNA area received several new trees last fall, through the efforts of both Trees for Capitol Hill and the District's Urban Forestry Administration. However, the trees will need supplemental water for at least their first two summers if they are to survive. A quick blast from a hose encourages poor root development. It's much better to let the water trickle for 20 to 30 minutes. Tree gators (those green watering bags) or buckets with a small hole work well for this purpose.

A passing shower does not provide adequate water; trees need 25 gallons per week. 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!

### Sustainable Energy Utility

The District of Columbia Sustainable Energy Utility helps District households, businesses, and institutions save energy and money through energy efficiency and renewable energy programs.

Several programs are outlined on their website, [www.dcseu.com](http://www.dcseu.com). One that may be of particular interest to neighbors is the Low-Income Multifamily program targeting low-income residents. This direct-installation program provides low-cost energy retrofits in income-qualified multifamily rental properties throughout the District. Small business assistance is also available.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **NLPNA will not meet in July**
- **Capitol Hill Independence Day Parade**, Monday, July 4, 10 a.m., 8<sup>th</sup> St. SE. *See article.*
- **PSA 103 meeting**, 2nd Wed. (July 13), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15<sup>th</sup> St. NE.
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (July 14), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15th St. NE. For more info, visit [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org).
- **NLPNA meeting**, first Tues. (Aug. 2), 7 p.m., annual Neighborhood Night Out potluck supper. All are welcome! (*See article.*)
- *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).

### Dogs in Summer

Unfortunately, heat exhaustion is common in dogs in hot weather. Early signs include rapid breathing, heavy panting, and salivation. Other signs are fatigue, muscle tremors, and staggering. If you see a dog with these symptoms, take the dog to a cool, shady place, and apply wet towels or cloths to help cool the dog's body down. Try to give the dog small amounts of water, and immediately call a vet.

To avoid this situation, it's best to walk your dogs very early in the morning or after sundown and don't leave them in a parked car, even with the windows down.

## Library Programs

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Toddler Times, Tues. July 5, 12, 19, 26 & Thurs. July 7, 14, 21, 28 at 11:15 a.m.
- ♦ Story Times for Ages 3-8, Sat. July 9, 23 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Paint Your World, Mon. July 11, 18, 25 at 4 p.m.
- ♦ What in the world are you reading? Children's social club, Wed. July 13, 20, 27 at 6:30 p.m.
- ♦ Music, Sat. July 2 at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Advisory Group meeting, Wed. July 6, 5-6 p.m.
- ♦ American Sign Language program, Mon. July 11 at 2:30 p.m.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. July 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Brazil for Kids, Mon. July 18, 1 p.m.
- ♦ Travel the World - Australia, Tues. July 19, 10 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Gaming Night, Wed. July 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Origami Club, Thurs. July 21, 4-5 p.m. Ages 6-12.
- ♦ Make your own super-hero, Fri. July 22, 1 p.m. (children).
- ♦ Blue Sky Puppet Theatre, Thurs. July 28, 1 p.m.
- ♦ Adult Book Club, Mon. July 25, 7 p.m.

Summer reading has begun. Sign up for "One World, Many Stories." Receive a passport to record your reading. Attend library programs to enhance your summer. The library will be hosting ongoing programs such as "Paint Your World" every Monday at 4 p.m. from June 20 to August 8 and "What in the World Are You Reading," a social club for readers every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. from June 22 to August 10.

The library, at 7th St. and Maryland Ave. NE (698-3320), is closed on Sundays and July 4.

### THE BUZZ EDITORIAL TEAM

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## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade on Capitol Hill

For the ninth year running, Capitol Hill will have its own, home-grown 4th of July Parade! PTAs from Capitol Hill schools, Capitol Hill Restoration Society, and many other local institutions will join in the procession. The Maury ES PTA will group at the 8th & I St. SE underpass and invites all "Cougars" to march with them. Bring a Maury sign or carry one provided.

The route begins at 8th & I St. SE and heads north on 8th to D St., west on D St. to 7th St. and then north past Pennsylvania Ave. to Eastern Market, where the marchers will disband. But the fun won't end there.... After the parade, all are invited to participate in the Family Festival.

The parade kicks off at 10 a.m. You won't want to miss it!

### ANC 6A Grants Available

Grant money is available from Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A to qualified organizations with proposals that would benefit residents of ANC 6A. Grants amounts are generally small, usually less than \$1,000. Restrictions do apply.

Please visit the Other Documents page of the ANC website, [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org), for more details. It's recommended that you contact the Elizabeth Nelson, Chair of the Community Outreach Committee for advice before submitting an application. Send an email to [anc6a@gallaudet.edu](mailto:anc6a@gallaudet.edu) with "ANC 6A Grant" in the subject line.

### Fagon Guide Delivery

The Fagon Guide is a free directory of community organizations and neighborhood businesses. Guides were recently delivered to homes in the NLPNA area. Anyone who did not receive a copy may pick one up from the front porch of ANC 6A Commissioner Nick Alberti, 1330 North Carolina Ave. NE.

### Buzz Distributors Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 400-500 blocks of 11th St., 400 block of 12th St., 500 block of 13th St., 100 block of 15th St., 1200 block of F St., 1500 block of Constitution Ave., 1500 block of NC Ave., and 200 block of Tennessee Ave.

### Maury ES Talent Show

Maury hosted Maury's Got Talent on June 10. Acts included a variety of musical performances plus dancing, juggling, and hula-hooping. Congratulations to all the performers and to the Performing Arts Committee faculty, Ms. May, Ms. George, and Ms. Nesper.



Never Say Never – Amari & Dyani



Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star - Kerry