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Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets held a Halloween costume contest Thursday at the S Street dog park. Prizes honored best costume, fashion pioneer and pet-owner look-alike.

Council compromises on ID cards

By **ELIZABETH WIENER**
Current Staff Writer

The D.C. Council voted 8-3 Tuesday to allow undocumented immigrants to obtain a District driver's license, but only if the license includes language that distinguishes it from those issued to citizens and other legal residents — as required by the controversial and still-unenforced 2005 federal "REAL ID" law. That step forward, step back

approach caps an emotional debate over whether the usually liberal District government would "stigmatize" the undocumented by issuing them licenses — largely as a safety measure — that point out their illegal status.

The D.C. Coalition for Immigrant Rights said the decision to

"mark" licenses will "create a discriminatory policy that targets undocumented immigrants. The D.C. Council has chosen to betray [Washington's] history as a progressive city that welcomes immigrants," member Marybeth Onyeukwa said in a statement after the vote.

But the president of the D.C. Latino Caucus noted that many other states already issue "marked" licenses, giving the undocumented driving See **Licenses**/Page 7

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Survey calls for age-friendly amenities

By **KAT LUCERO**
Current Staff Writer

How can Dupont Circle businesses best serve a growing population of older residents?

Perhaps decrease the noise at restaurants, do away with dim lighting and offer products and coupons targeting adults 50 or older. Those were some of the preliminary findings from a survey conducted in September by the Dupont Circle Village, an organization that helps residents "age in place."

"Savvy merchants understand the value of adopting practices that will attract this growing consumer base," Iris Molotsky, president of the Dupont Circle Village, said in a prepared statement. "Empty nesters and retirees are returning to the city in large numbers. Dupont Circle, with its restaurants, shopping corridors and local businesses, is serving as an attractive magnet."

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Most respondents to the Dupont Circle Village's survey said they consider it important to live near a supermarket and drugstore.

Board rejects plans for Chinatown high-rise

By **ELIZABETH WIENER**
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D.C.'s Chinatown has been slipping away for decades, first a victim of the 1968 riots and suburban flight, then of upscale new development — like the Verizon Center and Gallery Place — that has driven up prices and brought in new tenants, altering the ambiance around the 600 block of H Street.

Now Monument Realty has proposed a big, new midblock development: a glassy 10-story office building lodged behind the facades of some of the remaining Chinese restaurants, and a "hutong," or narrow neighborhood shopping street once common in Beijing, winding through an alley that cuts between H and I streets. Some residents of Chinatown see the project as economic salvation for their declining neighborhood, while



Rendering courtesy of Monument Realty

Monument Realty says it may appeal the decision.

others fear it will be the final nail in the coffin.

"A lot of people say Chinatown is almost gone — it's just H Street," longtime resident Alfred Liu told the Historic Preservation Review Board at a hearing last week.

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A half-century later, Camelot still key to Georgetown image

Kennedy legacy: Family's homes dot neighborhood

By **KATIE PEARCE**
Current Staff Writer

After the assassination, Jackie returned to Georgetown, seeking refuge in a friend's house at 3038 N St. This was the neighborhood she knew best — where she'd met John, started her family and backed her husband during his rise to the White House.

A few months later, the young widow and her two children relo-

cated just down the block to 3017 N St., intending to make it their permanent home. The family lasted there for less than a year, facing constant harassment from the press and tourists, before fleeing to Manhattan in 1964.

"It was not a happy time for her," said Yolande Betzbeze Fox, who lived in Georgetown at the time and moved into 3017 N herself a few years later. "The tourists drove her crazy. They were in front of the house, trying to peep in the windows and all that business. She used to escape through the back."

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D.C. officials pledge fixes for area pools

By **ELIZABETH WIENER**
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The city is now working to resolve problems with maintenance and other issues that have plagued the recently built Wilson Aquatic Center and other indoor pools.

Last week, D.C. Department of General Services director Brian Hanlon told Ward 3 D.C. Council member Mary Cheh that fixes are under way to address problems with the cooling system and water pressure — as well as locker room thefts — at the Wilson pool.

But, Hanlon said at an oversight hearing last Wednesday, true reliability at the state-of-the-art pools will require more regular closures for preventative maintenance — as often as three times a year. Although that will inconvenience patrons, offi-



Bill Petros/Current file photo

Complaints about operations at Wilson's pool led to the hearing.

cials said they would work harder to stagger the closures, notify swimmers and let them know which other pools remain open.

"High-performance buildings need more effective routine maintenance," Hanlon said. "DGS protocol for aquatic centers presupposes we may need to close two, three times per year, for routine maintenance and deep cleaning. We've realized the best thing we can do is schedule the closures, one for one week, one probably two weeks at larger facilities. We'll do it with advance notice, in a logical, predictable way."

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'Reverend Ray' takes helm at local church

By **KAT LUCERO**
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After the rector of the historic St. Luke's Episcopal Church left abruptly a few years ago, the congregation went through a period of uncertainty. An interim priest kept things afloat, but the first independent African-American Episcopal church in D.C., founded in 1873,

needed a leader who would carry the congregation into a new chapter, embracing changes in the surrounding Logan and Dupont circle neighborhoods and beyond.

Last Sunday, a priest from Chicago stepped up to lead that charge just in time for the 140th anniversary of St. Luke's. The Rev. Raymond Massenburg — known as "Reverend Ray" — was installed as

St. Luke's ninth rector after an 18-month trial period. The early-evening service was presided over by Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde of the Diocese of Washington.

"New day, new beginnings" was the mantra repeated by guest homily speaker Dianne Boardley Suber, president of St. Augustine's University in Raleigh, N.C. She focused See **St. Luke's**/Page 15

Gray, Cheh join Key playground celebration

By **GRAHAM VYSE**
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Under the late-afternoon sun of a spectacular autumn day, District officials joined parents, students and educators Sunday at Key Elementary School in the Palisades to reopen a refurbished playground and celebrate new outdoor facilities.

"We should be really proud of what's been done here," said D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray, moments before cutting the ribbon with principal David Landeryou. Ward 3 D.C. Council member Mary Cheh was also on hand to celebrate the rebuilt facility, which now includes a stone-dust walking track, play equipment for children ages 2 through 5, a play area for children ages 5 through 12, and a new artificial-turf field.

"Having spent a lot of my career working in the field of disability, I'm also proud that we have an Americans with Disabilities Act-certified accessible site with handrails and other features for those children and adults who may use this site who have a disability," Gray said.

The mayor also noted that the Key School playground upgrade was one of 40 such projects carried out across the city as part of an initiative that aims to strengthen D.C.'s parks and recreational resources.

"This one, however, is very, very special," he said, praising the school community for raising \$250,000 toward the project, which also received \$1.3 million in city funds. The PTA began working in 2011 on its "Play It Forward" project to renovate worn-out play equipment and spruce up outdoor space overwhelmed by increased



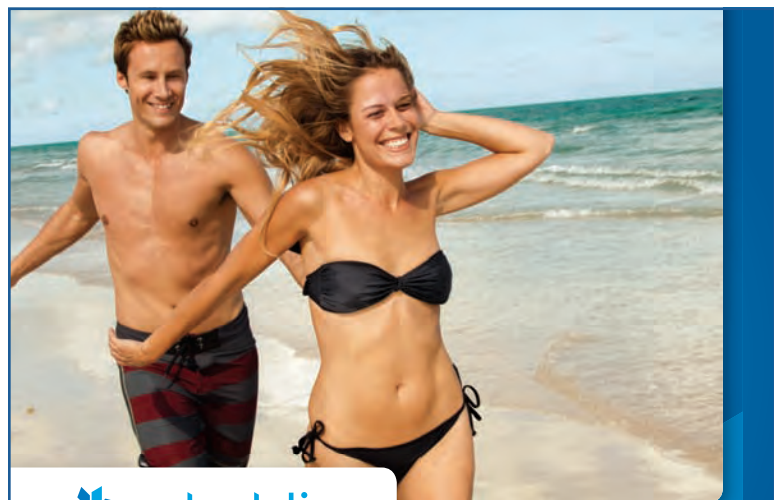
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Mayor Vincent Gray visited Key Elementary Sunday afternoon to celebrate the new playground.

enrollment.

All of the event speakers mentioned the unusually pleasant weather for Key School's outdoor Harvest Festival, which took place before and after the ceremony. Cheh even joked that she and her D.C. Council colleagues could claim credit for it.

"I hope you all realize the council passed a resolution so that it would be a nice day — and it passed unanimously," she said, drawing laughter.



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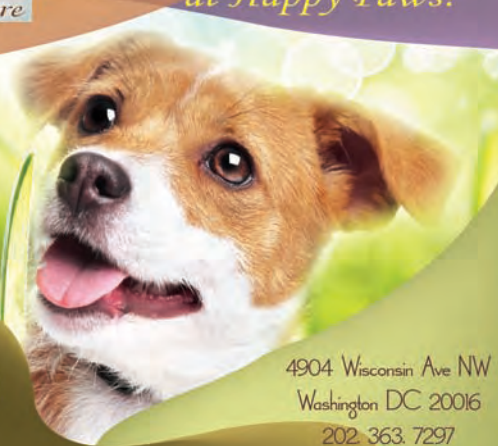
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D.C. teachers honored at Kennedy Center

By **GRAHAM VYSE**
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District officials joined celebrities from the worlds of politics, business and entertainment to salute more than 1,300 D.C. educators Monday night, toasting top teachers and other school officials as part of the fourth annual “Standing Ovation” gala at the Kennedy Center.

Clad in a glittering gown, D.C. Schools Chancellor Kaya Henderson took the Concert Hall stage and told the crowd, “Tonight is your night. We do this whole big thing just for you.”

Henderson said the District should be proud of how many educators were judged “highly effective” this year, saying a record number were being honored by the event’s host, the D.C. Public Education Fund.

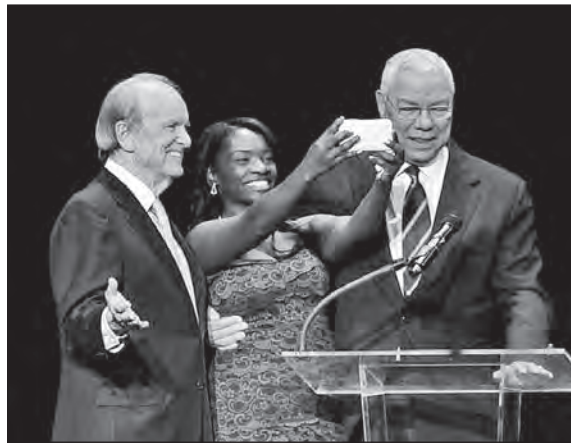
“We’re going to show this country what the best urban school district in the world looks like — ‘cause that’s going to be us,” she said.

When Mayor Vincent Gray took the podium, he spoke about the value of education in notably personal terms, explaining how he graduated from the same D.C. school system that later employed his late wife Loretta, a celebrated teacher who died of cancer in 1998.

Gray said he might be biased, but he believes Loretta would have ultimately received her own “Standing Ovation” recognition. The mayor looked out at many teachers sitting with spouses in the crowd and said he would have loved to have been “sitting there with you as we celebrated her.”

Pivoting to policy, Gray touted the District’s education record under his administration, including “the most robust early-childhood education in America.” He also spoke glowingly about Henderson — arguably the second most important D.C. educator to enter his life.

“I don’t have any reservations about saying she is the finest chancellor or superintendent in the nation,” Gray said.



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Coolidge High teacher Chenise Richards, center, receives her award from Gen. Colin Powell, right.

“Standing Ovation” honored Abdullah A. Zaki of Northeast’s Kelly Miller Middle School as D.C. Public Schools’ principal of the year and recognized Kathy Hollowell-Makle of Southeast’s Simon Elementary School as the teacher of the year. The ceremony also bestowed teaching excellence awards upon six other instructors, four of whom are from schools in Northwest.

Davey S. Yarborough was honored for his work as director of jazz studies at Burleith’s Duke Ellington School of the Arts, Hardett Taylor-Brown won an award for her work in science resource education at Shaw’s Cleveland Elementary School, Chenise Richards was honored for her work teaching 12th-grade and Advanced Placement English at Coolidge High School, and Fran McCrackin received her prize for teaching first grade at Tenleytown’s Janney Elementary School.

McCrackin had the audience in stitches when she read a favorite anonymous quote about the difficulty of education: “I taught today. It feels like I was trying to make love to a rhinoceros.” The teacher then turned audience laughter into murmurs of approval when she recited another saying, this one from humorist Garrison Keillor: “Nothing you do for a child is ever wasted.”

A series of notable public figures graced the “Stand-
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Zoning hearings on revisions continue through next week

By **BRADY HOLT**
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Hearings on the proposed zoning rewrite began this week, with residents and organizations weighing in on sweeping changes the Office of Planning envisions for aspects of D.C. land-use policy.

The Zoning Commission will take public testimony at seven hearings total, including this past Monday and Tuesday. The remaining hearings will be held tonight and tomorrow night, and Tuesday through Thursday of next week, each beginning at 6 p.m.

Residents can also submit written testimony without appearing at the hearings to zcsubmissions@dc.gov; they are asked to include “Case No. 08-06A” and the subtitle of the zoning code they’re commenting on.

Each day’s hearing will be dedicated to particular topics; visit tinyurl.com/zrr-schedule for the full

details of what will be discussed on each day and its zoning code subtitle. Here are some of the zoning code sections and specific proposals that will come up in the upcoming hearings:

■ Wednesday, Nov. 6: residential house zones. Allowing “accessory dwelling unit” apartments in single-family homes without public review in certain cases; allowing small “corner store” commercial uses in residential row house neighborhoods subject to certain conditions; and the rules for height, area and density in residential house zones.

■ Thursday, Nov. 7: apartment zones. Creation of the residential flats zone and creation of mixed-use versus residential apartment zones.

■ Tuesday, Nov. 12: general procedures. Removal of small side yards from lot occupancy; elimination of required parking for single-family homes without alley access; elimina-

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The week ahead

Wednesday, Nov. 6

The D.C. State Board of Education will hold a working session to discuss implementation of the Common Core State Standards and the status of proposed revisions to the District’s graduation requirements. The meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m. in Room 1112, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th St. NW.

■ The D.C. Department of Transportation will hold a final public meeting and workshop on the Cleveland Park Transportation Study from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at the Cleveland Park Library, 3310 Connecticut Ave. NW. Topics will include transportation, pedestrian safety and public realm improvements throughout the commercial corridor.

Thursday, Nov. 7

DC Health Link will present an information session to provide consumers and small-business owners with information about the Affordable Care Act and the District’s new health insurance marketplace. Representatives will be available to answer questions from 1 to 9 p.m. at the Palisades Library, 4901 V St. NW.

■ The D.C. Office of Planning and the National Park Service will hold a kickoff public presentation and open house on the Franklin Park Vision and Transportation Plan. The meeting will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Four Points by Sheraton, 1201 K St. NW.

■ The D.C. Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting for the

North-South Corridor Planning Study to examine opportunities for public transportation improvements north of Petworth. The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Emery Recreation Center, 5701 Georgia Ave. NW.

■ The Washington, D.C., Branch of the NAACP will celebrate its 100th anniversary at the group’s annual Freedom Fund Dinner, which will feature a keynote address by civil rights icon Julian Bond. The event will begin at 7 p.m. at the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Ave. NW. Tickets cost \$100; for details, visit naacpdc.org.

Saturday, Nov. 9

Ward 3 Vision will hold a “Tenleytown Visioning Workshop.” The event will be held from 9 a.m. to noon in Nebraska Hall, American University, Nebraska and Massachusetts avenues NW. To register, visit tinyurl.com/tenley-vision.

■ The Palisades Community Church, 5200 Cathedral Ave. NW, will host an American Red Cross blood drive from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration is suggested; visit redcrossblood.org (use Sponsor Code 05314829) or call 1-800-733-2767.

■ Playworks DC will host a “Macomb Park Play Day” to share the importance and value of play. The event will include a presentation by Jill Violet, CEO and founder of Playworks, on her new book “Recess Rules,” which was inspired by her upbringing in D.C. The event will be

held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Macomb Recreation Center, 3409 Macomb St. NW. For details, call 202-822-0097 or visit dc.playworks.org.

Tuesday, Nov. 12

The Spring Valley-Wesley Heights Citizens Association will hold its fall meeting, featuring Ward 4 D.C. Council member and mayoral candidate Muriel Bowser as guest speaker. The meeting will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 112, Katzen Arts Center, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW.

■ The Brightwood Community Association will hold its monthly meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. John United Baptist Church, 6343 13th St. NW.

Wednesday, Nov. 13

DC Health Link will present an information session to provide consumers and small-business owners with information about the Affordable Care Act and the District’s new health insurance marketplace. Representatives will be available to answer questions from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW.

■ The D.C. Affairs Section of the D.C. Bar will hold a mayoral candidates forum with Democratic hopefuls Muriel Bowser (invited), Jack Evans, Reta Jo Lewis and Tommy Wells. The forum will begin at 6 p.m. in the auditorium at Arent Fox, 1717 K St. NW. Admission is free; reservations are required by Nov. 6 at tinyurl.com/061402gen-rsvp.

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DISTRICT DIGEST

Maryland man killed in Petworth shooting

A 27-year-old Maryland man was shot dead in the 400 block of Shepherd Street Nov. 1, according to the Metropolitan Police Department.

Police responding to a reported shooting found Joseph David Fowlkes at 2:19 a.m. Fowlkes, of Capitol Heights, had multiple gunshot wounds and was taken to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

The police department offers rewards of up to \$25,000 to anyone who provides information that leads to the arrest and conviction of a person wanted for any homicide committed in the city. Information can be provided by calling 202-727-9099 or texting anonymously to 50411.

District kicks off leaf collection for season

D.C. began its fall leaf collection program on Monday and will con-

tinue it through Jan. 11.

Residents can visit dpw.dc.gov to find the dates for pickup at their homes; the schedules are also being mailed to residences that receive city trash-collection services.

"We ask people to check the schedule for when their leaves will be collected and then rake their leaves into the treeboxes the week-end before their collection cycles start to make sure their leaves are collected," agency director William Howland says in a news release.

Police seek bicyclist in string of robberies

The Metropolitan Police Department is investigating three Georgetown robberies committed on Oct. 29 by bicycle, according to an email from Lt. John Hedgecock to the 2nd District listserv.

The first crime took place at approximately 5:30 p.m. in the 1600 block of Wisconsin Ave., when a man approached a female victim, snatched her wallet from her

hand and fled by bicycle.

The second occurred about an hour later, at 6:40 p.m., in the 3500 block of R Street. An adult male riding a bicycle approached another male and snatched his iPhone out of his hand. The victim pursued the subject and recovered his phone after the subject fell off his bicycle, then fled the scene.

Just minutes later, at 6:50 p.m., an adult male riding a bicycle snatched an iPhone from a woman waiting for a bus at M and Thomas Jefferson streets.

Police say the suspect in all three incidents is a black male with a short, thin build who is approximately 20 to 30 years of age. He may have been riding a small black bicycle with pegs in the area of the rear wheel axle.

Anyone with information is asked to call the police at 202-727-9099 or text anonymously to 50411.

Zukerberg announces attorney general run

Paul Zukerberg, a trial lawyer based in Adams Morgan, announced this week that he is running to serve as D.C.'s first elected attorney general — if the election takes place.

Voters approved a ballot initiative in 2010 calling for an elected attorney general starting in 2014. But the D.C. Council, divided over details of the position, this fall voted to delay the first election, and Mayor Vincent Gray allowed the legislation to move forward without signing it.

The bill is now subject to congressional approval — and a lawsuit brought by Zukerberg.

"I have seen a lot of injustice, but never did I believe that in America I would see our government cancel an election," Zukerberg says in a news release.

A federal judge will hear oral arguments on Zukerberg's motion tomorrow morning at 10. Gary Thompson of the firm Reed Smith

— and also a Chevy Chase advisory neighborhood commissioner — is representing Zukerberg, and current D.C. Attorney General Irv Nathan is representing the defendants.

Police make arrest in Dupont Circle assault

On Nov. 1, the Metropolitan Police Department's Homicide Branch arrested 38-year-old James Brown of Southeast D.C., charging him with aggravated assault for an Oct. 27 attack in Dupont Circle.

Police responded to the 2000 block of S Street at approximately 4:15 a.m. that day, finding a man lying unconscious on the sidewalk. He was transported to a local hospital, where he remained hospitalized as of Friday.

Board of Education seats student reps

The D.C. State Board of Education last month swore in new student representatives Jason Perry, of Wilson High School, and Daniel Spruill, of Friendship Collegiate Academy.

Perry and Spruill will not vote but will serve as a connection between D.C. Public School students and the board.

Spruill hopes to go to Stanford University, where he would major in engineering, and then run his own company and seek public office, according to a news release from the board. Perry hopes to attend either the University of Michigan or Syracuse University to pursue broadcast journalism and political science. He is also the student director of the Academic Athletic Achievement Academy and executive co-chair of fundraising for the nonprofit Hands on DC.

Bill seeks to protect animals at circuses

Ward 3 D.C. Council member Mary Cheh introduced legislation last month to ensure that circuses and large-animal exhibits are subject to the same prohibitions on animal cruelty as District pet owners and other residents.

Current city law prohibits mental or physical harassment of animals, including abuse or physical injury. But Cheh said the D.C. Department

of Health, which inspects and permits events like circuses, interprets the law to exempt such events from some of these restrictions. Her bill would clarify that circus animals and animal exhibitors are subject to the city's animal cruelty laws.

Edmund Burke School announces new head

Damian Jones will take over as head of school at Edmund Burke starting next summer, according to a news release.

Jones comes to Burke, a private school at Connecticut Avenue and Upton Street for sixth- through 12th-graders, from Francis W. Parker School in Chicago, where he has been assistant head of school for almost a decade.

Burke's current head of school, Andrew Slater, will leave at the end of the school year to become head of the lower school at GEMS World Academy in Chicago.

AU president talks up expansion projects

American University President Neil Kerwin addressed the Washington Rotary Club on Oct. 23, providing background on his school and discussing its expansion and improvement efforts.

Kerwin said that within five years, the Ward 3 school — which, with a staff of 3,200, is Washington's seventh largest employer — will add a million square feet of space.

He said the biggest challenge American and other universities face is "how to blend traditional teaching with online." Another problem facing universities nationwide is that tuition costs are increasing faster than inflation. American charges undergraduates \$55,000 a year including room and board, and 30 percent of the school's budget goes to financial aid.


Correction

In the Oct. 30 issue, an article on the Cleveland Park service lane described Wake Up Little Suzie incorrectly; it is a gift store, not an antique clothing shop.


The Current regrets the error.

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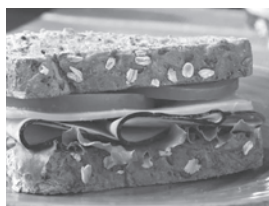


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Council votes to limit campaign contributions but rejects corporate ban

By **ELIZABETH WIENER**
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The D.C. Council voted Tuesday to limit multiple campaign contributions by businesses and “limited liability corporations,” which now allow one person to make multiple donations to the same candidate. But members rejected a more drastic proposal to ban corporate contributions entirely from city races.

In the face of multiple government scandals, council members have been struggling to reform a so-called “pay-to-play” culture in which some contractors and businesses donate

generously in hopes of getting work from the District government or to influence its actions. But critics say the council is not going far enough, or even as far as a measure proposed by Mayor Vincent Gray more than a year ago.

Ward 5’s Kenyan McDuffie, who pieced together the latest campaign finance package, called it a “solid, significant step in the right direction” by limiting corrupting contributions and increasing disclosure rules. It would:

- close the “LLC loophole,” restricting such firms to the same limit imposed on individual donors — \$2,000 for a mayoral candidate, for example, and \$1,000 for an at-large

member of the council;

- cap money order and cash contributions at \$100;

- require increased disclosure of contributions by lobbyists and corporations;

- mandate online reporting by campaign committees; and

- impose stiffer penalties for campaign finance violations, including possible jail time.

“No one person should be able to make contributions [that are so much larger] than individual donors,” said at-large member David Grosso. “We’ve seen this absurd result, of \$10,000 from 10 donations coming from a

single office in Bethesda,” all received by a single candidate.

But Tommy Wells of Ward 6 said the measure falls short, and he introduced amendments to flatly ban contributions to city races from corporations or contractors that do business with the District government. Wells said that despite the Supreme Court’s recent Citizens United ruling, “corporations are not people,” and letting them contribute to elections “allows nameless, faceless entities” to drown out the voices of individual donors.

McDuffie asked his colleagues to shoot
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Online bespoke clothier adds showroom near 14th Street

The craft of bespoke tailoring is alive and well along the bustling 14th Street corridor.

Knot Standard, an online custom-made clothing company founded in Dubai by two American expats,

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recently expanded to the District of Columbia with a showroom in the heart of this busy commercial strip.

This D.C. showroom is the “first real expansion,” said CEO Matt Mueller, who founded the startup with John Ballay while the two of them were living in the United Arab Emirates city.

The new 800-square-foot showroom is located at 1407 S St. There, prospective customers will be able to buy custom-fitted men’s clothing — suits, shirts, blazers and slacks — as well as already-made pieces.

“This is the first purpose-built space,” said Mueller. “It’s actually our first retail space that’s open on the ground floor for people to walk in. It’s a pretty big change ... for us as an organization.”

The D.C. location is meant spe-

cifically to break into a growing market filled with professionals who appreciate a custom-made suit that’s built to last.

Mueller said he and his colleagues chose a residential neighborhood rather than a spot like K Street because he wanted Knot Standard to be “part of the fun side of things.”

“There are so many places popping in that particular area,” said Miriam Tekle, recently hired to manage sales in the region. “Our demographic is there.”

For an online buyer, purchasing a custom-made piece starts with choosing a particular style of suit. Next, he’ll customize details such as the lapel size and pleats; provide his measurements; and then wait three to four weeks for his custom-made goods.

At the new location, Knot Standard will be able to provide D.C.-area customers with a more personal touch. “If you come see us in person, you don’t have to choose from the existing collection designs which are in that season,” said Mueller. “You can sit down and do the more traditional. I’ll look at a thousand fabrics and design something that’s never

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POLICE REPORT

This is a listing of reports taken from Oct. 28 through Nov. 3 in local police service areas.

PSA 102

■ GALLERY PLACE
PENN QUARTER

Robbery

- 914-999 block, 5th St.; 2:38 p.m. Oct. 31.
- K and 5th streets; 1:42 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 500-599 block, Indiana Ave.; 10:47 a.m. Nov. 2.
- H and 5th streets; 9:30 p.m. Nov. 2.

Burglary

- 600-699 block, K St.; 7:47 a.m. Oct. 28.

Theft from auto

- 400-499 block, K St.; 7:15 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 600-699 block, E St.; 7:45 p.m. Oct. 28.
- K and 4th streets; 12:33 a.m. Oct. 31.
- K and 4th streets; 12:23 a.m. Oct. 31.
- 703-799 block, 9th St.; 4 p.m. Nov. 1.

Theft

- 700-799 block, 8th St.; 4:55 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 400-499 block, L St.; 4:38 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 600-699 block, Massachusetts Ave.; 10:52 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 700-799 block, 7th St.; 8:19 p.m. Nov. 1.
- K and 4th streets; 4:13 p.m. Nov. 2.
- 700-799 block, 7th St.; 6:02 p.m. Nov. 2.
- 700-799 block, 7th St.; 6:30 p.m. Nov. 2.
- 700-799 block, 7th St.; 9 p.m. Nov. 2.

PSA 204

■ MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE
HEIGHTS / CLEVELAND PARK
WOODLEY PARK / GLOVER
PARK / CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS

Burglary

- 3200-3299 block, Connecticut Ave.; 7:38 a.m. Oct. 30.

Theft from auto

- 3700-3799 block, Fulton St.; 11:30 a.m. Oct. 30.

Theft

- 2600-2649 block, Connecticut Ave.; 12:15 p.m. Nov. 1.

PSA 206

■ GEORGETOWN / BURLEITH

Robbery

- 1600-1677 block, Wisconsin Ave.; 5:29 p.m. Oct. 29.
- 3500-3599 block, R St.; 6:43 p.m. Oct. 29.
- 1000-1099 block, Thomas Jefferson St.; 6:47 p.m. Oct. 29.
- 1200-1299 block, 31st St.; 3:21 a.m. Nov. 1 (with gun).

Assault with a dangerous weapon

- 29th Street and Pennsylvania Ave.; 9 p.m. Oct. 31.

Burglary

- 900-999 block, 30th St.; 7:12 a.m. Oct. 28.

Motor vehicle theft

- 3200-3265 Prospect St.; 4:45 a.m. Nov. 2.

Theft from auto

- 1600-1699 block, 28th St.; 8:02 a.m. Nov. 1.

Theft

- 3600-3699 block, O St.; 5:01 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1224-1299 block, Wisconsin Ave.; 10:56 a.m. Oct. 29.
- 3200-3275 block, M St.; 11 a.m. Oct. 29.
- 3200-3275 block, M St.; 8:47 p.m. Oct. 29.
- 3200-3275 block, M St.; 1:21 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 3900-4399 block, Reservoir Road; 1:25 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 3500-3799 block, Winfield Lane; 7:47 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 3200-3275 block, M St.; 12:09 p.m. Oct. 31.
- N Street and Wisconsin Avenue; 12:12 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 3700-3799 block, S St.; 12:53 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 2300-2699 block, Q St.; 4:20 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 3400-3421 block, M St.; 7:39 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 3200-3275 block, M St.; 8:33 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 3300-3399 block, M St.; 1:47 p.m. Nov. 3.

PSA 207

■ FOGGY BOTTOM / WEST END

Burglary

- 1600-1699 block, K St.; 6:53 a.m. Oct. 28.

Motor vehicle theft

- 17th and M streets; 1:44 a.m. Oct. 28.

Theft

- 2000-2099 block, K St.; 6:47 a.m. Oct. 28.
- Unit block, Thomas Circle; 3:10 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1100-1199 block; 22nd St.; 7:56 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1900-1999 block, M St.; 11:30 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 700-723 block, 14th St.; 8 a.m. Oct. 29.
- 1700-1799 block; G St.; 3:30 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 800-899 block, 22nd St.; 11:33 a.m. Oct. 31.
- 800-899 block, 22nd St.; 12:17 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 1709-1799 block, New York Ave.; 12:29 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 900-999 block, 17th St.; 7:33 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 1700-1799 block, G St.; 9 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 2100-2499 block, K St.; midnight Nov. 1.
- 1100-1199 block, Vermont Ave.; 12:09 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 900-999 block, 14th St.; 12:15 p.m. Nov. 3.
- 2200-2299 block, M St.; 5:13 p.m. Nov. 3.

PSA 208

■ SHERIDAN-KALORAMA
DUPONT CIRCLE

Assault with a dangerous weapon

- Jefferson Place and 18th Street; 9:55 p.m. Oct. 29.
- P and 23rd streets; 2:55 a.m. Nov. 2 (with knife).

Burglary

- 2100-2199 block, O St.; 6:50 p.m. Oct. 29.
- 1800-1899 block, S St.; 10:08 p.m. Nov. 1.

Motor vehicle theft

- P and 15th streets; 3 a.m. Oct. 28.
- 19th Street and Sunderland Place; 12:44 p.m. Oct. 29.

Theft from auto

- 1200-1399 block, 16th St.; 7:13 a.m. Oct. 28.
- 1200-1399 block, 16th St.; 8:44 a.m. Oct. 28.
- 1700-1799 block, N St.; 11:56 a.m. Oct. 28.
- 1500-1599 block, Church St.; 5:17 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1700-1799 block, Church St.; 4:10 p.m. Oct. 29.
- Dupont Circle and P Street; 5:15 a.m. Nov. 1.

Theft

- 1700-1799 block, Connecticut Ave.; 2:31 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1200-1219 block, Connecticut Ave.; 5:04 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 14th and R streets; 6:46 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1200-1217 block, 18th St.; 9:34 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 1900-1999 block, R St.; 12:20 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 1300-1699 block, Connecticut Ave.; 4 p.m. Oct. 30.
- Hilmyer Place and 20th Street; 7:43 a.m. Oct. 31.
- 1300-1699 block, Connecticut Ave.; 7:30 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 2400-2499 block, Tracy Place; 11:02 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 1600-1699 block, Q St.; 9 a.m. Nov. 3.
- 1800-1899 block, Jefferson Place; 9:45 a.m. Nov. 3.
- 1300-1699 block, Connecticut Ave.; 5:22 p.m. Nov. 3.

PSA 301

■ DUPONT CIRCLE

Robbery

- 1400-1429 block, S St.; 4:53 p.m. Oct. 29.

Assault with a dangerous weapon

- 1700-1749 block, R St.; 11:50 p.m. Nov. 1.

Motor vehicle theft

- 14th and T streets; 5:07 p.m. Nov. 1.

Theft from auto

- 1600-1618 block, 17th St.; 11:01 p.m. Nov. 2.

Theft

- 1900-1920 block, 14th St.; 9:20 p.m. Oct. 29.

- 1619-1699 block, 17th St.; 3:12 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 1619-1699 block, 17th St.; 9:46 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 1600-1699 block, Q St.; 2 p.m. Nov. 2.

PSA 303

■ ADAMS MORGAN

Robbery

- 2300-2399 block, 18th St.; 2:20 a.m. Nov. 2.

Assault with a dangerous weapon

- 17th Street and Columbia Road; 1:16 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 1734-1769 block, Euclid St.; 6:25 p.m. Nov. 1.

Motor vehicle theft

- 2300-2399 block, Ashmead Place; 6:14 a.m. Oct. 28.
- 2800-2899 block, 18th St.; 8:33 p.m. Oct. 28.

Theft from auto

- 1800-1899 block, Summit Place; 12:30 p.m. Oct. 29.
- Kalorama and Columbia roads; 11:27 a.m. Oct. 30.
- 2700-2799 block, Ontario Road; 1:28 a.m. Oct. 31.
- 1700-1733 block, Columbia Road; 11 a.m. Oct. 31.
- 2811-2899 block, Ontario Road; 5:36 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 1800-1881 block, Kalorama Road; noon Nov. 3.

Theft

- 2300-2499 block, Champlain St.; 8:28 a.m. Oct. 28.
- 1811-1899 block, Connecticut Ave.; 10 p.m. Oct. 28.
- 2100-2299 block, 17th St.; 10:24 a.m. Oct. 29.
- 2300-2399 block, 18th St.; 6 p.m. Oct. 29.
- 1800-1899 block, Ontario Place; 2:30 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 1700-1719 block, Kalorama Road; 7:26 p.m. Oct. 30.
- 2400-2499 block, 17th St.; 4 p.m. Oct. 31.
- 2300-2399 block, 18th St.; 12:30 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 2200-2260 block, Champlain St.; 8:34 p.m. Nov. 1.
- 1737-1776 block, Columbia Road; 3:59 a.m. Nov. 2.
- 2500-2599 block, Ontario Road; 3:59 a.m. Nov. 2.
- 2400-2499 block, 18th St.; 1:14 a.m. Nov. 3.

PSA 307

■ LOGAN CIRCLE

Robbery

- 1500-1599 block, Vermont Ave.; 10:46 p.m. Oct. 31.

Burglary

- 1300-1399 block, Corcoran St.; 6:21 p.m. Oct. 28.

Theft from auto

- 12th and S streets; 12:02 a.m. Nov. 1.
- 900-999 block, L St.; 2:30 a.m. Nov. 2.

Theft

- 1300-1399 block, R St.; 1:43 p.m. Oct. 30.

ZONING: Hearings continue through next week

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tion of required parking for apartment buildings with four units or fewer; elimination of required parking in a designated downtown zone; halving of otherwise required parking within half a mile of a Metrorail station or a quarter-mile of a priority bus corridor or streetcar line; and elimination of a required loading berth for a 55-foot truck for large buildings.

■ Wednesday, Nov. 13: mixed-use zones. Creation of new zones for mixed-use buildings; modification of rear setback requirements; and renaming of overlay zones.

■ Thursday, Nov. 14: downtown, industrial and special zones. Expansion of the area designated as downtown; provisions allowing residential, retail and arts uses in all high-density commercial downtown zones; elimination of required parking in downtown zones; addition of

special requirements for design and use in certain streets; and implementation of credits for certain uses.

Public testimony during this process will factor into decisions on not only the Office of Planning's proposed changes to the zoning code but also other own changes that residents might like to see in the District's land-use regulations.

For more details on the proposal, including the text of the rewritten code, visit dczoningupdate.org.

LICENSES: Council approves differentiated IDs

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privileges while also following federal law. "This is a good start for a long-awaited solution to the plight of thousands who risk driving without a license every day," said president Franklin Garcia.

Ultimately, the council's action on the "Drivers Safety Amendment Act" reshapes it into the same measure proposed by Mayor Vincent Gray last May.

At the time, Gray said that adults, legal or not, may need to drive — to work, to pick up children — and that it's much safer to make sure they are licensed and tested first than to ignore the issue. According to advocacy groups, an estimated 15,000 undocumented District residents now drive without a license.

Gray also emphasized that the REAL ID Act requires states to differentiate licenses and other ID cards issued to the undocumented, and that the federal government can refuse to accept licenses as identification for entry to federal buildings, and to board airplanes, if the District flouts that law.

But the council, in a tentative but unanimous vote last July, agreed to do just that. Members said they were skeptical that federal officials would enforce the ID law, and they said they could deal with that problem if and when the enforcement begins.

Then Ward 3 member Mary Cheh, whose transportation committee handled the bill, met with U.S. Department of Homeland Security officials, who emphasized enforcement could begin as soon as next year — jeopardizing, for example, the ability of all District drivers to board airplanes.

"I am convinced REAL ID is coming and coming soon," Cheh said, noting its "severe consequences."

Her amendment adds the words "not valid for federal purposes" to IDs for undocumented immigrants, but also requires that those words be "in the smallest font."

"We're attempting to make the marking as benign as possible," Cheh said.

Still, there was anguish over the outcome.

Ward 1 member Jim Graham, who has been pushing for a single license for four years, refused to support the bill. "This is the type of label subject to misuse and abuse," he said. Graham noted that while District police are prohibited from asking about immigration status, police in other states might use a traffic stop to report "illegals."

"I fear we're becoming part and parcel of an immigration policing effort," Graham said.

But, countered Ward 5 member Kenyan McDuffie, "the greater concern for me is, when and if the federal government decides to enforce REAL ID, we could potentially invalidate thousands of District licenses. I'm not sure how you could roll back the clock."

Nine other states have agreed in the past year to mark licenses to comply with REAL ID, while others are still struggling with the issue. In the council, Graham, at-large member David Grosso and Ward 6 member Tommy Wells voted no. Marion Barry of Ward 8 and at-large member Vincent Orange were absent for the vote.

BUSINESS: Suit store opens

From Page 5

existed before. That is what we call our private service, which is only offered at our showrooms."

Coming to D.C. was a "no-brainer" for Knot Standard because of the high concentration of educated professionals living in the city, said Mueller, a native of Alexandria.

"D.C. is a great market for men's clothing. People are busy," said Tekle. "D.C. works because there are all types of people [geared] toward fashion and being well-dressed for whatever their lifestyle leads them to."

Knot Standard has a partnership with Uber, the popular car service, which prompted the company to start doing business in D.C.

"They suggested that we look at D.C. [now rather] than later," said Mueller. "So we kicked off the effort back in September and have our showroom going live [now]."

Fitness studio opens

Opened last weekend, a new

Adams Morgan fitness studio called Solidcore specializes in small-group workouts that combine cardio exercises with a new Pilates reformer machine called Megaformer.

The program is part of Lagree Fitness, a company founded in Los Angeles in 2007. The studio is housed in a storefront in the bottom of an apartment building at 1841 Columbia Road.

Set to high-energy music, the classes are 50 minutes long and have no more than 10 participants.

Flea market extends run

Due to popular demand, District Flea has extended its run through Nov. 30, when operators will be setting up a holiday market focused on gift shopping.

Opened last September, the market, started by the founders of the New York's popular Brooklyn Flea, was initially planned to run for only six weeks through October.

It is open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 945 Florida Ave. in Shaw.

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Transit on track

In recent weeks, the D.C. Department of Transportation has made critical steps toward expanding and improving its public transportation network. The agency has shared specific plans for a streetcar line between Georgetown and Union Station, and it has begun studying how to bring similar transit infrastructure to Georgia Avenue or nearby parallel streets.

These bright spots are in contrast to recent news that the city's long-awaited first streetcar line — running from Union Station along H Street NE toward the Benning Road Metro station — will be delayed until early 2014. Originally due to begin service next month, this segment is envisioned as the first stretch of a 22-mile "priority network" reaching every quadrant of D.C.

The Georgetown link — an estimated \$347.7 million effort — is the next step. As proposed, this 3.4-mile line would start at Union Station, follow H Street to New Jersey Avenue, and then take K Street through downtown before terminating under the Whitehurst Freeway.

Next in the queue would be the north-south corridor, running from roughly Takoma down to Buzzard Point in Southwest. The Transportation Department's study of this portion, which has included public meetings this week, will ultimately result in a specific route and other details for the corridor. The agency will also make a final determination on whether that route will be appropriate for a streetcar, though we trust that the agency will reach that conclusion — as it has consistently in more general studies over the years.

We applaud the city for making such an investment in its transit infrastructure. The agency's Jamie Henson recently told *The Current* that streetcar lines, while costly, represent a more permanent commitment to public transportation service than a bus line could. Residents and businesses are more likely to make long-term decisions about where they'll locate when they have a guarantee that this service won't evaporate or relocate. Streetcars also produce fewer harmful emissions than ordinary buses.

The promise is great. In Georgetown, residents will be able to get downtown, and the transit line could also provide a major boost the neighborhood's restaurant, retail and office markets.

And in the north-south corridor, a streetcar would bring faster, more reliable service for today's 70,000 daily bus riders. It could also encourage transit-oriented development along blighted stretches, connecting the blooms of high-quality growth that are today primarily centered around Metro stations.

As enthusiastic as we are about improved transit, we would be remiss if we ignored streetcars' effect on residents, commuters and tourists who prefer to drive or have no other viable option. The Georgetown-Union Station streetcar will eliminate 278 parking spaces; we'd expect another sizable impact from a north-south line. We encourage the District to explore creating municipal parking facilities to help offset this loss.

Stability and progress

In her recent "state of the schools" address, D.C. Public Schools Chancellor Kaya Henderson, who has just completed her third year in the post, touted the system's recent progress.

"Parents, educators, partners and other folks in our schools every day say to me all the time, 'Things are so different in DCPS. I wish more people knew what was happening.'" She said she agrees with them: "Things are working. Things are getting better. DCPS is on the move."

The chancellor presented as evidence rising test scores in nearly every ward, increasing enrollment and an improved graduation rate. She said the system is successfully retaining excellent educators, helping those who need assistance, raising standards through new "common core" curricula and, as most know, rebuilding facilities.

While we don't approve of every move Chancellor Henderson has made during her tenure so far, we certainly agree that she's going in the right direction. And we're impressed with her vision, which she described in lofty terms in her speech, but also summarized in a succinct — and relatable — way: "I want the same thing for all kids in DCPS as I want for my kids."

Along with her educational accomplishments, the chancellor has provided crucial stability for a tumultuous program. She's already spent as many years in the post as the last five school system leaders did — and she seems poised to stay the course.

We do hope that as she moves forward with her five-year plan, Chancellor Henderson will focus her sights on both the students who are struggling the most and those who perform the best. It's crucial that D.C. Public Schools address the needs of all potential charges, particularly to retain parents. No longer should any families feel the need to leave their homes in the District because they want access to a top-flight public education.

A 'war' on words of war ...

By the Notebook's count, we seem to be replacing the "war on drugs" with the "war on cars" here in the District. Cars are being discouraged and decriminalized marijuana may become a reality. Planners hate the "war on cars" phraseology, but diminishing their presence is a goal.

Fortunately, we haven't had the "war on women" that infects politics in some states and in our national campaigns.

The "war on terror" continues unabated. But here at home, concern seems to be growing about the overreach of the National Security Agency and the militarization of our civilian police forces. The civilian police increasingly dress in military gear and carry weapons that rival battlefield armaments.

Of course, the chants of American "culture wars" change and continue, as they have since the 1920s and more radically since the 1960s. The "war on poverty" was prominent then, too.

Today, the tea party is waging its culture war, but not against Democrats. It's waging war on its own home in the Republican Party. Tuesday's elections in Virginia may have given us an idea of how the culture wars are playing out in that purple state.

The liberal left of the Democratic Party is aggressively pressing the income disparity in this country, but there is no popular "war on Wall Street" use yet. (Archconservative Lyndon LaRouche's political action committee is on it.) The Occupy Wall Street activists among others flashed "No War for Oil" signs, but it's not as catchy slogan as the "No Blood for Oil" chants that reverberated back in 2003 with the U.S. invasion of Iraq.

Your Notebook generally believes that "war" should be reserved for what it is, a horrific experience. Anyone who has been in war can tell you about it if there's any doubt in your mind what war really is.

■ **The Virginia results.** Unfortunately our deadline arrived before voting ended. Going into the final hours, it still appeared Democrats were looking for a sweep of all three statewide offices (governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general). We were wondering on Monday whether the despair over the Obamacare rollout was enough to drive angry citizens out to vote against the Democrats. It seemed to be the last best hope of the Republicans.

■ **Real concussions.** Forget hardball of the political

kind. A new poll shows Americans are becoming more aware of football concussions, and that could affect whether parents let their sons play.

"Historically, youth football has fueled the NFL," said Keith Strudler, director of the Marist College Center for Sports Communication. "Parents' concern about the safety of the game could jeopardize the future of the sport."

The HBO program "Real Sports" and the Marist poll conducted the new survey in late October, which showed that 86 percent of U.S. adults have heard about the concussion problems. One-third of those

polled said concerns over concussions would "make them less likely" to allow their sons to play. Long-term brain injury was the big concern. About 60 percent said concussions would make "no difference," but the trend line doesn't look too good for the sport.

■ **Legal age for cigarettes.** A grumpy cab driver nearly shouted at us on Monday when we were out with our NBC4 camera asking about a new D.C. Council effort to raise the legal age limit to buy cigarettes from 18 to 21, the same as for alcohol.

"The council has got to get over this nanny-state stuff," he grumbled. "Eighteen-year-olds should have that right." He said they have the right to vote, appear on juries, and serve in the armed forces. "They should have the right to smoke if they wish. It's a foolish habit, but they should have that right."

Ward 5 Council member Kenyon McDuffie was planning to propose the change during Tuesday's council session. The bill would be the subject of at least one public hearing before the council votes later this year or early next year.

At one convenience store in Ward 3, the shopkeeper hauled out a box full of fake identifications, more than a thousand. She said they're mostly used by underage drinkers, but many are also from teenagers trying to buy cigarettes. If the city bumps up the cigarette age to 21, she'll need a bigger storage box.

The move to make cigarettes more difficult to obtain comes as the council also is about to pass a law decriminalizing marijuana.

Alcohol, cigarettes, weed. We wonder whether D.C. officials will look next to replicate New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg's efforts to ban sodas over 16 ounces.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tipped D.C. workers deserve more pay

I was heartened to read *The Current's* Oct. 30 editorial in favor of the regional proposal to raise the minimum wage in D.C. and the surrounding Maryland counties to \$11.50 by 2016. This would be a major boost to the incomes of at least 10 percent of workers who live in D.C.

However, the proposal has room for improvement. The Ward 3 Democrats voted unanimously in October to endorse the regional proposal, but included a provision to reduce the current wage gap between tipped workers and other workers over a five-year period. Currently, tipped workers must be paid only a "sub-minimum" wage of \$2.77 per hour, an amount less than 27 states.

While restaurants are required

to ensure that workers make at least the minimum wage when tips are included, many witnesses testified at the D.C. Council's Oct. 28 hearing that the law is badly enforced, and indeed is unenforceable. The best solution — already in place in seven states — is to eliminate the sub-minimum wage and pay tipped workers the regular minimum wage.

Kesh Ladduwahetty
Forest Hills

Don't delay increase to minimum wage

I agree with the thrust of *The Current's* Oct. 30 editorial, "A united front," but I urge the D.C. Council to take into account that the cost of living varies among the District and Montgomery and Prince George's counties in Maryland. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has calculated the living wage required to support an adult with one child in D.C. to be \$1.29 higher than in the Maryland

counties. The minimum wage in Washington has been on average \$1 per hour higher than that in Maryland — in recognition of the higher cost of living — since at least 2000, and that difference has not dampened the District's economic growth. The District should remain \$1 per hour ahead of Montgomery and Prince George's counties to compensate for its cost of living.

If the District adheres to the schedule of minimum wage increases proposed by Montgomery County, D.C. minimum-wage workers will not see an increase until 2015, when their wage will go up by \$1.50. Aligning with the Prince George's schedule will provide an increase sooner — next July — but it will be only 50 cents per hour. D.C. minimum wage workers deserve a boost in compensation that will make a difference, and they cannot wait two or more years for it.

Andrea Rosen
Chevy Chase

Let's envision a 21st-century Tenleytown

VIEWPOINT

THOMAS HIER

Neighborhoods across D.C. are changing in ways not imaginable even a decade ago. New housing developments are popping up all over Logan Circle, Shaw, NoMa and other downtown areas; new restaurants open weekly; bike lanes, Car2Go and other new transit modes abound. We even have Union Market — D.C.'s aspiring answer to robust city markets like Reading Terminal in Philadelphia.

And then there's Tenleytown. Yes, there have been a few changes in recent times, including replacement of the neighborhood library and a new law school for American University on Tenley Circle. And a few more developments are on the books — e.g., Tenley View (on the Babes Billiards site) and potentially the redevelopment of the "secret Safeway" on Davenport as a mixed-used project. But let's face it — change in Tenleytown, and in many other parts of Ward 3, is slow and deliberative (not always a bad thing), but often also contentious and adversarial, pitting neighbors against developers, city agencies and each other.

Does it have to be this way? I and others involved in Ward 3 Vision, a grass-roots smart-growth group, think not. We imagine a world in which neighbors are proactive rather than reactive in shaping the future of Tenleytown and other Ward 3 neighborhoods. We envision opportunities for engagement — honest and lively discussion about our community with all viewpoints represented.

And, we are embarking on our first experiment in active neighborhood engagement by sponsoring a "Tenleytown Visioning Workshop" this coming Saturday, where interested citizens are invited to participate. There are no preconceived ideas about outcomes — no "right solutions" — only a chance for neighbors who

care about Tenleytown to come and express their views, hopes and dreams, discuss what works and does not work, what could be made better and what a growing and thriving 21st-century Tenley community could look like.

Tenleytown has much to offer, but it is arguably a study in contrasts. For example, with our significant educational resources (American University, public and private secondary schools, research organizations) and highly educated population, we are potentially the equivalent of a university town and yet we lack the excitement and energy of such a place. (Think Princeton or Berkeley, Harvard Square or just about any vibrant university "Main Street.") As another example, Tenley is rich in open spaces (Fort Reno, the "Deal Hill," Tenley Circle), but where are the great public parks? Where is the "town center" that brings the community together? These are the kinds of things we hope participants will discuss at the workshop.

We are excited about building on the rich resource base of Ward 3 to make Tenleytown an even better urban place — more walkable, sustainable and vibrant. Let's not wait for developers to propose the next project, or city agencies to shape our growth and change. Let us as neighbors and interested citizens take the lead in creating a shared vision, and let others react to our vision. D.C. at large is growing, and change is coming to Tenleytown. It's up to us to create change that works for all of us.

Ward 3 Vision's "Tenleytown Visioning Workshop" will be held on Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at American University's Nebraska Hall (on Nebraska Avenue adjacent to the Katzen Arts Center). Further information is available at ward3vision.org, as is a link for registration. Because of space constraints, pre-registration is requested.

Thomas Hier is chair of the Ward 3 Vision Steering Committee.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mayor Gray deserves appropriate credit

The Washington Post recently focused on Mayor Vincent Gray's strong leadership during the Navy Yard shootings and federal government shutdown. It is exactly those leadership qualities that motivated so many of us to vote for the mayor.

While I appreciate The Post noting that the mayor has an impressive record of achievement and continues to move the District forward in important areas such as voting rights, job creation, education, public safety and budget autonomy, I nonetheless find it misleading for The Post to also describe as "scandal-plagued" the same administration they just praised.

Yes, we now know there was illegal activity during the 2010 mayor election and, yes, some members of his campaign staff and a few long-since-gone administration appointees conducted themselves contrary to our beliefs in a democracy.

But since those early days there

has been a strong record of achievement without even a whiff of scandal by Mayor Gray's administration. The Current deserves credit for its substantive and unbiased coverage of Mayor Gray's administration. I appreciate its steady focus on the issues that really matter.

Meanwhile, I think the newsworthy story is how there is still no decision from the U.S. Attorney's Office on a legal resolution of pending issues of the 2010 election. It seems like our U.S. prosecutor, who does not even live in the District of Columbia, continues to keep the citizens of D.C. hostage to an unresolved ongoing investigation.

Aviva Kempner
Forest Hills

Lane's removal would foster grand avenue

Mr. Neal Gross' assertion in his Oct. 30 Viewpoint that the "safety" (?) service lane somehow makes the sidewalk on the east side of the 3400 block of Connecticut Avenue safer for pedestrians is ludicrous. He admits that wheelchairs, strollers, shopping carts, baby carriages and pedestrian traffic are unable to manipulate in the current configuration. His solution: "Step into the

street!" We should tell our children, "Just step into the traffic, it is very slow."

The idea that the HAWK light in the middle of the block was provided for the rushing hordes of people escaping the "desolate" west side of Connecticut Avenue to the fun-filled service lane is difficult to fathom.

As far as personal convenience, I suggest that Mr. Gross patronize the new Costco with its more than adequate parking. Sales taxes would still confer to the District.

The "essence of Cleveland Park" is a service road? As I recall, the service road did not exist until the 1950s and was promoted by a local newspaper at the time to accommodate a "car culture." Cities grow and move on to differing needs. Forward-looking cities all over the world are trying to lessen the impact of automobile dependency.

Connecticut Avenue was designed to be a "special, unique and convenient place" to stroll, to sit on a bench and to enjoy people and place, similar to the grand boulevards of other world cities. Let's return to a grand avenue that we can all share and enjoy.

Roger Hart
Cleveland Park

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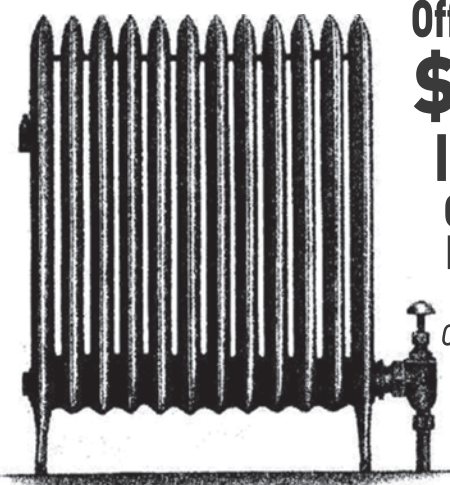
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Neighborhood needs to work with Safeway

I have lived in the Palisades for more than 20 years. When I moved here, I liked that the Palisades was truly a neighborhood, a diverse community where people knew their neighbors and felt safe. Also important was the area's conveniences. Close by was Safeway, a movie theater and a few nice restaurants, and we had a short commute downtown.

The neighborhood hasn't changed much. We are more, not less, homogeneous. Recent development consists of super-expensive homes. There are a few more commercial establishments, including restaurants, but to a large degree it is as if time has passed the Palisades by. It is time to encourage forward-looking development that does not compromise the basic character of the community.

I support the redevelopment of the MacArthur Boulevard Safeway. The developer has been open and engaged with the community. Company officials have reached out for comments, and I encourage my neighbors to help the developer get the project right. We need the new blood, but we do not want unintended negative consequences. Our involvement will ensure the development meets the needs of those of us who call the Palisades home.

Vance Fort
The Palisades

Area residents should avoid lawn pesticides

In the fall, people stop using pesticides. In the summer, people all over Northwest D.C. use pesticides searching for the perfect lawn. When I walk down the street and see a "perfect" yard, I know it did not happen naturally. People put pesticides on the grass. Is that really necessary? Can't yards have flowers and weeds?

Pesticides are poisons that kill all the weeds and flowers such as dandelions and buttercups. These chemicals are toxic to humans and animals. So many yards have little yellow warning signs stuck into the ground. Those warning signs tell you that the yard has poison on it and warn people and their animals to stay off. These poisons can wash into the sewers, and the sewers lead to the Chesapeake Bay. Pesticides in the water can kill fish. According to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, fish such as small-mouth bass are very sensitive to these poisons and are experiencing problems such as skin discoloration and diseases. Wild animals such as squirrels and birds might eat bugs or seeds off the grass and die from the poisons. Also, bees (especially honeybees) die from these pesticides. Bees are very important because they pollinate flowers and other plants. Pesticides can hurt us all.

According to the Natural Resources Defense Council, pesticides can cause cancers and deaths in dogs, cats and other animals. According to the University of Massachusetts Amherst School of Public Health, dogs have a 70 percent higher chance of getting cancer when their homeowners use pesticides. Pesticides are especially dangerous for kids. When walking around my neighborhood, I have seen warning tags in front of schools and day care centers. I have also seen many of the yellow warning signs on houses that have kids and dogs. Why don't the owners of those homes read the warning signs on their yards?

There are alternatives to having poison on your lawns. You could use a company that doesn't use poisons, or just let the grass have pretty little flowers and weeds. I think it's time to talk with your family and discuss why this is such a harmful thing for the environment.

Jake Liebman
Student, Sheridan School

Faulty climate claims shouldn't drive rates

Larry Martin, a member of the Sierra Club's D.C. chapter, complains that Pepco's proposed rate increase of \$41 million will bump distribution charges on our bills by about 20 percent. [Viewpoint, Oct. 23]. He then goes on to propose that Pepco should not receive any rate increase "until the utility demonstrates that its investments will help us shift away from fossil fuels (and carbon dioxide emissions)" for the purpose of "reducing global warming." Mr. Martin does not tell us what a major move away from fossil fuels would cost, but I can assure everyone that it would be many multiples of 20 percent. As President Barack Obama famously said, a switch away from fossil fuels would cause our electric bills to "skyrocket."

More importantly, no scientific basis exists for the theory that man-made carbon dioxide either has or will increase the temperature of the earth's atmosphere, notwithstanding the political — not scientific — conclusions of the International Panel on Climate Change.

The so-called science relied upon by the panel and other global warming true believers is nothing more than a group of 20 or so computer models constructed, programmed and operated by a small group of academics mainly in the U.S. and Great Britain. A government review, published in the U.S. Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment, Product 3.1, July 2008, revealed many deficiencies in the predictive capabilities of these models, including the uncertainty in the rate of heat uptake by the oceans, problematic simulation of precipitation, and the inability of the models to simulate clouds. These deficiencies render the predictions of these models worthless.

Moreover, hundreds of prominent scientists have written books

and papers challenging the notion that man-made carbon dioxide has any effect on atmospheric temperature, and more than 30,000 scientists have signed the following petition (available at petitionproject.org): "There is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other greenhouse gases is causing or will, in the foreseeable future, cause catastrophic heating of the Earth's atmosphere and disruption of the Earth's climate."

Therefore, I submit that we D.C. ratepayers should firmly reject Mr. Martin's suggestion that we commit financial hari-kari by moving away from our low-cost fossil fuels.

Don W. Crockett
Georgetown

Commissioner served neighborhood well

Janet Myers, the chair of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4C, passed away this week, struck by a sudden illness. The loss is devastating. While on the commission, Janet maintained a strong and savvy focus on education issues, youth development, employment and quality-of-life matters.

Janet began serving on the commission in January 2008 as the commissioner from single-member district 4C02 in 16th Street Heights and Petworth. I first met her before she took office, when I served as commission chair and canvassed her neighborhood to find out what residents thought about a large development planned for Georgia Avenue and Hamilton Street. (The project was never built due to the economic downtown.)

Over the years, I watched Janet grow as a commissioner and community leader, the latter a role to which she was accustomed well before she was elected as a commissioner. Once we are in office, the first instinct for a lot of us is to look out perhaps solely for one's own single-member district. Ideally, one learns with time to see the interconnectivity of issues and the broader impact of commission votes on a whole neighborhood or set of neighborhoods. From the start, Janet Myers saw the larger picture.

In my last conversation with her a few weeks ago, she told me of plans to start a nonprofit to address youth issues including violence and asked me if I would consider serving on the nonprofit's board of directors. How flattering that she asked. I told her I would be honored to do so, and I became genuinely excited at the prospect. Janet's plans sounded like an inspiring next step in her own development and commitment to our communities. That final conversation is one I will treasure.

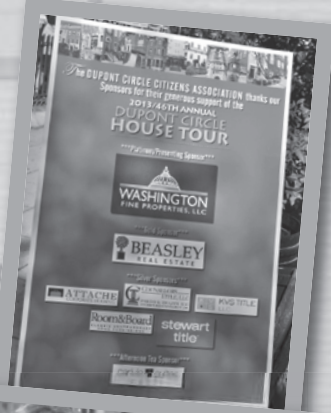
My thoughts and prayers are with her family. Janet's absence will be highly conspicuous for a long time to come. She will be dearly missed by so many of us.

Joseph Martin
Petworth

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Future of service lane still open for debate

By GRAHAM VYSE
Current Staff Writer

The D.C. Department of Transportation is continuing to study whether to remove Connecticut Avenue's service lane in Cleveland Park, and plans to present options at a community meeting tonight.

Some residents believed the divisive issue had been settled on Monday, when Fox 5 television reporter Beth Parker posted on Twitter that the Transportation Department had backed off from the possibility of closing the lane.

But agency spokesperson Reggie Sanders told The Current yesterday that he had given Parker "inaccu-

rate" information and that the department has not made any decision.

The service lane provides about two dozen parking spaces for stores and restaurants on the east side of Connecticut Avenue.

The lane's supporters, including most of the Cleveland Park business community, says convenient parking is essential to the commercial strip's vitality. But critics say a new alternative — such as a wide, inviting, pedestrian-friendly sidewalk — would improve safety, aesthetics and even commerce.

Parker's Twitter feed said "vocal feedback" from businesses had prompted the Transportation Department's choice to preserve the lane.

Sanders confirmed to The Current that he had given her this information: "Yeah, I did, and it was inaccurate."

In a separate interview, agency spokesperson Monica Hernandez said, "We are not done finalizing our plans," adding that officials "are at a stage where we're still collecting public input."

Tonight's meeting will address the service lane as part of a broader streetscape project that will devote \$1.5 million toward improvements in Cleveland Park.

The "open house format" event will be held from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at the Cleveland Park Library, 3310 Connecticut Ave.

D.C. picks Hines for Walter Reed project

By KATIE PEARCE
Current Staff Writer

The newly chosen "master developer" for Walter Reed envisions a series of neighborhoods in parklike settings, mixed in with a science center, an arts district, a senior village and retail focused on Georgia Avenue.

The winning team, Hines-Urban Atlantic-Triden, is also proposing interim uses to activate the vacant Army medical center campus — like art shows and festivals — as early as next year. For the total project, the team has publicized a 10-year time frame.

The city yesterday announced the selection of the "Parks at Walter Reed" proposal from the Hines group, one of three development teams that had vied for the long-term lease to the District's 67.5 acres of the campus.

In an interview with The Current, Victor Hoskins, the D.C. deputy mayor for planning and economic development, said the Hines proposal was "the best economic deal" for the city and the Army.

Of the three proposals, the one from Hines also included the largest amount of affordable housing, said Hoskins. He said the project will include 318 affordable units and 73 reserved for seniors, out of a planned 2,097 residential units.

The team's website, at walterreedtomorrow.com, says the redevelopment will generate more than 4,500 construction jobs, 1,600 permanent jobs, and \$37 million in annual revenues for the city.

The development team has laid out two potential pathways for a retail anchor in the site: either a large store like Wegmans or Target, or a medium-sized grocery like Whole Foods or Trader Joe's.

Wegmans — the most coveted retail prospect in community discussions — had been formally attached with a competing proposal from the Roadside Development team. In a statement yesterday, the company said it was "disappointed" in the District's decision, adding, "We will take some time to consider our next steps, if any."

Hines, based in Houston, is currently wrapping up development of the massive CityCenterDC project on the old convention center site downtown. In the interview, Hoskins cited the firm's ability to recruit Middle Eastern financing for CityCenter as proof of its financial capabilities.

Bethesda-based Urban Atlantic has worked in D.C. on the Rhode Island Row project and redevelopment of a public housing complex in Capitol Riverfront. Weingarten Realty will manage the retail component — an anticipated 250,000 square feet — of the Walter Reed project.

Officials with the D.C. development office also said in an email that the Community Strategies Lab, based at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will be working with the project team "to provide outreach and foster support to local and new businesses."

The Hines vision also edged out proposals from Forest City Washington as well as Roadside. Both advisory



Rendering courtesy of Hines-Urban Atlantic-Triden
"The Parks at Walter Reed" plan envisions a mix of housing, retail, parks and institutions. Hines' plan includes creation of a distinctive arts district.

neighborhood commissions in the area surrounding Walter Reed had voted in favor of Hines.

Stephen Whatley of the Brightwood/Shepherd Park commission said in an interview that "all three were good, and we had to select one." In a detailed scorecard he developed to rank the proposals, Hines came out on top by "an extremely close margin," he said.

The Takoma/Brightwood Park commission was more split between Hines and Forest City. Commission chair Sara Green said for her personally, the deal-breaker with Forest City was its original proposal to "basically obliterate" the campus's Rose Garden — going against the community's stated wishes.

"There's a lot of trust involved in this," Green said. "This is a marriage where no divorce is really possible."

Both commissioners were enthusiastic about Hines' plans to vitalize the vacant campus in years before construction can begin. "Folks have already emailed me, asking, 'When do we get to start planning that?'" Whatley said.

"I think a lot of people in the community are looking for ways to energize the site immediately," said Green. "It can only help the businesses on Georgia Avenue."

The project website describes ideas for "an international Art-o-matic," pop-up retail, a weekend market, and wine and food festivals.

According to economic development officials, these types of uses could occur on the campus only after the federal government officially transfers the site to the District.

Several steps must occur before that happens. The city's next step with Hines is to negotiate an "exclusive rights agreement" for the Walter Reed lease. Hoskins said the city must also negotiate with the U.S. Army on the financial details of the land turnover. That transfer also requires approvals from the D.C. Council.

Current staff contributed to this report.

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Executive Director's Message

John M. Thompson, Ph.D., FAAMA, D.C. Office on Aging

In this month's edition of the **Spotlight on Community Living**, I would like to discuss seniors and food in Washington, DC. According to the American Community Survey 2011 estimates, there were nearly 70,000 seniors age 65 years and older who headed households in the Washington Metropolitan Region with incomes under \$30,000 annually. Many of these seniors are living with chronic diseases and are struggling to pay for medical care, mortgage or rent, utility payments, food, transportation, and entertainment. Consequently, low income seniors constantly face competing budget priorities and are at risk of hunger, which is a problem as hunger can increase seniors' vulnerability to disease and impair their functionality. Unfortunately, seniors with poor health are at greater risks of hospitalizations and nursing home placements, which average \$110,000 annually. This is a cost that most cannot afford and, ultimately, becomes the state government's responsibility to pay through its depleting Medicaid budget.

The District of Columbia Government's Effort to Combat Senior Hunger

Vincent C. Gray, Mayor of Washington, D.C. and I are strong proponents of seniors living in their communities as the first option and to accomplish this goal, seniors must have access to one of the basic necessities of life - food. The District has been working tirelessly in tackling senior hunger in the District. In October 2012, Mayor Gray released his 5-year New Community Living Strategic Plan, which includes as the third goal, "All seniors will have access to nutritious meals,

physical and recreational activities, and be financially prepared for retirement and their long-term care needs."

To accomplish this strategic goal, the Mayor has increased the food budget by 111% in the last two budget cycles. The increased funding allows DCOA to continuously assess and open additional congregate meal sites that are inviting to seniors. For example, senior apartment buildings or other dwellings that are occupied by a large number of seniors make ideal locations logistically as seniors do not have to travel far for a nutritious meal. Moreover, it is an opportunity for some of them to get to know their neighbors as they engage in socialization and recreational activities beyond enjoying their meals.

The increased food budget has also enabled DCOA to serve every senior who was previously on a waiting list for the homebound meal program. This is a huge success for the District as hundreds of homebound seniors were waiting months for these meals. Moreover, the increased food budget enables DCOA to hire more dietitians and nutrition personnel to assess additional homebound seniors for enrollment into the program. This proactive approach will ensure that no homebound senior goes without a meal.

Beyond tackling senior hunger through the congregate meal and the homebound meal programs, DCOA is in its second year of administering the Commodity Supplemental Food Program and the Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, two programs that were acquired from its sister agency, the Department of

Health. The rationale of bringing these two programs to DCOA was to increase seniors' access to multiple nutrition programs. Thus, seniors are able to enjoy nutritious meals at a congregate meal site or at home and still take advantage of the commodity food program if they qualify based on their income.

Tackling Senior Hunger by Increasing the Food Supply

The aforementioned food programs are effective ways to ensure that seniors are getting a hot meal daily; however, it is not the panacea for ending senior hunger. Thus, DCOA is expanding the food supply in the District by creating vegetable gardens. In partnership with Simon Elementary City Year Team, DCOA established an intergenerational garden at one of its senior wellness centers. The purpose of this garden is meaningful in a number of ways. First, seniors are engaging with the younger generation, which promotes positive socialization for the multiple age groups. Second, seniors who

are gardening are being physically active. Third, seniors have an opportunity to grow produce that can be consumed, which is a success, especially for those seniors who live in food deserts or areas where fresh produce is not readily accessible. DCOA looks forward to establishing more of these gardens across the District so that seniors can take advantage of the resources.

An Age-Friendly DC without Senior Hunger

Under Mayor Gray's leadership, the District began the five-year journey in October 2012 when the Mayor unveiled his New Community Living strategic plan. An age-friendly city is an inclusive and accessible environment that encourages active and healthy living for all residents by making improvements focused on eight domains of city life affecting the health and well-being of older people. These domains include: outdoor spaces and

buildings, transportation, housing, social participation, respect and social inclusion, civic participation and employment, communication and information, and community support and health services. The District has taken the liberty to include two additional domains as they greatly impact the well-being of seniors: elder abuse, neglect and exploitation and emergency preparedness and resilience.

In an age-friendly city, seniors should not experience senior hunger. To combat senior hunger, DCOA is taking a multipronged approach that addresses the age-friendly city domains. The basis for this work is a focus on economic security. That is, the District of Columbia government and its community-based partners must enhance programs and services that enable seniors to preserve their dollars that could be used to purchase groceries and pay other bills. For example, the District is in the midst of overhauling senior transportation services for seniors, which means greater options for traveling the District. Traditionally, the District's senior transportation primarily served seniors going to life sustaining medical appointments such as chemotherapy and dialysis or to the doctor's office. In this new approach, seniors will be given the flexibility to travel free of charge for the purpose of grocery shopping, recreational activities, and

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SOCIAL SECURITY ANNOUNCES 1.5% BENEFIT INCREASE FOR 2014

Monthly Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for nearly 63 million Americans will increase 1.5 percent in 2014, the Social Security Administration announced today. The 1.5 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits that more than 57 million Social Security beneficiaries receive in January 2014. Increased payments to more than 8 million SSI beneficiaries will begin on December 31, 2013.

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MAYOR GRAY SWEARS IN MEMBERS OF THE AGE-FRIENDLY DC TASK FORCE, SAYING D.C. SHOULD SUPPORT RESIDENTS AT ALL STAGES OF LIFE

Mayor Vincent C. Gray recently swore in the members of the District's new Age-Friendly DC Task Force, which will develop a strategic plan incorpo-

rating resident-driven recommendations to improve security, increase independence, boost health outcomes, and enable more purposeful living for older adults in the District by 2017.

In September, the Mayor appointed George Washington University President Steven Knapp and

Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services Beatriz "BB" Otero to co-chair the Task Force. The other task force members include DCOA Executive Director John M. Thompson, Ph.D., FAAMA, D.C. Commission on Aging Chairperson Romaine Thomas and other members from the government, community partners and members of the business community.

The D.C. Office on Aging (DCOA) has been gathering input from older residents for a year. Community consultations will continue

through the fall, involving District residents in group discussions about the city they envision. In early 2014, the Age-Friendly DC Task Force will consider the feedback they've received and make recommendations to the Mayor about the work that the District's private and public sectors need to undertake to transform the city. The plan will build on the many improvements the District has made to a number of aspects of community life to ensure that they are friendlier to aging residents. ~



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE (cont'd)

much more. Increasing transportation options for seniors means more money in their pockets to cover other expenses. In another example, we continue to advocate that employers who hire seniors offer health and other benefits. It is not sufficient to only give seniors an income, but to also offer the benefits to them that minimize out-of-pocket health and prescription drug expenses, which also means more money for food.

Narrowing the Gap Between the Elder Economic Security Standard and Seniors' Annual Income

Through collaboration with Wider Opportunities for Women (WOW), DCOA has begun its journey of increasing the public's awareness about the importance of planning ahead. WOW is a national organization aimed at building pathways to

economic security and equality of opportunity for women, families, and elders. WOW produces a wide range of policy and economic security-related research that are used for advocacy and public awareness campaigns. Of WOW's many useful research products, I am very amazed by the Elder Economic Security Standard Index or Elder Index data and tables. Based on the Elder Index, the annual economic security standard index for single renters in DC is \$30,012. This figure represents the amount of money that a senior renter would need to make ends meet living in the District of Columbia, taking into consideration only the bare essentials for survival. The index considers rent payments, food, transportation, healthcare services, and miscellaneous items. The index does not take into account money for vacations or for dining out.

It is interesting to note that the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) is \$11,490 which is \$18,522 less than the elder economic security standard. Based on this analysis, we can see how seniors struggle between making difficult decisions in paying for prescription drugs, doctors' visits, food, rent, utilities, and other expenses. The average Elder Median Income in Retirement for seniors residing in DC is \$16,544,

which is a little higher than the FPL, but \$13,468 short of the elder economic security standard. Consequently, such income deficit adversely impacts a senior's quality of life.

DCOA will use the data for planning and budgeting purposes. For example, two programs that are in great demand are the food and transportation programs. According to the WOW's Elder Economic Security Standard Index data, food and transportation make up about 24% of a senior's monthly budget. Thus, continued investments in food programs and offering affordable and free transportation to help seniors get around town will help to narrow the gap between the economic security standard index and the senior's actual median income.

One approach to offering free transportation service beyond DCOA's financed transportation is by establishing TimeBank programs throughout the District of Columbia. I recently had the pleasure of meeting Professor Edgar Cahn, who founded the timebank concept in 1980. According to Cahn, "timebanking is a reciprocal service exchange that uses units of time as currency." For example, if an individual contributes one hour of his time in fixing someone's computer than he earns onetime credit that may be used to redeem a reward. Today, timebanking is in 32 nations and 44 states and have proven to be an effective approach of providing incentives and rewards for volunteers and clients willing to contribute collectively or individually to improving their communities.

Through a new collaboration with Professor Cahn, DCOA will work with its community-based providers and senior villages in establishing the timebank system in the District of Columbia. The benefits of this program are endless as some seniors lack companionship, transportation, food, and other necessities that many other citizens take for granted. Through timebanking, many people have an opportunity to contribute their time to visit seniors, cook them a hot meal, take them to the grocery, and much more. In return, seniors can also give of their time in the program. For example, through DCOA and DC Public Schools' Intergenerational Program, where seniors work with 3 and 4-year old students during reading, lunch, snack, and recess time, seniors could earn timebanking hours for their service. Seniors would be able to cash in their hours for services that they need at a later time. The timebanking program helps build communities which would be advantageous in age-friendly Washington, DC.

The discussion in the aforementioned sections provided you with an overview of the District of Columbia Government's effort to effectively address senior hunger in its jurisdiction. However, it will take a commitment from many stakeholders, both private and public, who have the supply to meet the seniors' demands for food. I trust that in the short years to come, we will observe a noticeable impact in our endeavor to end senior hunger in the District of Columbia. ~

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CHINATOWN: Proposal rejected

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"After this project, I don't think Chinatown is even going to be here."

The board voted unanimously to reject the project concept because of the demolition required and because some members said it would be an out-of-scale development on the predominantly low-rise block.

Monument senior vice president Kirk Salpini said later that the firm will evaluate the design to see if it can address some of the board's objections. But, he wrote in an email, "the economic realities of a competitive office market suggest the building's footprint is essentially fixed above grade." The firm will also be meeting further with Chinatown residents "to ensure, to the extent possible, that ... community needs have been incorporated into our project."

But Salpini also defended the plans, saying they are "consistent with current zoning ... and will deliver a density boost near one of the busiest Metro stations in the District, while preserving Chinese businesses in Chinatown." He said the firm also plans to appeal to the Mayor's Agent for Historic Preservation, who could overrule the preservation board.

Monument's proposal, as presented last Thursday, would be "a contemporary expression of Chinese culture," architect Robert Holzbach said. The glassy office building will evoke "Chinese lanterns, stacked in space," with a rich Chinese red "in subtle doses," and heavily ornamented ceilings — "modern China looking forward, but not forgetting the past," he said.

As for the hutong, he said it will bring life to a "little-used alley" now filled with Dumpsters. There will be "lights, outdoor seating, events, vendor carts," and two-story retail spaces — some occupied by Chinese restaurants and an Asian market. A one-story auto shop will be turned into a restaurant with roof seating. The architect said there will be "lots of activity, signage, banners."

Salpini noted that recent development in the area has "done nothing to nourish Chinese businesses." He said upscale stores and modern space for the Chinese restaurants will attract more patrons — and more dollars — to the block. "We plan to build on the reputation of Chinatown and Gallery Place to create a retail destination that rivals Georgetown."

But the extent of demolition — four 19th- or early-20th-century buildings on H Street, one on I, and the backs of several buildings lining the alley — was clearly a sticking point. The structures don't have landmark protections, but they are part of a proposed expansion of the downtown historic district, which has met stiff opposition from some of the same property owners who support the Monument plan.

Staff reviewer Steve Callcott said the loss would "diminish the historically authentic, organic and evolu-

tionary quality of Chinatown." He also found the glassy office tower "fundamentally incompatible ... in height, massing, scale, proportions and materials." And he called its design "jarring, discordant, and inharmonious" on the small-scale

"This is a project we'll be very proud of."

— Chinatown resident Linda Lee

block of what were once residential buildings.

More poignant was the testimony of residents, and past residents, of shrinking Chinatown.

"We have gone through good times, bad times and in between, including riots," said Linda Lee, who said she's lived in the neighborhood since 1948. "This is a project we'll be very proud of. Fifty years from now, my grandchild will come through and say, 'Yes, my grandfather used to be there.'"

"More and more people are leaving. I believe this will help Chinatown ... get bigger and draw more business," testified a former resident.

But for Liu, an architect and urban planner who helped design the "Friendship Archway" that defines the west end of the block, Monument's proposal is "an insult. How many people think this 'lantern' is turning Chinatown into a joke, an interpretation by a Western architect to say, 'This is your culture. This is your design,'" he testified. Liu seemed close to tears as he told the board, "Right now we have all these people with money destroying Chinatown."

Another resident charged that some project supporters have a conflict of interest. "They're selling their land to the developer," she said.

The advisory neighborhood commission that covers Chinatown voted 2-0, with one abstention, to support the plan. "This has been divisive," said commissioner John Timpe. "One concern is the change of restaurants to one huge building, and that the alley will become private space."

Then it was up to the preservation board, and member Graham Davidson took the long view.

"It's very interesting to compare this with what is happening in China," he said. "Hutongs are being demolished and replaced with tall glass buildings ... that bear no relationship, so the character of these neighborhoods disappear. Now there's an effort to reconstruct them, but the businesses that go in are souvenir shops, or Prada and other high-end retail. We should retain as much of existing fabric as we can, rather than destroying a large part of the neighborhood and rebuilding it with something from somewhere else."

Then he offered a practical observation: "If the buildings are leased to people and rents are too high, the people will move out, and Chinatown will continue to disappear."

ST. LUKE'S: 140-year-old church installs rector

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on Massenburg's success thus far in recruiting young members and offering them spiritual guidance.

"This is the perfect opportunity for you as the church body ... to reach out across the bridge ... to ensure that St. Luke's and its historic power continues to not just exist as a face of Sunday worship, but that it continues to exist for the purpose of ensuring a solid, stable, spiritually driven tomorrow," Suber said. "And that tomorrow looks like young men and young women."

Massenburg, in fact, has recent experience in youth-oriented work. Before he moved to D.C., he served as assistant rector at St. Paul & The Redeemer Episcopal Church in Chicago's South Side. He also organized his Omega Psi Phi fraternity brothers from DePaul University to work with disadvantaged African-American boys, a successful ministry featured in the 2010 documentary called "The Joshua Movement."

Massenburg has a unique background for a church leader. In addition to his master's in divinity, he has a doctorate in urban planning, a master's of business administration and a bachelor's degree in economics. After working as an assistant rector and professor, Massenburg wanted to lead a congregation. He was always interested in helping

disadvantaged youth and eliminating poverty and violence, and he sees the church as a way to accomplish those goals.

"I came in the ministry interested in these social justice issues," Massenburg said in an interview. "As a social scientist, we study the phenomenon in depth. We do it over and over again. We may come up with policy solutions, but the ministry" is focused on grass-roots activities and helping people, he said.

St. Luke's was attractive to Massenburg because of its renowned place in African-American history. Organized by the Rev. Alexander Crummel in 1873, the original congregation was part of the St. Mary's Episcopal Mission in D.C. Crummel's congregation grew, prompting the leading abolitionist, priest and professor to establish an independent church, according to the St. Luke's website. Built by Calvin T.S. Brent, considered D.C.'s first black architect, the church at 1514 15th St. was completed in 1880.

Massenburg said St. Luke's was also appealing to him because his wife, Yvonne, is from D.C. and wanted to move their family, including two sons, back to the city.

Though Massenburg had not led a church of his own before, the vestry and wardens of St. Luke's — church leaders who operate similarly to a board of directors — saw value in his background in business

management and public policy. They thought his experiences would also help him understand how to run a church in a neighborhood and city that are rapidly changing in demographics and size.

"When I talked to him, I had a really good feeling," said Atron Rowe, St. Luke's treasurer and part of the hiring committee.

During his trial period as the priest in charge, Massenburg boosted average Sunday service attendance by 30 percent, said Paula Singleton, the church's junior warden. She also said he has increased neighborhood outreach, revamped the Sunday school program and started a children's choir.

"He wanted to be [at St. Luke's], which gives him a certain amount with energy," said Singleton. "If you feel like this is a place where you belong, you feel excited and energetic."

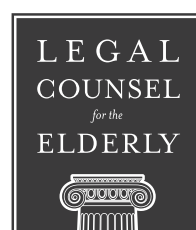
Massenburg said he was amazed that he would be running his own parish. "I couldn't believe I was going to be hired at a church like St. Luke's," he said.

Along with the other changes he's instituted, he said he plans to launch a four-part jazz music series starting Nov. 30.

"My goal is to make it unchurch," he said. "Stuff will happen. You will feel the heaviness with the church but be entertained and [spiritually] fulfilled."



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TEACHERS: Educators honored at Kennedy Center

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ing Ovation" stage Monday, including "second lady" of the United States Jill Biden, former Secretary of State Colin Powell, fashion consultant Tim Gunn and Washington Redskins player Josh Morgan. Most presenters told personal stories about teachers who had changed their

lives.

"Without what you are doing, America has no future," said Powell, who received an actual standing ovation when he appeared on stage.

Powell introduced Coolidge's Richards, who gave remarks that mirrored those of her fellow winners. Expressing gratitude as well as modesty, Richards said her experi-

ence teaching 12th grade showed her the end results of a school system that carries students through childhood and adolescence.

"I get to see what happens as a child is molded by a village of people," she said. "I would like to accept this award for all the people who know it takes a village to raise a child."

CAMPAIGNS: Council OKs bill

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Wells' proposals down, saying they would jeopardize support for his "balanced" bill. Council Chairman Phil Mendelson said the rigid bans would simply "drive contributions underground," where they would not be reported or regulated at all.

Wells' proposals failed, with the

Ward 6 member — and mayoral candidate — offering the only "yes" vote. McDuffie's bill passed, unanimously, by voice vote. The bill will require a second vote, probably in early December. The measure would be effective no earlier than January 2015 so that it won't impact the current campaign season, McDuffie said.

POOLS: Agency director vows to address problematic operations at D.C. swimming pools

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On these issues, the Department of General Services works with the Department of Parks and Recreation, which oversees the city's eight indoor and 19 outdoor pools.

In Tenleytown, intermittent maintenance and operational issues have annoyed swimmers at the big, and very popular, pool adjacent to Wilson High School since the \$35 million facility opened in 2009. Cheh was especially troubled by a failure of the HVAC system, which forced a weeklong closure during a serious heat spell this summer — an incident that spurred her committee to investigate.

But Hanlon, whose department was created two years ago to bring most construction and maintenance work into a single agency, repeated previous explanations for the HVAC failure.

"During the unprecedented heat wave this summer, many building systems became overtaxed," he said. Problems at Wilson were exacerbated because the pool is so popular — straining the cooling system — and because replacement parts were not readily available.

"Systems, like bodies, need time to rest," he said. "Other facilities were strained, too. But at Wilson, there was no indication of parts failure until it opened."

Still, Hanlon said he's proud of the various schools and other facilities constructed under his watch, and "equally committed to maintaining them to the standards they were built." He said his department now has a consolidated system — "Smart DGS" — for reporting and tracking work orders and maintenance contracts for all of the pools.

Sharia Shanklin, interim director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, said pool staff are trained to do daily inspection of chemical, filtration and other systems, reporting problems in twice-daily logs that go to the General Services Department, then to the contractors. According to Hanlon, this system allows "more integration. It's a daily conversation."

Cheh and several witnesses ticked off other issues at the Wilson pool.

Kent Slowinski, an advisory neighborhood commissioner in Wesley Heights and frequent

user of the aquatic center, said pool logs on chlorine levels appear to have been "doctored," and signs are not properly posted when levels were too high.

"I can provide you with a bathing suit," he told Cheh. "It was black when I went into the hydrotherapy pool, beige when I came out."

Hanlon said routine maintenance closures will keep the chemical dispensers working better.

Others have complained that there's inadequate water pressure to use the showers at Wilson, particularly at peak usage times.

"We're still investigating," Hanlon replied. He said Wilson, the most heavily used pool in the city, sees up to 1,000 patrons every day, straining the system. He's also investigating whether water pressure is a neighborhood problem by consulting with the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority.

Particularly intractable has been the problem of thefts from lockers at Wilson and some other indoor pools.

Slowinski told of thieves taking hammers to unattended lockers. "If you hit with a ham-

mer, the locks pop open. It's essentially Ikea-grade." The thieves remove wallets, take a few credit cards out, and return the wallets, so victims don't realize they've been robbed until they leave the pool — and some security cameras at pool entrance/exits are not working, he said.

"We strive to install durable hardware," Hanlon responded. "But if someone takes a hammer to it, it doesn't matter if you got it from Ikea or Restoration Hardware, something bad's gonna happen."

He also noted that, "as we implemented more roving checks, it simply moves the problem. There was more theft at Takoma [Aquatic Center]. When we shut that down, it moved to Wilson."

Other witnesses complained of brand-new pools at public schools — like at the rebuilt Dunbar High School — where neighbors are still not allowed access as promised. Hanlon said schools don't want to give up swim time for teams and other students, but he said officials are working out memorandums of understanding to establish public hours.

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A LOOK AT THE MARKET IN NORTHWEST WASHINGTON

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Updated bungalow in Chevy Chase flashes modern style

What happens when a small 1920s bungalow gets a major facelift? In the case of 6021 Western Ave., it

ON THE MARKET KAT LUCERO

becomes a spacious four-story dwelling with a seamless open floor plan and light-filled spaces.

This six-bedroom, four-and-half bath property in Chevy Chase is on the market for \$1,795,000.

In transforming the modest property, builder Martin Ditto enlisted a team of design experts to create a contemporary-style home. He installed sophisticated electronic goodies such as a custom-made home audio system and recessed lighting throughout the house.

He also reconfigured a good chunk of the main floor to create an easy flow among the living room, kitchen, dining and great room.

Under the direction of interior designer Vivian Braunohler, Ditto turned a side porch into a large, sun-lit kitchen — perhaps the most impressive feature of the house. He wanted a sophisticated yet serene ambiance for this room. So he went with an all-white motif for the

backsplash, marble counters and custom cabinetry from Walkers Creek Cabinet Works.

To allow more natural light into this room, he created an expansive window facing the street and a 70-inch skylights right above the Greek-marble-clad island. To create a luminous experience at night, Ditto added indirect lights that shine up toward the ceiling.

Much of the kitchen's sophistication also comes from the high-end appliances — a Liebherr fridge with two freezer doors, a Viking pro range stove with a Broan 36 hood, a fully integrated Bosch dishwasher and a Sharp built-in microwave drawer.

Complementing these features are the dark wood island and 4-inch white-oak hardwood flooring that runs throughout much of the house.

South of the kitchen is a wide great/family room, a window-filled area that looks over the porch and spacious backyard. Two sets of doors open to this outdoor fenced area. Designed by local landscape architect Lila Fendrick, it's a simple space, focused on the mature oak trees that guard the back.

Beyond a wooden fence is a parking pad that can fit four cars. Future homeowners could also



build a garage there.

Rounding out the first floor are a powder room and a small built-in office tucked behind two doors, perfect for the busy parent who needs to keep the household in line.

Instead of following a previous renovation plan for the house, which included expanding toward the back, Ditto opted for building up. So he added a new top level with skylights pouring light onto the landings and spruced up the second floor, which includes three of the home's six bedrooms.

The master suite currently offers picturesque views of fall's multicolored treetops. It also has a large bathroom that features a marble vanity top, custom cabinetry with

double sinks and a thermostatic shower system.

A shared full bath is in the second-floor hallway, which also offers a washer and dryer. Directly across from the laundry storage is a linen closet that will be built out to the new homeowners' specs, according to Realtor Linda McCaffrey.

The top floor features two carpeted bedrooms that are currently staged as a children's area. A third bathroom is also located up here.

Another carpeted space is the basement, which houses the sixth bedroom and the fourth full bath. It also includes a large recreation

room that opens to the yard. Storage space abounds in this area — under the insulated front porch and in the small original garage that's next to the mudroom.

Although the property underwent an extreme makeover, Ditto and his team left some original parts intact, including the front porch and living room.

This six-bedroom, four-and-half bath property at 6021 Western Ave. in Chevy Chase is listed for \$1,795,000. For more information, contact Laura McCaffrey of Evers & Co. Real Estate at 301-641-4456 or lauramccaffrey@mac.com



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KENNEDY: Georgetown retains grandeur 50 years after JFK's death

From Page 1

The sour end to the Kennedys' time in Georgetown didn't dampen the legacy the family created there, cementing the neighborhood's prestige to this day. A half-century after John F. Kennedy's death on Nov. 22, 1963, Georgetown retains its association with the regality and mythology of the Camelot era.

"You can't live in Georgetown ... and not get caught up in the lore," said Carol Ross Joynt, a longtime Georgetown resident who for years interviewed newsmakers at Nathans, her restaurant that closed in 2009. "On every block, there's a story to be told about the Kennedys."

John F. Kennedy lived in seven row houses and mansions in Georgetown from 1946 to 1961 both before and after he was married, as he worked his way from freshman senator to president-elect. He was known to eat breakfast alone at Martin's Tavern on Sunday mornings, poring over newspapers; it's said he proposed to Jackie in a booth there.

The couple — who met at a

Georgetown dinner party in 1951, and married in September 1953 — were regulars at Holy Trinity Church and parties across the neighborhood. Jackie took classes at Georgetown University and gave birth to John Jr. at the university's hospital; she shopped at upscale boutiques on Wisconsin Avenue and walked her dog in Rose Park.

When John F. Kennedy campaigned for the presidency in 1960, he held "doorway press conferences" at his home at 3307 N St. Even after they moved to the White House in 1961, the Kennedys returned to Georgetown for its social scene.

Georgetown was already well-established by the time Kennedy first sought it out in the mid-1940s, according to historian Anthony Pitch, who has hosted walking tours of the neighborhood. After developing and gentrifying under the New Deal, it had become "a place where you had to fork over a lot of money to buy a place," he said. Famous names like Sinclair Lewis, Dr. Walter Reed and various secretaries of state were known as residents. But

"once the president-elect was known to live there," Pitch said, "Georgetown really took off."

In a 2000 Washington Post article, Kennedy's secretary of defense, Robert McNamara, described the neighborhood as "a very, very exciting environment" at this time.

"A lot of people wanted to look like Jackie," recalled Fox, who knew Jackie socially. "Just little white gloves and stuff like that that's lost on us today."

Georgetown's social life during that time centered on the home of journalist Joseph Alsop, at 2720 Dumbarton St. That's where Kennedy showed up to celebrate in the pre-dawn hours of Jan. 21, 1961, after five consecutive inaugural balls.

That night, writes Alsop biographer Robert Merry: "There was a new spirit in the city, a political and social ferment, as well as the prospect of imaginative leadership in the executive branch. Georgetown was once again fashionable."

And Kennedy continued to return to Alsop's famous dinner parties dur-

ing his presidency, according to the Post article. "He came in part because of his craving to know what was going on: He loved gossip and current events. And he loved other things as well — in the process feeding rumors ... that Alsop and perhaps others opened their homes for presidential assignments."

Three months after Kennedy's inauguration, The Diplomat Newspaper noted the corresponding explosion of Georgetown's real estate appeal. The Kennedys' influence, said one agent, helped "inflate the prestige that began to appear in the early days of the New Deal, and continued steadily through the Roosevelt and Truman eras."

Though the "picturesque village-within-a-city type living" had already been known to attract a cosmopolitan crowd, the Kennedys ensured in the early 1960s that Georgetown's "inherent charms [were] appreciated more widely ... than ever before," the article says.

Joynt, now editor at large for Washingtonian magazine, pointed out that this "village" feel of Georgetown hasn't fundamentally changed since then, despite redevelopment on M Street and Wisconsin Avenue. "It's still possible to avoid those two streets and get a very good sense of what it was like when Jackie Kennedy walked around with her dog and went to the corner market."

A decade after Kennedy's assassination, a columnist at the Evening Star newspaper poked fun of the enduring sentimentality for that period: "Old-time Georgetowners still talk of the brilliant dinner parties and the sparkling cocktail conversations that graced Georgetown homes in the Camelot era. In fact, they talk of little else," wrote Arthur Hoppe. He sarcastically depicted a Georgetown gathering: "After dinner, as is customary, the hostess showed old movies of Kennedy's Inaugural Address. And the guests, most of them in tears, filed despondently out into the night to pick up the threads of their wretched lives."

N Street resident Fox sees the Kennedy association still thriving in Georgetown mainly through tourist

Kennedy's homes

As described in "The Historic Homes of J.F.K.: A Self-Guided Walking Tour Through Central Georgetown" by Paul Kelsey Williams, some noteworthy Kennedy homes include:

■ **3271 P St.:** John F. Kennedy rented this house in 1953, after he was elected Massachusetts senator. He's said to have proposed to Jackie — who worked then as a photographer for the Washington Times-Herald — during this time.

■ **3321 Dent Place:** This row house was John and Jackie's first residence together, rented from May to December 1954. Because John's political career required him to travel frequently to Massachusetts, Jackie "began to fill her time decorating and furnishing this home with what was to become her trademark style and graciousness," Williams writes.

■ **2808 P St.:** After living for a few years at their Hickory Hill estate in McLean, Va., the Kennedys — recuperating from the stillborn death of their first child — moved back to Georgetown in January 1957, renting this row house.

■ **3307 N St.:** John purchased this three-story home as a gift for Jackie in the summer of 1957. The Kennedys spent their "most important years" here, Williams writes, leading up to the White House. As John campaigned in 1960, the home's doorway became "a popular and well-recognized backdrop as Americans read their newspapers and watched the President-Elect on the new media of television."

culture. "Great gobs of people come around periodically, being lectured," she said of her historic address. For Georgetown residents, the Kennedys' spell seems to linger "mostly in the abstract," Fox said.

Joynt agreed that the media and tourist industries are most responsible for keeping the lore alive — yet it still resonates with locals as well. Many long-time Georgetowners, she said, "feel that Camelot wasn't just a moment, but it's what Georgetown was like enduringly."

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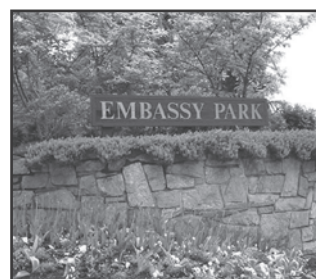


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Aidan Montessori School

We are learning how to use our new Bernina sewing machine. When we first learn how to sew, we make a pillow. Now people are doing other projects like making place mats and a leash for our bearded dragon and patching up holes in dishcloths. Soon the upper elementary will make a curtain for our glass door. Sewing has been a big change in the classroom.

— **Zari Garfield, fifth-grader**

Annunciation School

At a recent school Mass, Annunciation inducted six new members

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into its first-ever National Junior Beta Club. The six eighth-graders had to meet academic, behavioral and service hour requirements. The students received their membership pins, certificates and shirts at the ceremony as recognition of their accomplishments. Their motto is "Let Us Lead by Serving Others."

— **Eighth-graders**

Blessed Sacrament School

Blessed Sacrament held its annual Book Fair! It occurs once a year

in mid-October. As part of the Book Fair, teachers hand out forms on which students record what books they read over a certain period of time. At the end of the contest, the books are counted. The class with the most books wins a party! This year, our goal is to read 2,013 books. If we meet our goal, then the whole school will win a free dress-down day.

In the cafeteria, the actual fair part of the Book Fair ran from Oct. 24 to 26. Students went with their classes and browsed for books, posters, cookbooks and craft books, as well as tiny trinkets such as pencils, colorful, fruit-scented high-lighters and the teacher's pointer — always a hit! The goal of the Book Fair is to get students to read more, and it's definitely been met. For days after the Book Fair, students come into school with their noses in books, books and more books! With titles from a wide variety of well-known authors, there is sure to be something for everyone!

— **Emily Orem, seventh-grader**

British School of Washington

My name is Daezy Agbakoba and I am a Year 11 student coming back to the British School of Washington. Coming back here was a total change because after I left when I finished Year 8, I spent two years in Dubai. When I came back, I had to get used to all the changes, especially the weather!

I think it's great because I would rather go to a school I love and pick up where I left off. I enjoy the different teaching styles and the variety of tasks within lessons.

Our year group planned and ran an assembly for the whole secondary school. It was an interesting experience that helped us create bonds between our year group. Being in Year 11 is very stressful as we have our International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) exams at the end of the year. But I feel I'm preparing well for them with the help and support of my teachers, and I look forward to the challenge of my first set of external exams.

— **Daezy Agbakoba,
Year 11 Belfast (10th-grader)**

Deal Middle School

Every day at Deal Middle School, students go down to the cafeteria and sit at a table with their friends. It's usually the same people every day, but Deal decided to change things on "Mix It Up Day." We were encouraged to leave our usual lunch tables and go sit with people we didn't know. People who had never even met each other made new friends. My friend Sophie and I sat at a table across the cafeteria from our regular table. We met a girl whom we'd never talked to before and got to know her. This just goes to show how "Mix It Up Day" brought Deal students together in a whole new way.

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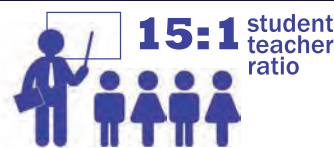
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— **Mabel Malhotra and Jalen Ciagne, seventh-graders**

Eaton Elementary

Our classroom is a very electronic kind of place. We are very tech savvy, and our teacher, Ms. Scott, uses our new Promethean board to teach us about every subject. The Promethean board is a touch screen and has a pen that Ms. Scott lets us use to write on the board. The Promethean board makes learning like a game.

We use the Promethean board to learn about the Constitutional Convention of 1787. One of the issues that came from the convention was representation of the states in the government. Small states wanted equal representation. Big states wanted representation to be based on population, including slaves. Part of the solution was that they agreed to have the Senate and the House of Representatives. The Senate has two people for each state but the House is based on population. But the states couldn't agree whether slaves should be counted. In the end, the Great Compromise resolved the issue by saying that slaves would be counted as three-fifths of a person.

We are doing a debate in our class about this topic. We were divided into teams of the North and the South. To prepare, we are finding details to support our side. We have to think about what the opposite side will say, and we have to decide what each team member will say. Ms. Scott and other teachers will vote on who wins.

— **C.J. Edelin and Xavier Gagnaire, fifth-graders**

Edmund Burke School

On Oct. 18, Burke had its annual eighth-grade retreat to Calleva. It started off with a fun-filled bus ride. When we arrived at the camp, we started to do awesome activities that included a giant swing, low ropes course, a couple of team-building games and the zip line.

After all of the games, we had dinner around the campfire. Everyone was laughing and having a good time, until a terrifying clown popped out! It was just one of our leaders, Nick, but it gave us a taste of what was to come later.

We were given tags that we put on ourselves according to how much we wanted to be "scared." Right-side up meant we wanted to be scared a moderate amount, and upside down meant we wanted to be terrified! How they could see our tags in the dark Haunted Forest, I have no idea.

Most of us went through the maze, which was a much smaller Haunted House, but it was still terrifying! It was dark, and there were clowns. Lots of them. After that we could choose to go into the Haunted Forest, and most of our class did. Throughout it all, everyone was screaming and holding on to each other for dear life. There were zombies, murderers and chainsaws.

— **Bella Bergman, eighth-grader**

The Field School

At The Field School, there is a tradition of dressing up for the day on Halloween and having a parade in which anyone can participate. Also there's a costume competition. For middle school, Oskar Augustsson received first place for his depiction of Cosmo Kramer of "Seinfeld" fame. The overall winner was a trio of high school girls

dressed up as a group of Victorian girls. About 100 people participated in the parade, which took place in front of the school during a long lunch period. Also the last 80 minutes of school was a lot of fun because students could watch "Hocus Pocus" or "The Simpsons Movie."

In sports, the middle school boys soccer team made it to the conference semifinals and won against Sandy Spring, 2-1. But in the finals, they lost 7-0 to Washington International School. All the players contributed to a great season.

— **Freddie Skelsey, sixth-grader**

Georgetown Day School

Last Thursday, high school students donned their most creative Halloween costumes and some even decorated the school in festive zeal. As is tradition, spirited competitions and a costume contest were held during our lunch period. Junior Clarke Smith took home the "Certificate of Excellence" with her "Despicable Me" minion costume.

Recently, 100 Georgetown Day School singers successfully performed "In Flanders Fields" at the Washington National Cathedral. The concert was part of a larger occasion including students from independent schools across the region.

As the fall sports season comes to a close, our teams are still fighting for that inch toward victory. The boys varsity soccer team fell short to league rival Sidwell Friends in the Mid-Atlantic Athletic Conference championship tournament semifinals 1-0. The girls varsity volleyball team also came up short in a close match against Maret in the Independent School League championship tournament 3-2. The team finishes the regular season with an

impressive record of 11-5 as they move toward the D.C. state championships. Additionally, the girls varsity soccer team recently competed for the school's first-ever ISL AA division championship banner. Unfortunately, the squad lost the match to the National Cathedral School 2-0 after finishing the regular season at a very respectable 11-2-3.

The cross-country teams continue their reign under head coach Anthony Belber, as the boys team clinched the fourth consecutive MAC banner. The girls team placed third, the best in school history.

— **Carlton Marshall II, 12th-grader**

Holy Trinity School

On Oct. 23, our fourth-grade class went on a great field trip to SERC! It stands for Smithsonian Environmental Research Center. We were divided into five rotating stations. These included crabbing, seining, water testing, oyster bar and plankton study.

For crabbing, we were able to study the crab anatomy and even tried to catch a crab in a cage with a chicken neck for bait. Next for seining, we wore waders and entered the bay with a large hammock-like net. We got to catch fish such as pumpkinseed and minnows. Another

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er station was water testing, where we learned about the turbidity of the water. We used a tool called the Secchi disk to figure that out. Afterward, we went to the oyster bar. We got to see and feel the creatures that are pulled up from the bottom of the bay. We also got to sort the different animals that we found in separate buckets. The final station was plankton study. We collected water and were able to observe the photo and zoo plankton through a microscope.

Lastly, we enjoyed lunch together and took a 1.5-mile nature walk. We feel that this field trip was important because we must learn how to take better care of keeping the Chesapeake Bay clean and healthy for all of its living creatures.

— **Dionna Duncan and Maia Tartaglino, fourth-graders**

Mann Elementary

In our school we have been having some construction. It will be for the three-story-tall building. Roving reporters interviewed Ms. Peta Black of Skanska, our general contractor. Here's what we learned. She has worked for Skanska for five years. She's the second-in-command boss on-site. Construction will take two years to complete. Construction materials are mainly steel, glass, brick, drywall and con-

crete. She works from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. She went to school and college. Her favorite piece of construction equipment is the Bobcat. She loves her work because "it's never the same thing." She gave us a tour and showed us videos and stuff!

In Mr. Magee's second-grade class, some monarch butterflies have been released recently. Please watch for them over the coming days. Pretty soon we will be having the A-Net test. It will be for second-through fifth-graders.

— **Frankie Duporte, first-grader; Nadia Limani and Sebastian Mejia, second-graders; and Matteo Caloia, fourth-grader**

Our Lady of Victory School

Our Lady of Victory School had a Halloween Sock Hop sponsored by the second grade on Oct. 25. It was a blast. There were lots of cookies and treats, and there was a DJ. We had a costume contest for most original costume, scariest costume, best princess costume and best superhero costume. There was a craft room and a bowling/beanbag toss/game room. In the game room there was candy!

Second grade helped to decorate the Hess Gym by making ravens with trees that we put on the walls and windows. The students made a footprint and a handprint and cut them out. Then they glued them together so that the handprints looked like wings on the ravens.

People dressed great, with lots of

good costumes. Some of the best costumes were ninjas, zombies, Wolverine, a boxer and an actual "Xbox" costume! My favorite part was the costume contest. Someone even dressed up as a shower with a karate ninja inside!

It was a great sock hop. Thanks to everyone who came to our event!

— **John Mahler, second-grader**

Ross Elementary

Students in third grade are testing out toys from The Washington Post: "The purpose is to allow our readers to understand what criteria are used to evaluate consumer products, in this case, toys," explained The Post.

Our fifth- and fourth-graders had a field trip to the Tesla showroom. We had a great time. The kids got to go in a car, learned science and got to design their own cars!

Our third-, fourth- and fifth-graders had a publishing party. Parents and different classes read another student's book they published. We enjoyed it too because other students can learn or edit students' work.

Our GeoPlunge students are learning how to play three of the games: Rankings, Guess the State and Race to the Border. In Rankings, you have to beat a state by its population, size and statehood. In Guess the State, your opponent has to guess what state you have. You get hints like border states, statehood and its capital.

Our preschoolers, prekindergartners, kindergartners and first-graders went to see a puppet show. The show was called "My Umbrella Is a Balloon, Too!" and was held at the Sumner School Museum. During their library time, our librarian, Mr. Flanagan showed the students a book titled "Journey" by Aaron Becker. This book talks about a big, red hot air balloon that a girl uses on an awesome journey. The book has no words, only pictures. The pictures are nice, big and colorful.

— **Jonathan Velasquez, fifth-grader**

St. Albans School

Coach Cornelius Green is possibly the most humble person I have ever met. He is a tri-sport coach at St. Albans, and is just as enthusiastic about football as he is about baseball or basketball. He was born and raised in Washington and graduated from Dunbar High School.

About two weeks ago, at our Friday assembly, Coach Green spoke to us about his childhood. He told us a story about how when he was just 9 years old, he saw many civil rights posters around the National Mall, followed them, and ended up seeing Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech.

He also told us about the things that he did after he left D.C. Coach Green was an incredible athlete throughout high school, and when he graduated he received more than

80 scholarship offers for football, and countless more for baseball and basketball. He said that when he toured Ohio State, Coach Woody Hayes spoke to him only about academics, while other college coaches focused only on how he would start at quarterback his first year. When he told this to his mother, she said that he was going to Ohio State, without a doubt. At Ohio State, he would go on to be the 1974 Rose Bowl MVP. He came back to D.C. after his NFL career and is sharing his knowledge with St. Albans.

— **Gabe Rivera-Silverstein, Form II (eighth-grader)**

St. Ann's Academy

We've been counting down the days until Halloween in kindergarten! We practiced our capital and lowercase S's by making spiders to decorate our hallway. Did you know that spiders have eight legs? Kindergarten also made jack-o'-lanterns where we were able to practice drawing and cutting out shapes. We used circles, triangles, squares and rectangles to make our jack-o'-lanterns complete. We cannot wait to show off our awesome costumes on Thursday!

— **Kindergartners**

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EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Wednesday NOVEMBER 6

Benefit

■ A benefit for the Algebra Project and Young People's Project will feature a reception and presentation by civil rights leader Bob Moses and author Taylor Branch on "Moving Beyond the Achievement Gap," about proposals to establish a universal right to vote and to a quality public school education. 5 to 7 p.m. \$15 to \$35. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. ap-movingbeyond.eventbrite.com.

Classes

■ The Vajrayogini Buddhist Center will host a weekly class on "How to Solve Our Human Problems," about Buddha's teachings on the Four Noble Truths. 7 to 8:30 p.m. \$12 per class. Vajrayogini Buddhist Center, 1787 Columbia Road NW. 202-986-2257.

■ Susan Lowell will lead an introductory class in Tai Chi. 7:30 p.m. Free. West End Library, 1101 24th St. NW. 202-724-8707.

Discussions and lectures

■ Photographer Robert Severi will discuss "Advanced Retouching and Image Construction" as part of FotoWeekDC's educational programs. 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. \$55. Goethe-Institut, 812 7th St. NW. fotoweekdc.org. Another photography workshop will be held Thursday, and other FotoWeekDC events will continue through Sunday.

■ The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the District of Columbia will present a talk by presidential biographer Jean Edward Smith, author of "Grant." 6:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Dumbarton House, 2715 Q St. NW. eventbrite.com/event/8875315307.

■ Maurizio Viroli, professor emeritus of politics at Princeton University, will discuss "Redeeming 'The Prince': The Meaning of Machiavelli's Masterpiece." 6:30 p.m.



Free. Iglesias Auditorium, Inter-American Development Bank, 1330 New York Ave. NW. 202-623-1410.

■ Tommy Sowers, assistant secretary of veterans affairs for public and intergovernmental affairs and an 11-year Army veteran who served in Iraq and Kosovo, will speak. 6:30 to 9 p.m. Free; reservations required. National Veterans Center, George Washington University, 2013 H St. NW. secondservice.gwu.edu/sowers.

■ Richard Kurin, undersecretary for history, art and culture for the Smithsonian Institution and author of "The Smithsonian's History of America in 101 Objects," will discuss "The Objects of America's Affection at the Smithsonian." 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. \$18 to \$25. Warner Bros. Theatre, National Museum of American History, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-633-3030.

■ M. Night Shyamalan will discuss his book "I Got Schooled: The Unlikely Story of How a Moonlighting Movie Maker Learned the Five Keys to Closing America's Education Gap." 7 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ Biographer Elizabeth Hawes will discuss her book "Camus: A Romance." 7 p.m. \$8 to \$12. Alliance Française de Washington, 2142 Wyoming Ave. NW. francedc.org.

■ Journalist and author Andrew Niki-foruk will discuss "Oh, Canada: A Petro State?" 7 p.m. \$8 to \$10. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th St. NW. 202-639-1770.

■ Hassan Melehy, professor of French at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Joyce Johnson, author of the recent Jack Kerouac biography "The Voice Is All," will discuss Kerouac's life and work, with an emphasis on his career-long cultural and linguistic transitions between French and English. 7 to 8:30 p.m. \$20 to \$25. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ Simon Singh will discuss his book "The Simpsons and Their Mathematical Secrets." 7 to 8:30 p.m. \$20 to \$25. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ Taylor Branch (shown) will discuss his book "The King Years: Historic Moments in the Civil Rights Movement" in a conversation with Bob Moses, who was field secretary of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee's Mississippi Project and now runs the Algebra Project. 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Free. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. 202-387-7638.



■ As part of the DC Reads program, the Georgetown Library will host a discussion of John Muller's book "Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia." 7:30 p.m. Free. Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW. 202-727-0232.

Films

■ The "Muslim Journeys" film series will feature "Islamic Art: Mirror of the Invisible World." 6:30 p.m. Free. Chevy Chase Library, 5625 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-282-0021.

■ The Smithsonian American Art Museum will present Wim Wenders' 1999 documentary "Buena Vista Social Club." 6:30 p.m. Free. McEvoy Auditorium, Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and F streets NW. 202-633-1000.

■ Georgetown University's Students for Justice in Palestine, the Georgetown Israel Alliance and J Street U Georgetown will host a screening of Lorraine Lévy's 2012 film "The Other Son," about a Palestinian and Israeli who learn at age 18 that they were accidentally switched at birth. A discussion will follow. 7:30 to 10 p.m. Free. Auditorium, Bunn Intercultural Center, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. guevents.georgetown.edu.

■ The Avalon Docs series will feature Jason Wise's 2012 film "SOMM," about the Court of Master Sommeliers and the Master Sommelier Exam. 8 p.m. \$8.50 to \$11.50. Avalon Theatre, 5612 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-966-6000.

Performances

■ As part of the Kids Euro Festival,



Wednesday, NOVEMBER 6

■ **Discussion:** The Rev. Al Sharpton will discuss his book "The Rejected Stone: Al Sharpton and the Path to American Leadership," about his evolution from New York street activist to political candidate and civil rights spokesperson. 7:30 p.m. Free. Great Hall, Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-727-0321.

Romania will present "The Fellow Traveler," using puppetry and 3-D technology to tell the story of a young orphan boy who embarks on a journey to find his princess. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The collective LYGO DC will host a stand-up comedy show featuring Stacey Carver and Pat Coffey. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. \$10. The Codmother, 1334 U St. NW. lygodc.com.

■ The Suzanne Farrell Ballet will present "Mozartiana," "Episodes" and the company premiere of "Romeo and Juliet." 7:30 p.m. \$29 to \$84. Eisenhower Theatre, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600. The performance will repeat Thursday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

■ American University's student choreographers will present "Choreolab 2013:

The Next Movement," featuring works in progress. 8 p.m. \$5. Greenberg Theatre, American University, 4200 Wisconsin Ave. NW. american.tix.com.

■ Sarah Lawson will host an open mic poetry event. 9 to 11 p.m. \$5. Cullen Room, Busboys and Poets, 1025 5th St. NW. 202-789-2227.

Reading

■ Kathy Flann, author of "Smoky Ordinary" and "Mad Dog," will read from her work and discuss her forthcoming novel and short story collection. 8 p.m. Free. Room 408, New North, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. guevents.georgetown.edu.

Tastings

■ Bar manager Joel Mann and representatives of Corzo Tequila will lead a tasting of three tequila varieties. 5 to 7 p.m. Free. El Centro D.F. Georgetown, 1218 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202-333-4100.

■ Chris O'Brien, author of "Fermenting Revolution: How to Drink Beer and Save the World," and Tim Little of Cowgirl Creamery will lead a seasonal beer and cheese pairing with input from local brewers and cheese experts. 7 p.m. \$27 to \$32. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 877-987-6487.

Thursday NOVEMBER 7

Bazaar

■ St. Mary's Episcopal Church will hold a bazaar and fundraiser with lunch, vendor sales, a bake sale and thrift tables. 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; lunch served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free admission. St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 728 23rd St. NW. 202-333-2133. The sale will continue Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Class

■ Iona Senior Services will host a dance class designed for people living with Parkinson's disease and led by teachers Margot Greenlee, Robert Sacheli, Erika Stratmann and Anthony Hyatt. 2 to 3 p.m. Free. Iona Senior Services, 4125 Albemarle St. NW. 202-253-7946. The class will repeat weekly through Dec. 19.

Concerts

■ The Brown Bag Concert series will feature a chamber music recital. Noon. Free. Room A-5, Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-727-1291.

■ The Alice Gu-Zheng Ensemble will perform as part of a celebration of the Thousand Bloom Chrysanthemum. 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Free. Conservatory Garden Court, U.S. Botanic Garden, 100 Maryland Ave. SW. 202-225-8333.

■ The Georgetown University Chamber Singers will perform Palestrina's "Pope Marcellus Mass" in collaboration with the conference "Trent and Its Impact." 5 p.m. Free. Dahlgren Chapel, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. 202-687-2787.

■ Listen Local First D.C. will present a performance by the Morrison Brothers Band fusing elements of Southern rock, pop and country music. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The National Symphony Orchestra and cellist Sol Gabetta will perform works by Britten, Shostakovich and Schumann. 7 p.m. \$10 to \$85. Concert Hall, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600. The performance will repeat Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. See **Events**/Page 25



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■ The Austrian Cultural Forum and PostClassical Ensemble will present "The Operetta Spirit — The Merry Widow," featuring soprano Jennifer Casey Cabot, pianist Vera Danchenko Stern and hosts Joseph Horowitz and Angel Gil-Ordóñez. 7:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Embassy of Austria, 3524 International Court NW. theoperettaspirit.eventbrite.com.

■ The Washington Performing Arts Society will present the Sphinx Virtuosi ensemble performing works by Bach, Glass, Vivaldi, Ginastera, Pärt, Perkinson and Piazzolla. 7:30 p.m. \$25. Terrace Theater, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ CocoRosie — comprised of cross-disciplinary performance artists Sierra and Bianca Casady — will perform songs that blend styles and references, from hip-hop and reggae to folk and opera. 8 p.m. \$25. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 800-745-3000.

■ The Whiskey Gentry will perform its punk-infused style of country-bluegrass music. 9 p.m. \$12. Hill Country DC, 410 7th St. NW. hillcountrywdc.com.



Discussions and lectures

■ Experts will discuss "New Energy Landscape — How Does It Matter for the Transatlantic Industrial Cooperation." 9 to 11 a.m. Free; reservations required. House of Sweden, 2900 K St. NW. embassyofsweden.eventbrite.com.

■ Todd Johnson, a risk and market development manager at General Electric Africa, will discuss "The African Growth Story: The GE Perspective." 10 a.m. Free; reservations required. Room 410, Nitze Building, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, 1740 Massachusetts Ave. NW. itolber1@jhu.edu.

■ On the 60th anniversary of the discovery of the DNA structure, Nobel laureates James D. Watson and Carol Greider will participate in a panel discussion on genetics and translational medicine, which takes discoveries in the laboratories and uses them in the field to produce new drugs, devices and treatment options. 11:30 a.m. Free. Montpelier Room, Madison Building, Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave. SE. 202-707-5664.

■ Electra Yourke will discuss her book "Dear Dorothy: Letters From Nicolas Slonimsky to Dorothy Adlow." Noon. Free. Whittall Pavilion, Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, 10 1st St. SE. 202-707-5221.

■ Prudence Bushnell, former U.S. ambassador to Kenya and Guatemala and CEO of leadership consulting firm Sage Associates, will discuss embassy security issues. Luncheon at 12:15 p.m.; program at 1 p.m. \$10 to \$30. Woman's National Democratic Club, 1526 New Hampshire Ave. NW. 202-232-7363.

■ Harvard University professor Amartya Sen, a Nobel laureate in economics, will discuss "Justice: Disagreement and Objectivity." 3 p.m. Free. Montpelier Room, Madison Building, Library of Congress, 101



Independence Ave. SE. 202-707-4642.

■ Rawi Abdelal, professor of international management at Harvard Business School, will discuss "Russia, Europe and the Gas Revolution: Firms and Geopolitics in the Age of Shale." 4:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Room 736, Bernstein-Offit Building, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, 1717 Massachusetts Ave. NW. sais_schwartz@jhu.edu.

■ Middle East scholar Daniel Serwer will join other experts to discuss his book "Righting the Balance: How You Can Help Protect America." Free; reservations required. Kenney Auditorium, Nitze Building, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, 1740 Massachusetts Ave. NW. sb629@cornell.edu.

■ José Miguel Insulza, secretary general of the Organization of American States, will discuss "Progress and Challenges." 5:30 to 7 p.m. Free; reservations required. Room 602, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. go.gwu.edu/oas.

■ "Challenges of the Syrian Opposition" will feature Steven Heydemann, special adviser for Middle East initiatives at the U.S. Institute of Peace; Zachariah Mampilly, associate professor of political science and director of Africana studies at Vassar College; Wendy Pearlman, professor of Middle East studies and political science at Northwestern University; and Jonah Schulhofer-Wohl, assistant professor of politics at the University of Virginia. 5:30 to 7 p.m. Free; reservations required. Room 103, Fungler Hall, George Washington University, 2201 G St. NW. go.gwu.edu/ns.

■ As part of the "Muslim Journeys: American Stories" series, Randa Serhan, director of the Arab World Studies Program at American University, will lead a community discussion of "A Quiet Revolution" by Leila Ahmed. 6 p.m. Free; reservations required. Bender Library Training and Events Room, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 202-885-3847.

■ "Defining and Defying Latino Art: A Conversation With Five Artists" will feature Elia Alba, María Martínez-Cañas, Miguel Luciano, Amalia Mesa-Banes and Jesús Moroles. 6 p.m. Free. McEvoy Auditorium, Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and F streets NW. 202-633-1000.

■ Alfred J. Rieber of the Central European University in Budapest will discuss "The Struggle Over the Eurasian Borderlands." 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Auditorium, Bunn Intercultural Center, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. guevents.georgetown.edu.

■ Felix Muruchi and Linda Farthing will discuss their book "From the Mines to the Streets: A Bolivian Activist's Life." 6:30 to 8 p.m. Free. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. 202-387-7638.

■ The Spotlight on Design series will feature architect Allan Greenberg discussing his residential, university and civic projects, including the Humanities Building at Rice University and the Tommy Hilfiger flagship store in Beverly Hills, Calif. A book signing of his book "Allen Greenberg: Classical Architect" will follow. 6:30 to 8 p.m. \$12 to \$20. National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW. 202-272-2448.

■ Tapestry designer and historian Dirk Holger will discuss "The Lady and the Unicorn: A Medieval Tapestry." 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. \$28 to \$42. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ Yogi and author Graham M. Schweig will discuss "The Essence of Yoga." 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. \$20 to \$25. S. Dillon Ripley Cen-



Thursday, NOVEMBER 7

■ **Discussion:** The Dumbarton Oaks Park Conservancy will present a talk by Richard Guy Wilson, author of "Edith Wharton at Home: Life at The Mount," with proceeds benefiting the park's restoration. 7 p.m. \$35. Josephine Butler Parks Center, 2437 15th St. NW. dopark.org.

ter, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ Carla Kaplan, professor of American literature at Northeastern University, will discuss her book "Miss Anne in Harlem: The White Women of the Black Renaissance." 7 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ "Interior Design in New Libraries" will feature panelists who helped create the unique look and feel behind the Tenley-Friendship Library, the Francis Gregory Library, the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library's Digital Commons and the future West End Library. 7 p.m. Free. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-727-0321.

■ John Heilemann and Mark Halperin will discuss their book "Double Down:

Game Changes 2012" as part of "The Newsmakers Series." 7 p.m. \$25 to \$40. Jack Morton Auditorium, School of Media and Public Affairs, George Washington University, 805 21st St. NW. 202-994-6800.

■ Panelists will discuss "Camus: 100 Years Later," about the legacy of Nobel Prize recipient Albert Camus in Franco-phone countries and in the United States. 7 p.m. \$8 to \$12. Alliance Française de Washington, 2142 Wyoming Ave. NW. francedc.org.

■ "A Path to Equality: The Impact of the Civil Rights Acts of the 1960s" will feature former Sen. Carol Moseley Braun, D-Ill.; Charles Ferris, chief counsel to Senate Majority Leader Michael Mansfield, D-Mont., during the debate about the Civil Rights Act and the Voting Rights Act; and Michael Steele, political strategist and former chair of the Republican National Committee. 7 p.m. Free. McGowan Theater, National Archives Building, Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th streets NW. 202-357-5000.

■ MedStar Medicare Choice will present a workshop on "Medicare and You." 7 p.m. Free. Petworth Library, 4200 Kansas Ave. NW. 202-243-1188.

Films

■ The School of Advanced International Studies will show a filmed version of "Tahrir Monologues," a theater performance of true stories from Egypt's revolution. 4:30 p.m. Free. Room 410, Nitze Building, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, 1740 Massachusetts Ave. NW. sais-jhu.edu.

■ Director Gianni Di Capua will present his 2012 film "Richard Wagner: Venetian Diary of the Rediscovered Symphony." 7 p.m. Free. Mary Pickford Theater, Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, 10 1st St. SE. 202-707-5502.

■ The 14th annual D.C. Asian Pacific American Film Festival will present the film "Someone I Used to Know," about the strained relationship between three high school friends now in their 30s. A discus-

sion with director Nadine Truong and producer-actor Brian Yang will follow. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Culen Room, Busboys and Poets, 1025 5th St. NW. siu2k.eventbrite.com.

■ The "Autumn in New York" series will present a movie set in the Big Apple. 7 p.m. Free. Tenley-Friendship Library, 4450 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202-727-1225.

Meetings

■ The Literary Book Group will discuss the poetry of Adrienne Rich. 2:30 p.m. Free. Room 221, Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-727-0321.

■ The Mystery Book Group will discuss "Prague Fatale" by Philip Kerr. 6:30 p.m. Free. Barnes & Noble, 555 12th St. NW. 202-347-0176.

Performances

■ SpeakeasyDC will present "Swimming Upstream: True stories about going against the current." 8 p.m. \$15. Patagonia Georgetown, 1048 Wisconsin Ave. NW. speakeasydc.com.

■ The Topaz Hotel Bar's weekly stand-up show will feature local comics. 8 to 10 p.m. Free. 1733 N St. NW. 202-393-3000.

Special events

■ In honor of the "Van Gogh Repetitions" exhibit, "Phillips After 5" will feature a hunt for lookalikes in the artist's work, focused discussions about particular artworks and a find-your-match contest. 5 to 8:30 p.m. \$10 to \$12; reservations suggested. Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St. NW. phillipscollection.org/events.

■ Copper Fox Distillery owner Rick Wasmund will host a tasting party for his newly launched Vir Gin. 6 to 8 p.m. Free tastings; cocktails available for \$7. Vinoteca, 1940 11th St. NW. 202-332-9463.

Sporting event

■ The Washington Capitals will play the Minnesota Wild. 7 p.m. \$56 to \$490. Veri-See **Events**/Page 26



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zon Center, 601 F St. NW. 800-745-3000.

Tasting

■ Dumbarton House will host a tasting of five whiskeys representing different regions of Scotland. 7 p.m. \$30; reservations required. Dumbarton House, 2715 Q St. NW. scotchtastingdumbartonhouse.eventbrite.com.

Tour

■ A behind-the-scenes tour will focus on "Specialty Mums at Hillwood," offering a look at the greenhouse where gardeners continue a 55-year tradition of propagating chrysanthemums for fresh cut flowers used in the weekly floral arrangements. 11 to 11:30 a.m. \$5 to \$15 suggested donation. Hillwood Estate, Museum and Gardens, 4155 Linnean Ave. NW. 202-686-5807. *The tour will also be offered Nov. 10 at 3 p.m.; Nov. 12 and 19 at 1 p.m.; and Nov. 14 and 21 at 11 a.m.*

Friday NOVEMBER 8

Children's event

■ Bruce Hale will discuss his book "Playing With Fire" (for ages 10 through

13). 10:30 a.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

Concerts

■ The Friday Morning Music Club will present a concert of works by Ginastera, Mussorgsky and Boehm. Noon. Free. Calvary Baptist Church, 755 8th St. NW. 202-333-2075.

■ The Friday Music Series will feature soprano Jennifer Ellis Kampani (shown) and harpsichordist Mark Janello performing works by Handel and Italian contemporaries. 1:15 p.m. Free. Dahlgren Chapel, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. 202-687-2787.

■ Members of the National Symphony Orchestra will perform classical selections. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The George Washington University Orchestra will present "Sound Travel," featuring works by Sibelius, Corigliano, Dvorák and Saint-Saëns. 7:30 p.m. Free. Lisner Auditorium, George Washington University,



730 21st St. NW. 202-994-6800.

■ Barbara Cook's Spotlight series will feature vocalist Lucie Arnaz. 7:30 p.m. \$45. Terrace Theater, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The EUNIC Concert Series, featuring young emerging artists from Europe, will feature the Slovenian percussion duo Drumartica. 7:30 p.m. \$10 to \$15. Embassy of Austria, 3524 International Court NW. eunic-drumartica.eventbrite.com.

■ The Carroll Cafe will feature performers Lou and Peter Berryman. 7:30 p.m. \$16 to \$20. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW. carrollcafe.org.

■ The KC Jazz Club will present singer Jazzmeia Horn, recipient of the "Rising Star" award and the inaugural Sarah Vaughan International Jazz Vocal Competition in 2012. 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. \$20. Terrace Gallery, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The Rebirth Brass Band (shown) and New Orleans Suspects will perform. 8:30 p.m. \$38 to \$43.50. The Hamilton, 600 14th St. NW. thehamiltondc.com. *The concert will repeat Saturday at 8:30 p.m.*



■ Singer, guitarist and songwriter Scott Miller will perform. 9:30 p.m. \$10 to \$12. Gypsy Sally's, 3401 K St. NW. gypsysallys.com.



Discussions and lectures

■ Author Jan Klein and illustrator Norman Klein will discuss their book "Solitude of a Humble Genius — Gregor Johann Mendel Professor: Volume 1 — Formative Years." 11:30 a.m. Free. Whittall Pavilion, Madison Building, Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave. SE. 202-707-5664.

■ Cate Lineberry will discuss her book "The Secret Rescue: An Untold Story of American Nurses and Medics Behind Nazi Lines." Noon. Free. McGowan Theater, National Archives Building, Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th streets NW. 202-357-5000.

■ Aperture Foundation executive director Chris Boot will discuss "Photobooks Now," about the past, present and future of photography publishing. Noon. \$8 to \$10. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th St. NW. 202-639-1770.

■ The fourth annual Feminist Art History Conference will kick off with panel discussions and a keynote address on "Devotion and Desire: Women Views and the Case of the 'Lesbian Nun' in Early Seventeenth-Century Italy" by Patricia Simons, professor in the history of art and women's studies at the University of Michigan. 1 p.m. \$25 to \$45. Abramson Family Recital Hall, Katzen Arts Center, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 202-885-1675. *Events will continue Saturday at American University and Sunday at the National Museum of Women in the Arts.*

■ Pu-Tsung King, ambassador of Taiwan to the United States, will discuss "Prospects for U.S.-Taiwan Relations." 5:30 to 7 p.m. Free; reservations required. City View Room, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. go.gwu.edu/ambassadorking.

■ "Remember Me: 'Hamlet' and Its Contemporary Resonance" will feature panelists Joe Dowling, artistic director of



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■ **Concert:** The Embassy Series will present pianist Raffi Besalyan. 7:30 p.m. \$100. Embassy of Armenia, 2225 R St. NW. 202-625-2361.

the Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis, Minn.; Caridad Svich, author of "Twelve Ophelias"; Derek Goldman, artistic director of Georgetown University's Davis Performing Arts Center; and Joan M. Holmer, professor of English emerita at Georgetown University. 5:30 p.m. Free. Gonda Theatre, Davis Performing Arts Center, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. 202-687-2787.

■ George Washington University professor Ayanna Thompson, a leading scholar of Shakespeare and performance studies, will discuss "Romeo and Juliet." 6 p.m. Free; reservations suggested. Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol St. SE. 202-544-7077.

■ Fashion Institute of Technology professor Désirée Koslin will discuss "The Larsen Design Studio: Bringing Ikat West in the 1970s." 6 p.m. \$20 to \$25; reservations required. Textile Museum, 2320 S St. NW. 202-667-0441, ext. 64.

■ The Korean Cultural Center Washington D.C. will host the Global Hallyu Forum 2103, featuring presentations on the "Korean Wave of Pop Culture." 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Jack Morton Auditorium, School of Media and Public Affairs, George Washington University, 805 21st St. NW. KoreaCultureDC.org.

■ Russell Shorto will discuss his book "Amsterdam: A History of the World's Most Liberal City." 7 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

Films

■ The Union Market Drive-In series will feature a film chosen via votes on Facebook and Twitter. Gates open at 6 p.m.; film starts at 8 p.m. Free admission. Union Market, 305 5th St. NE. dcdrivein.com.

■ The "Celebrating 100 Years of Camus" series will present Joël Calmettes' 2009 documentary "Albert Camus: le journalisme engagé." 7 p.m. \$6 to \$8. Alliance Française de Washington, 2142 Wyoming Ave. NW. francedc.org.

■ Reel Affirmations will present a benefit screening of Chad Darnell's films "Groom's Cake" and "Birthday Cake." The event will include a Q-and-A session with Darnell and a reception with Champagne, cocktails and cake. 7 and 9:15 p.m. \$15. Washington DC Jewish Community Center, 1529 16th St. NW. birthdaycake.eventbrite.com.

Meeting

■ A weekly bridge group will meet to play duplicate bridge. 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

\$6. Chevy Chase Community Center, 5601 Connecticut Ave. NW. 301-654-1865.

Performances

■ The Suzanne Farrell Ballet will present "Pas de Dix," "Duo Concertant," "Tempo di Valse" and the company premiere of "Agon." 7:30 p.m. \$29 to \$84. Eisenhower Theater, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600. *The performance will repeat Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 p.m.*

■ "Fuego Flamenco IX" will open with the world premiere of the Flamenco Aparicio Dance Company's "Uno Más Uno," choreographed and directed by Edwin Aparicio and Aleksey Kulikov. 8 p.m. \$20 to \$35. Gala Theatre, 3333 14th St. NW. 202-234-7174. *The performance will repeat Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.*

■ Choreographer Jonah Bokaer and visual artist Daniel Arsham will present "Occupant," about movement in relation to built spaces, objects, lighting and other media. 8 p.m. \$20 to \$38.50. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. 202-399-7993. *The performance will repeat Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m.*

■ "Library Late: L'Étranger/Remix" — presented by the Library of Congress and the Alliance Française de Washington — will feature an interdisciplinary visual and aural experience based on "The Stranger" by Albert Camus. 9 p.m. \$2. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. 202-399-7993.

■ Busboys and Poets will present the "11th Hour Poetry Slam," hosted by 2Deep the Poetess. 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$5. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. 202-387-7638.

Special events

■ A Czech Christmas Market will feature hand-blown ornaments from the European Trading Co., a music workshop, a display of Czech nativity scenes, cookie decorating events, mulled wine and Czech and Slovak Christmas carols performed by schoolchildren. 3 to 6 p.m. Free. Embassy of Czech Republic, 3900 Spring of Freedom St. NW. mzv.cz/washington. *The market will continue Saturday from 1 to 6 p.m.*

■ The Glover Park Village's monthly "Friday Free-for-All" series will feature a film or games, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.; and dinner, from 5 to 6 p.m. Free; reservations requested. Guy Mason Recreation Center, 3600 Calvert St. NW. events@gloverparkvillage.org.

■ Folk Art Mavens will present a Palestinian Craft Fair featuring embroidery, ceramics, glass, jewelry and olive wood. 4 to 8 p.m. Free admission. Westmoreland Congregational United Church of Christ, 1 Westmoreland Circle. 301-229-7766. *The event will continue Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday from 1:30 to 5 p.m.*

■ As part of FotoWeekDC, the Embassy of Sweden will host "Storytelling Through the Art of Photography," featuring presenters from Sweden and the United States. 7 to 10:30 p.m. \$15. House of Sweden, 2900 K St. NW. embassyofsweden.eventbrite.com.

Sporting event

■ The Washington Wizards will play the Brooklyn Nets. 7 p.m. \$65 to \$780. Verizon Center, 601 F St. NW. 800-745-3000.

Tour

■ Biochemist Beth Burrous will lead a tour of the U.S. Botanic Garden Conservatory highlighting plants from around the world that impart flavor to sweet foods.

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Noon to 1 p.m. Free; reservations required. Conservatory Garden Court, U.S. Botanic Garden, 100 Maryland Ave. SW. 202-225-8333.

Saturday NOVEMBER 9

Bazaar

■ A bazaar at St. Thomas Apostle Church will feature jewelry, gently used men's and women's clothing, a gift table, books, electronics, children's toys and a Christmas table. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with cafe items available from noon to 2 p.m. Free admission. Parish Hall, St. Thomas Apostle Church, 2665 Woodley Road NW. 202-234-1488. *The bazaar will continue Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and following the 7:30 p.m. Mass.*

Benefit

■ The Cathedral Choral Society will hold its fourth annual Wine and Chocolate Tasting Event. 6 p.m. \$125. Forsene Education Center Ballroom, St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 2815 36th St. NW. 202-537-5510.

Children's programs

■ "Shakespeare in Action Workshop for Families" will offer a chance for participants to jump into the action of scenes from "Romeo and Juliet," learn stage combat and prepare to bring the classic play to life (ages 7 through 14). 9:30 a.m. to noon. \$35 for a child and accompanying adult; \$10 for each additional child. Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol St. SE. 202-544-7077.

■ As part of the Kids Euro Festival, National Geographic will present the French animated film "The Day of the Crows," about a fearsome ogre and his young son who live in isolation in the forest (for ages 8 and older). 10 a.m. Free; reservations required. Grosvenor Auditorium, National Geographic, 1600 M St. NW. 202-857-7700.

■ Barstons Child's Play and LEGO will host a "Make and Take Event" featuring the Ninjago Glider, Creator Lighthouse, Wreath and Snowman. 10 a.m. to noon. Free. Barstons Child's Play, 5536 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-244-3602.

■ Playworks DC will host a Macomb Park Play Day, featuring a chance to play games with the group's coaches and learn the value of play. The group's founder, Jill Violet, will present her new book "Recess Rules," inspired by her upbringing in D.C. and a Macomb Park staff member. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free. Macomb Recreation Center, 3409 Macomb St. NW. 202-822-0097.

■ As part of the Kids Euro Festival, an interactive workshop will explore the relationship between music and rhythm using a variety of instruments (ages 6 through 12). 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Free; reservations required. Embassy of Czech Republic, 3900 Spring of Freedom St. NW. kidseurofestival.org/czech-republic-perf.

■ In honor of Native American Heritage Month, a park ranger will lead a program on American Indian star stories and constellations (for ages 5 and older). 1 to 1:45 p.m. Free. Rock Creek Nature Center, 5200 Glover Road NW. 202-895-6224. *The program will repeat Nov. 23 at 1 p.m.*

■ Park ranger Tony Linforth will lead a planetarium program about the solar system, the Milky Way galaxy and deep space (for ages 7 and older). 4 to 4:45 p.m. Free. Rock Creek Nature Center, 5200 Glover Road NW. 202-895-6070.

Classes

■ Ann Richards will lead a two-session course on how to "Knit a Scarf for the Holidays." 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. \$95 to \$141. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030. *The class will continue Nov. 16 from 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.*

■ Russian icon maker, teacher and lecturer Marina Forbes will lead a hands-on studio workshop on "The Art of Icon Painting." 4 to 7 p.m. \$395. St. Nicholas Cathedral, 3500 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 603-332-2255. *The four-session workshop will continue Nov. 10, 16 and 17 from 4 to 7 p.m.*

Concerts

■ Pianist Katie Mahan will present

"From Paris to New York," featuring works by Debussy, Chopin, Beethoven and Gershwin. 1:30 p.m. Free. Society of the Cincinnati, Anderson House, 2118 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 202-785-2040.

■ "Wagner & Verdi at the Piano" will feature a lecture by Alan Walker of McMaster University and a recital by pianist Valerie Tryon as part of "Wagner 200" in association with the Wagner Society of Washington, D.C. 2 p.m. Free; tickets required. Mary Pickford Theater, Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, 10 1st St. SE. 202-707-5502.

■ The Singing Capital Chorus, the District's premier men's a cappella ensemble, will present its 67th annual Harvest of Harmony Concert with a guest performance by collegiate quartet Gimme Four. 3 and 7:30 p.m. \$20 to \$25. Greenberg Theatre, American University, 4200 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202-885-2587.

■ The KC Jazz Club will present pianist Jason Moran and his band The Bandwagon, featuring bassist Tarus Mateen and drummer Nasheet Waits. 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. \$26 to \$30. Terrace Gallery, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ Punjabi rapper, music producer and actor Yo Yo Honey Singh will perform with DJ Kucha and Mafia Mundeer. 8 p.m. \$50 to \$250. Lisner Auditorium, George Washington University, 730 21st St. NW. 202-994-6800.

■ Singer-songwriter

Paul Burch, a D.C. native, will perform. 8:30 p.m. \$12 to \$14. Gypsy Sally's, 3401 K St. NW. gypslysallys.com.

Discussions and lectures

■ Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States," will deliver the keynote address at a conference on "Where Justice and Mercy Meet: Catholic Opposition to the Death Penalty." 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free; reservations required. Byron Auditorium, Columbus School of Law, Catholic University, 620 Michigan Ave. NE. ipr.cua.edu.

■ The Rock Creek Park Civil War Roundtable will present a talk by David Brundage on Confederate Col. John S. Mosby and the violent "Mosby Rangers," as told from the perspective of Sgt. Fountain Beattie. 9:30 to 11 a.m. Free. Rock Creek Nature Center, 5200 Glover Road NW. 202-895-6227.

■ A panel discussion on "The Sweet Life at Georgetown Library" will feature



China, awash in the surf

"Beach China," presenting paintings by New York artist Leslie Parke that portray her grandmother's china awash in the surf at Fire Island, will open Friday with a reception from 6

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to 8 p.m. at **Cross MacKenzie Gallery**. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 11.

Located at 2026 R St. NW, the gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. 202-333-7970.

■ "Fake Empire," featuring works in diverse media by Detroit husband-and-wife artists Brian Barr and Lauren Rice that focus on the shifting cultural significance of ideas, objects and images, will open Friday with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. at **Flashpoint Gallery**. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 21.

Located at 916 G St. NW, the gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. 202-315-1305.

■ "Against the Bias," spotlighting fabric artists who work against the grain to transform commonplace materials and methods into contemporary reflections on community, legacy and identity, will open Friday with a reception from 7 to 9 p.m. at the **Joan Hisaoka Healing Arts Gallery**. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 21.

An artists' talk will take place Dec. 7 at 3:30 p.m.

Located at the Smith Farm Center for the Healing Arts, 1632 U St. NW, the gallery is open Wednesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 202-483-8600.

■ "Supreme Magnetic," highlighting works by Ellington Robinson that explore the forces shaping the "political containers" that are called states and nations, will open Saturday with a reception from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at **Project 4**. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 14.

Located at 1353 U St. NW on the third floor, the gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. 202-232-4340.

■ The **American University Museum** opened seven exhibits yesterday and will continue them through Dec. 15.

"Tsibi Geva: Paintings" features works that critic Nuit Banai described as "interrogating the paradox-riven myths and national symbols that construct Israeli identity."

"SIBERIA in the Eyes of Russian Photographers" portrays unknown Siberia over the last 150 years.

"Lisa Montag Brotman: What Can I Say?" presents painted images of the female figure set in "suggestive spaces that tease reality," according to an announcement.

"Joel D'Orazio: Pull up a Chair" highlights chairs "subverted from their original form and function."

"Ed Bisease: Alive" showcases portraits by the College



Leslie Parke's paintings of her family's china will be on exhibit at Cross MacKenzie Gallery.

Park artist that make light of reality.

"Visiting Artists: Tracy Miller and Hilary Harnischfeger" presents paintings, wall-mounted compositions and sculptures by two Brooklyn-based artists.

"Fragments of a Whole" features prints curated by the Contemporary Art Centre in Vilnius, Lithuania, and presented in partnership with the Embassy of Lithuania.

An artists' reception will take place Saturday from 5 to 8 p.m.

Located in the Katzen Arts Center at 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW, the museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. 202-885-1300.

■ "Remembering Camelot," featuring design photography by Jost Houk about President John F. Kennedy and his family, opened recently at **Century 21 Redwood Realty**, where it will continue through Nov. 27.

An artist's reception and free benefit for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society National Capital Area will take place tomorrow from 6 to 9 p.m.

Located at 1701 Q St. NW, the gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. josthouk.com.

■ The **U.S. Botanic Garden** is exhibiting a rare "Thousand Bloom" chrysanthemum through Nov. 17.

Located at 100 Maryland Ave. SW, the Botanic Garden is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 202-225-8333.

■ Howard University's **Moorland-Spingarn Research Center Gallery** has extended the hours for its photographic exhibit "Nelson Mandela: Character, Comrade, Leader, Prisoner, Negotiator, Statesman," which opened last week. The exhibit will continue through April.

Located on the Howard University campus at 500 Howard Place NW, the gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. howard.edu/msrc.

employees (and samples) from nearby shops Macaron Bee, Pie Sisters and Sprinkles Cupcakes. 1 p.m. Free; reservations requested. Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW. julia.strusienski@dc.gov.

■ Leah Bendavid-Val will discuss the book "SIBERIA: In the Eyes of Russian Photographers," at 1 p.m.; Jerry Parr will discuss his book "In the Secret Service: The

True Story of the Man Who Saved President Reagan's Life," at 3:30 p.m.; and Roger Rosenblatt will discuss his book "The Boy Detective: A New York Childhood." 6 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ As part of the DC Reads program, the Takoma Park Library will host a discus-

sion of John Muller's book "Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia." 3 p.m. Free. Takoma Park Library, 416 Cedar St. NW. 202-576-7252.

■ Israeli artist Tsibi Geva will lead a gallery talk about the American University Museum's current exhibition of his paintings. 3:30 p.m. Free. Katzen Arts Center, See **Events**/Page 28

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American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 202-885-1300.

Family programs

■ "Raven Steals the Sun: A Family Celebration of Tlingit Culture" will feature storyteller and writer Maria Williams, hands-on activities and food demonstrations. 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Free. National Museum of the American Indian, 4th Street and Independence Avenue SW. 202-633-1000.

■ "Fuego Flamenco IX" will feature flamenco demonstrations by members of the Spanish Dance Society. 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Free. Gala Theatre, 3333 14th St. NW. 202-234-7174.

■ "Arts for Families" will explore how to wave ordinary paper bags into a basket. 2 to 4 p.m. Free. Textile Museum, 2320 S St. NW. 202-667-0441, ext. 64.

Films

■ The Opera in Cinema series will present a production of Verdi's "Nabucco" from Teatro alla Scala. 11 a.m. \$18.80. West End Cinema, 23rd Street between M and N streets NW. 202-419-3456.

■ "The Met: Live in HD" will feature a showing of Puccini's "Tosca." 12:55 p.m. \$18 to \$24. AMC Mazza Gallerie, 5300 Wisconsin Ave. NW. fathomevents.com. The film will be shown again at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 13.

■ The Washington DC Jewish Community Center will present the D.C. premiere of Mike Mayer's 2013 comedic documentary "Mortified Nation," about a stage show where adults share their most embarrassing childhood diaries, letters, poems and art. 3 to 5 p.m. \$15. Washington DC Jewish Community Center, 1529 16th St. NW. washingtondcjcc.org.

■ Director Connie Field will present a sneak preview of her film "Al Helm: Martin Luther King in Palestine." 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. The Jerusalem Fund, 2425 Virginia Ave. NW. 202-338-1958.

Performances

■ As part of the Kids Euro Festival, Estonia will present Teater Vanemuine's "Lotte From Gadgetville," about a puppy who tells stories and sings about a place where colorful animals live and residents concoct unusual inventions to help with everyday tasks. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The DC A Cappella Festival 2013 will feature Georgetown University's first coed a cappella group, the Phantoms, and other ensembles. 7 p.m. \$8 to \$10. Gaston Hall, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. 202-687-2787.

■ Black Movements Dance Theatre will perform "BMDT: Raw," an in-studio presentation. 7:30 p.m. Free. Walsh Black Box Theatre, Walsh Building, Georgetown University, 36th Street between Prospect and N streets NW. 202-687-2787.

■ Busboys and Poets will present its monthly "Nine on the Ninth" poetry event. 9 to 11 p.m. \$5. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. 202-387-7638.

Special events

■ The National Capital Chapter of the Order of St. Luke will present "Learn About What Is Hurting Your Health — Learn New Healing Insights," a day of Christian healing led by Lanny Clark, senior pastor of Our Father's House in Southern Maryland. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. \$35. Great Hall, All Saints' Episcopal Church, 3 Chevy Chase Circle. 202-870-6805.

■ "It's Miller Time: Peirce Mill in Action" will feature demonstrations of the mill's operations and a chance for visitors to explore the four stories of Rock Creek's most successful gristmill. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free. Peirce Mill, Beach Drive and Tilden Street NW. 202-895-6227.



Walks and tours

■ Writer Rocco Zappone will lead a weekly "Ulysses-esque" walking tour of Washington, filled with his reminiscences and impressions of a lifetime in D.C. 10 a.m. \$20. Meet at the statue of Andrew Jackson in Lafayette Square, 16th and H streets NW. 202-341-5208.

■ "Service and Sacrifice" will examine iconography in the Washington National Cathedral's sculpture, stained glass and needlework that honors those who have served and sacrificed for their country. 1:30 p.m. \$10. Washington National



Sunday, NOVEMBER 10

■ **Concert:** "Amplified Voices: A Connections Concert — The Power of Music to Transform the Middle East" will feature performances by Peter Yarrow (shown), Farah Siraj, Humayun Khan, Bethany & Rufus, and Heartbeat: Amplifying Youth Voices. 3 to 5 p.m. \$10 to \$20. Gaston Hall, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. amplifiedvoices.eventbrite.com.

Cathedral, Massachusetts and Wisconsin avenues NW. nationalcathedral.org. The tour will repeat Sunday at 1:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Sunday NOVEMBER 10

Children's programs

■ A park ranger will lead an autumn night sky tour in the Rock Creek Park planetarium. 1 to 1:45 p.m. Free. Rock Creek Nature Center, 5200 Glover Road NW. 202-895-6224.

■ Children will hear a story about Chief Joseph and then create a special piece of art. 2 to 5 p.m. Free. National Portrait Gallery, 8th and F streets NW. 202-633-1000.

■ A park ranger will lead a planetarium program on "Black Holes: The Edge of Infinity" (for ages 10 and older). 4 to 4:30 p.m. Free. Rock Creek Nature Center, 5200 Glover Road NW. 202-895-6070.

Classes and workshops

■ The Vajrayogini Buddhist Center will host a weekly class on "Opening Our Heart." 10 to 10:45 a.m. \$6 per class. Vajrayogini Buddhist Center, 1787 Columbia Road NW. 202-986-2257. The classes will repeat Nov. 17 at 10 a.m.

■ Textile expert Renate Maile-Moskowitz will lead a workshop on "Primer: Wet and Needle Felting." 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$40 to \$45; reservations required. Textile Museum, 2320 S St. NW. 202-667-0441, ext. 64.

Concerts

■ The Washington Chinese Traditional Orchestra will perform. 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Free. Conservatory Garden Court, U.S. Botanic Garden, 100 Maryland Ave. SW. 202-225-8333.

■ The Steinway Series will present the Smithsonian Chamber Players performing works by Haydn and Beethoven. 3 p.m. Free; tickets distributed in the G Street lobby a half hour before the performance. McEvoy Auditorium, Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and F streets NW. 202-633-1000.

■ The Music With the Angels Concert Series will feature cellist Natalie Spehar and violinist Zack Stachowski performing

works by Fiorillo, Read Thomas and Ravel. 3:30 p.m. \$5 to \$10. Church of the Holy City, 1611 16th St. NW. 202-462-6734.

■ Peabody Opera Outreach will present Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel." 4 p.m. Free. Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, 1 Chevy Chase Circle NW. 202-363-2202.

■ The Choral Arts Society of Washington will present "Legacy and Life: A Musical and Visual Reflection," featuring Giuseppe Verdi's "Requiem" and the East Coast premiere of Steven Stucky's "Take Him, Earth," written to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. 4 p.m. \$15 to \$75. Concert Hall, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ Concert pianist Yuliya Gorenman and other soloists will join with the American University Chorus and Symphony Orchestra to present "Moving Beyond the Contemporary," featuring works by Beethoven, Wagner and Estonian composer Arvo Pärt that challenged the boundaries and expectations of their own times. 4 p.m. \$10 to \$15. National Presbyterian Church, 4101 Nebraska Ave. NW. 202-885-3634.

■ Clarinetist Moran Katz (shown) and pianist Amy Yang will perform works by Berg, Brahms, Mantovani, Poulenc, Schoenfeld and Schumann. 4 p.m. \$15 to \$30; reservations suggested. Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St. NW. phillipscollection.org/music.

■ The National Gallery of Art New Music Ensemble will perform the world premiere of Steve Antosca's "Habitat." 6:30 p.m. Free. East Building Atrium, National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-842-6941.

■ Dahlak Restaurant will present its weekly "DC Jazz Jam" session. 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Free. 1771 U St. NW. 202-527-9522.

■ Singer-songwriter Grant-Lee Phillips will perform. 8 p.m. \$18 to \$21. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 877-987-6487.

■ The New Orleans funk-rock band Flow Tribe will perform. 8:30 p.m. \$10 to \$15. Gypsy Sally's, 3401 K St. NW. gypsyalys.com.

Discussions and lectures

■ Eleanor Heartney, Nancy Princenthal, Helaine Posner and Sue Scott will discuss their book "The Reckoning: Women Artists of the New Millennium." 12:30 to 2 p.m. Free with museum admission. National Museum of Women in the Arts, 1250 New York Ave. NW. 202-783-7370.

■ Slavko Goldstein will discuss his book "1941: The Year That Keeps Returning," at 1 p.m.; and Charles Krauthammer will discuss his book "Things That Matter: Three Decades of Passions, Pastimes and Politics," at 5 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ Carmen C. Bambach, curator of drawings and prints at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, will discuss "Circa 1515: Leonardo, Raphael, and Michelangelo." 2 p.m. Free. East Building Auditorium, National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-737-4215.

■ Dean Kamen, founder and president of DEKA Research & Development Corp.,

will discuss "The Future of Innovation: An Inventor's Perspective." 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Auditorium, Bunn Intercultural Center, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. guevents.georgetown.edu.

Films

■ The "Abbas Kiarostami: Landscapes" series will feature the director's 2006 film "Roads of Kiarostami" and 2003 film "Five: Dedicated to Ozu." 2 p.m. Free. Meyer Auditorium, Freer Gallery of Art, 12th Street and Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-1000.

■ A retrospective of the films of Pier Paolo Pasolini will feature the director's 1961 film "Accattone." 4:30 p.m. East Building Auditorium, National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-737-4215.

Performance

■ As part of the Kids Euro Festival, the Maple Academy of Irish Dance will perform traditional dance sets in hard and soft shoes, and Luxembourg will present the troupe Intrika blending magic, juggling and comedy. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

Special event

■ New York City designer Meghan Kinney and her label meg will present a trunk show featuring spring fashions. 1 to 5 p.m. Free admission. The Tasting Room at Cork Market, 1805 14th St. NW. 202-596-9303.

Walks and tours

■ A park ranger will lead a two-mile hike through Palisades and Battery Kemble parks. 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Meet outside the Conduit Road Schoolhouse, 4954 MacArthur Blvd. NW. scott_einberger@nps.gov.

■ Center for Prayer and Pilgrimage coordinator Tiffany Montavon will lead an "Autumn Wonder Walk" in the Bishop's Garden. 1 p.m. Free; reservations encouraged. Meet in the narthex, Washington National Cathedral, Massachusetts and Wisconsin avenues NW. espencer@cathedral.org.

Monday NOVEMBER 11

Benefit

■ The annual FreshFarm Markets Farmland Feast will feature locally sourced menus for a cocktail party and three-course dinner. The event will include a silent auction and a talk by Steve Badt of Miriam's Kitchen about the difference farmers and producers have made in providing healthy meals to the area's homeless. 6 to 10 p.m. \$125 to \$300. The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, D.C., 1150 22nd St. NW. freshfarmmarkets.org.

Children's event

■ Singer-songwriter Isabel Roth will host a storytime. 10:30 a.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

Concert

■ Canadian indie rock band Destroyer will perform. 8 p.m. \$22. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 800-745-3000.

Discussions and lectures

■ A Veterans Day panel discussion will feature Catholic University psychology professor David Jobes discussing his research on soldier suicide, social work professor Karlynn BrintzenhofeSzoc discussing the

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National Catholic School of Social Service's doctoral program for active-duty service members, and nursing professor Janice Agazio discussing her work on military nursing care delivery. Noon to 1 p.m. Free. Great Room A, Pryzbyla University Center, Catholic University, 620 Michigan Ave. NE. cua.edu.

■ Artist Andy Goldsworthy will discuss his work. Noon. Free. East Building Auditorium, National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-737-4215.

■ The annual meeting of the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington will include a talk by Rabbi Arnold Resnicoff and Rear Adm. Herman Shelanski on their experiences in the military and involvement in the many facets of Jewish military life. 4 to 6 p.m. \$10 donation suggested; reservations requested. Adas Israel Congregation, 2850 Quebec St. NW. 202-789-0900.

■ Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor Fotini Christia will discuss her book "Alliance Formation in Civil Wars," winner of the 2012 Lepgold Book Prize. 5 to 6 p.m. Free. Mortara Building, Georgetown University, 3600 N St. NW. mortara.georgetown.edu/lepgold.



■ Mircea Geoana, a Romanian senator and former foreign minister, will discuss "The (Relative) Decline of the West and the Rise of the Rest." 6 p.m. Free. Copley Hall Formal Lounge, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. ceresgeoana2013.eventbrite.com.

■ Bruce Rich will discuss his book "Foreclosing the Future: The World Bank and the Politics of Environmental Destruction." 6:30 to 8 p.m. Free. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. 202-387-7638.

■ Michael Deibert will discuss his book "The Democratic Republic of Congo: Between Hope and Despair." 6:30 to 8 p.m. Free. Cullen Room, Busboys and Poets, 1025 5th St. NW. 202-789-2227.

■ Lincoln Paine will discuss his book "The Sea & Civilization: A Maritime History of the World." 7 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ Alan Dershowitz will discuss his book "Taking the Stand: My Life in the Law" as part of "The Newsmakers Series." 7 p.m. \$20 to \$50. Jack Morton Auditorium, School of Media and Public Affairs, George Washington University, 805 21st St. NW. 202-994-6800.



Films

■ In honor of International Education Week, George Washington University will present the film "Crossing Borders," with a post-screening discussion moderated by assistant professor Laura Engel. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Room 602, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. go.gwu.edu/crossingborders.

■ George Washington University will host a screening of Richard Robbins' film "Girl Rising," about the importance of education for all. A panel discussion will follow. 6:15 p.m. Free. Room 103, Fungler Hall,

George Washington University, 2201 G St. NW. calendar.gwu.edu.

■ The Opera in Cinema series will present a production of Wagner's "Siegfried" from Teatro alla Scala. 7 p.m. \$18.80. West End Cinema, 23rd Street between M and N streets NW. 202-419-3456. *The film will be shown again Nov. 16 at 11 a.m.*

Performance

■ The Kids Euro Festival 2013 will feature Croatia's Theatre Company Pinklec performing "And Who Are You?" — a puppet show about three friends who play in an imaginative world and are joined by a hedgehog, a crow, a squirrel, a bunny and a lost kitten. 6 p.m. Free; tickets distributed a half hour before showtime. Theater Lab, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

Readings

■ Catherine Ladnier and Haya Leah Molnar will present a theatrical reading of "Dear Mom and Dad: A Celebration of the Life and Service of Sergeant Herbert Rosencrans." 2 to 3:30 p.m. Free; reservations suggested. National Museum of American Jewish Military History, 1811 R St. NW. 202-265-6280.

■ Kathleen Chalfant will present a staged reading of Lynn Redgrave's "Shakespeare for My Father," written after the actress received an invitation in 1991 from the Folger to present an evening of Shakespeare and family anecdotes. A reception and exhibition viewing will follow. 7:30 p.m. \$25. Folger Shakespeare Library, 201 East Capitol St. SE. 202-544-7077.



Special events

■ The Friends of the National World War II Memorial Legacy Lecture Series will host a Veterans Day event honoring World War II Medal of Honor recipients and featuring a keynote address by Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley, the unveiling of a stamp by U.S. Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe and a performance by the U.S. Air Force Band Brass Quintet. 9 a.m. Free. National World War II Memorial, 17th Street between Constitution and Independence avenues. wwiimemorialfriends.org.

■ The Library of Congress will open its Main Reading Room to the public for a twice-annual open house, which will also

Broadway vet is tapping into D.C.

Arena Stage will host "Maurice Hines Is Tappin' Thru Life" Nov. 15 through Dec. 29.

Hines, a Tony Award nominee who started performing at the age of 5, will weave together stories, songs and

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smooth choreography under the direction of Broadway's Jeff Calhoun. The production — a look at the history of American tap and a tribute to Hines' brother Gregory and the singers who inspired him — will showcase the talents of two sets of D.C. tap-dancing brothers: John and Leo Manzari, and Max and Sam Heimowitz.

Tickets cost \$50 to \$99. Arena Stage is located at 1101 6th St. SW. 202-488-3300; arenastage.org.

■ **Washington Stage Guild** will present Steven Dietz's "Inventing Van Gogh" through Nov. 24 at the Undercroft Theatre of Mount Vernon Place United Methodist Church. It opened last week.

In this time-twisting look at Vincent van Gogh and his legacies, a contemporary young painter is hired to forge a lost painting — but ends up having to justify his decisions to van Gogh himself.

Tickets cost \$40 to \$50. The Mount Vernon Place United Methodist Church is located at 900 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 240-582-0050; stageguild.org.

■ **The Georgetown University Theater and Performance Studies Program** will present "Hamlet" Nov. 7

through 16 at the Davis Performing Arts Center.

A fresh and taut contemporary telling of Shakespeare's tragedy explores the play's themes of loneliness, alienation, madness and the tension between the private and the public.

Tickets cost \$8 to \$18. The Georgetown University campus is located at 37th and O streets NW. 202-687-2787; performingarts.georgetown.edu.

■ **Pinky Swear Productions** will present David Henry Hwang's "Bondage" Nov. 7 through 23 at the Anacostia Playhouse.

Set in 1990s Los Angeles and featuring a dominatrix and her client, Hwang's compact, charged drama about race, relationships and leather-clad role-playing creates a world where sadism is an art and true intimacy is the most dangerous thing of all.

Tickets cost \$20. The Anacostia Playhouse is located at 2020 Shannon Place SE. pinkyswearproductions.com.

■ **Shakespeare Theatre Company** will host a South African production of "Mies Julie" Nov. 9 through 24 at the Lansburgh Theatre.

In a contemporary reworking of August Strindberg's classic play "Miss Julie," Yael Farber has transposed the 1888 parable of class and gender to a remote South African estate 18 years post-apartheid.

Tickets cost \$60. The Lansburgh Theatre is located at 450 7th St. NW. 202-547-1122; shakespearetheatre.org.



Broadway star Maurice Hines will return to Arena Stage with "Tappin' Thru Life."

■ **Studio Theatre** will stage Richard Nelson's political family dramas "The Apple Family Plays" Nov. 13 through Dec. 29 in rotating repertory.

The plays — "That Hopey Changey Thing" and "Sweet and Sad" — follow a family's story over two tumultuous years in America's history. In the first, it's 7 p.m. on the eve of President Barack Obama's first midterm election. And in the second it's one year later, with the family coming together for lunch on the 10th anniversary of 9/11.

Tickets cost \$39 to \$85. Studio Theatre is located at 1501 14th St. NW. 202-332-3300; studiotheatre.org.

■ The hit Broadway musical "Sister Act" will visit the **Kennedy Center Opera House** through Nov. 10.

Tickets cost \$39 to \$125. 202-467-4600; kennedy-center.org.

feature staff members from the Veterans History Project discussing their collection of nearly 89,000 stories from World War I through the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, 10 1st St. SE. 202-707-8000.

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Classes

■ Teacher and therapist Heather Ferris will lead a weekly yoga class. Noon. Free. Watha T. Daniel-Shaw Library, 1630 7th St.

NW. 202-727-1288.

■ The Jewish Study Center will present a class by University of Maryland at College Park professor Paul Scham on "Up to the Minute in the Middle East: What's Happening Right Now?" 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. \$15 to \$20. National Museum of American Jewish Military History, 1811 R St. NW. 202-265-6280.

■ The Jewish Study Center will present a class by Jonina Duker on "Understanding the Hebrew Calendar." 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. \$15 to \$20. National Museum of American Jewish Military History, 1811 R St. NW.

202-265-6280.

■ The group Yoga Activist will present a weekly yoga class. 7 p.m. Free. Cleveland Park Library, 3310 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-282-3080.

Concerts

■ The Tuesday Concert Series will feature a Levine School of Music faculty recital with percussionist and guitarist Manny Arciniega, banjoist Anders Fahey and vocalist Margaret Wasaff fusing the genres of sacred singing with folk, blues and percussion. See **Events**/Page 30



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sive elements from around the globe. 12:10 p.m. Free. Church of the Epiphany, 1317 G St. NW. 202-347-2635.

■ New Orleans progressive jazz guitarist and vocalist Sasha Masakowski will perform. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ The Fortas Chamber Music Concert series will feature the New York City-based Enso String Quartet performing works by Strauss, Puccini and Verdi. 7:30 p.m. \$32. Terrace Theater, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ "Shtreiml & Ismail: Jewish Roots & Turkish Blues" will feature composer, pianist and harmonicist Jason Rosenblatt and oud player and vocalist Ismail Fencioğlu performing original compositions and new arrangements of traditional folk melodies. 7:30 to 9 p.m. \$15 to \$18. Washington DC Jewish Community Center, 1529 16th St. NW. washingtondcjcc.org.

Discussions and lectures

■ Historian Doris Kearns Goodwin will discuss her book "The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and

the Golden Age of Journalism." Noon. Free. McGowan Theater, National Archives Building, Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th streets NW. 202-357-5000.

■ The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at American University will present a talk on the Middle East by Raphael Danziger, senior research adviser on policy and government affairs for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee and editor in chief of the Near East Report. 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. Free. Temple Baptist Church, 3850 Nebraska Ave. NW. 202-895-4860.

■ As part of the DC Reads program, the Chevy Chase Library will host a discussion of John Muller's book "Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia." 1 p.m. Free. Chevy Chase Library, 5625 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-282-0021.

■ The Friends of the National World War II Memorial Legacy Lecture Series will present a talk by Pulitzer Prize-winning author and journalist Rick Atkinson on the war's lasting significance and impact on the United States. 4 p.m. Free; reservations required. Lincoln Hall Auditorium, National Defense University, Fort McNair, 300 5th Ave. SW. www.imemorialfriends.org.

■ Sally Stoecker, scholar in residence at American University, will discuss "Environmental Crime and Corruption in Russia." 4 p.m. Free; reservations required. Suite 412, Elliott School of International

Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. go.gwu.edu/Stoecker.

■ "Making a Business of Change: American Women in Business" will feature panelists Pamela Laird, professor of history at the University of Colorado-Denver and author of "Pull: Networking and Success Since Benjamin Franklin"; Deryl McKissack, founder of McKissack & McKissack; and A'Leia Bundles, chair of the Foundation for the National Archives and biographer of Madame C.J. Walker. 5:30 to 7 p.m. Free. Jack Morton Auditorium, School of Media and Public Affairs, George Washington University, 805 21st St. NW. calendar.gwu.edu.

■ The Landmark Society will present a book talk by Robert Wilson, author of "Mathew Brady: Portraits of a Nation." 6:30 to 8 p.m. \$15 to \$20; free for Landmark Society members. Tudor Place Historic House and Garden, 1644 31st St. NW. mathewbrady.eventbrite.com.

■ The Humanities Council of Washington, DC, will host a book talk by Margaret Wrinkle (shown), author of "Wash," a re-examination of slavery in ways that challenge many assumptions about race, history, power and healing. A discussion with writer and scholar Natalie Hopkinson will follow. 6:30



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■ **Discussion:** Ann Patchett will discuss her memoir "This Is the Story of a Happy Marriage." 7 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

to 8:30 p.m. Free. Langston Room, Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. NW. 202-387-7638.

■ Deborah Sigmund, founder and director of Innocents at Risk, will discuss her group's efforts to help stop the trafficking of women and children. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. \$15 to \$20. Woman's National Democratic Club, 1526 New Hampshire Ave. NW. 202-232-7363.

■ Kim Flottum, editor of BeeCulture magazine and author of "The Backyard Beekeeper's Honey Handbook, and Toni Burnham, a local beekeeper, will discuss "Urban Beekeeping: Why the Movement Is Buzzing in D.C." 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. \$30 to \$42. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ Sue Conley and Peggy Smith will discuss their book "Cowgirl Creamery Cooks." A cheese tasting will follow. 7 p.m. Free; reservations suggested. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-387-8391.

■ Doris Kearns Goodwin will discuss her book "The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the Golden Age of Journalism" as part of "The Newsmakers Series" presented by Lisner Auditorium and Politics and Prose. 7 p.m. \$30 to \$60. Lisner Auditorium, George Washington University, 730 21st St. NW. 202-994-6800.

■ Artist Paul Graham — who is credited with bringing about a revolution in British documentary photography — will discuss his work. 7 p.m. Free; reservations required. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th St. NW. visitingartists-paulgraham.eventbrite.com.

■ The Center for Environmental Film-making will present a talk by nationally syndicated cartoonist Jim Toomey on how he weaves an environmental message into his comic strip "Sherman's Lagoon" as well as his short films and animations for an online audience. 7 p.m. Free. Wechsler Theater, Mary Graydon Center, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 202-885-3408.

■ The Ford's Theatre Society will host a book talk by author James L. Swanson, author of "End of Days: The Assassination of John F. Kennedy." 7 p.m. Free; tickets required. Ford's Theatre, 511 10th St. NW. fords.org.

■ As part of the DC Reads program, the Petworth Library will host a discussion of John Muller's book "Frederick Douglass

in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia." 7 p.m. Free. Petworth Library, 4200 Kansas Ave. NW. 202-243-1188.

■ The DC Startup Forum will feature Seth Goldman, co-founder of Honest Tea and author of "Mission in a Bottle," a business book told in comic form. 7 to 8 p.m. Free; reservations required. Butler Boardroom, Butler Pavilion, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. dcstartupforum.eventbrite.com.

■ Melissa Block of NPR's "All Things Considered," Joe Richman of "Radio Diaries" and some of the diarists will reunite for a live multimedia event for the NPR series "Teenage Diaries Revisited." 7 p.m. \$20. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 877-987-6487.

■ French author Laurent Binet will discuss World War II and his historical novel "HHhH," winner of the Prix Goncourt du Premier Roman (presentation in English). 7 p.m. \$8 to \$12. Alliance Française de Washington, 2142 Wyoming Ave. NW. francdc.org.

■ U.S. Undersecretary of Education Martha J. Kanter will discuss her department's initiatives, including college cost proposals and U.S. competitiveness globally. 7 to 8 p.m. Free; reservations required. Room 505, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. bit.ly/1607ozQ.

■ National Geographic explorer Emily Ainsworth will recount her adventures with a Mexican circus, Mongolian nomads and more. 7:30 p.m. \$21.60 to \$24. Grosvenor Auditorium, National Geographic, 1600 M St. NW. 202-857-7700.

■ The German Language Society will present an illustrated talk in German on "Around the World on a Motorcycle" by Werner Bausenhart, professor emeritus of German language and literature at the University of Ottawa and the author of several books about his motorcycle travels across the continents. 8 p.m. \$5; free for students. Reservations required. Embassy of Switzerland, 2900 Cathedral Ave. NW. 202-239-0432.

Films

■ National Geographic's Tuesdays at Noon series will feature the 1966 television special "Voyage of the Brigantine Yankee," with introductory remarks by Karen Buckley of the National Geographic Film Preservation Project. Noon. Free. Grosvenor Auditorium, National Geographic, 1600 M St. NW. 202-857-7700.

■ The monthlong "Tales of the City — San Francisco" series will feature Alfred Hitchcock's 1958 film "Vertigo," starring James Stewart and Kim Novak. 6 p.m. Free. Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW. 202-727-0232.

■ The Smithsonian American Art Museum will present Cheech Marin's 1987 film "Born in East L.A.," about a Mexican-American man who is mistakenly deported to Mexico and must find his way home to the United States. 6:30 p.m. Free. McEvoy Auditorium, Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and F streets NW. 202-633-1000.

■ To mark the 75th anniversary of the Kristallnacht pogrom, the Goethe-Institut will show Margarethe von Trotta's 2003 film "Rosenstrasse." A panel discussion with German Historical Institute fellow Stefan Hördler and Florida State University history professor Nathan Stolz will follow. See **Events**/Page 31

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low. 6:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Goethe-Institut, 812 7th St. NW. goetheinstitutwashington.eventbrite.com.

■ "From the Academy Film Archive — Life on the Home Front" will present World War II films "The Last Will and Testament of Tom Smith," "Food and Magic" and "The Fighting Generation." 7 p.m. Free. McGowan Theater, National Archives Building, Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th streets NW. 202-357-5000.

Performances

■ Teen poets on the DC Youth Slam Team will perform pieces in response to the "Poetic Voices of the Muslim World" exhibit. 6 p.m. Free. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-727-0321.

■ British choreographer Matthew Bourne and his dance company will present his re-imagining of the ballet classic "Sleeping Beauty" as a gothic romance. 7:30 p.m. \$30 to \$120. Opera House, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600. *The performance will repeat Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 1:30 p.m.*

■ SpeakeasyDC will present its monthly show, "Keeping Up With the Joneses: Stories about climbing, coveting, and competing." 8 p.m. \$15. Town Danceboutique, 2009 8th St. NW. speakeasydc.com.

Reading

■ Kathleen Chalfant will present a staged reading of Lynn Redgrave's "Shakespeare for My Father," written after the actress received an invitation in 1991 from the Folger to present an evening of Shakespeare and family anecdotes. 7:30 p.m. \$5 to \$15. Gonda Theatre, Davis Performing Arts Center, Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. 202-687-2787.

Sporting event

■ The Washington Capitals will play the Columbus Blue Jackets. 7 p.m. \$56 to \$490. Verizon Center, 601 F St. NW. 800-745-3000.

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Benefit

■ The Historical Society of Washington, D.C., Legacy Gala will honor the Saul and Quander families and feature a look at the group's neighborhood photography program. 6 p.m. \$150 to \$250. Carnegie Library, 801 K St. NW. historydc.org.

Children's program

■ Erica Perl and Jackie Urbanovic will discuss their children's book "King of the Zoo." 10:30 a.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

Class

■ Rabbi Doug Heifetz and Imam Mohammad Bashar Arafat will teach a two-part class on differing interpretations of the story of Joseph from the Jewish and Muslim perspectives. 7:30 p.m. \$27. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 877-987-6487. *The class will continue Nov. 20 at 7:30 p.m.*

Concerts

■ The Happenings at the Harman series will feature Cantosur performing songs in Spanish and Portuguese from South American and the Caribbean. Noon. Free. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW.

202-547-1122.

■ Vocalist Lea Gilmore will perform

"The Soul of a People: A Celebration of African American Music Traditions." 12:10 p.m. Free. East Building Auditorium, National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-842-6941.

■ The Georgetown Concert Series will

feature the Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir performing works by Brahms, Tobias, Schnittke and Pärt. 7 p.m. \$25 to \$30. St. John's Episcopal Church, Georgetown Parish, 3240 O St. NW. 202-338-1796.

■ Singer-songwriter Chan Marshall will perform Memphis soul and Delta blues music from Cat Power's album "SUN." 7 p.m. \$40. Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW. 800-745-3000.

■ "Jazz at the Atlas" will feature the Steve Lehman Octet. 8 p.m. \$28.50 to \$33.50. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. 202-399-7993.

Discussions and lectures

■ "Cubans in the New Economy: Their Reflections and the U.S. Response" will feature Cuban guests Nidialys Acosta Cabrera, Emilia Fernández and Niuris Higuera Martínez and U.S. speakers Margaret E. Crahan, Phil Peters and Carlos Saladrigas. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free; reservations required. City View Room, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. go.gwu.edu/cubans.

■ In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington, Library of Congress curators will lead a round-table discussion about the music that came to shape American culture during the 1960s. Noon. Free. Whittall Pavilion, Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, 10 1st St. SE. 202-707-5502.

■ Damien Ma and Bill Adams will discuss their book "In Line Behind a Billion People: How Scarcity Will Define China's Ascent." 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Free; reservations requested. Mortara Building, Georgetown University, 3600 N St. NW. eventbrite.com/event/8898586913.

■ Joe Scarborough will discuss his book "The Right Path: From Ike to Reagan, How Republicans Once Mastered Politics — and Can Again," at 4 p.m.; Ivan Klima will discuss his book "My Crazy Century," at 7 p.m. Free. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ Monica Steinberg of the City University of New York will discuss "Incongruent Strategies: Engagements With Humor and Identity in Contemporary Azerbaijani Art." 4 to 5 p.m. Free; reservations required. Suite 412, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, 1957 E St. NW. go.gwu.edu/Steinberg.

■ A panel discussion on "NoMa: Past, Present, and Future" will explore ideas for connecting to adjacent neighborhoods, encouraging affordable housing and retail, and tackling challenges such as lack of green space. 6:30 to 8 p.m. \$12 to \$20. National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW. 202-272-2448.

■ Alan M. Levine, associate professor of government and the founding director of the Political Theory Institute at American University, will discuss "Machiavelli and the



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■ **Film:** Director Peter Mettler will present his film "Petropolis: Aerial Perspectives on the Alberta Tar Sands," followed by a Q-and-A session. 7 p.m. \$5. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th St. NW. 202-639-1770.

Roots of Political Science." 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. \$30 to \$42. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ The Friends of the Tenley-Friendship Library will host a book talk by Jerry Parr, author of "In the Secret Service: The True Story of the Man Who Saved President Reagan's Life." 7 p.m. Free. Tenley-Friendship Library, 4450 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202-727-1488.

■ Politics and Prose will present a talk by Scott Wiener, author of "Viva La Piz! Pizza Boxes From Around the World." 7 p.m. Free. Comet Ping Pong, 5037 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-364-1919.

■ Georgetown University professor Anthony R. DelDonna will discuss his book "Opera, Theatrical Culture, and Society in Late Eighteenth-Century Naples." 7 p.m. Free; reservations required. Auditorium, Embassy of Italy, 3000 Whitehaven St. NW. tinyurl.com/pfdmo3u.

■ Presidential historian Barbara Perry, a senior fellow at the University of Virginia's Miller Center, will discuss "Rose Kennedy: Portrait of a Political Matriarch." 7 to 9 p.m. \$30 to \$42. S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Drive SW. 202-633-3030.

■ "America's Changing Role in the World and How the Press Covers It" will feature moderator Gwen Ifill of PBS and panelists Thomas L. Friedman, foreign affairs columnist for The New York Times; Andrea Mitchell, chief foreign affairs correspondent for NBC News; and Michael Gerson, a nationally syndicated columnist with The Washington Post. 7:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Lisner Auditorium, George Washington University, 730 21st St. NW. lisner.gwu.edu.

Films

■ The Docs in Salute Series will feature Helena Trestíková's 2007 film "Beyond Words," about the mass murder of Czech Jews at the Auschwitz concentration camp. Noon. Free. Pickford Theater, Madison Building, Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave. SE. 202-707-5221.

■ The "Muslim Journeys" film series will feature "Koran by Heart." 6:30 p.m. Free. Chevy Chase Library, 5625 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-282-0021.

■ American University and the Embassy of Bulgaria will present the 2003 film "The Optimists: The Story of the Rescue of Bulgarian Jews From the Holocaust." A post-screening discussion will feature

Jacky Comforty, the film's director, and Elena Poptodorova, Bulgarian ambassador to the United States. 7 to 9:30 p.m. Free; reservations required. Room 4, Mary Graydon Center, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. american.edu/cas/israelstudies/rsvp/optimists.cfm.

■ La Maison Française will present

Philippe Le Guay's 2013 film "Cycling With Molière." 7 p.m. \$5 to \$8. Embassy of France, 4101

Reservoir Road NW. eventbrite.com/event/8896065371.

■ The Washington DC Jewish Community Center will present Alexa Karolinski's 2011 documentary "Oma & Bella," about two octogenarians who share an apartment in Berlin and a common past as Holocaust survivors. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. \$12.50. Adas Israel Congregation, 2850 Quebec St. NW. washingtondcjcc.org.

■ The Lions of Czech Film series will feature the documentary "Vojta Lavicka: Ups and Downs," about the life of a Roman musician, activist and reporter over the course of 16 years. 8 p.m. \$8.50 to \$11.50. Avalon Theatre, 5612 Connecticut

Ave. NW. 202-966-6000.

Meetings

■ The Glover Park Village's twice-monthly "Conversation Corner" will offer a chance to speak French, Spanish or German with neighbors. 11:30 a.m. Free; reservations requested. Guy Mason Recreation Center, 3600 Calvert St. NW. events@gloverparkvillage.org.

■ A support group for job seekers will hold its weekly meeting in Tenleytown. 2 p.m. Free. Panera Bread, 4501 Wisconsin Ave. NW. prospero76@gmail.com.

Performances

■ The Happenings Happy Hour series will feature the Washington Improv Theater performing an improvised musical. 5:30 p.m. Free. Sidney Harman Hall, 610 F St. NW. 202-547-1122.

■ As part of the Kids Euro Festival, Italy will present master magician Zanin Ivano. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

■ SOLE Defined will present "Black Ameri-I-Can," combining percussive dance forms and theater. 8 p.m. \$15 to \$20. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE. 202-399-7993. *The performance will repeat Saturday at 8 p.m.*

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ANC 1C

■ ADAMS MORGAN

The commission will hold its next monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, at Mary's Center, 2355 Ontario Road NW.

Agenda items include:

- announcements.
- committee agendas.
- consideration of alcoholic beverage control and public safety matters: Adams Morgan moratorium on alcohol licenses; tavern license renewals; District Lounge and Grille application to bring license out of safekeeping; and Bistro 18 request for temporary extension of hours.

- consideration of planning, zoning and transportation matters: proposed development at 1835 Wyoming Ave.; sidewalk cafe application for the Adams Morgan Coffee Shop, 2204 18th St.; proposed installation of parking meters on the 1700 block of Florida Avenue; proposed removal of parking meters at 2390 Champlain St.; proposed changes to the Height of Buildings Act; and zoning regulations rewrite.

- discussion of inclusionary zoning.

For details, call 202-332-2630 or visit anc1c.org.

ANC 2A

■ FOGGY BOTTOM / WEST END

The commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, at St. Paul's Parish Hall, 2430 K St. NW.

For details, visit anc2a.org.

ANC 2B

■ DUPONT CIRCLE

The commission will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Brookings Institution, 1775 Massachusetts Ave. NW.

For details, visit dupontcircleanc.net.

ANC 2D

■ SHERIDAN-KALORAMA

The commission will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18, at Our Lady Queen of the Americas Church, California Street and Phelps Place NW.

For details, visit anc2d.org or contact davidanc2d01@aol.com.

ANC 2E

■ GEORGETOWN / CLOISTERS
BURLEITH / HILLDALE

At the commission's Nov. 4 meeting:

- Metropolitan Police Department Lt. John Hedgecock reported that there were no serious issues in the neighborhood on Halloween. He also urged residents and business owners to report crimes to police, and he reported that the department is stepping up enforcement of stop-sign runners and drag racing on M Street.

- commissioners voted unanimously to commend Charles Eason for his years of service on the commission. Eason resigned last week because he has moved to Maryland.

Residents who want to represent

single-member district 2E07, in northeast Georgetown, have until Nov. 25 to turn in a petition signed by at least 25 registered voters within that district. An election will be held if there is more than one valid candidate; if there is just one, the vacancy will be filled automatically.

- commission chair Ron Lewis announced that a D.C. Council hearing on the Wisconsin Avenue streetscape project in Glover Park will be held at 11 a.m. Dec. 4.

- commission chair Ron Lewis encouraged residents to comment to the commission and to the Board of Elections about a proposal to shift some precinct boundaries and polling places.

- commissioners voted unanimously to support the 24th annual Lawyers Have Heart 10K race on June 24.

- commissioners voted unanimously to support a proposal from the Citizens Association of Georgetown that would require residents to notify all neighbors within 35 feet of their property when they intend to make an exterior modification to their home. The proposal would need to be introduced as D.C. Council legislation.

Some residents argued for a greater distance; commissioners said the details can be worked out during the legislative process.

- commissioners voted unanimously to support a Georgetown University application to build a new dorm and allow housing in a few other buildings on its campus. The university needs Zoning Commission approval to amend its campus plan to include these new items.

Commissioners also voted 6-0, with Ron Lewis absent, to endorse the dorm's proposed location — between Rice Hall and the Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School property line — to the Old Georgetown Board.

- commissioners voted unanimously to support a Board of Zoning Adjustment application for a yoga studio at 3343 Prospect St. to be 594 square feet larger than originally planned.

- commissioners took no action on a series of liquor license renewals because no residents had any complaints about the establishments.

- commissioners voted unanimously to support extended holiday hours for several establishments that have settlement agreements with the commission. The Citizens Association of Georgetown, the other signatory on the agreements, also supports the extensions.

- commissioners voted unanimously to request that the Old Georgetown Board look carefully at aspects of a planned addition to Hyde-Addison Elementary School — a gym, cafeteria and other space that would be located underneath the existing playground on O Street. The playground would be raised 12 feet to sit above the partially buried addition. Commissioners wanted the project shifted eastward to be farther from nearby homes, and some were con-

cerned about a large pane of glass stretching along O Street.

Commissioners also voted unanimously to request that the D.C. Department of General Services begin working with the community and sharing more information about the project with neighbors.

- commissioners voted unanimously to support an Old Georgetown Board application for an alley reconstruction off R Street between 31st and 32nd streets. The alley has longstanding drainage issues that the D.C. Department of Transportation intends to address.

- commissioners voted unanimously to oppose aspects of an Old Georgetown Board application to largely demolish and rebuild the West Heating Plant at 29th and K streets to convert it into condominiums. Commissioners requested further structural evaluations on whether more of the building can be saved, and opposed plans to re-create the scale of the existing building if demolition is approved, among other details.

- commissioners voted unanimously to oppose an Old Georgetown Board application for expanded rear buildings at 1351 Wisconsin Ave., while raising no objection to various proposed changes to the main building fronting Wisconsin — the former Georgetown Theater. Neighbors objected to the scale of the expanded rear buildings, which they said would loom over their yards.

- commissioners voted 6-0, with Jeff Jones absent, to oppose an Old Georgetown Board application for a raised rear patio at 1625 33rd St., recommending that the homeowner instead use stairs to access the rear of the home. Commissioners had no objection to proposed changes to the home's rear doors.

- commissioners voted unanimously to recommend that the Old Georgetown Board allow a small rear addition at 1649 35th St. but asked that it not approve the large addition currently proposed.

- commissioners voted unanimously to oppose an Old Georgetown Board application for a two-car parking pad behind a home at 3310 N St., but they had no objection to a one-car pad and one-story rear addition.

- commissioners voted unanimously to oppose an Old Georgetown Board application for an ATM at 1335 Wisconsin Ave.

- commissioners voted 5-0, with Ron Lewis and Bill Starrels abstaining, to raise no objection to an Old Georgetown Board application for replacement windows and a new deck at 1421 29th St.

The commission will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 2, at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School, 1524 35th St. NW.

For details, call 202-724-7098 or visit anc2e.com.

ANC 2F

■ LOGAN CIRCLE

The commission will meet at 7

p.m. Monday, Nov. 6, at the Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle NW.

Agenda items include:

- announcements.
- reports by government agencies.
- police report.
- presentation on the La Colombine coffee bar in Blagden Alley.
- presentation by the D.C. Department of Transportation on the reconstruction of pedestrian ramps along K Street between 12th and 21st streets.

- presentation by the D.C. Office of Planning on Franklin Park.

- presentation of team proposals for the redevelopment of the historic Franklin School: Abdo Development and CoStar Group; Bundy Development Corp.; Lowe Enterprises Real Estate Group and the National Association of Multicultural Digital Entrepreneurs; Douglas Development; and EastBanc Inc., the Institute for Contemporary Expression and the Think-FoodGroup. (The commission will vote later in the meeting on a recommendation for the school's redevelopment.)

- presentation by the D.C. Board of Elections on the precinct boundary efficiency plan.

- consideration of Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration matters: 1209-1213 10th St. (Blagden Alley), The American, settlement agreement; 920 14th St., Park Place, petition to terminate current settlement agreement; and license renewals for Number Nine at 1435 P St., Ghibellina at 1610 14th St., Vegas Lounge at 1415 P St., Capitale at 1301 K St., and Vita (formerly Mood Lounge) at 1318 9th St.

- consideration of community development committee matters: 1101 Rhode Island Ave., recommendation of support for a Board of Zoning Adjustment application for variances; discussion of a visitor parking program for the commission's neighborhoods; and removal of a bus stop on the west side of 14th Street south of Rhode Island Avenue, recommendation of support.

- consideration of community impact statements in cases pending against Carlito Bailey, Ricky C. Watkins and Gregory A. Cole.

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ANC 3C

■ CLEVELAND PARK / WOODLEY PARK
MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE HEIGHTS
CATHEDRAL HEIGHTS

The commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18, at the 2nd District Police Headquarters, 3320 Idaho Ave. NW.


Agenda items include:

- discussion with Lisa Sutter of the Metropolitan Police Department regarding mobile traffic enforcement devices.

- discussion and consideration of a resolution regarding the closure of the service lane in the Cleveland Park business district.

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AGING: Nonprofit conducts age-friendly survey

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Circle Main Streets group, the nonprofit spearheaded this two-part study — the first of its kind in the city — to understand and meet the needs of seniors choosing to stay in their city homes as they age.

If the study is successful, D.C. would use it as a model to identify ways businesses all over the city can better serve different age ranges.

Mayor Vincent Gray has recently been pushing efforts to make the District more supportive of its growing population of older residents.

By 2017, the mayor hopes for the city to earn global recognition as an “age-friendly city” by the World Health Organization. Currently, New York and Portland, Ore., are the only two U.S. cities that have won this classification, which is held by 35 cities worldwide.

To meet this goal in the District, Gray launched the Age-Friendly D.C. Initiative last year and a related task force this spring. D.C. officials plan to work on various strategies, like improving the accessibility and availability of safe recreational facilities.

D.C. Age Friendly Cities coordinator Gail Kohn strongly supports the group’s initiative.

“That’s a really cool thing [the Dupont Circle Village] is doing because we can replicate that across the city,” said Kohn, former executive director of the Capitol Hill Village, the city’s oldest and largest aging-in-place nonprofit. “Dupont Circle would be a model.”

She also said that a local organization is a better vehicle to launch such a project than a government entity.

“Let them take the lead. One of the values of what they’re doing [is that it] engages those who live in Dupont Circle in purposeful activity,” said Kohn.

Louis Davis Jr., state director of AARP District of Columbia, agreed that the neighborhood survey could prove valuable across the city.

Conducted online, the first phase of the survey went to 150 village members and volunteers to gather information on priorities for Dupont consumers age 50 and above, said study coordinator Pender M. McCarter.

The results showed that a vast majority of respondents — more than 90 percent — would use product offers or discounts targeted to adults aged 50 or older. The results also identified dim lighting and extreme noise levels as primary concerns.

The study also found that more than 80 percent consider it “extremely important” to live near a grocery store and a drugstore. Asked whether most Dupont businesses are age-friendly, 44 percent said “yes,” 13 percent said “no” and 40 percent said they were “not sure.”

The second part of the study will look at neighborhood business owners. McCarter said this will encourage merchants to examine how their current business practices accommodate customers of all ages, including older adults and parents pushing baby strollers. He also said it would take a few weeks to complete since the methodology is paper and pen.

Once all results are analyzed from the two surveys, Dupont Circle Village will develop recommendations for merchants to help sustain and attract a growing customer base of older residents.

DISPATCHES

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Sailing teams work very differently from some other team sports. In a regatta, which is a series of races run on the weekend, there will be two boats racing on behalf of School Without Walls. There are two people per boat: the skipper, who steers and mans the main sail, and the crew, who mans the front sail, known as a jib. The two boats race in something called fleets, where there is “A” fleet and “B” fleet. Walls sailors face teams from Annapolis, Baltimore and southern Maryland. This geographic area is often referred to as one of the most competitive for high school sailing in the country. Good luck to the Walls sailors in finishing their season strong at the last regatta this weekend!

— **Eleonore Edgell, 12th-grader**

Sheridan School

Yesterday we had the Sheridan Halloween Parade. During the parade we partner up with our fourth-grade buddies, and we make a loop around the school ending up in the gym. As we’re walking, the parents are taking our pictures and cheering us on. Once we made it to the gym, we were greeted by Mr. Plummer, who was dressed as Iron Man. He announced that we were going to sing some songs about Halloween, including some you may not have heard of, like “The Yellow Pumpkin Patch” and “The Ghost of John.” After that assembly I was ready for trick-or-treating!

Today we’re back to a normal school day. In math class, we’re learning about number bonds, sequences and addition stories. An addition story is a story where you can find math in your writing. For example, if you say there are six tall trees and three small trees you are really describing the math problem 6+3=9. This is one way we see math

all around us, even in writing.

— **Gabriel Chapman, first-grader**

Stoddert Elementary

On Halloween, our school had a Literacy Parade. People dressed up as their favorite book character. In my first-grade class, Cyrus was the Lion and Raquel was Dorothy from “The Wizard of Oz.” Mahayana was Little Red Riding Hood. Many girls chose princesses as their favorite characters. Zoe was Sleeping Beauty, Chayse was Cinderella and Saron was a princess. Nephty was Ariel. Lauren was a leopard in spots. Karen was a ladybug. Tanya also had wings. She was a fairy. Tsega dressed as the Transformer Bumblebee. Dylan was Darth Vader. Thomas and Bilal were adventurous. One was a race car driver. One was an astronaut. Marek was a character from Chima. Maxwell was Abraham Lincoln. And Aniyah was Strawberry Shortcake.

— **Aniyah Harris, first-grader**

Washington Latin Public Charter School

Washington Latin students have started a number of new clubs this year, including the Gay-Straight Alliance. In previous years, interest in starting the club had grown, and under the guidance of upper school assistant principal Laurel Seid, the club is now in its first year. Sophomore Marcus Williams runs the group, with the help of Ms. Seid and several other teacher advisers.

The club meets weekly in a classroom at lunch so students can discuss their shared goal: making the school safe for all students to be who they are. The club will lead advocacy and education activities and raise money to donate to education and advocacy nonprofit groups.

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