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Phase 2 Architects and Designs Revealed for The Wharf, Coming 2021

The 11 architects comprise one of the most impressive lineups in the nation to design the ambitious second phase of The Wharf. When complete, Phase 2 of The Wharf will feature an additional 1.2 million square feet of mixed-use development including office, residential, marina, and retail space, as well as parks and public spaces, across approximately half a mile of waterfront. Phase 1 is scheduled to open in Oct. The groundbreaking for Phase 2 will take place in mid-2018, with an expected completion date in 2021.

“It is extraordinarily exciting to be able to announce the team we have selected to design Phase 2 of The Wharf,” said Shawn Seaman, AIA, principal and senior vice president of development of PN Hoffman. “We have selected a diverse group of locally, nationally, and internationally renowned designers, knowing they will bring their talent and expertise to The Wharf, building a waterfront neighborhood that is an integral part of the city.”



“As with everything connected to The Wharf, the architectural design team chosen for Phase 2 reflects our ongoing efforts to

achieve excellence while creating a dynamic, authentic, and compelling community,” said Peter Cole, managing director of Madison Marquette.

District-headquartered Perkins Eastman DC, the master planner and master architect of The Wharf, will continue this guiding role for Phase 2, channeling the collective vision to ensure that The Wharf is a beloved waterfront neighborhood for generations to come.

The design firms selected for Phase 2 of The Wharf include:

Perkins Eastman DC: Master Planner and Master Architect

Perkins Eastman is serving as master architect for The Wharf, continuing on the original master plan and development vision conceived by Principal Stanton Eckstut, FAIA. Eckstut will continue as the master planner for the waterfront neighborhood’s overall look and feel. The international design firm’s DC office began working with HMW on The

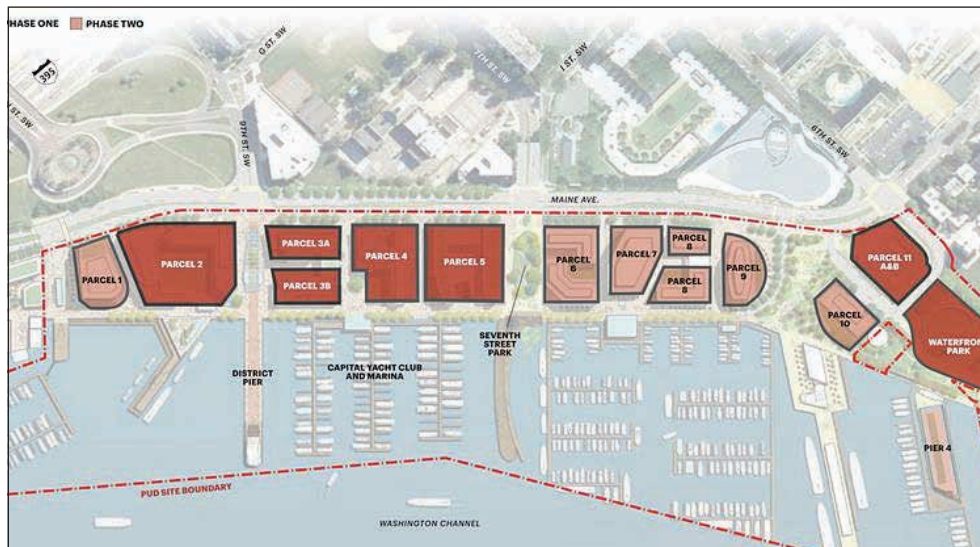
Wharf in 2008, additionally serving as the Architect of Record for The Channel apartments and the Class-A office building (800 Maine). Perkins Eastman DC is the horizontal architect for all Phase 2 infrastructure and underground parking—the largest scope in Phase 2. Perkins Eastman’s portfolio encompasses all scales of the built environment, including resilient waterfront developments, health care, hospitality, K-12, multi-family residential, and other critical infrastructure. Notable waterfront projects include Battery Park City in New York; Inner Harbor East in Baltimore, Md.; and Huishan North Bund in Shanghai, China.



SHoP Architects: Parcel 6 & 7 Office

SHoP has been recognized as Fast Company’s “Most Innovative Architecture Firm in the World” and awarded the Smithsonian/Cooper Hewitt’s National Design Award for Architecture. They will design two office towers and related retail space in Phase 2. No stranger to waterfront projects, SHoP designed the multi-use Pier 15 East River Waterfront project, and is completing construction for Pier 17—the re-visioning of New York’s Seaport District. SHoP is an innovation leader in modern office design and is currently designing the 423,000-square-foot Uber Headquarters in San Francisco, Calif., and locally, the 1,000,000-square-foot Midtown

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Friends of Southwest Library Book Sale

Friends of the Southwest Library will host a book sale on June 24-25. The sale will be held on June 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and June 25 from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The library is located at 900 Wesley Place SW. Sale proceeds support events and supplies for the Southwest Library.

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Amidon-Bowen PTA Highlights of the 2016-17 School Year

By: Betsy Wolf
Amidon-Bowen PTA President

It has been a busy year for the Amidon-Bowen PTA. We've been able to accomplish a lot thanks to the hard work of a number of parents and community members. Some highlights include:

- Holding a fundraiser that raised \$4,000 by allowing people to use the school parking lot for the Inauguration and Women's March on Washington. A special thank you to Councilmember Charles Allen for helping us acquire the necessary permits to pull it off.
- Winning a grant from Friends of Southwest to create marketing materials, such as a school crest and tiger logo that can be used on Amidon-Bowen gear.
- Hosting a Night in Hollywood dance for female students and their adult male role models. Led by an Amidon-Bowen parent and facilitated by City Year, this event was a huge success with more than 180 people attending the event and dancing for hours.
- Launching a Caring Committee to provide meals and other resources to Amidon-Bowen families experiencing a crisis or in need.
- Establishing partnerships with local restaurants to provide food for school events.
- Sending weekly "digest" emails to keep parents better informed of all of the school's events and happenings.
- Partnering with an outside vendor to offer language immersion in the afterschool program.
- Buying a tiger mascot costume and then bringing the mascot to several school events



The soaring scholars of Ms. Abesh's kindergarten class.

to foster school pride.

- Installing two flat-screen TVs to display school news and highlights.

All of these accomplishments are the result of the hard work of parents who have assumed leadership roles in the Amidon-Bowen PTA.

Although we've made huge strides this past year, there is more work to be done.

In fact, we have a running list of things that we'd like to do next year with more parent and community support. We would love to hear your ideas, too and hope to involve as much of the parent and Southwest community as possible.

The final PTA meeting for the 2016-17 school year will be on Tuesday, June 6 from

6-7 p.m. in the school's library. We hope to see you there.

Newly Elected Amidon-Bowen PTA Board

The new PTA Board for the 2017-18 school year is:

- President: Betsy Wolf
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Under 150 Days to Go!

May 15 marked 150 days until the official grand opening of Phase 1 of The Wharf.

Westminster, SWNA, Amidon-Bowen Partner to Bring Inspirational Story and STEM to SW

By: Grace Hu

On Saturday, May 13, more than 100 people attended a *Hidden Figures* movie night at Westminster Presbyterian Church, an event sponsored by three Southwest organizations—Westminster Church Faith & Film Ministries, the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly Education and Scholarship Task Force (SWNA ESTF), and Amidon-Bowen Elementary School. Featuring the Oscar-nominated film *Hidden Figures* and a discussion led by Dr. Talitha Washington, mathematician and tenured math professor at Howard University, and Mr. James Ewing, lead STEM teacher at Amidon-Bowen, the event stressed the importance of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) education and setting high expectations for our children.

Based on the bestselling book by Margot Lee Shetterly, the movie *Hidden Figures* tells the true story of African-American women at NASA who persevered and helped NASA send astronauts to space during the 1960s, despite facing discriminatory laws and practices. In spite of being skilled mathematicians, these women had to fight for equal opportunities.

Mr. James Ewing kicked off the event by introducing the topic of STEM to the audience. Although the events of the movie occurred more than five decades ago, women and minorities continue to be underrepresented in STEM careers. Underrepresented minorities hold only 10% of science and engineering jobs despite making up more than a quarter of the U.S. population aged 21 and older. Women make up 12% of the engineering workforce and 26% of the computing workforce.

Washington served as the guest speaker during the discussion following the movie. Challenging the audience to think outside of the box, she emphasized: “We must give our children encouragement to pursue being the first. ... Mathematics is still predominantly white male. Just because you don’t see yourself there doesn’t mean you shouldn’t be there. Everybody has a right to be there at the table.”

Dr. Washington also explained that STEM careers are a source of good, high-paying jobs and there will continue to be high demand for STEM-educated professionals in the future. “We have a lot of things that need to be

solved—cancer, cybersecurity, diseases. There’s going to be a lot [of societal challenges] going forward and we are going to need the STEM machinery to help solve these problems.”

A mother of three teenagers, she discussed the importance of setting high expectations for academic success. She frequently tells her children, “There’s the school requirements and then there are my requirements for graduation [which are more demanding].” Dr. Washington requires her teenagers to take math all four years in high school, including statistics, physics, biology, and chemistry—with at least one of those courses at the advanced placement level.

Ewing ended the discussion with thoughts on how families can encourage their children to become STEM thinkers. “Talking and learning to think as a STEM thinker at home is just as important as talking and learning about it at school. We encourage our families to ask questions that may not have answers, create projects that have multiple solutions, and teach our kids that failing is a learning experience. When we fail at an attempt to solve a problem, we have an opportunity to learn how to make changes, try new ideas, and, most of all, evaluate what we can do better.”

The event was a first in bringing together Westminster Church, SWNA ESTF, and Amidon-Bowen to support Amidon-Bowen’s STEM education program.

“Westminster, Amidon-Bowen’s neighbor, is always seeking ways to support the school, its staff, students, and families. As a church, we celebrate the gifts of science and technology and are glad to encourage elementary students, especially the girls, to get excited and inspired by the *Hidden Figures* story,” said Westminster Co-Pastor Ruth Hamilton.

“SWNA views support for Amidon-Bowen as one of the critical aspects of fulfilling our organization’s mission to enhance the quality of life in Southwest. The ongoing efforts by school staff and parents to sustain a top-quality STEM program are something we salute,” said SWNA President Bruce Levine.

SWNA’s History and Youth Activities Task Forces, the Thelma D. Jones Breast Cancer Fund, the World Bank Group-IMF African American Association, and volunteers from the community also helped make the event a success.



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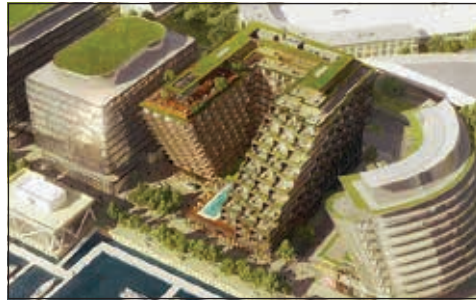
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Center project on the old *Washington Post* site. On the second floor of the office buildings there will be a large oval that connects the two towers, dubbed “the Oculus” designed to bring natural light into the building as well as the planned pedestrian thoroughfare.



WDG Architecture: Parcel 6 & 7 Office

This DC-based CBE architecture firm will be collaborating with SHoP on Parcels 6 and 7 as the Architect of Record. WDG provides architecture, master planning, and interior design from their offices in Washington, DC, and Dallas, TX. Their award-winning work can be found in major metropolitan areas around the United States as well as overseas. WDG has produced more than 500 major buildings, including commercial office, multifamily residential, hospitality, higher education, and mixed-use projects, since its inception in 1938. Current notable projects include Westlight and Midtown Center. WDG has been active in Phase 1 of The Wharf as the Architect of Record for the VIO condominium residences and Incanto apartments that will be delivered in 2017.



ODA: Parcel 8 Multi-family Apartment

This young and creative architecture firm will design the mixed-income apartments and related retail slated for Parcel 8.

Since its inception in 2007, ODA has quickly become one of the most recognized firms of its generation after garnering a reputation for its imaginative and mold-breaking designs, like the National Library of Israel, the adaptive reuse of 15 Union Square West, or Hunters Point South, the award-winning biggest affordable housing project in New York City in the last 40 years. ODA's projects have been praised for their social responsibility, design innovation, and are setting a precedent for a contemporary urban life—integral assets to The Wharf.

ODA strives to divert the perspective of dwelling and over time influence the city,



searching of the best practices to develop a new paradigm that puts people first.

ODA's design calls for a 130-foot building at Parcel 8 that will consist of residences and a hotel, both with ground-floor retail. The U-shaped building will surround a large courtyard that opens towards the water. The courtyard will contain a swimming pool and other building amenities. The hotel will be located on the west side. The north and east sections of the building will house the building residences with outdoor terraces stepping down to the water. The project calls for a nice green space between the two buildings.



Rafael Viñoly: Parcel 9 Condominium Residences

An internationally renowned architectural firm with projects spanning six continents, Rafael Viñoly Architects' diverse portfolio of work includes award-winning museums, academic buildings, and performing art centers. The firm's recent residential projects include 432 Park Avenue, the Western Hemisphere's tallest residential building in New York, and One River Point, a distinctive twin tower structure in Miami, Fl. Rafael Viñoly Architects will bring a new level of luxury residential to The Wharf.

A newly released design calls for a 130-foot residential building that will front one of the largest open spaces at the development known as M Street Landing. The ground floor of this development is arced; above the second floor, the glass design becomes crescent-like, stepping away from M Street Landing toward the upper floors. The open space allows for water views to and from Arena Stage, across M Street.



Morris Adjmi Architects: Parcel 10 Office

Now in its 20th year, Morris Adjmi Architects is one of the most prolific firms in New York City, with a rapidly growing national presence. Adjmi's work is known for its thoughtful engagement with history, modern interpretation of industrial forms, and creative use of materials. Parcel 10 will be his first commercial office building in DC, but Adjmi has already earned recognition in the District for the innovative Atlantic Plumbing residential development. His previous commercial projects, including flagship locations for Theory and Samsung, have helped define emerging neighborhoods and revitalize historic districts.

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Morris Adjmi Architects' design calls for a small office building with ground-floor retail for Parcel 10, which is at the eastern edge of The Wharf. On the ground-floor, this building has a rectangular podium that is meant to engage with M Street Landing. Above the podium level are three square-shaped stories and a penthouse level that will house office space.

STUDIOS Architecture: Live-aboard Marina Services

STUDIOS Architecture opened its DC office in 1985 and is an industry leader in civic, mixed-use, and workplace design. STUDIOS' numerous awards for base building design, innovative jewel-box projects, and world-class office projects are a testament to the firm's versatility. The firm is known for seamless integration of base building with interior spaces that elevate the use of the building and will bring these skills to the multi-use marina services building.

Hollwich Kushner: Wharf Marina

Hollwich Kushner is a leading architecture design firm based in Lower Manhattan and winner of the prestigious MoMA/PS1 Young Architects Program where it built Wendy. Recently the firm has gone on to design projects of varying typologies for clients including Vornado, WeWork, Uniqlo, and the University of Pennsylvania. Hollwich Kushner is a new kind of architecture firm—they are the entrepreneurs who founded Architizer.com and architects who believe that buildings are best when they have rich personalities.

S9 Architecture: Wharf Marina Operations and Cantina Marina Pier

S9 Architecture studies and examines each project as a unique and contributing portion of the overall urban environment in which it resides. A contextual yet modern design philosophy is utilized to insure that S9's architecture and place-making complements and enhances the urban experience for residents and users. Project types include mixed use development, residential, commercial, adaptive reuse, and cultural landmarks. Current projects in construction include Dock 72 in Brooklyn; the New York Wheel on Staten Island; Empire Stores in Brooklyn; and 606 Broadway in Manhattan. Completed projects include 205 Water Street in Brooklyn; Ponce City Market in Atlanta; Lansdowne Park in Ottawa, and Industry City Master Plan in Brooklyn.

Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates (MVVA): M Street Landing

Inspired by the power of landscape architecture to deliver beauty in its many forms—rational, lyrical, and exuberant—MVVA will design the outdoor space at The Wharf called M Street Landing, an open space that connects the waterfront to Arena Stage. The MVVA team believes that the most meaningful landscapes anticipate what they will mean to their many audiences and emerge from straightforward, elegant problem-solving techniques. MVVA has used its skill and technique in its designs for Hudson Park and Boulevard, the centerpiece of a new neighborhood for midtown Manhattan's far West Side known as Hudson Yards, and the much-admired Brooklyn Bridge Waterfront Park.

Wolf | Josey: Public Space Design

Charlottesville, Virginia-based Wolf | Josey Landscape Architects has worked on various landmarks in the DC area. Partners Mary Wolf and Paul Josey have led the design of notable landscapes including the Asia Trail at the National Zoo, Waterfront Park, and Phase 1 of The Wharf. While working with Perkins Eastman on the first phase of The Wharf, Josey led the planting and detailing of The Wharf Promenade and ground-level public space as well as The Channel rooftop.

This group of extraordinary designers selected for Phase 2 of The Wharf will complement the diverse and talented group of designers responsible for Phase 1 of The Wharf, which includes: Ehrenkrantz Eckstut & Kuhn; Perkins Eastman DC; Kohn Pederson Fox, Fox Architects; Rockwell Architecture, Planning, and Design; BBG-BBGM Architects; Handel Architects; WDG Architecture; SmithGroupJJR; SK&I Architectural Design Group; MTF Architecture; Cunningham Quill Architects; McGraw Bagnoli Architects; ZGF Architects; Nelson Bryd Woltz, Landscape Architecture Bureau; Michael Vergason Landscape Architects; Lee and Associates; and Moffat & Nichol.

Phase 2 of The Wharf will continue to source goods and services from DC Certified Business Enterprise (CBE) firms. As of the end of the third quarter of 2016, HMW had procured approximately \$136.5 million, or 40%, of the total dollars expended in goods and services from DC CBE firms, exceeding the 35% requirement.



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Kids in Canal is a 12-week series of kid-friendly entertainment every Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning June 7. Bring your little ones to the middle block of Canal Park to enjoy magic shows, kids tunes, science demonstrations, and puppet shows. Top off your day with a refreshing splash in the Canal Park dancing water fountains.

Kids in Canal

June 7: Rainbow Rock Band	July 5: Rainbow Rock Band	Aug. 6: Rainbow Rock Band
June 14: The Great Zucchini	July 12: Magic of John Jenson	Aug. 9: Zig Zag the Magician
June 21: Mad Science	July 19: Mad Science	Aug. 16: Mad Science
June 28: Kaydee Puppets	July 26: Carousel Puppets	Aug. 23: Carousel Puppets

Bard in the Park

June 14: *Romeo + Juliet* (1996), directed by Baz Luhrmann
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The intent of the seminar is to show that the bible does not condemn homosexuality as some churches continue to teach. In order to better understand certain scriptures, participants will look at the writings of ancient scrolls through the influences of ancient Middle Eastern, Hebrew, Greek and Roman, and early Christian traditions. Participants will also look at the difference between translation and interpretation, the difference between historical/critical reading versus literal reading, defining sexuality and spirituality, the danger of picking and choosing scripture passages, and the challenge to question scriptures. Scripture studied will be from Deuteronomy, Genesis, Judges, Leviticus, Romans, Matthew, 1st Corinthians, 1st Timothy, and Romans.

The facilitator for the seminar will be the Reverend Harry Stock. He completed five years of study in the West Virginia School of Religion, received a bachelor of arts degree from West Virginia University, and received a masters of divinity degree from Virginia Theological Seminary. He was ordained an Episcopal priest in 1981 and served as supply clergy for the Diocese of Washington, DC. He later transferred his credentials to the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community

Reverend Harry Stock

Churches (UFMCC) and was ordained in UFMCC in 1991. He served as pastor of the Metropolitan Community Church of the Disciples in DC for 14 years and served on the faculty of Samaritan Institute of Religious Studies for 10 years where he taught "Homosexuality and the Bible" and "Introduction to Sexuality Studies." He is currently serving as parish partner at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

A tax deductible registration fee is \$20.00 and will include refreshments during registration, lunch, and a binder with all working materials. For further information, or to register, call 202-484-7700. Deadline for registration is Monday, May 29.

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SAT 3, 9AM-5pm The Scrolls Revealed! Homosexuality and the Bible: An In-Depth Study, led by Rev. Harry Stock. You owe it to yourself to take an in-depth look at the scriptures that have been wrongfully used against LGBTQ persons. Registration fee is \$20 and includes lunch and a binder with all study and working materials. **Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 I St SW, Washington, DC 20024.** RSVP by calling 202-484-7700 or emailing the church at wpdcoffice@gmail.com.

SAT 3, 3-4:30 P.M. Yoga Nidra, Meditate, Chant, Breathe and Healing Relaxation. Move toward healing your Mind, Body and Spirit Pamela Wilson guides a very deep, conscious relaxation focused on setting intention. No experience in Yoga or meditation necessary. Bring a mat and light covering. Invite family and friends. A donation of \$10 is suggested. For more information call 202-746-6654 or email: wilsonpj108@verizon.net. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

SAT 3, 10:30 A.M.-noon KOMEN TOASTMASTERS, Looking to develop speaking and leadership skills? Ace a job interview? Ignite your career? Feel free to visit us and see our communications and leadership program at work. SW Library, basement, 202-724-4752.

SAT 3, 3:00 P.M. Wii Club. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us to play Wii games. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library, 202-724-4752.

SUN 4, 11 A.M. Pentecost Sunday Worship Celebration & Chili Cook-off Join us for inspiring worship service, lively music and liturgical dance. Service followed by a chili cook-off. Win a prize for the best entry. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

WED 7, 4:30 P.M. Karaoke Club. Children ages 6-12 and their families are invited to join us in karaoke singing. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

THURS 8, 6-9 P.M. Poster Making Party for National Pride March. Join us for our 3rd Poster Making party as we meet and greet, make new friends, and create posters for the march. Bring a snack to share. All are welcome! Westminster Presbyterian Church.

SAT 10, 10 A.M.-2 P.M. Waterfront Village informational display and free refreshments at the SW Farmers Market, 4th & M Streets SW.

SAT 10, 3:00 P.M. LEGO Club. Children ages 4-12 are invited to design, create, and build structures with LEGO bricks. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. Southwest Library.

SAT 10, 7-9 P.M. Celebrating National Pride Month, Faith & Film Presents “Moonlight” Release Date: October 21, 2016 Duration: 1h 51m Rating: R. A timeless story of human connection and self-discovery, *Moonlight* chronicles three defining chapters in the life of Chiron, a young black man growing up in Miami. His epic journey to manhood is guided by the kindness, support and love of the community that helps raise him. Bring a snack that can be shared with others. Movie followed by discussion. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

SUN 11, 2:30 P.M. P.A.L. (People Animals Love) Dog Visit. Children ages 4-12 are invited to read aloud to a P.A.L. dog. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

MON 12, 4:30 P.M. CHILDREN’S BOOK CLUB. Children ages 8-12 are invited to join us to discuss a book together. Please call or stop by the Children’s Room to find out the latest pick. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

MON 12, 7 P.M. - ANC 6D Monthly Business Meeting, 1100 4th Street SW, second floor.

TUES 13, 10:00-12:00 A.M. The ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION is offering a free/public Legal & Planning Education Program for people with Alzheimer’s/dementia and their caregivers, including legal planning, legal documents, legal/financial assistance, tax deductions/credits, government programs. Location: Faith Presbyterian Church 4161 S Capitol St SW. A4, A2, or A8 bus from Anacostia Metro. For more information call Alz Assoc at 800-272-3900.

Community Calendar

View our on-line calendar at www.swna.org

Submit Calendar events to calendar@thesouthwester.com by the 15th of the month preceding the month it is scheduled.

WED 14, 4:30 P.M. Create Club. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us for arts & crafts activities. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

WED 14, 6:30 P.M. DANCING MINDFULNESS – A movement based meditation workshop, SW Library.

THURS 15, 4-5:30 p.m. Waterfront Village volunteer orientation. See www.dcwaterfrontvillage.org. Volunteer for more information or call 202-656-1834.

FRI 16, 3: 00 P.M. Wii CLUB. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us to play Wii games. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

SAT 17, 10:30 A.M. SUMMER READING KICK-OFF. Stop by the library to sign and enjoy special programs throughout the day. 10:30 A.M. — Story time. 1:00 P.M.— P.A.L. (People Animals Love) Dog Visit. 3:00 P.M.—D.C. Retro Jumpers (double dutch). Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

SAT 17, 9:00 A.M. Christ United Methodist Church Yard Sale featuring clothing for all ages, and household items. Vendor table space \$15. 900 Fourth Street, S.W. Call Sharon 202-360-0484.”

SAT 17, 10:30 A.M.-noon KOMEN TOASTMASTERS, Looking to develop speaking and leadership skills? Ace a job interview? Ignite your career? Feel free to visit us and see our communications and leadership program at work. SW Library, basement, 202-724-4752.

SUN 18, 11 A.M. PEACE SUNDAY. Worship with us and the DC Labor Chorus; 1pm Drumming for Peace and Inclusion- an outdoor Drumming Circle led by Katy Gaughan. No prior drumming experience needed. Bring your percussion instruments or rent a drum for \$10. All are invited. All ages welcome! Westminster Presbyterian Church.

MON 19, 4:30 P.M. ARTY AFTERNOON. Join us in the Children’s Room for fun arts and crafts. For children ages 4-12. Children under 9 must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

TUES 20, 1:30-4:30 P.M. Annual Animal Health Fair, King Greenleaf, 201 N Street SW.

TUES 20, 4:30 P.M. LEGO Club. Children ages 4-12 are invited to design, create, and build structures with LEGO bricks. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

WED 21, 4:30 P.M. LEGO Club. Children ages 4-12 are invited to design, create, and build structures with LEGO bricks. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

THURS 22, 6:30 P.M. ABC Committee, ANC6D. Alcohol license applications, renewals, enforcement, and other issues. To be added to e-mail list for agenda & notifications contact: Coralie Farlee, Chair, ABC Committee, 202-554-4407, cfarlee@mindspring.com. Metropolitan Police 1st District Headquarters, 101 M Street SW.

FRI 23, 3:00 P.M. Wii Club. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us to play Wii games. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

SAT 24, 1-3 P.M. Thinking About Jazz. Chet Baker: Long Road to Recovery. Rusty Hassan, presenter. Chet Baker was a highly regarded trumpet player and remains an icon of West Coast jazz. Light lunch served with door prizes galore. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

SAT 24, 10:30 A.M. Garden Club. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us for hands-on fun in the library’s outdoor garden. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

SAT 24, 10-3 P.M. Friends of the SW Library, BOOK SALE proceeds support events and supplies for the Southwest Library. Email us at friendsofswlibrary@gmail.com. Follow us: Facebook-Friends of Southwest Library, Twitter: @SWdclibrary 900 Wesley Place SW.

SAT 24, 1:00 P.M. SOUTHWEST BOOK DISCUSSION - Copies of this month’s title ‘**The Sense of an Ending**’ by Julian Barnes are available for checkout at the information desk. SW Library.

SUN 25, 1:30-4 P.M. Friends of the SW Library, BOOK SALE proceeds support events and supplies for the Southwest Library. Email us at friendsofswlibrary@gmail.com. Follow us: Facebook-Friends of Southwest Library, Twitter: @SWdclibrary 900 Wesley Place SW.

MON 26 4:30 P.M. Arty Afternoon. Join us in the Children’s Room for fun arts and crafts. For children ages 4-12. Children under 9 must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

TUES 27, 4:30 P.M. LEGO Club. Children ages 4-12 are invited to design, create, and build structures with LEGO bricks. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

WED. 28, 4:30 P.M. Wii Club. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us to play Wii games. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

WED 28, 7 P.M. Stress Reduction through Meditation-a workshop led by David Newcomb (upstairs program area). SW Library.

FRI 30, 3:00 P.M. Wii Club. Children ages 6-12 are invited to join us to play Wii games. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY

ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP. 10:30-11:30 A.M. 2nd Tuesdays of the month. Free and open to the Public. Location: Faith Presbyterian Church 4161 S. Capitol St. SW. Take the A4, A2 or A8 bus from Anacostia Metro. Contacts: Vickie Henrikson vihenrikson@gmail.com or Carroll Quinn 513-763-9921. For more information: alz.org/nca or 800-272-3900.

BABY/TODDLER STORYTIME 10:30 A.M., Mondays. Join us for fun songs, finger plays, baby bounces and rhymes as we work together to develop early literacy skills. Designed for children. Ages birth to 2 years and their caregivers. SW Library.

BLUES MONDAYS, 6 - 9 P.M., Westminster Presbyterian Church. Various Blues musicians and singers featured each Monday. \$5. Food for sale. 400 “I” (eye) Street SW, 202-484-7700.

BOOK CLUB, 7 P.M. every second Thursday at River Park. Book to read: TBA. Contact Gale Dunn Kaufmann 202-484-8432 or Email galekaufmann@verizon.net.

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30 A.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church, 555 Water St. SW. Children ages 3 and older are invited to join our loving and lively Sunday School where they are introduced to a loving God who welcomes and cares for all. Through biblical stories, art, music and holy play, our children are nurtured in their natural spirituality to grow as the “littlest members” of a community of faith.

COLOR CLUB, Mondays, 7:00 P.M. Children and their families are invited to join us for Color Club. We’ll have special coloring sheets and supplies available. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST, 9 - 11 A.M. Every 3rd Saturday, Rear entrance of Christ United Methodist Church, 900 4th St. SW, across from SW Library. \$5.00 donation.

DC DRAGON BOAT CLUB. 8:30 A.M., Saturdays. Interested in meeting new people, getting into shape, and enjoying the great outdoors? Come to the Wharf at the Southwest Waterfront and join a free paddling session with the DC Dragon Boat Club. Dragon boat is the fastest growing water sport in the world; it is a great workout that can be enjoyed by paddlers of all ages and experience levels. The DC Dragon Boat Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing dragon boating to the D.C. area. We are metro-accessible and offer regular practices, opportunities to race in local venues, and social activities. Beginners are welcome! The first three practices are free! Sign up at www.dcdragonboat.org/Questions? Email info@dcdragonboat.org.

DIGITAL DROP-IN, 3:30 - 4:30 P.M. Tuesdays. Help using library services on your digital device (tablet, smartphone, reader). SW Library.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLINIC, 1 - 4 P.M. Wednesdays. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

DPR YOUTH FOOTBALL SKILL TRAINING CAMP- ages 6-10; Tues. Wed and Fridays 5 - 7:30 P.M., Saturdays 9 – 11 A.M., King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N Street SW.

EVENING PRAYERS & Simple Suppers. 6:30 P.M., Tuesdays. Simple fellowship supper of soup, salad and home-made bread. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church.

GAME CLUB, 4:00 P.M. Fridays. Children ages 6-12 are

invited to join us to play board games. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP by Kevin Bliss. 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 2:00 P.M., and an evening group on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 6:30 P.M. **The Center for Contemplative and Healing Arts** at St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church. Donations Accepted. kbliss@kevinjbliss.com.

HAND DANCING, 12:30 - 3:30 P.M., Saturdays with Mr. Zeke. All ages welcome. King Greenleaf Recreation Center.

INSPIRING WORSHIP AND KID’S CHURCH, Sundays, 11 A.M. - noon. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

JAZZ NIGHT IN SW, 6 - 9 P.M., Fridays, Westminster Presbyterian Church. Various Jazz musicians and singers featured each Friday. \$5. Food for sale. Schedule at www.westminsterdc.org/jazz.html

KEYS TO FREEDOM NA Group, Tuesdays 12-1 P.M., St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church.

The KIWANIS CLUB OF SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT, 6:30 - 7:30 P.M., every first and third Monday. Christ United Methodist Church, 900 4th St SW.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Wednesday 7-8 P.M. Westminster Presbyterian Church.

PAJAMA STORY TIME, Thursdays, 6 P.M. Join us for an evening story time where pajamas are encouraged but not required. These evening programs are designed to delight children of all ages. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME, Wednesdays, 10:30 A.M. Join us for books, songs, rhymes, and fingerplays as we continue to strengthen early literacy skills while enjoying stories together. An easy craft activity follows story time each week. Designed for children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers. SW Library.

SEATED YOGA TWICE A WEEK at Westminster Presbyterian, MONDAYS from 11:00 A.M. - 12 noon and WEDNESDAYS from 4:00 - 5:00 P.M. Pamela Wilson guides a gentle series of movements designed to free the joints and ease the mind. This is part of Westminster’s Wellness program.

SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY MARKET, 9 A.M.-1P.M. SAT-URDAYS, May 13-October 28. Entering its third season, the Southwest Community Market returns to the lot at **Waterfront Metro Station**. Dreaming Out Loud, Inc. — in partnership with Diverse Markets Management LLC (responsible for the Downtown Holiday Market & The Flea Market at Eastern Market) and the Southwest Business Improvement District —looks to have our best season yet! The market features 12-15 diversified vendors offering baked goods, coffee/tea, jams/jellies, prepared foods, pasture-raised meats & eggs, and locally grown produce. We also regularly schedule market entertainment including live music, cooking demos, dance workshops, lawn games and more! Looking forward to having you!

THE SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT AARP CHAPTER #4751, Monthly luncheon meetings will resume on Wednesday, September 20, 2017. Monthly Meetings are held every third Wednesday at 12:00 noon. For further information, contact Chapter President Betty Jean Tolbert Jones, bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com or 202-554-0901.

SW FREEWAY, NA, 7 - 8 P.M., Wednesdays, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 “I” (Eye) Street SW.

WASHINGTON STAMP COLLECTOR’S CLUB, 7-9 P.M. First and Third Wednesday each month. Buy, trade and sell stamps. Refreshments. Christ United Methodist Church, 900 4th St. SW.

YOGA BY PAM WILSON, 8 A.M.-9 A.M. Wednesdays. The Center for Contemplative and Healing Arts at St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church. Bring a mat if you have one. Donations Accepted. For information, call Pamela Wilson (202) 746-6654 or email: wilsonpj108@verizon.net

YOGA FOR ADULTS and TEENS by Yoga Activists, 6:30-7:30 P.M. Tuesdays & Thursdays. All levels welcome. Bring your own mat or use a library provided mat. SW Library.

YOUNG LADIES ON THE RISE, 5:30 - 7 P.M., Wednesdays, Michelle Edmonds, Ages 6-14. King Greenleaf Recreation Center.

ZUMBA, 7:30-8:30 P.M. Mondays, Instructor Roshaunda Jenkins will lead this one-hour fitness and dance workout — all fitness levels welcome. The class is free and no registration is required. Dance your way to fitness! SW Library.

Harvest Time in SW Community Garden!



Young farmhands helping remove jerusalem artichokes from the food fence area.



Some of our firework flowers (Allium schubertii) in full cosmic bloom.

June is harvest time in the SW Community Garden! Throughout the month we'll be harvesting garlic, lettuce, blackberries, and a variety of herbs. The blackberries are purposely located along our food fence so that any passersby can grab a couple without

actually coming into the garden. Remember, the darker the berry, the sweeter the juice! If you don't see us in the garden, you may see us posted up outside of Safeway giving away our harvests, so keep an eye out!

In addition to our general garden maintenance

work, this month, we'll also be adding artwork to our fences. If you have some artistic talent you'd like to contribute, please stop by!

Our garden workdays are Wednesdays 6-7 p.m., and Sundays 4-6 p.m. Workdays are canceled on days of inclement weather. We collect food scraps during workdays, but if

those times are inconvenient, please reach out to us at swgardensdc@gmail.com to utilize our 24/7 composting system. You can stay in the loop with us through our website swgardens.org. Hope to see you in the garden!



Young farmhands helping Sam Smith create a pollinator garden.

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Anita Maynard-Losh on Camp Arena Stage

By: Sheila Wickouski

Anita Maynard-Losh is Arena Stage's director of community engagement and co-director of Camp Arena Stage. She is also one of our neighbors in Southwest.

Anita has taught in college theater departments and directed plays at Arena, as well as conceived and directed an Alaska Native-inspired production of *Macbeth*, and collaborated on creating original works with communities in India and Croatia.

Anita has spoken about the impact of programs in the arts on young people to Friends of Southwest DC (FOS), who has provided grants for scholarships for students to participate in programs like Camp Arena Stage and Voices of Now.

Recently I talked with her to find out more about Camp Arena Stage, which is now opening for the 13th year this summer in a four-week session (June 26-July 21) and a two-week session (July 24-Aug. 4).

Q: How did Camp Arena Stage start? Do you remember what the first summer was like?

A: Camp Arena Stage started in the summer of 2005 on the beautiful campus of Georgetown Visitation. We were a lot smaller then—I think we had 101 campers for one session, and now we have 175 in each of two sessions and many more choices in activities.



Q: What are some of the most popular activities offered at Camp Arena Stage?

A: There are more than 75 activities offered and the campers get to create their own schedules from offerings in theater, dance, music, visual arts, film-making, and writing. Some of the most popular are Improvisation, Hip-Hop, Musical Theater, Sculpture, Newspaper, and Short Films.

Q: What's a typical day like?

A: We start outside on what we call the Field of Dreams, where every camper meets with their small group leader and warms up for the day. Then they go off to their first of three chosen activities of the day, followed by lunch. The highlight of the day is the Noontime Show—a variety show that campers can sign up to be in. Every day after the show, we have a recreational period full of surprise activities, and then the campers go to their last two classes of the day.



Photos courtesy of Lauren Alexander.

The regular camp day is from 9-4, but there is early care and extended daycare available if needed.

Q: What have campers come away with from this experience?

A: Frequently we hear the campers say that the most important thing about camp for them is the positive, supportive community that they are part of. They love the opportunity to explore a lot of different art forms taught by professional artists. They make friends and try new things and remember this as their best summer ever!

Q: What have you learned from being co-director of this program?

A: I've learned how important it is for young people to have a place where they are recognized and celebrated for their uniqueness, where they can try things and not need to be perfect right away, and where everyone supports each other in an atmosphere of kindness and respect. I've also learned what a remarkable capacity for growth and transformation young people have, and have enjoyed seeing that particularly with campers who come back year after year.

Q: Have some campers been in Arena Stage's professional productions?

A: Yes, Emma Sophie Moore was in Arena Stage's production of *Carousel* this season, last season Sebastian Gervase was in *Oliver!*, and Molly Yesselson was in *Akeelah and the Bee*.

It is not just about making it to the big stage, but also about the possibilities of the arts. One of the FOS grantees who started as a camper went on to become a camp mentor and is now one of the teachers.



Q: How does one enroll in Camp Arena Stage? What are the requirements and deadline for applying?

A: The easiest way is to go online to the Arena Stage website: www.arenastage.org/camp/. Campers need to be between the ages of 8 and 15. Other than that there are no requirements. We have spaces now and registration stays open until we are full.



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In Their Own Words: Preserving Public Space In Southwest

Editor's Note: Do you want to have your voice heard? Do you feel your opinions are going unnoticed? Do you have an answer to a problem in the neighborhood? This series, called In Their Own Words, includes op-eds written by neighbors for neighbors. If you would like to contribute, please email editor@thesouthwester.com with "In Their Own Words op-ed" in the title.

Southwest is a very special place to a community of people for a variety of reasons—this article aims to share why the area is important to two residents in particular, and is a call to protect the characteristics we cherish about our neighborhood. We hope you'll listen.

Who we are: Coy McKinney. I have lived in SW for seven years, in a Tiber Island unit my mother purchased while she was living here in the 90s. I moved in in 2010, and from that time on, DC, and SW in particular, has become home. It's the place I've lived the longest outside of my hometown of Atlanta. Over the past seven years, I've walked/biked nearly all of SW, and have watched and read accounts of SW before and after the 1960s redevelopment plan. This has created a con-



Coy McKinney, second from left, and Pamela Daley, second from right, pictured here in SW Gardens.

nection with the community by which I've personified it as an old friend.

Who we are: Pamela Daley, SW resident for two and a half years. When I first moved to DC in 2009, SW was not a place I visited.

I recall thinking it was "far" from things; the things a 20-something wants—bars, hip restaurants, and access to the "cool" neighborhoods. Now that I'm more interested in putting down roots, I have luckily found that SW has everything I need. After nearly three years in SW, I can certainly say that this is the neighborhood and space where I finally decided that DC was home. Prior to SW, I lived the longest in NoMa (2010-2014) and watched as it filled up with high-rise apartments. I didn't feel connected to it and have rarely returned to that neighborhood since leaving.

Coy: For me, SW is special because of its diversity: economically, racially, and architecturally; its proximity to the city and downtown, yet its quiet, small-town feel. It's these particular characteristics that I am worried are vulnerable to money-driven development that has already taken place in other parts of the city.

Pam: With regard to what makes SW the SW that I call home, the SW lot is a communal space I have come to greatly appreciate. I love being outside communally with our neighbors on Friday nights at the SW Market, meeting new neighbors, chatting with the vendors, and sitting outside enjoying food and drinks. Then, come Saturday morning, I see neighbors again at the Farmer's Market, get tips on what to buy from the baker, and greetings from the vendors whom I have come to know. I see some of our fellow gardeners from the SW Community Garden and chat about how the season has been. We discuss plans for the week, weekend, the garden, and the neighborhood in general. In this communal space, we find our community.

Coy: Anyone paying attention to their surroundings has noticed that DC has been experiencing an incredible development boom over the past decade. While there are, no doubt, benefits to new restaurants, stores, places to socialize, and places to live, I believe that if left unchecked, development tends to focus on profit maximization rather than community uplifting or preservation. As some Very Smart Brothas have already asked and pointed out, who can actually afford to live in this city? And how long can these outrageous rent prices

continue? A high cost of living is the antithesis to maintaining or promoting a diverse neighborhood. Additionally, only offering studio, 1-bedroom, or 2-bedroom options doesn't encourage families, or people, to stay in the city long term.

The most bothersome aspect of unbridled development is the fact that developers engorge their pockets at the community's expense. If that's not enough, they then tend to congratulate themselves about "redeveloping," "revitalizing," or "reintroducing" an area, but then don't have to live with the consequences of their actions. Here's a SW example: Poor, little, (sometimes) six-lane M St. SW already gets overloaded when there's a baseball game. What will it be like when there's an additional soccer stadium, a 6,500-person capacity music venue at the Wharf, plus at least 1,000 more apartment/condo units added to the mix? Did the developers really think

about SW's current infrastructure when planning these buildings, or were they in pursuit of increasing their bottom line?

Pam: Having witnessed NoMa's "transformation," I see similar signs of community-killing development appearing in SW. As there are four apartment/condo buildings going up right now in SW (and I am not referring to the Wharf), why are we in a rush to destroy the little bit of land that we have to build more apartments? We have yet to see how this increased population will affect the community. Do we have the structural capacity to support this growth? Fourth St. SW during rush hour is already painful to get through alone on a bicycle, how will we manage this moving forward?

Coy: I write all of this to say: SW deserves better. Although I welcome some changes to the neighborhood, I reject blatant capitalist extravagance that is detrimental to the values I like to see in my community. This leads into the particular issue we both have with the current plans for the two parcels of land situated at the corners of 4th & M St. SW.

Pam: I don't believe my experience is a singular experience. Why, I ask, are we then going to destroy this communal space for another high-rise apartment that will be unaffordable for our friends—educated and middle-class with young kids—who want to stay and invest in SW but are being priced out? How will we continue to build a SW community when our neighbors no longer have a space to be together communally? How will we continue to build a SW community when our neighbors are pushed out because they can no longer afford to raise a family here? These questions make me wonder what sort of community do we want? If what SW wants is a transient community that does not think of SW as home and seeks out other communities to "live" outside of their apartment (e.g. The Wharf, The Yards, Barracks Row), then bring on the development. If what SW wants is to be together communally, know thy neighbor, and keep that "small-town feel," then I would argue more high-rise luxury apartments is not what SW needs or wants.



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