

A Neighborhood in Transition

A series of op-eds asks: Who do we want to be?

Op-ed: Promoting Communal Space in The Town Center Planned for 4th and M

BY: PAMELA DALEY

In recent years, I and many others in our community have enjoyed the use of the lot at 425 M St. SW for our farmers' market, local events such as the 202 Arts Fest and the DC State Fair, and the Friday night markets. This communal space has helped foster a strong, diverse Southwest community. I love running into neighbors I know and meeting new neighbors in these informal, outdoor gatherings. The new renderings put forward by the developer for the space on that lot does not include an open gathering space for the community and ignores how the community currently uses the space. Ironically, the communal space we desire to maintain will actually be maintained within the resident-only courtyards in these buildings.

I am not against development just to be against development. We need more affordable housing for District residents; however, these 600+ units offer the bare minimum with 8% of units at 60% Median Family Income. Only five units across the two buildings offer three-bedroom apartments at a reduced rate. Actually, there will only be five three-bedroom units available at all. A mere 0.8% of units will be available to families. This does not encourage families to settle in Southwest; rather, it offers a few, still overpriced options to less than a handful of families. (I can't

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Op-ed: Forty Years Should Mean Something

BY: SHANNON VAUGHN, CHRISTY VAUGHN, JULIA COLE, KATELYND MAHONEY ANDERSON, JASON KOPP, AND IAN CALLENDER

For 40 years, Jenny's Asian Fusion has been the staple of the Southwest neighborhood. Please know that when we say that, we choose our articles carefully. During that time, Jenny's has dealt with change and adversity to continue providing an affordable dining option in Southwest, including various relocations: Waterside Mall, above Capital Yacht Club by the Fish Market, and the current (and temporary) location in the old Channel Inn.

On June 30, The Wharf plans to end that.

Jenny's is not simply a neighborhood restaurant, it's the staple of Southwest. After our quiet Southwest neighborhood has opened up to change like no one can remember, we must recognize that Southwest has lost more than a host of neighborhood hubs, to include Hogate's, Phillips, Pier 7, and the Channel Inn, or even H2O and Zanzibar. As far as institutions go, we do not have anything beyond a lot of brutalist architecture. Jenny's is an institution.

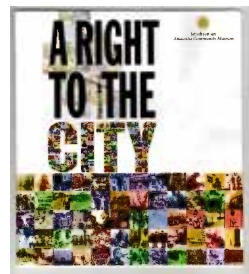
As former Councilmember Tommy Wells noted, Southwest is "the newest quadrant"—rebuilt by the federal gov-

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The Southwester Seeks New Editors

Editor-in-Chief and Copy Editor Roles Open

BY: SHANNON VAUGHN, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

As with every organization, there should be a changing of the guards from time to time. We at *The Southwester* are no different. When Julia Cole and I took over the newspaper more than five years ago, we came as a team. And now we will leave as a team. We came to this decision to step aside so the neighborhood can have a new voice. We do not believe that one person (or two people) should control an organization for too long. We are thankful to have led the neighborhood voice for more than 10% of its history. But now it is time for a new voice and a new perspective.

In our five years we have revamped the newspaper from a small paper that acted little more than an aggregator of a few neighborhood newsletters into what we have today. We overhauled the design top to bottom. We've grown readership both in print and online. Our social media following has grown 5,000%+ on Twitter. (We like that stat.) We've stood up our Facebook and Instagram pages, both of which are steadily growing as well. (Follow us if you're not already.) Julia used her volunteer copy editor role to help land herself a full time copy editor role with *Science* magazine. I was even asked to moderate two DC mayoral debates! At the end of the day, we can walk away from the paper

knowing we have taken *The Southwester* and turned it into a citywide staple that has another 50+ years ahead.

What we need now is you.

If you are interested in serving as the editor-in-chief or copy editor, please email president@swna.org and editor@thesouthwester.com with your stated interest in either position. (A round of interviews will be conducted for selection. Then we will work with the new editors to help train them to make for a smooth and easy transition).

We will miss serving the Southwest community in this capacity, but look forward to seeing what a new team can do with our neighborhood's voice.



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Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Announces The Next Grant Hall Courtroom Public Open House

Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall announces its next quarterly public Open House of Grant Hall's historic third-floor courtroom, located on the Fort McNair side of the Joint Base in Southwest DC, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 5. The courtroom is the site of the military tribunal, held from May through June 1865, of those thought responsible for the plot to assassinate President Abraham Lincoln.

During a 2009-2012 renovation of Grant Hall, which was originally part of DC's Federal Penitentiary from 1829 to 1868, the third floor of the building was restored to depict the courtroom as it appeared during the 1865 trial. Courtroom features were recreated based on artistic renderings and written descriptions of court proceedings. Some furnishings and artifacts on display are on loan from the production company of a 2011 historical film about the trial, and other artifacts and documentation are from the National Defense University Library.

RESERVATIONS

Members of the public are invited to the Public Open House, which is free to attend. Guests without a Department of Defense (DOD), federal, or Automated Installation Entry (AIE) ID are asked to register in advance. Please access the following link online to complete your registration <https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=392637&k=0168400F7850>; or go to the Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Facebook Events page at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/jbmhh/events/> and access the Grant Hall Open House site. Click on the "find tickets" tab to access the reservation site.

If your computer server does not allow you to access the registration site, please email your reservation to usarmy.jbmhh.asa.list.pao-all@mail.mil. Full names of all attendees are required, as well as a valid telephone and email contact.

NEW BASE ACCESS PROCEDURES

Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall has implemented increased access control measures at all its gates. To enter Fort McNair for the Grant Hall Public Open House, please be advised of:

1. 100% Vehicle Searches—except for DOD, federal, and AIE ID card holders
2. 100% ID and Background Checks—all persons 18 years of age and older (without a DOD, federal, or AIE ID) must have a legal photo ID and will be vetted through the National Crime Information Center background check system; this process may take 15-20 minutes.
3. Visitors may save time at the gate by filling out the Request for Installation Access form in advance at <https://www.army.mil/e2/c/downloads/465241.pdf>; Complete items 1-15. (It is important to note on item 15 that you are attending the Grant Hall Public Open House.) Print all five pages and bring the completed form the day of the event.
4. Visitors have the option of vetting in advance by going to Fort McNair's Visitor Control Center (building 65 as you enter the 2nd St. Gate) on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., or by filling out the Request for Installation Access form online and sending it via encrypted email to usarmy.jbmhh.asa.mbx.visitor-control-center@mail.mil.

PARKING

Grant Hall Open House parking is limited to the parking lot by the tennis courts and in designated parking spaces along 3rd Ave.

PLEASE BE ADVISED

- The third floor courtroom is only accessible by walking up two flights of stairs.

Because of the historical nature of the structure, the building has no elevator.

- Also, for visitors who may choose to walk onto the base, please know that sidewalks are not available the entire route from the gate security check point to Grant Hall, so pedestrians may have to walk on grass or on streets at times to reach Grant Hall by foot.
- The Fire Marshal has limited the number of people allowed in the courtroom at one time, so entry will be regulated to adhere to those numbers.
- No back packs or large bags are allowed inside Grant Hall.
- Large groups of 20 or more and those arriving in buses are asked to call the Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Public Affairs in advance at 703-696-3283 in order to schedule a tour time for the day of the Public Open House.

FUTURE OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

Grant Hall Public Open Houses are held quarterly on the first Saturday of the second month of each quarter. During a calendar year, those months are February, May, August, and November. The next Grant Hall Public Open Houses are Aug. 4 and Nov. 3. Open House hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For the most up-to-date information on base access, visit our website at www.army.mil/JBMHH.

Closures due to inclement weather or when mission dictates will be updated on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/jbmhh>.

For additional information, call Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall Public Affairs at 703-696-3283 during normal business hours.

COMMUNAL SPACE

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forget that DC has the highest median income in the country.) This proposal does not support the socioeconomic or racial diversity of Southwest as expressed by its residents in the 2015 Southwest Neighborhood Plan.

This proposal (for more information, visit the zoning case # 02-381, which can be found on this site: <https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Content/Search/Search.aspx>) is taking away a valuable community asset, not just displacing it, and the suggested alternatives aren't viable options. For example, at the March ANC meeting, representatives from Forest City and Perkins Eastman suggested using the Southwest Duck Pond and the playground adjacent to the library as spaces for these events. I value these spaces for our community

and having tabled an event at the Duck Pond, I don't see how it could hold the same number of people as the lot can.

At the April 5 zoning hearing on this case, our ANC Representative Andy Litsky made some very important points about the traffic issues that will arise with these new buildings and the additional 1,000 people. (The two buildings proposed will have more than 600 units. I'm assuming at least a little more than half of these units will have at least two people in each one.) Zoning Commissioner Anthony Hood had a very interesting question to the developers as well, asking who from their development team is from Southwest. Their answer: No one.

I understand that buildings will be built on this space, as it is privately owned and was previously approved in a prior PUD application (Case# 02-38). My suggestion for this development is to leave part of this land as an open communal

space for the neighborhood's use. It is not beyond reason to build a smaller building on the lot, offer more affordable housing units, and still maintain an outdoor communal space. There will still be profit for the developer to make from maintaining a communal space. It will be an appealing sale to whomever moves into their new buildings, and they can continue to charge vendors to use the space for these events, as they currently do.

This is an important case for us as a community to consider. How do we want to build community in Southwest? Is it through high-rise luxury apartments or is it through programmed activities in communal spaces? Or is it both? If you are interested in learning more and getting involved in this case, please email saveswpublicspace@gmail.com or join us at the next zoning hearing on May 10 at 6:30 p.m. regarding this case.

River Park Begins Property Improvements

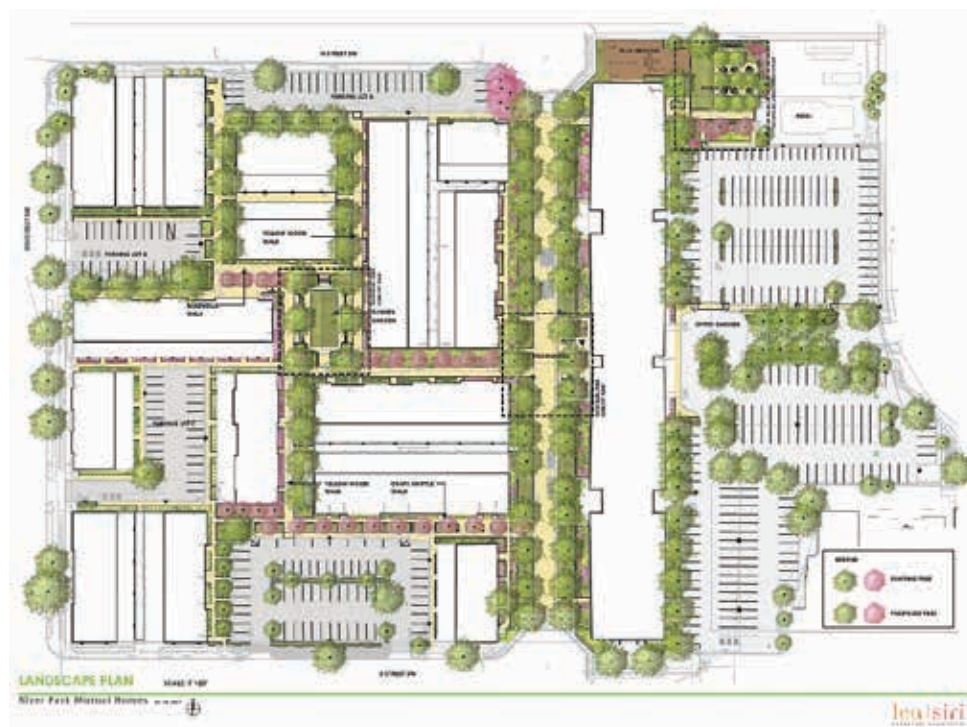
BY: SHAWN CORNELIUS

River Park, an 11-acre cooperative in Southwest DC designed by mid-century modernist architect Charles M. Goodman and landscape architect Eric Paepcke, recently began a campus-wide rehabilitation of its grounds. The work at the property, located at 4th St. SW and Delaware Ave. SW, is part of a wider capital improvement plan intended to upgrade infrastructure, improve service reliability and increase member satisfaction. The capital improvement projects are being funded, in part, by an \$8.6 million loan from National Cooperative Bank.

As part of the capital improvement plan, River Park recently completed the replacement of an underground closed-loop system that provides the townhouses in the complex with heating and cooling. The pipe replacement project required extensive trenching and utility work that left the campus with a patchwork of temporary walkways and distressed greenery.

To address ongoing and anticipated issues involving the landscape, River Park engaged Lea|Siri Landscape Architects in summer 2015 to develop a master landscape plan that could be implemented once the underground piping project was completed.

Lea|Siri, led by co-principals Marsha Lea and Lisa Siri, along with structural engineers Ted Ross Engineering and River Park General Manager Anthony Flournoy, helped guide the co-op through more



River Park's landscape design shows open spaces paired with impressive greenery.

than two years of planning, membership engagement, presentations, and approvals.

Based on a newsletter sent to residents, the final master landscape plan, approved by the co-op's board of directors in September 2017, includes: replacing existing lighting and adding new fixtures throughout the property, replacing all electrical conduit and wiring, improving tree wells and planting boxes, reducing

concrete coverage and replacing paths and walkways where necessary, drainage and irrigation improvements, new plantings, recreational space enhancements, and parking lot alterations. The general contractor overseeing the work is Trinity Group Construction.

Lea|Siri describes the plan as one that "envision[s] a landscape at River Park that is more environmentally conscious, improves the quality and aesthetics of the

grounds while recognizing and protecting the original design intent, and provides outdoor amenities that support community-wide activities and informal gatherings."

According to Siri, "The landscape renovation re-balances the paving to planting ratio, reducing the overall amount of pavement and increasing the areas reserved for planting in a more captivating and sustainable design."

Wherever possible, existing trees, bushes, and plantings will be maintained. Plantings that have been deemed unhealthy by arborists at Casey Trees and others that impede proper sloping or drainage will be removed. Casey Trees also planted 18 trees on the property that will be joined by an additional 27 shade trees and 13 flowering trees to be planted by River Park.

The landscape enhancements seek to return the community to a more park-like setting and respond to concerns about the amount of concrete at the complex, which is directly related to one of River Park's larger operating costs—the DC Department of Energy & Environment's Stormwater Fee and DC Water's Impervious Area Charge. The original landscape, with a high proportion of the campus covered by concrete, incurs significant water surcharges.

Renderings of the original landscape produced by Helmut Jacoby during the design development phase in 1960, prior

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- Transportation to medical appointments
- Basic handyman help

MAY EVENTS

Thursday, May 3

Men's Coffee & Conversation - Capital Yacht Club (G), 5 - 6:30 pm
Book Lecture and Reception with Palisades Village, 6 pm

Friday, May 4

Neighborhood Lunch - Scarlet Oak (G), 1 pm
Volunteer Driver Orientation, 3 pm

Saturday, May 5

Document Shredding - Fort Totten Transfer Station

Thursday, May 10

Public Open House and Informational Meeting (P), 4 - 6 pm
Waterside Towers - 907 6th Street, S.W.

Friday, May 11

Ginkgo Gardens Shopping Trip & Lunch on Barracks Row, 12 pm

Monday, May 14

Home Barbering Service, 9 am - 1 pm
Curry Club Regional Indian Dinner - Masala Art (G), 6:30 pm

Thursday, May 17

Health and Information Fair - St. Augustine's Church (P), 10:30 am - 2 pm
Village Book Club - Politics and Prose, 2 pm

Friday, May 18

Water Taxi to Alexandria's Torpedo Factory Art Center and Chart House, 12:25 pm (rescheduled from April 20)

Saturday, May 19

Iona Senior Service's Take Charge/Age Well Workshop for LGBTQ Older Adults
Westminster Presbyterian Church (P), 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Thursdays, 1 pm

Navy Yard Shopping Shuttle to Harris Teeter, Bank of America, Harry's Reserve, Wells Fargo, and U.S. Post Office

(G) = Non-Members are welcome as the guest of a Member.
(P) = Event is open to the general public.

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* Waterfront Village receives neither District nor Federal public funds. We are a local, neighborhood 501(c)(3) organization wholly self-supported by membership dues and donations. Waterfront Village is a member of the national Village to Village network and operates under the auspices of the District Office on Aging.

Arena Stage Holds Four-Day Voices of Now Festival

Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater will host the Voices of Now (VON) Festival, a four-day event featuring original works of theater written and performed by nine different youth ensembles. The festival will bring together nearly 100 artists, ages 11-18, from DC, Maryland, and Virginia who have been working with professional theater artists from Arena Stage to devise original one-act plays. This year's ensembles will come together May 16-19 to perform and discuss their work in the Arlene and Robert Kogod Cradle at the Mead Center. Please see below for the full event schedule.

Celebrating its 15th anniversary, VON is an internationally renowned, season-long drama program that works with ensembles of middle school, high school, and adult artists to devise autobiographical theater pieces. Each ensemble's play poses challenging social questions relevant to the artists' communities and investigates those questions by recounting the artists' personal stories. This year's plays examine topics including issues of gun violence, multi-cultural experience, self-image, and the experience of grief from losing a loved one. All performances will be followed by a talkback led by an Arena Stage staff member.

"Silent waters run deep—Voices of Now gets to the heart of the story and breaks young people out of their silence," shares Arena Artistic Director Molly Smith. "For the teenagers in Parkland, Florida, a school shooting brought out their voices. I'm proud that Arena Stage has Voices of Now to bring out these important—critical, essential—voices in a supportive setting. The results of these student artists' year of work is stunning."

VON formed its first partnership 15 years ago with Jefferson Middle School Academy in Southwest DC. In addition to Jefferson, several Fairfax County Public Schools will again take part in the festival, including Glasgow Middle School, Holmes Middle School, Key Middle School and Robinson Secondary School. Returning for its eighth year is an ensemble in partnership with the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing, which is made up of young artists who have experienced the death of a loved one.

This year's program features the return of the Key World Ensemble at Key Middle School, which was formed to explore the experience of English language learner students in Fairfax. This will be Key's fourth year at the festival.

Additional ensembles include the Mead Ensemble, a program located at the Mead Center designed for students in grades 7-11; the Mentor Ensemble, which is made up of alumni from previous ensembles whose role is to mentor the younger artists in the program; and the Advocacy Ensemble, which features emerging artists from throughout the DC

metro area who are interested in using theater as a tool for social advocacy.

This year's festival is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Beryl Rice. A community activist, youth advocate, and longtime member of the Community Engagement Committee at Arena Stage, Rice was integral in working with Arena through the Southwest Youth Task Force to develop Arena's programming for neighborhood youth including VON in its early stages.

2018 Voices of Now Festival Schedule

All performances take place in the Arlene and Robert Kogod Cradle in the Mead Center (1101 Sixth St. SW).

Wednesday, May 16 — 7:30 p.m.

Alien/Nation by the Mentor Ensemble
Safe and Sound by the Advocacy Ensemble
Face Time by the Jefferson Ensemble

Thursday, May 17 — 7:30 p.m.

Crash Course by the Holmes Ensemble
Running Free by the Key World Ensemble
Safe and Sound by the Advocacy Ensemble

Friday, May 18 — 7:30 p.m.

Map Quest by the Glasgow Ensemble
Alien/Nation by the Mentors Ensemble

Saturday, May 19 — 7:30 p.m.

Force of Nature by the Mead Ensemble
Right of Way by the Robinson Ensemble
Piece of My Mind by the Wendt Ensemble

TICKETS:

Tickets for the VON Festival are **FREE**, though reservations are required through the Arena Stage Sales Office at **202-488-3300** or at tickets.arenastage.org/single/psDetail.aspx?psn=26077.

VON was designed by Arena Stage Director of Education Ashley Forman. In addition to performing at Arena Stage, ensembles perform throughout their own communities. Past ensembles have performed at Atlas Performing Arts Center's Intersections Festival, Imagination Stage, American Alliance for Theatre and Education's National Conference, Association of Theatre in Higher Education Conference, 2013 International AIDS Conference, and the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage.

VON International:

Arena Stage has partnered with the U.S. Department of State and foreign embassies to coordinate five VON international trips. Following an initial trip to India in 2012, the program has continued its international expansion by sending staff members to Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai, New Delhi, and Patna, India; Zagreb, Croatia; and Lima, Peru to work with a variety of communities, including local participants, artists, educators, leaders, college-age youth from vulnerable communities, and young adults with physical disabilities.

For more information on VON, visit arenastage.org/education/voices-of-now.

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Neighbors Helping Neighbors

BY: PETER EICHER, VICE PRESIDENT,
FRIENDS OF SOUTHWEST DC

The Friends of Southwest DC (FOS) annual meeting on the evening of March 20 showcased a range of community organizations working to make Southwest a better place. Leaders of six nonprofit organizations braved a snowstorm to attend the meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church, where they provided engaging descriptions of programs they undertook with help from FOS.

For the past two decades, FOS has provided small grants to advance education-



Hannah Fried-Tanzer and Medha Marsten of Arena Stage thank the Friends of Southwest board for its contributions to Camp Arena Stage and the Voices of Now program.

al, charitable, and community development projects in our quadrant of the city. President Coralie Farlee reported that in 2017 the organization raised more funds and distributed more grant money than ever before—more than \$27,000 to eight different grantees. The funds were all contributed by neighbors, “real people, not corporations,” said Farlee, as she outlined the organization’s history and goals.

Two representatives of Arena Stage, Hannah Fried-Tanzer and Medha Marsten, described how a grant from FOS provided scholarships for two students from Jefferson Middle School Academy to attend Camp Arena Stage and another grant supported the theater’s Voices of Now program, in which Jefferson students have excelled.

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Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

WEEKEND

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

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7:40 p.m. — Talk/Discussion

UPCOMING EVENTS

TACO SOCIAL & FILM NIGHT

Saturday, May 19, 6:30 p.m. in the
Parish Meeting Room,
(Mid-block E St, down the stairs)

Come for some Taco’s and stay for the
film “*For Greater Glory*” (2012)
commemorating the Cristero Martyrs.

VIDEO SERIES “LIFESTYLE MATTERS”

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Sunday, May 20 — June 10

6:30 p.m. — 8:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room

May 20 — Watch & Discuss (Dis)Honesty

May 27 — Watch & Discuss Minimalism

June 3 — Blogger Jane Crosby on

Zero-Waste Living

June 10 — Watch & Discuss

Room to Breathe

FAREWELL CELEBRATION

Fr. George Schommer, O.P., Pastor

Sunday, June 3

10:30 a.m. Mass, followed by a reception.

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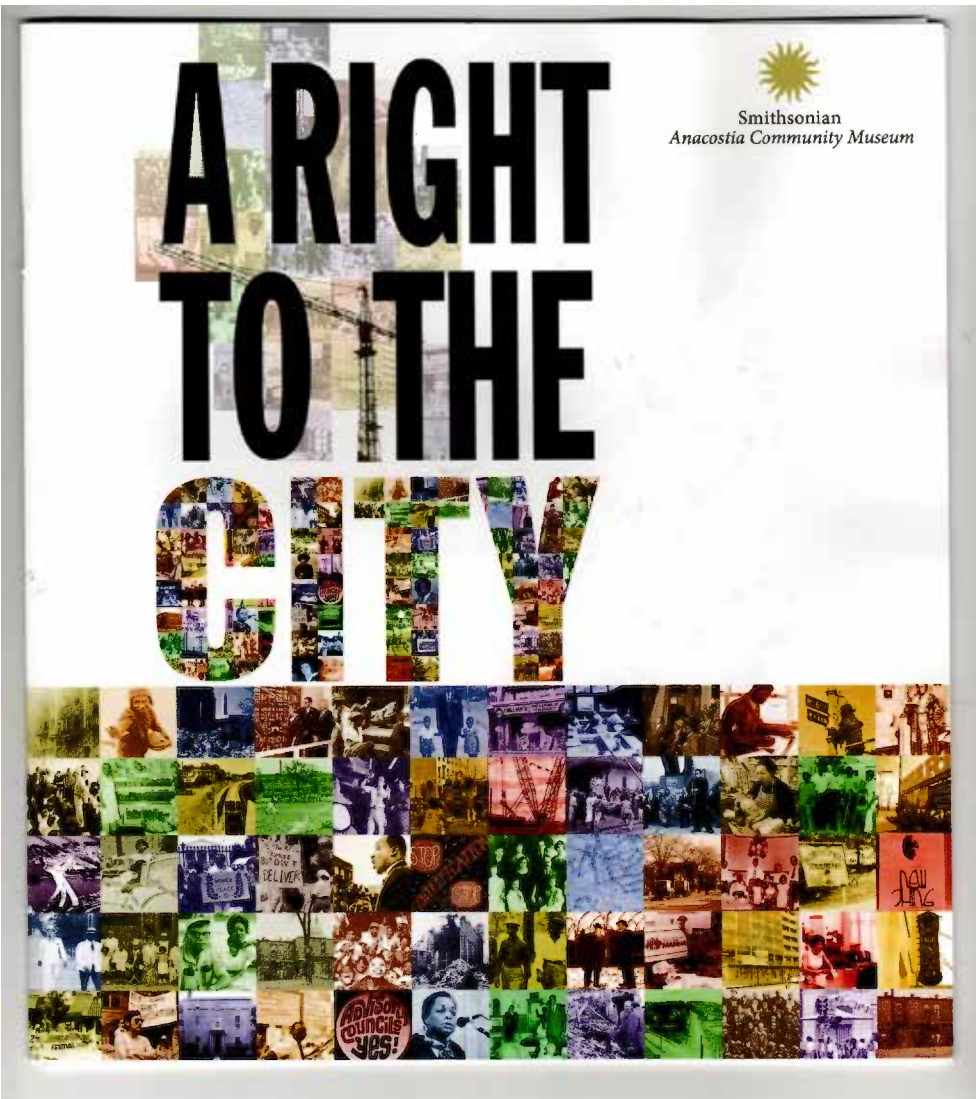
Vyllorya Evans and Friends of Southwest board members look on as scholarship recipient Danielle Crutchfield describes her impressive university accomplishments.

A Royal Wedding Party Viewing

On Saturday, May 19, the Mandarin Oriental will host a royal wedding viewing party as the Prince Henry of Wales marries Ms. Meghan Markle (of the United States). The special Royal Wedding Tea and Viewing Party asks ticketed guests to “don your fascinator or top hat and delight in a morning of British traditions” while watching live television coverage of the ceremony and festive events in the hotel’s Empress Lounge. The Union Jack flag will fly alongside Old Glory at the hotel and adorn the lounge, creating an atmosphere of celebration for the unity of the couple and their respective countries.

The royal tea includes specially selected teas, delicate finger sandwiches, traditional teacakes, scones, and a variety of preserves and sweets. When the bells at St. George’s Chapel at Windsor Castle ring to signal the couple’s union, guests will raise a glass of sparkling wine to toast to the newlyweds. Royal wedding tea guests will also receive a traditional English wedding favor to enjoy at home.

The party will take place from 7 to 10 a.m. Reservations are required. More info can be found by calling the hotel at 202-787-6148 or visiting their website: www.mandarinoriental.com/washington.




A new exhibit, “A Right to the City,” opened April 20 at the Smithsonian Institution’s Anacostia Community Museum. It featured the history of Southwest DC, along with five other neighborhoods (Adams Morgan, Anacostia, Brookland, Chinatown, and Shaw).

Photos by Perry Klein



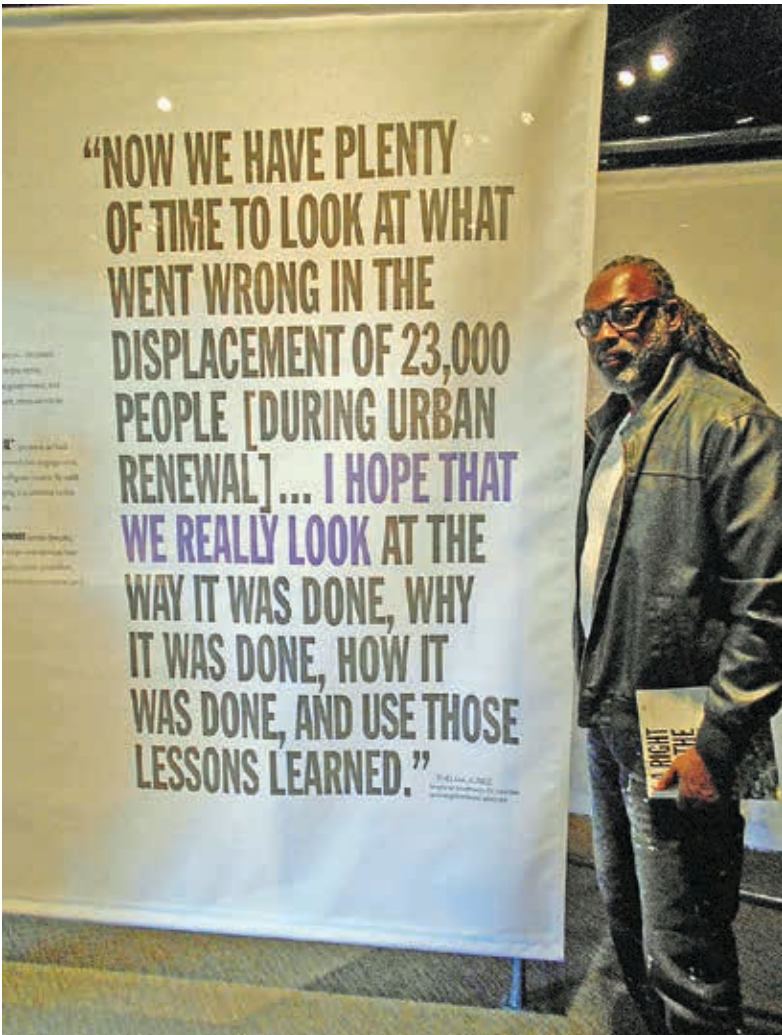
SWNA Co-founder Neal Peirce stands next to a TV monitor featuring an interview of him.





Brick from the Waterside Mall, a failed urban renewal development that opened in 1973 and was demolished in 2007.

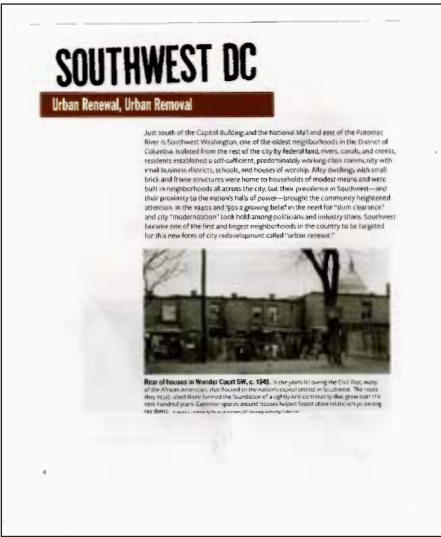
Gift of Drs. Susan & Perry Klein,
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Above, the entrance to the exhibit features a quote by Thelma Jones. Paul Taylor stands next to it.



The credits at the bottom of the quote by Thelma Jones.



Above left, a brick from Waterside Mall collected during demolition, and a T-shirt from Lansburgh Comm-Unity Day.

At left, description of the brick from Waterside Mall.

At right, two pages from the Southwest section of the museum's exhibit booklet.

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RIVER PARK

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to construction, show more vegetation on the grounds than was ultimately planted.

The new Lea|Siri campus design, which has similarities to the initial Jacoby rendering, replaces concrete with green space wherever practical and will reduce the amount of impervious surfaces by more than 50,000 square feet. This reduction, achieved by identifying walks that require a width that allows for the occasional service vehicle while reducing the width of other footpaths to a comfortable dimension, will result in less storm water run-off, a cooler outdoor environment, additional space for plantings, and improved health for many of the existing trees. Two bio-retention areas will also be added on the eastern portion of the campus to help alleviate run-off.

Demolition for the project started in January. Once demolition is finished, below-grade infrastructure will be installed, including irrigation, drainage, and electrical lines, followed by hardscape installation, and concluding with planting. The total project duration is anticipated to be 10 months, barring delays due to weather or other issues.

Once completed, River Park's landscape will feature an expanded playground and lawn; a larger community picnic area with tables, grills, and shade trees; a renovated courtyard with universal accessibility and enlarged planters; additional seating in key areas of the campus for greater use of the outdoor spaces; new shade and flowering trees in uniform groupings to support the original design intent and to provide more seasonal interest; and a more welcoming and unified feel throughout the community.



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First-Ever SW Earth, Arts, and Music Day at Community Gardens

BY: COY MCKINNEY

Whoa, what a day! The neighborhood showed up and showed out for the Southwest Community Gardens' fifth annual spring kick-off, and first-ever SW Earth, Arts, and Music Day.

The day started with volunteers coming into the garden to help weed, plant, and paint. Weeding needed to be done along our food fence area—a space we designed for passersby to enjoy blackberries, rosemary, and lavender—and among the garden beds. While some volunteers weeded, others planted a variety of crops: lettuce, arugula, spinach, radishes, carrots, peas, peanuts, and beets. Those who weren't ready to get their hands dirty with soil could choose to get them dirty with paint! Volunteers painted garden-related signs and helped with our new garden mural, designed by artist Eric B. Ricks (Instagram: versatilevice).

The mural is a must-see. Ricks naturally includes geometric shapes and nature in his artwork, and the garden mural is no different. There's a subtle homage to Southwest as well, but you'll have to visit it and find it for yourself. Ricks implemented a paint-by-numbers approach, which invited collaboration and was accessible to participants of all ages and skill levels. The mural serves as a welcome to not only the garden, but to Lansburgh Park in general.

As 1 p.m. approached, weeds had been pulled, seeds had been planted, and paint had been used to artistic ends. It was time for a little reprieve. Violet King, an herbalist who works with the nonprofit, food justice oriented organization and fellow garden neighbor Dreaming Out Loud, lead a mini-workshop on herbs, how to use them, and their many medicinal benefits.

It was then time for lunch. Sweetgreen donated half salads and Cava donated pita chips, breads, and dips. Additionally, fellow SW neighbors Kate and Debbie contrib-



uted a variety of healthy food options, and spoke with people about their simple recipes.

As 3 p.m. rolled around, an untold amount of weeds had been pulled, several hundred seeds had been planted, and the mural was nearing completion. It was now time for the music! The music was delivered by the soulful, bluesy vocals of Carly Harvey,

with ample support from her band Kiss & Ride, and her fiancé, Sol Roots. The band played an hour-long show of original songs and covers, ranging from a bluesy version of, "Crazy," to Amy Winehouse's "Valerie," all the while keeping a steady groove, and listeners deep in the pocket.

All in all, it was a great beginning to the gardening year. It's a beautiful thing when the community comes together, and this event was a testament to that. This event would not have been possible without the work of our volunteers; the lead volunteers; the generous donations from restaurants and businesses; the Southwest Business Improvement District for funding, equipment, organizing, and staffing; the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly for co-sponsoring the event; Mercy Hill Church for always being supportive; and the brilliance of all the artists.

Now that we've kicked things off, our regular work days will commence. You can join us in the garden every Wednesday from 6-7 p.m. and Sunday from 4-6 p.m. until late October. Feel free to reach out to us by email, swgardensdc@gmail.com, or on any of our social media profiles. Hope to see you in the garden!



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MAY

WED 2, 4:30 P.M. Trivia Challenge. Children ages 9-12 are invited to join us to play trivia. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library, 900 Wesley Pl. SW, 202-724-4752.

FRI 4, 6:30 P.M. Game Night, 1st Friday of every month. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church, 555 Water Street SW, 202-554-3222.

SAT 5, 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 noon. Komen Toastmasters meets on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month. SW Library, basement.

SAT 5, 1-2:30pm Yoga Nidra—Meditate, Chant, Breathe, and Relax deeply with Yoga Nidra- led by Pamela Wilson. Move toward healing your Mind, Body and Spirit. Bring a mat and light covering. Invite your family and friends. \$10 donation suggested. Westminster Church.

SAT 5, 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. SW Library.

TUES 8, 1:30 P.M. Literary Book Group. Copies of May’s selection, Discussion of *Refugees* by Viet Thanh Nguyen. SW Library.

TUES 8, 7-9 P.M. DC-At-Large Council Member Candidates Debate, Westminster Church.

WED 9, 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.

THURS 10, 4-6 P.M. Learn about membership or volunteering for Southwest and Navy Yard’s senior village as **Waterfront Village** holds its monthly open house and informational meeting at Waterside Towers, **907 6th Street SW.** Call 202-656-1834 for more information. Free, including light refreshments.

FRI 11, 8 - 9:30 A.M. Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6 Office Hours, The Velo Cafe at District Bike and Hardware, 730 Maine Ave. SW.

SAT 12, 10am - 11am. Morning Meditation: Awakening the Heart. Kadampa Meditation Center DC, 1200 Canal St. SW. Relationships can provide meaning and joy to our life, but they can also give rise to friction, insecurity, resentment and disappointment. During this retreat we will explore the methods of Buddhist psychology and meditative practice for re-framing relationships, learning to cultivate positive and harmonious relationships that give purpose and happiness to our lives. Everyone welcome. \$12 (\$6 for students/seniors/unemployed).

SAT 12, 3:00 P.M. Kite Making. Children ages 6-12 are invited to a make your own kites. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

SAT 12, 4-7 P.M. LGBTQ “Show Your Talent” Open Mic—Part of May is All About Trans Month

7-9 P.M. Faith & Film presents “Major”- 2015 Biography/Documentary 1h 35m. This is the story of one trans woman’s journey, a community’s history, and how caring for each other can be a revolutionary act. **Free to the Public*Doors open at 6:30 *Snacks and Beverages Served *Subtitles shown for the hearing impaired.* Westminster Church.

SUN 13, 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 14, 7 P.M. ANC 6D Monthly Business Meeting. 1100 4th Street, SW, second floor.

WED 16, 12 Noon Southwest Waterfront AARP Chapter May luncheon meeting. The Waterfront AARP Chapter May Spring Luncheon will be held at Kirwan’s on The Wharf, 749 Wharf Street, SW, Washington. A la Carte Menu-sandwiches, salads, etc. Check out the Restaurant website for menus and directions. Carpooling suggested. After lunch at Kirwan’s

on **The Wharf**, if anyone is interested, we can relax on THE WHARF outdoor seating or stroll along the waterfront. Please contact me below for questions regarding the Spring Luncheon. All the best. Betty Jean Tolbert Jones, President. Southwest Waterfront AARP Chapter bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com 202-554-0901

WED 16, 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 16, 6:00 P.M. Thelma D. Jones Breast Cancer Support Group Meeting Ladies! Let’s Talk — An Evening with Breast Cancer Survivors. Refreshments and door prizes. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church. T. Jones 202-251-1639.

WED 16, 6:30 P.M. Fiction Lover’s Book Club. Check at Library for Title. **SW Library.**

FRI 18, 9:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M. Iona Senior Services’ Take Charge/Age Well Workshop for Older LGBTQ Adults, Westminster Presbyterian Church. Free, including lunch.

FRI 18, 7:30 – 9 P.M. Friday Night Lecture: The Power of Meditation Kadampa Meditation Center DC, 1200 Canal St. SW. The pace and pressures of modern life can make us feel stressed and irritable. By training in meditation, we create an inner space and clarity that enables us to control our mind regardless of the external circumstances. Gradually we develop mental equilibrium, a balanced mind that is happy all the time. In this lecture, you will learn how meditation can reduce stress and cultivate inner peace from within. \$12 (\$6 for students/seniors/unemployed).

SAT 19 3:00 P.M. Seasonal Crafts. Children ages 4-12 are invited to create spring crafts. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

WED 23, 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.

WED 23, 6:30 P.M. Nightwriters Writing Group. SW Library

THURS 24, 6:45 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. 1D MPD building, 101 M Street SW.

SAT 26, 1:30 P.M. Southwest Library Book Discussion. Copies of this month’s selection, *The Zookeeper’s Wife* by Diana Ackerman are available at the information desk. SW Library.

SAT 26, 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.

WED 30, 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.

WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY

ADVICE FOR LIFE MEDITATION CLASS. Sundays, 10-11 A.M. Learn practical advice found in Buddha’s teaching as methods for solving our daily problems. There is a separate class for kids ages 5 - 12 running at the same time. Everyone is welcome. \$12 per class (\$6 for students/seniors/unemployed). **Kadampa Meditation Center DC, 1200 Canal St. SW, 202-430-6540.**

ALZHEIMER’S ASSN CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP. 2nd Tuesdays of the month, 10:30-11:30 A.M. Free and open to the Public. Location: Faith Presbyterian Church. 4161 S. Capitol St SW.

ARTY AFTERNOON, Mondays 4:30 P.M. 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.

BABY/TODDLER STORY TIME, Mondays, 10:30 A.M. 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.

BASKETBALL at King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N Street SW., Ages 6U Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5-6 P.M.; 8U Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7-8 P.M.; 10 U Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6-7 PM; 12 U Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7-8:30 P.M.

BLUES MONDAYS, 6 - 9 P.M., Westminster Presbyterian Church. Various Blues musicians and singers featured each Monday. \$5. Food for sale. Schedule at <http://www.westminsterdc.org/blues.html>

BOOK CLUB, 7 P.M. every second Thursday at River Park. Books to read: May — “Lab Girl” by Hope Jahren (2016). June — “The Hare with Amber Eyes” by Edmund De Waal (2010). Contact Gale Dunn Kaufmann 202-484-8432 or Email gale-kaufmann@verizon.net.

BREAD FOR LIFE 8 - 8:45 A.M. Free Breakfast, Sundays, St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church Community Room, 555 Water St., SW. Hot Breakfast of eggs, pancakes, sausage, biscuits, juice and coffee. Seeking Volunteers to help cook, serve and set-up. For Volunteers’ Training, contact: chee-cheemathis@staugustinesdc.org

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 Anchor Store at the DC Wharf located at 709 Wharf Street, Washington, DC 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 PRAYER, Tuesdays, 6:30 P.M., St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church.

FEDERAL CITY RUNNERS TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP RUN, 6:30 P.M., Meet every Tuesday by Waterfront Metro exit (near Safeway). Run distance: 4-5 miles. Runners of all paces welcome! Run year-round in rain, snow, or shine. RSVP at www.meetup.com/fcrunners to receive run updates or just show up!

FRIDAY NIGHT FISHING, 5:30-8:30 P.M. Free event for kids and families, and fisher-folks young and old! **Where:** The docks at Diamond Teague Park (in SE across from the baseball stadium).

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.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 4298, 5:30-7 P.M. Wednesdays, now in its 11th year. Our multi-aged troop has girls from kindergarten to high school. Some of the activities we do are arts and crafts, camping, tea party, business 101, step show, career exploration, badges at the beach, movies, ice cream socials and so much more. If you are interested please call Monica at 202-468-9620 or Audrea Hennis, 202-744-9170. St. Augustine’s

Episcopal Church.

HAND DANCING, 1 - 3:00 P.M., Saturdays with Mr. Zeke. All ages welcome. King Greenleaf Recreation Center. 201 N Streets SW. 202-645-7454.

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

KADAMPA MEDITATION CENTER DC, Thursdays, 7-8:30 P.M., Drop in Meditation Class. Learn methods to develop your inner peace through Buddhist teaching and meditation. Each class will include a guided meditation, a teaching using Buddhist Wisdom, a concluding meditation based off of what was covered in the class and time for Q&A. Drop-ins are welcome and beginners welcome. \$12 per class (\$6 for students/seniors/unemployed) 1200 Canal St. SW, 202-430-6540. **Sundays 10-11 A.M.** How to Transform Your Life - Meditation Class. This series of classes will be based on the book, *How to Transform Your Life*, a practical manual that shows how we can develop and maintain inner peace. Learn step-by-step meditations for solving daily problems and discover the methods through which we can bring about positive changes in our lives that will enable us to experience deep and lasting happiness. Everyone Welcome \$12 per class (\$6 for students/seniors/unemployed). **1200 Canal St. SW, 202-430-6540.**

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.

KOMEN TOASTMASTERS invites the Southwest Community to Spring Forward with us. We are a friendly community toastmasters club whose mission is to help people develop public speaking, communications, and leadership skills. Komen Toastmasters meets on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month 10:30 A.M-12 Noon. SW Library, Basement Conference Room. All are Welcome. 202-724-4752.

MAKER CAMP. Wednesdays, 4:30 P.M. Ages 6-12 are invited to join us for hands-on, creative workshops from 4:30 to 5:30 P.M. No registration necessary. Children under 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver. SW Library.

NARFE, the National Association of Retired Federal Employees meets the fourth Thursday of the month from September through May from 1:15 until 2:30 in the library. Hope to see you there. SW Library.

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.

PICKLE BALL, Tuesdays, 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. King Greenleaf Recreation Center.

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.

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SENIOR BINGO, Mondays & Thursdays, 1 - 3 P.M., King Greenleaf Recreation Center.

SOUTHWEST RENEWAL AA Group, Mondays 7:30 P.M. and Thursdays, 7:00 P.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church.

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NEIGHBORS

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Jay Shorter of STORM told how his organization's field trip to Philadelphia, Pa., through a grant from FOS, opened new horizons for a group of Jefferson Academy students. The students, some of whom had never been so far from home, visited the Franklin Institute, the U.S. Mint, and several leading universities. In addition to the trip's educational aspects, the motel lodgings offered some of the boys another first-time opportunity: swimming in an indoor pool.

Another grantee, EmmaUS, took a group of elementary students on a field trip to Pennsylvania's Turkey Hill Experience, where the children learned how ice cream is made. There were lessons about cows and the industrial process, with a fringe benefit of plentiful free samples. Another trip was to Philadelphia's Constitution Center, with an emphasis on U.S. history. Bus rides on both trips provided lessons on rules of the road, geography, and financial responsibility.

The Southwest Neighborhood Assembly's Vyllorya Evans thanked FOS for providing college scholarships to Southwest students in 2017, as it has done each year

since 1999. She played video clips of the three impressive scholarships recipients recounting their goals and achievements.

Bob Craycraft, executive director of Waterfront Village, explained how the village is using its grant to sponsor a series of wellness seminars, expanding opportunities for seniors. The village also successfully used its grant as a fundraising tool, by seeking matching funds.

Yet another grant went to the Amidon-Bowen Elementary School PTA to purchase several iPads equipped with science, technology, engineering, and math applications for pre-K children, programs that are under threat because of city budget cuts.

A common theme of the presentations was "we couldn't have done it without you." The evening highlighted how small contributions from neighbors can empower community groups to improve the lives of SW residents.

There are currently three vacancies on the FOS board. Neighbors interested in volunteering their time and effort by joining the board are encouraged to contact FriendsSWDC@yahoo.com. More information on FOS, including the Annual Report for 2017, is available on its website: FriendsofSWDC.org.

FORTY YEARS

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ernment in the 1960s—and the community needs its historical reference points. (Wells almost single-handedly kept Bufus's King Ribs in Southwest.) Places like Jenny's are reference points. Name another place that isn't just bricks and small windows that has 40 years of history in the neighborhood—you can't.

While *The Wharf* has been a success so far for the city, the Southwest community has most benefited from its neighborhood-serving retail like District Hardware, DC Row, Pearl Street Warehouse, Yoga

Factory, and Anchor. What's noticeably absent is a neighborhood restaurant—an area that Jenny's has served in various formats over the past four decades.

By June 30, Jenny's has been told they must vacate their temporary location within the old Pier 7 restaurant in order to make way for Phase 2 of The Wharf. What has not yet been provided is an acceptable offer that would allow Jenny's to remain in Southwest.

With Belgian restaurant Florentijn failing before it even opened, we call on The Wharf, as the new neighborhood staple, to make the case—however it needs to happen—to incorporate Jenny's, the old neighborhood staple, to continue its legacy for at least another four decades.



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- Leading the effort to save the Southwest Neighborhood Library by securing \$18 million dollars to rebuild, revitalize, and modernize this critical public space
- Working for a safe and just city, from the private security camera rebate program to major criminal justice reforms
- Creating the "Made in DC" program to support local products, entrepreneurs, and grow District businesses
- Passing the "Safe at Home" bill to help seniors stay in their homes, with millions of dollars in grants distributed since 2016
- Leading on sustainability and transportation initiatives, including protecting DC's tree canopy, creating the Commission on Climate Change and Resiliency, championing solar expansions, promoting the Year of the Anacostia, and supporting bike infrastructure



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THE SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT AARP CHAPTER #4751, Monthly luncheon meetings are held every third Wednesday at noon. For further information, contact Chapter President Betty Jean Tolbert Jones, bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com or 202-554-0901.

TEEN CLUB, Mondays, 6:30 - 8 P.M., King Greenleaf Recreation Center.

TINY TOTS ART CLASS, Mondays, 10:30 - 11:30 A.M., ages 15 months-3 years, King Greenleaf Recreation.

TINY TOT RECREATION, Mondays and Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 A.M., MultiPurpose Room. King Greenleaf Recreation Center.

SW FREEWAY, NA, Wednesdays, 7 - 8 P.M., Westminster Presbyterian Church.

SWING DANCE CLASSES. Wednesdays, 7-9:30 P.M. Contact, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

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.**

ALL-LEVELS YOGA CLASS every Wednesday from 8 - 9:00 A.M. Bring a mat if you have one. No set charge; donations welcomed. For more information, call the instructor, Pamela Wilson, 202-746-6654 or email: wilsonpj108@verizon.net. St. Augustine's Episcopal Church.

YOGA FOR ADULTS and TEENS, 6:30 P.M. Tuesdays. All levels welcome. Bring your own mat or use a library provided mat. SW Library.

YOGA IN THE WATER: ALL-LEVELS CLASS Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. and Sundays from 12:30 - 1:30 P.M. with Pamela Wilson at Waterside Fitness and Swim Club, 901 6th Street, SW.

Try another approach to Yoga! \$10 for class/day pass. For more information, call Waterside Fitness and Swim

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

ZUMBA, 7:30 P.M. Discontinued until further notice. SW Library.

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