Nando’s nixes Woodley Park plans

**Zoning:** Restaurant objects to need for five-year renewal

By BRADY HOLT
Current Staff Writer

Following a bruising zoning battle, Nando’s Peri-Peri announced Friday that it will not be opening a planned Woodley Park location, citing uncertainty about whether the restaurant could be forced to close in just a few years.

The proposed Nando’s would have opened in a long-vacant storefront at 2631 Connecticut Ave., in an area that has zoning restrictions against restaurants — especially fast food, which, under present regulations, means food purchased before it’s served.

Nando’s argued that it’s a higher-end establishment than the rules envisioned, but some residents and nearby businesses nonetheless raised concerns about restaurants aimed at tourists that might crowd out other types of neighborhood-serving retail, and about trash and rodent issues. Still, the area’s advisory neighborhood commission and a number of nearby residents supported the restaurant.

In February, the Board of Zoning Adjustment approved the Nando’s application, but with an important nod to opponents: The restaurant

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Board landmarks two 1920s mansions

By BRADY HOLT
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A pair of grand 1920s homes in Massachusetts Avenue Heights and Forest Hills are the newest members of the District’s inventory of landmark buildings, following votes by the Historic Preservation Review Board last Thursday.

The board unanimously approved a landmark nomination for 3400 Massachusetts Ave., a 1925 Spanish Revival mansion once owned by the heir to a prominent brewery and later by a distinguished ophthalmologist.

On a narrower vote, members also granted landmark status to 3020 Albemarle St., a 1924 home built into the hillside abutting Soapstone Valley Park.

Both houses are now vacant and on the market, and neighbors have feared they could be torn down and redeveloped. Indeed, the contract purchaser of the Massachusetts Avenue home had filed a raze permit, which the

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After long renovation, Taproom set to debut

By MARK LIEBERMAN
Current Correspondent

When Bill Madden signed a lease in September 2013 for his company, Mad Fox Breweries, to take over a storefront at 2218 Wisconsin Ave. in Glover Park, he thought he’d have a business up and running within a few months.

“We thought this was gonna be a quick get in, clean it up, get a restaurant open, start serving our beer,” Madden said. “And then we discovered all these issues and had to address them.”

As the two-year anniversary of that lease approaches, Madden and his company are finally ready to open the Mad Fox Taproom, an extension of the Mad Fox Brewery in Falls Church, Va. Madden plans to secure a certificate of occupancy within the week, which will open

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Tenleytown, Van Ness leaders cheer ‘Main Streets’ initiative

**Business:** New groups will promote areas as destinations

By CUNETY DIL
Current Correspondent

Tenleytown and Van Ness have their faults, some say: Advisory neighborhood commissioner Tom Quinn once called the former an “architectural nightmare,” and his colleague Jon Bender says it lacks a “concrete canyon” better known for its traffic problems than as a thriving destination for retail and events.

But neighborhood leaders are betting on the city’s Main Streets program to change all that. The two neighborhoods will join eight other D.C. communities with similar programs that, according to the program’s website, promote “the revitalization of traditional business districts.”

For Tenleytown, leaders hope the program will help attract businesses and beautify the Wisconsin Avenue corridor, in addition to building on neighborhood successes such as the

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Crushed sewer pipe replaced in Palisades

Following a sewage leak Friday, the D.C. Sewer and Water Authority warned the public to steer clear of Maddox Creek in the Palisades. The agency said this week that workers have since replaced the crushed sewer pipe with a permanent replacement pipe.

Heavy rains last week eroded earth from a bank alongside 49th Street, and the sliding dirt crushed a 10-inch sewer line below. The break allowed sewage to seep into the creek, which DC Water says runs from 49th and Fulton streets to Fletcher’s Cove on the Potomac River.

DC Water alerted residents Friday to avoid Maddox Creek and keep their pets away due to the risk of raw sewage exposure. Neither that agency nor the D.C. Department of the Environment was able to provide updates on the creek’s safety status this week.

DC Water used closed-circuit TV cameras last week to inspect the line and determine where it was crushed.

Senate funding bill draws mixed review

D.C. Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton cheered the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee last week for approving a D.C. funding bill that does not contain any riders, would prevent D.C. from spending local funds in several areas including providing abstractions for poor women.

Finally, she noted that both the House and the Senate bills would allow the District government to keep operating if the federal government shuts down in fiscal year 2017 — a continuation of the provision approved for fiscal years 2015 and 2016.

Ward 2 Solar Co-op picks installation firm

The 75-plus members of the Ward 2 Solar Co-op have selected local company Solar Solution to install panels on their homes, choosing from multiple submissions, according to a news release.

The group is open to new members until Aug. 31. Membership is not a commitment to buy panels, which are purchased through individual contracts with the installer, but buying as a group generally saves participants up to 20 percent. Details are at dscun.org/bulk-purchases/ward-2.

Dupont commission seeks to fill vacancy

There’s a vacancy on the Dupont Circle advisory neighborhood commission, and would-be candidates to represent single-member district 2B07 have until Aug. 10 to submit petitions to the city.

Commissioner Justine Underhill announced her resignation earlier this month — she is moving out of D.C. for a new job — and the Board of Elections and Ethics certified the vacancy last week.

Residents seeking the office must pick up petitions from the board and collect signatures from at least 25 residents of the single-member district, which sits just east of the neighborhood’s central park.

The district runs from Dupont Circle north on New Hampshire Avenue to O Street, east to 17th Street, south to Massachusetts Avenue, northwest to 18th Street, south to Jefferson Place, west to 19th Street and then north to the circle. A map of all the commission’s districts is available at tinyurl.com/dupont-snds.

A petition challenge period will run from Aug. 13 to 19, to ensure the signatures are valid, and there is more than one candidate an election will be held in September or October.

In a news release, the neighborhood commission notes that Underhill “has been invaluable in bringing the neighborhood together around issues big and small, including the ongoing development process of the St. Thomas Church property at 1772 Church St.” It says anyone with questions about the office can email chair Noah Smith at noah.smith@anc.dc.gov.

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Golden Triangle gets partnership award

The Golden Triangle Business Improvement District has won a “Director’s Partnership Award” from the National Park Service.

Eight awards went out this year to Park Service partners that work to improve their local communities, according to a news release. The Golden Triangle BID has helped maintain and beautify six Park Service-owned parks in its 43-block neighborhood, bringing in public art and organizing activities.

Karen Cucurullo, acting superintendent of the National Mall and Memorial Parks Co., says in a news release that the award is “a testament to the BID’s ‘vision and collaboration,’ which she says have made the neighborhood an appealing area for locals and visitors alike.

New rule requires tenant notification

As of July 3, D.C. landlords must provide rental applicants with a copy of the Tenant Bill of Rights, which outlines rights in areas including “security deposit, rent increases, building conditions and eviction, according to the city’s Office of the Tenant Advocate.

The new requirement was required in a 2014 amendment, which was approved by the Office of the Tenant Advocate. “The law is a giant leap forward in terms of tenant education and outreach in the District,” states a news release from the agency. “Current tenants also benefit from the law. Once a year, upon the tenant’s written request, the landlord is required to provide without charge a copy of the relevant disclosure documents, including the Tenant Bill of Rights.”

The Tenant Bill of Rights is available at otal.dc.gov, and for additional information, tenants can contact the office’s education and outreach coordinator, Delores Anderson, at delores.anderson@dc.gov, or legislative director, Joel Cohn, at joel.cohn@dc.gov, or call either at 202-719-6560.

Retired teacher wins physics distinction

Chevy Chase resident Robert Morse, a retired St. Albans teacher, will receive the A. Millikan Medal today from the American Association of Physics Teachers. The award is given to “educators who have made notable and creative contributions to the teaching of physics,” according to a news release.

Morse’s contributions to physics education include developing curricula, working as a master teacher, offering workshops and leading a revision of an Advanced Placement Physics Test. “To all these endeavors, he brings passion, inquisitiveness, creativity, and deep understanding of how students learn,” states the release.

After years in the classroom, Morse currently co-chairs the A2 Physics 1 Development Committee and serves as the assistant editor of the Davidson AP Physics EdX project.

The 75-year-old American Association of Physics Teachers is based in College Park, Md. The association established the Millikan Medal in 1962, naming it after the Nobel Prize-winning physicist who first measured the charge on a single electron.

Correction

In the July 22 issue, a District Digest item misidentified the entity seeking patients with intermedi- ate-1, intermediate-2 or high-risk myelofibrosis for a comparative clinical trial. It is George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates of Washington, D.C., not the George Washington University Hospital.

The Current regrets the error.


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Board calls for revisions to proposal at shopping center

By CUNEYT DIL
Current Correspondent

Plans for a new building in the Spring Valley Shopping Center were rejected last Thursday by the Historic Preservation Review Board, with members saying additional tweaks and more community engagement are needed.

Washington Real Estate Investment Trust, which owns the historically protected shopping center, is seeking to construct a two-story commercial building on part of the center’s surface parking lot along Massachusetts Avenue.

But the board followed the recommendation of the Spring Valley advisory neighborhood commission in rejecting the proposal, despite a staff report from the Historic Preservation Office that recommended giving the plans a final green light. Members faulted a proposed setback giving the plans a final green light. Members faulted a proposed setback giving the plans a final green light.

But several members also complained the progress made on the project to address previous grievances. A “passer” walkway between the proposed building and the adjacent Crate & Barrel building drew praise, as did improvements of pedestrian connectivity at the shopping site.

By sending the project back for further changes, the decision sets up weeks more of anticipated neighborhood debate on a project that has sparked controversy in the low-rise residential community. “We would like the applicants to continue to have the dialogue with the ANC and community about the development of the site,” preservation board chair Gretchen Pfaehler said.

Board members also left room for continued discussion on whether to connect at all to the bank, but their concerns seemed to relate largely to the current design of the connection rather than the concept of it. Developers argue that it would be wrong to leave the bank’s blank brick wall untouched, but some community members say the shopping center is a group of single buildings, making up a “village-like cluster” that should be preserved.

Steve Callcott, who wrote the

The week ahead

Thursday, July 30
The D.C. Historic Preservation Review Board will meet at 9 a.m. in Room 220 South, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th St. NW.

■ The D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development will host a Ward 2 community meeting from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. Topics will include how to shape the future of affordable housing throughout the District, as well as the agency’s budget, its current and future projects, and its programs and services. To RSVP, email dhp.events@dcd.mitre.gov or call 202-442-7200.

■ The Executive Office of the Mayor and the Foggy Bottom Association will hold a community meeting from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, seeking to create a more welcoming feel.

■ The Metropolitan Police Department’s 4th District will host the District’s National Night Out event on Homelessness, and representatives of the Department of Human Services, the Metropolitan Police Department and the Department of Behavioral Health. The meeting will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary’s Court, 725 24th St. NW.

Tuesday, Aug. 4
The Metropolitan Police Department’s 4th District will host the District’s National Night Out kickoff celebration from 6 to 9 p.m. at Takoma Recreation Center, 300 Van Buren St. NW. The annual National Night Out celebrates community pride, unity and public safety partnerships. The Takoma event will include music, food, entertainment and public safety information.

■ The Metropolitan Police Department’s 4th District, the 2nd District Citizens Advisory Council and Georgetown University will host a National Night Out event from 6 to 9 p.m. in front of Healy Hall on the campus of Georgetown University, 37th and O streets NW. Activities will include food, drinks, games, giveaways, face painting, McGruff the Crime Dog and crime prevention information.

Wednesday, Aug. 5
The D.C. Department of the Environment will hold a community meeting on updates to the District’s Wildlife Action Plan from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Visitor Center Auditorium of the National Zoo, 3001 Connecticut Ave. NW. Information will focus on critical habitats, threats to wildlife and conservation actions the agency and its partners plan to implement. The meeting will feature an openhouse format, with a presentation from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 6
Ward 4 D.C. Council member Brandon Todd will host a block captain training session for Ward 4 residents. Samantha Nolan of the Chevy Chase Citizens Association will lead the training. The event will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at the 4th District Police Headquarters, 6001 Georgia Ave. NW. For details, contact Jackson Carnes at 202-724-8793 or jcarnes@dcdcouncil.us.
The test sounds like a train's steam whistle and will be used to indicate the need to shelter in place during an emergency. No action is necessary during the test.
Burger, Tap and Shake expands to Tenleytown

Burger, Tap and Shake has been serving George Washington University students and Foggy Bottom Metro riders, among others, since 2011. After finding success with this first foray into fast-casual dining, the Passion Food Hospitality group started scouting out locations for a second burger spot.

Four years later, Jeff Tunks and his business partners have landed in the corner spot at 4450 Wisconsin Ave. NW — right across the street from the Tenleytown Metro station, a mile from American University’s main campus and just a few blocks from the university’s forthcoming law school complex.

With the new restaurant’s spacious interior, lengthy bar and welcoming outdoor patio, Tunks said he hopes to attract the same mix of customers that made the original Burger, Tap and Shake a hit.

“It’s a very underserved location,” Tunks said of his Tenleytown spot, adding that patrons “can come in and grab a beer and watch a college football game and also come in with their grandparents. We’ve been really enthused with our relationship with the neighborhood.”

Other restaurants in Passion Food Hospitality’s portfolio include DC Coast, PassionFish, District Commons and Acadiana. At Burger, Tap and Shake, the restaurant name describes the main draws of the menu. It stands apart from other fast-casual burger spots with its array of artisanal beers, 11 total. Customers who sit at the bar can bypass the line, order food immediately and drink if they want.

As for the burgers, diners can opt for standard ground beef or experiment with less conventional offerings like the High Thigh (ground chicken), Upstream Run (ground salmon with Asian slaw and mixed greens) and Haight-Ashbury (ground falafel). Milkshakes come in standard flavors plus the B’shake — a mixture of Butterfinger, Twix and Snickers — as well as several offerings dubbed “shaketails” that mix ice cream, candy and alcoholic beverages like Jim Beam and Firefly sweet tea vodka.

The restaurant also offers naturally raised beef, homemade sweet and sour pickles, hand-cut chilli, hand-cut and hand-breaded onion rings, and homemade buns, separating it from other similar establishments, said Tunks. “We have a real ‘from scratch’-type production,” he said.

The new location officially opened for business July 20 after short trial openings over the previous weekend. At lunchtime Friday of the first week, the line was out the door by noon, and the outdoor deck was nearly full. Restaurant manager Travis Timberlake and Passion Food Hospitality director of operations Ryan McCarthy buzzed around the eatery answering customers’ questions, moving chairs and checking in with the chefs and cashiers.

“This restaurant is a collection of people, historic buildings and local. Hopefully we’re doing the same back to neighborhood. Hopefully we’re doing the same back to our relationship with the neighborhood.”

Tunks said the first week’s high turnout exceeded his expectations. He’d been warned that business might be slow at first because students at American University and the nearby Wilson High School are on summer break. But even without those profitable demographics in full force, the burgers have been selling fast — Tunks even had to run to buy ground chuck at Whole Foods when supply ran low on opening day.

Tenleytown advisory neighborhood commissioner Anne Wallace was among the patrons during Friday’s lunch rush. She said she’s excited to see this space filled by a restaurant that appeals to the entire neighborhood. The previous establishment in the location.

Coalition calls for District to provide universal child care

By KATIE PEARCE
Current Staff Writer

Following the lead of Montgomery County, a grass-roots coalition is working to spur creation of an Office of Child Care Services in D.C., with the end goal of offering affordable, universal child care coverage to the city’s parents.

The “Universal Child Care DC Coalition” — composed of parents, activists and policy experts, in partnership with Georgetown University Law Center — is currently surveying hundreds of D.C. residents on the city’s child care needs, and plans to host a series of roundtable talks this fall.

So far, the surveys indicate “overwhelming” dissatisfaction with child care options in D.C., according to Jeremiah Lowery, the coalition’s organizer. The parents who do qualify for subsidies often find them insufficient, while many who don’t qualify “still go into debt for child care,” he said.

The survey is available online at tinyurl.com/childdcare-de.

Ultimately, the coalition intends to push for D.C. Council legislation to create a new office devoted to child care, which would work not only to design a universal child care system for D.C. but also to expand overnight care and provide grant funding for co-op child care centers.

Lowery said the group hopes to see such legislation passed by year’s end. Through the Georgetown Law Center, the coalition is working with three-year-old law students and an adviser to help draft that measure, he said.

The coalition is currently working on outreach, connecting with local child care centers and churches and advertising its mission through listservs and social media.

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On the Street

Burger, Tap and Shake opened last week across from the Tenleytown Metro station.

Police hail public response to increase in Ward 4 crime

By DEIRDRE BANNON
Current Correspondent

A notable uptick in robberies and thefts from autos in the Metropolitan Police Department’s 4th District prompted Ward 4 D.C. Council member Brandon Todd to hold a community public safety meeting last week with police officials.

Robberies are up 24 percent for the year to date, and thefts from autos are up 18 percent, burglaries, however, are down 30 percent, according to 4th District Cmdr. Wilfredo Manlapaz.

“I’m so happy to see so many people here, but it bothers me to see so many people here, if that makes sense,” Police Chief Cathy Lanier said Thursday to the standing-room-only crowd of about 200 people at the 4th District Headquarters.

“For this many people to come out for a community meeting means that people in the community are uneasy, and that’s a problem,” she added. “But to have this many people come out to be part of a discussion about crime is encouraging because crime cannot flourish in a neighborhood where people are this involved.”

An increase in street robberies where criminals target mobile device owners and other personal items is among the biggest challenges the 4th District faces. Lanier was recently successful in leading a national push to get telecom companies to allow consumers to “brick” stolen phones — disabling the devices so they can’t be used again and are therefore not considered valuable. But after about an 18-month decline in such crimes, they’re now on the rise again because “criminals adapted,” the chief said, and found new ways to monetize stolen phones and other devices.

Lanier advised residents to be aware of their surroundings and be distracted use of mobile phones, which can make them a target of this crime.

Residents at the meeting also raised concerns about recent shoot- ings in the area, including one in the Grant Circle area.

Lanier said the police have made one arrest, but their biggest challenge is that witnesses typically don’t come forward.

“We know there are witnesses, and we have victims that don’t cooperate” in identifying the perpetrator, Lanier said. “That’s a bad sign for us when the victim themselves won’t tell us how to go after the person that shot them or community members are afraid to talk.”

To combat this issue, the police department is pushing use of its anonymous tip line, where residents can provide information without putting themselves or their family in jeopardy, Lanier noted.

Over the past 30 days, there have been some good signs for the 4th District. From June 21 to July 21, robberies were down 20 percent and burglaries were down 40 percent, according to Manlapaz. Thefts from autos were up slightly, by 2 percent.

One of the most effective ways to deter crime is to use cameras — both the police department’s closed-circuit TV units and privately owned cameras placed at businesses and residences — Lanier said.

“If there’s a camera when a crime occurs, we’re going to catch them,” she said.

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Historic Preservation Office staff report in favor of the building design, said keeping the buildings separate would create a “very uninviting pas- sages way.” As the building walls would not have windows. “While the intent of separating the buildings out might be to respect the bank building, I think it creates a number of problems that would be very dif- ficult to solve,” he said.

The shopping center, constructed between 1939 and 1951, was registered as a historic landmark in 1989, highlighted as a prime example of suburban-style development toward the outskirts of Washington. Much of the debate around the project has dealt with making sure the design of the new building is consistent with the high-style Colonial Revival architecture of adjacent buildings. To that end, architect Rob McLennan said at the hearing that he “refined” the building in order to make it “more easily recognizable as the neighbor- board.”

“There was no sort of ‘aha’ moment — we didn’t redesign the whole building,” McLennan told preservation board members as he presented revised plans. “What we have done is a series of very signifi- cant changes that in total add up to a much more contextual approach to this building.”

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“The department police uses both mobile and ‘perma- nent’ cameras that can be moved. An annual assessment plan includes five areas with the highest crime rates and the most need, with priority going to violent crime areas and then to places with significant property crimes. Police cameras in the 4th District are located at Ken- nedy Street at its intersections with 1st, 5th and 7th streets; Jefferson and 8th streets; and Shepherd and 4th streets. There are also three along Quincy Street near 14th Street, Manlan told The Current.

Lanier encouraged residents to install camera systems on their homes, which she said can be had for $200 to $1,000. She noted that many are not complicated to set up yourself, which she did at her mother’s home. The systems can alert if someone breaches a window or door and provide video footage to smartphones and other mobile devices, which the police can then use to investi- gate any crimes.

At times such systems have helped police get to the scene of a burglary before the perpetrator has left, Lanier said. Residents can also register their external cameras with the police department to be added to its mapping system, which can help police investigate crimes that might occur nearby.

In the 4th District, Manlan currently deploys “power shift” officers who work from 6 p.m. to 4 a.m. in high crime areas both on foot and in patrol cars. The commander, who has been with the 4th District since November, is also making his presence known by walk- ing through the neighborhood knocking on doors, and he has instructed his officers to do the same, he said.

Council member Todd encouraged residents to reach out to his office to share public safety concerns and to get involved. One way is to volunteer as a block captain.

“It sounds like a big job, but it isn’t,” Todd said, not- ing that most captains are responsible for 15 to 20 hous- es. “We need more eyes and ears.”

Captain Aug, the next meeting will be held Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. at the 4th District Headquarters at 6001 Georgia Ave. NW.

And for the first time, Ward 4 will host the depart- ment’s National Night Out kickoff celebration Aug. 4 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Takoma Recreation Center, 300 Van Buren St. NW.

There are also 4th District Citizens Advisory Council meetings every third Thursday of the month; after an August break, the next meeting will be held Sept. 17. Individual police service areas also hold monthly or quarterly public meetings.
LIBRARY:
Historic Preservation Review Board approves most aspects of MLK renovation

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But at the library’s entrance, the project team presented plans that would remove brick from the vestibule area and replace it with glass. “It’s not considered a terribly inviting entry,” project architect Thomas Johnstoun testified Thursday, saying that glass would let in more light and allow a sense of communication between the library and the street.

The city’s Historic Preservation Office, though, advised a compromise approach — ultimately supported by the board — to keep most of the brick while still allowing more of a view toward the library’s main hall. “This vestibule should be considered a significant space and its treatment handled lightly,” said staff reviewer Anne Brockett. In her written report, Brockett elaborated: “The removal of the vestibule walls negates a perceptual device that has been used in public architecture for centuries: by creating a sense of physical compression in a vestibule, the size and grandeur of the succeeding central room is greatly enhanced by contrast.”

The downtown central library was designed by noted German-American architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, and it’s his only D.C. building. Architects for the renovation project, though, said that he typically designed buildings that were either shorter or taller than the four-story MLK Library, which may have led to a few awkward elements. “The arrival feeling on each of the floors is probably the least satisfying element of the Mies design,” said Johnson.

Architects will continue to work with the city’s preservationists to refine the details, and Brockett said the project otherwise follows the board’s directions from January. “In all other respects we do feel the team has very respectfully treated the building,” she testified. Board members approved the concept for the plans with the exception of the vestibule and a series of detailed items including the specific design for a new central staircase. Public buildings in D.C. also face design review by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts.

ZONING: Nando’s drops Woodley Park

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would have to return in five years with another application to remain in place, providing evidence that it hadn’t harmed the community. Nando’s requested a reconsideration, asking instead for a 20-year approval or a different set of conditions; the board voted 4-1 to reject that request last month.

So Nando’s won’t proceed in Woodley Park, according to Burton Heiss, CEO of the South African chain’s U.S. operations, which are headquartered in Washington. Heiss said it takes many months and over $1 million to build out a Nando’s restaurant, and that the lease term on Connecticut Avenue was for 10 years. Thus it would prove problematic if the zoning board rejected Nando’s in 2020, which would be just four years after the opening date.

“We were never afraid of the requirements to be a good neighbor and to control trash and noise,” Heiss said in an interview. “That’s just being a good businessperson and having a good business. Our issue was literally the judgment made on the correct timeframe.”

In their June 9 deliberations on the Nando’s reconsideration request, a majority of zoning board members decided to keep the five-year period, due both to the restaurant’s possible impacts and the precedent for other cases.

“I think if we start reshaping these things and looking at the relief based upon what somebody’s lease term is based upon, versus the potential impact on the community, I think it gets us in a very dangerous area,” said chair Lloyd Jordan.

Vice chair Manrique Heath added that Nando’s shouldn’t have anything to worry about, as long as it showed opponents it hadn’t caused a trash and rodent problem. The Woodley Park Community Association, a principal opponent to the restaurant, agreed in a May submission to the zoning board: “Nando’s assured the Board that the order it sought would have no adverse impacts. The fact that it is unwilling to live with a five-year review suggests that it’s really not so sure.”

Heiss said he wasn’t concerned about his restaurant’s operations, but there are other factors at play. “It was really all the things we couldn’t control that made us nervous,” he said, given the financial obligations involved with opening a restaurant.

With a 10-year lease signed and a commitment to that, and with the financial commitment to build out the space, we just thought there were far too many variables,” he said, such as future turnover on the zoning board or some new group of opponents. “Any risk of losing that permit that would make us close down — we couldn’t justify it.”

The company had already invested some $200,000 in the Woodley Park space, putting money toward designing the restaurant, executing the lease and going through the zoning process, according to Heiss. Although Nando’s had requested a 20-year term from the zoning board, Heiss said the company would have accepted 10 years — a compromise put forward by board member Mark Miller, the lone dissenting vote against the five-year period.

Perry Reith, an asset manager with building owner Grosvenor Americas, said his firm selected Nando’s carefully for its long-vacant space. “We like the idea of finding a tenant that adds to a community, somebody that will be well-received and that’s going to be there for a long time,” said Reith. He pointed to a PoPville article on Nando’s decision in which all 30 comments were favorable toward the restaurant and/or unfavorable toward the zoning board decision.

Other businesses interested in the space include a 7-Eleven and a mattress store, Reith said, but he declined to go into more detail.

Heiss said Nando’s remains “very committed to the District” and will look for alternative new locations to add to its current three — two downtown and one in Tenleytown. He said the company was attracted to Woodley Park due to its mix of residents, visitors and businesses, as well as its transit accessiblity. “We don’t have anything specific we’re working on, but we’d like to be somewhere nearby,” he said.

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Death with Dignity bill would allow choice

When a patient’s physician responds to a request for aid in dying, the physician is required to fully inform the patient about all end-of-life options, including hospital care, care at a place of residence, and aggressive pain control. Additionally, the decision must be completely voluntary, as demonstrated by the patient making two oral requests, separated by at least 15 days, to his or her physician and a written request signed by two witnesses. A patient may rescind a request at any time, and even when a patient receives the medication, he or she is not required to take it. In fact, in Oregon, where similar legislation has been in effect for almost 18 years, there are no patients who completed the process for requesting the medication do not consume it. But they have peace of mind knowing it is available.

Each patient will have his or her own end-of-life values, and those values deserve respect. Aid in dying is a choice for both the patients and the health care providers; no one will be forced to participate.

On the patient side, we know that — since 1997, when Oregon enacted its law and the only state in the country where physician-assisted dying is legal — there have been no reported cases of a patient being coerced into obtaining the medication. And on the provider side, the law allows any health care provider, hospital or pharmacy to refuse to provide or fill a prescription for this medication. The safeguards in the bill work.

Being able to make health care decisions, and having those decisions respected, empowers a patient. It restores a sense of autonomy that a terminally ill patient may have lost, after years of worrying about a patient’s needs or being subject to the coercion, depression or mental illness.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Metrobus drivers should know routes

This letter will discuss the need for improved training of Metrobus drivers. For the past two decades I have been a regular rider on the D6, D1, D2 and 30s buses. On numerous occasions I have witnessed passengers ask the drivers very basic questions about the route and about getting around D.C. in general and get completely incorrect information.

The most common error drivers on the D routes make is to tell would-be riders that the bus does not go to Georgetown. One driver argued quite aggressively that Wisconsin Avenue and Q Street is not located in Georgetown! Recently, I witnessed a D6 driver tell a young man and woman that Wisconsin and Q that the bus did not go to Georgetown University Hospital. The woman was incredulous and asked the man if the bus, in fact, stops right outside the hospital entrance!

Later the same evening, I spoke about this with a Metro employee who was driving a new driver on the D6. She told me in no uncertain terms that Metro is 100 percent focused on teaching drivers to drive safely, but that it is “not at all necessary” for them to know anything about locations along the route. I agree that safety comes first, but for someone trying to get to a hospital on public transportation, such misinformation could have a serious impact.

Charlotte DonVito
Foxhall Village

Service on ANC was greatly rewarding

It’s been nearly one year since I made the unlikely decision to become a politician. Before I became the advisory neighborhood commissioner for my district, I knew few of my neighbors and had little interest in the typical commission fare of liquor licenses and zoning minutiae. But a bizarre set of circumstances drew me deeply into Dupont Circle political affairs. A historic church was to finally be rebuilt — literally — with the controversial addition of a condominium project.

When I was elected as commissioner last November, my highest priority was to build a consensus on the new construction project that had divided the community. Over the next few months, I worked with my commission and neighbors to find a middle ground. Most neighbors supported the consensus, despite strong opposition to the overall project. At our March meeting, we achieved something unexpected. The commission voted unanimously on a resolution backed by neighbors, and facilitated a civil and calm discourse on the project. During this time, I started a new job and recently received the exciting news that my work would take me to New York City. This tremendous opportunity, fortunately meant that I had to step down from the commission.

Currently, my No. 1 priority is to make sure my district is continuously represented, and that there is a smooth transition to the next commissioner.

It has been extremely fulfilling to be able to work with my neighbors of Dupont Circle, and I have never felt more a part of the community. I will be keeping my place in Dupont Circle and will continue to be involved in neighborhood projects. I can only express my sincere gratitude to the neighbors, businesses, organizations and fellow commissioners who participated in the amazing opportunity this has afforded me.

Justine Underhill
Former commissioner, ANC 2B07

Preserve the funding

The D.C. Tuition Assistance Grant program is provoking debate in Congress again. First a House subcommittee dropped $10 million from last year’s funding level, and then a Senate subcommittee, while maintaining last year’s $30 million funding, added a new income cap to participate.

Our primary goal was to continue funding TAG, as known as DC TAG. First offered in 2000, the grants are meant to make tuition at non-District public colleges comparable to in-state levels. The idea was to provide more options for D.C. students, who have only one public university they can attend at a discounted rate.

D.C. Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton says the program has succeeded in that goal. Twenty-four thousand students have benefited from the grants in the past 15 years, receiving allocations of up to $10,000 to support their enrollment at public institutions throughout the country, as well as private colleges in the region and historically black colleges and universities. She also notes that the grants encourage more families to stay in, or move to, the city.

In terms of possible means testing, we would prefer to see the TAG benefits available to all D.C. students enrolling in one of the included schools. After all, as DC PSAs note, students living elsewhere can attend local universities at in-state rates regardless of family income. But should a cap be deemed necessary, we would prefer it be imposed gradually, giving families time to plan. The current proposal to institute a $450,000 household income limit in the 2016-17 school year would catch a lot of local families off guard.

Also, if an income limit is imposed, we wonder whether some sort of sliding scale might be possible. Some parents have recently called for increasing the grants to reflect rising tuition prices. In 2000, the $10,000 figure was supposed to bridge the gap between in-state and out-of-state costs at most public institutions, but today that difference is close to $17,000, according to a parent group. Perhaps students with the lowest family incomes could receive more tuition support, with grants tapering off as incomes increase.

Whatever the specifics, we believe DC TAG to be a crucial initiative. We urge Congress to fully fund the program.

Dispiriting design

It’s extremely dispiriting that the final plan for a new Friendship Recreation Center at 45th and Van Ness NW lacks the support of residents growing up on the Foxhall Village streets NW that I have been fortunate to represent.

“The state of this project to date is disappointing to the community, bor- dering on a travesty,” states a letter from nine neighborhood leaders and members of the site improvement team to Mayor Muriel Bowser. It explains that after they spent two years collaborating with the agencies involved, officials tossed the agreed-upon building plans and replaced them with new ones that don’t incorporate the community’s top requests.

The neighborhood leaders’ primary goal was to obtain a “large and airy” community room. Instead, the new design cuts this space in the building’s rear, where it will have low ceilings and less exposure than desired. Meanwhile, a preschool room becomes the most dominant part of the facility, with its location and large windows creating a “fishbowl” that puts “children on display,” the letter states. The room is also located so far from the building’s bathrooms that the architect had to add an extra set to serve the kids.

The residents went so far as to develop sample alternative floor plans that address their complaints, shifting the rooms around without changing the overall footprint. It’s hard to imagine why city leaders would be willing to build a recreation center the community doesn’t want, particularly when the desired outcome seems to be within reach. Residents have also complained about a sudden rush to move forward with construction.

We think the whole thing reeks of waste: a waste of residents’ time and city money. If earlier plans were unfavorable, it’s foolish not to correct clear deficiencies in the pared-down version. We urge Mayor Bowser to listen to the complaints and take action to ensure the final plan addresses them. There’s still time to remedy these mistakes.
I n 2004, 139 students and their families took a chance on a new school founded by educator Jennie Niles (now D.C.’s deputy mayor for education) with an ambitious mission to dispel the stereotypes of every stu-
dent and a vision to impact education across the District of Columbia.

In the past decade, E.L. Haynes Public Charter School has grown to serve more than 1,100 students from grades pre-K through 12 across two campuses, and has been a leader in collaborative efforts with D.C. Public Schools and other public charter schools.

On June 20, Haynes celebrated a major milestone when the students graduated — the majority of the seniors are the first in their families to attend college.

Graduates include Kai Lin Shi, one of only six D.C. residents to be named a prestigious Gates Millennium Scholar. During his freshman year, Kai Lin’s parents relocated to New York to seek additional employment. Not wanting to leave Haynes, he has been living with his aunt and uncle in the District while working at their Chinese restaurant. He was accepted to eight colleges and plans to attend Kalamazoo College in the fall to study economics and political science.

Another graduate, Brandon Cardona, has a four-year scholarship to Allegheny College and is a National Science Foundation Scholar. Co- valedictorian Katy Reyes spoke at E.L. Haynes’ graduation about her transformation from a student who struggled academically and socially to the top-performing student in her high school class. Katy will attend Muhlenberg College this fall.

Speaking on behalf of the graduates, co- valedictorian Patricía Salvador told her classmates: “A special thanks to the pioneers and leaders of E.L. Haynes for providing us with the space to create such a supportive community and allowing us to grow and prosper. In times of sorrow, confusion, and even excitement, Haynes has been a safe haven for many of us. You’ve always made an impact on my life and made me the person I am today.”

E.L. Haynes is committed to continuing to provide that supportive community — to our first class of graduates even as they move outside of our walls, and to all those who follow.

Abigail Smith is chair of the board of E.L. Haynes Public Charter School, a Haynes parent and the former D.C. deputy mayor for education. (See Page 4 for more.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Fordham Road site requires examination

I commend the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for publicly dis- closure of the address of the Spring Valley property where they identi- fied a possible World War I munitions burial pit in the backyard, but have been denied access by the homeowner for over a decade (“Army Corps lacks permission to inspect 12 site locations,” July 22). I think the community deserves to know why the Army believes there is a burial pit at 3720 Fordham Road and precisely what that pit might contain.

Long-timers will recall that the surprise discovery of a munitions burial pit at 52nd Court in 1993 was the beginning of the Army’s endur- ing 23-year, $250 million cleanup of the 661-acre Spring Valley For- merly Used Defense Site. During World War I, that pit — located southeast of circular test trenches where chemical weapons were stati- cally fired (meaning they were det- erated in a fixed position) — was used to dispose of dud shells that were too dangerous to haul back to the Experiment Station at American University nearly a mile away. Back then, the chemical corps’ stand- ard operating procedure specified having 4-foot-deep holes near any chemical weapons bunker so that, if leaky shells were discovered, they could immediately be put aside. In 1995, with the height of World War I-era aerial photographs, the Army flagged approximately 50 additional “points of interest” (POI) as poten- tial burial locations.

At that time, another set of cir- cular test trenches was identified as the Sedgwick Trench (POI 1), where “extensive field testing of Chemical Warfare Agents such as mustard, phosgene, chloropicrin and cyanogen chloride” was per- formed [Site-Wide Remedial Inves- tigation Report, Section 1.5.3, page 11]. Shells containing warfare agents were also statically fired in the center of those trenches. During its review of the geophysical survey data from POI 1, the D.C. environment- mental agency noticed another anomaly adjacent to and southeast of the Sedgwick Trench in the backyard of 3720 Fordham Road. It was tagged as POI 2 and described as a possible pit used for the dispos- al of duds and “other material.” The homeowner cooperated with the search at first and allowed Army access for a geophysical survey that was eventually conducted in 2004.

Although survey maps subse- quently documented a large “anomalous area,” deeper than 4 feet below ground surface in the north half of the backyard, the Army Corps has futilely sought the property owner’s permission to invas- ively investigate the POI 2 burial pit ever since.

Now that the story of this recalci- trant resident’s stonewalling is out in the open, I hope that public pressure — applied by concerned neighbors and even elected offi- cials — might succeed where the Army’s lawyers have failed.

Allen Hengst
Glover Park

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
The Current publishes letters and Viewpoint submissions representing various points of view. Because of space limitations, letters should be no more than 400 words and are subject to editing. Letters and Viewpoint submissions intended for publication may be sent to letters@currentnewsonline.com. The mailing address is Letters to the Editor, The Current, Post Office Box 40400, Washington, D.C. 20016-0400.
CHILD CARE: Grass-roots coalition proposes effort to obtain universal services

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Early Education Office and develop a strategic plan for child care, the movement grew in D.C. to do the same.

Locally, the issue of child care coverage has become a priority for the White House, with President Barack Obama calling for "universal child care" and proposing to double the subsidies for child care over the next decade.

In his State of the Union address last January, Obama referenced a national child care program that was in place during World War II but dissolved shortly after. In the early 1970s, Congress passed a bipartisan bill establishing universal child care, which would have created several income-based subsidies for tuition. President Richard Nixon vetoed that bill.

The D.C. coalition is working out details for four public roundtables planned for this September and October, Lowery said. Those interested can contact universalchildcaredc@gmail.com. The coalition’s newly launched website, which will be updated soon, is at childcaredc.wordpress.com.

TAPROOM: Mad Fox to open after long renovations

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Madden and his team took time to figure out which neighborhood would be best for an expansion of the Mad Fox brand. They settled on Glover Park for its central location and appealing neighborhood vibe.

“We looked all throughout D.C. to look for different locations that we felt had a very good demographic and a very good piece of property,” Madden said.

After finding the 3,000-square-foot Wisconsin Avenue space, Madden realized it needed repairs. It was built in the early 1900s and served as a residence until approximately the mid-1950s, Madden said. At that point, it housed a succession of restaurants — most recently, Town Hall (now down the street) and Mayfair and Pine. When Madden entered, he was surprised to find how much of the building needed a substantial upgrade.

“We probably pulled down four layers of walls,” Madden said. “Just wall after wall after wall.”

Customers in the first floor of the two-story establishment can see up to the second level through a window in the back wall — which marks the division between the former house and the addition. They’ll take their pick from beers and root beers dripping from 16 faucets as well as cask ale pumped by hand as in England. A full menu with American and European gastropub fare will also be available, though the precise options will come down to the community’s tastes.

“If I knew, I’d have a crystal ball,” Madden said. “We’re not sure at the moment. We’re going to open up with what we think people like, and we’ll make adjustments as we go along.”

This location is smaller than the original, and it lacks key kitchen features like a pizza oven. But Madden said that D.C. residents don’t travel often to Falls Church, he’s excited to see what Madden does with the place.

“The Mad Fox will be an excellent addition to Glover Park,” he wrote. “Bill and his partners are great restaurateurs and their concept is perfect for the location.”

Madden brings 20 years of brewing experience to the new Glover Park location. After graduating in 1995 from the brewing school at the University of California at Irvine, he was hired by Capitol City Brewing Co., where he worked until branching off to start his own company and opening Mad Fox in 2010. Once the new location opens, he’ll split his time between D.C. and Virginia, focusing on brewing at the Virginia location.

“We’re going to be a slightly different concept than what’s available already. We’re going to complement the other establishments here in Glover Park,” Madden said. “We’re looking forward to being part of the community here.”

LANDMARKS:

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The Zoning Regulations Review, also known as the ZRR, is a project that began in 2007 led by the Office of Planning (OP) to revise the DC Zoning Regulations. This is the first time since the regulations were comprehensively revised since 1958.

The Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia, pursuant to its authority under § 1 of the Zoning Act of 1938, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 797, as amended; D.C. Official Code § 6-641.01 (2012 Repl.), hereby gives notice of its intent to amend Title 11 (Zoning) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR). The public comment period will be open until September 25th at 5:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to submit comments on the proposed text.

The following is a list of documents that comprise the proposed text as approved by the Zoning Commission on December 11, 2014:

Subtitle A - Authority and Applicability
Subtitle B - Definitions, Rules of Measurement, and Use Categories
Subtitle C - General Rules
Subtitle D - Residential House (R) Zones
Subtitle E - Residential Flat (RF) Zones
Subtitle F - Residential Apartment (RA) Zones
Subtitle G - Mixed-Use (MU) Zones
Subtitle H - Neighborhood Mixed-Use (NC) Zones
Subtitle I - Downtown (D) Zones
Subtitle J - Production, Distribution, and Repair (PDR) Zones

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• The online ZRR Comment Module at www.dccoz. dc.gov under the “ZRR” tab
• The online Interactive Zoning Information System (IZIS) at www.dccoz.dc.gov
• By e-mail to zcsubmissions@dc.gov
• By mail to 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 200-S, Washington, D.C. 20001

All comments should be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 25, 2015.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Zoning at 202-727-6311 or dccoz@ dc.gov.
Former Cadet earns all-star honors in WNBA

By BRIAN KAPUR
Current Staff Writer

Former St. John’s basketball standout Marissa Coleman was named to the WNBA all-star game for the first time in her career early last week, and she played in the prestigious contest Saturday at the Mohegan Sun Arena in Connecticut.

“All-star games are fun, and I know a lot of the players,” Coleman said in a phone interview after the game. “It was really relaxed and a chance to be silly, but it was also competitive.”

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In high school, Coleman helped the Terra Catholic Ath -

Cathedral grad wins track award

By BRIAN KAPUR
Current Staff Writer

Jeryne Fish, who recently wrapped up her senior year at National Cathedral School, was named D.C.’s Gatorade award winner for girls track and field this summer.

Fish is the first Cathedral track athlete to win a Gatorade award, but she continues a trend of Northwest athletes winning the honor in her sport. Last year Wilson’s Deonna Diggs was named D.C.’s Gatorade award winner for girls track and field.

In high school at Northwest, Fish has consistently been at the top of the regional and national standings and she has high hopes for her team.

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This year Coleman has notched a career-best 12.6 points per game and become the second leading scorer on the Fever, a shade behind Catching’s 12.8 rate, while blossoming into an all-star player. “It’s been a bumpy road for me in the WNBA and I finally found a good place in Indiana,” Coleman said. “I’ve never given up. It’s been rough and finally I made the all-star game. That was one of my goals from Day One.”

As the second half of the WNBA season begins, Coleman has high hopes for her team.

“Our ultimate team goal is to get back to the Eastern Conference finals and ultimately win a WNBA championship,” she said. “My individual goal is to not be satisfied and just build off being an all-star.”

The former Cadet will play at the Verizon Center against the Mystics two more times this season — on Aug. 11 and Sept. 8.
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Spring Valley Tudor backs to verdant parkland

Hillbrook Lane is a leafy cul-de-sac nestled in the heart of Spring Valley. Its hilly curves make way for a medley of stylish dwellings, from Cape Cods to Tudors, some of which were built by early D.C. developers W.C. & A.N. Miller.

Among them is a Tudor residence now on the market, distinguished by its slate roof, stone-and-white-stucco facade (with half-timbering) and a prominent stone-coved chimney. A portico houses a white cottage-inspired door complemented by modern black hinges.

The seven-bedroom, five-and-a-half-bathroom house in 0.3-acre property. It's this 4929 Hillbrook Lane, the property has seven bedrooms and five-and-a-half baths. It's offered at $2,545,000.

Inside, the foyer shows off a circular staircase and a Murano glass chandelier. To the east is a light-filled living area with multiple exposures, including bay windows facing Hillbrook Lane and French doors that open to one of the gracious rear porches, leading down to the gardens.

A variety of flora graces the entire rear yard, along with a carpet of grass, a curvy stone path, and a sitting area underneath the canopy of mature plantings. The woodlands of Spring Valley Park serve as the backdrop to the yard’s lush setting.

Inside, the dining room offers a good view of this arboreous scene. Centrally located on the main floor, the room connects with the living room, foyer and kitchen.

In the white-themed gourmet kitchen is a large central island covered with Costa Esmeralda granite, which also tops the rest of the counters. The space also features crisp custom cabinets, subway tiles and top-of-the-line appliances including a Sub-Zero refrigerator with two freezer drawers, a Viking gas range and a Miele dishwasher. The kitchen faces and offers access to the gardens.

Next to the foyer is a den that retains the 83-year-old home’s original stone floors. Their multicolor fractured pattern lends a homely touch to this room, which also has a fireplace and built-in shelves. The area could be used for several different purposes, such as a library or separate breakfast nook given its proximity to the kitchen. A powder room is also located here.

Up the dark-wood-stained stairs are four of the seven bedrooms. A master suite boasts multiple exposures from the front, back and sides. It has access to a second-floor patio (above the one on the main floor), which it shares with the center bedroom. This area is linked to another bedroom by a Jack and Jill bath. Next to the stairs is another bedroom with its own bath.

The fourth floor houses the fifth and sixth bedrooms, along with a common area that’s now used as a spacious office. These spaces share a hall bath.

The basement can be accessed from stairs next to the front door. The seventh bedroom, next to a bathroom, is down here. In addition, this level offers a laundry room, exercise room and extra living space. It has two access points outside — one toward the driveway and the other connecting to the attached two-car garage.

Located at 4929 Hillbrook Lane, the property has seven bedrooms and five-and-a-half baths. It’s offered at $2,545,000. For more information, contact Washington Fine Properties’ Susan Koehler at 703-967-6789 or susan.koehler@wfp.com.

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Spring Valley is priced at $2,545,000.

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The commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at the 2nd District Police Headquarters, 3320 Idaho Ave. NW. The meeting will be canceled if there is not sufficient business requiring commission action.

ANC 3D
■ SPRING VALLEY / WESLEY HEIGHTS PALISADES / KENT / FOXXHALL

The commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the Sibley Memorial Hospital Medical Building, 5215 Loughboro Road NW. For details, call 202-957-1999 or visit anc3d.org.

ANC 3E
■ AMERICAN UNIVERSITY PARK FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS / TENLEYTOWN

The commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10. The location has not been announced. For details, visit anc3e.org.

ANC 3F
■ FOREST HILLS / NORTH CLEVELAND PARK

At the commission’s July 21 meeting:
■ commissioners voted unanimously to support a Historic Preservation Review Board application for a screened-in porch at 3520 Springland Lane.
■ commissioners announced that they will hold a special election meeting on Thursday, Aug. 6, from 7:05 to 7:55 p.m. at 4301 Connecticut Ave. to allow residents to choose between Shirley Adelstein and David Donaldson. Donaldson is looking to replace the commission’s 3F02 seat. There will be no early voting or absentee ballots accepted. Other matters might be presented at the meeting.

Adelstein said she is running as she “really cares about our neighborhood.” She said she is most concerned about the area’s livability and its sustainability. She is particularly worried about crime and ensuring that area parks are kept clean. She emphasized that it is important to listen to people to get their versions of area problems and their solutions.

Donaldson was not present at the portion of the meeting dedicated to the candidates’ remarks.

■ commissioner Mary Beth Ray reported that the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority has detected higher-than-usual E. coli counts in Soapstone Valley Creek and near the head of the trail, and the authority is repairing a pipe leak. Pets and animals should avoid contact with the creek. Some of the pipes are over 100 years old. She said several commissioners and organizations are trying to help a homeless man living by the Van Ness Metro station. He reportedly does not want to be moved.

Ray also reported that the D.C. Council has approved $200,000 in funding for a Van Ness Main Streets organization. A formal application is due Oct. 2. She also said she would keep the community informed about the Office of Planning’s final draft on the Van Ness commercial action plan, which it will describe in a meeting this fall.

■ commissioner Malachy Nugent said neighbors will circulate a petition to extend the sidewalk on Yuma Street to 35th Street, and he reported that the D.C. Department of Transportation is looking at placing a tree box at the corner of Appleton Street and Connecticut Avenue when it repairs the sidewalk.

Nugent also announced that the department is looking at repairing the alley behind the Days Inn, car wash and other businesses on the 4400 block of Connecticut Avenue. He plans to increase the time allowed for pedestrians to cross Connecticut at the corners of Yuma Street and Woodwind Place within the next 30 days. It already increased the timing by four seconds. The department is also looking at how to address safety for children from cut-through traffic in the alley between the 6400 block of Fessenden Street and the 6600 block of Everett streets, where drivers are trying to avoid traffic lights on Reno Road and Nebraska Avenue.

■ commissioner Sally Gresham reported that Ward 3 D.C. Council member Mary Cheh has secured funding to extend clean team service through the 5000 block of Connecticut Avenue, which includes Polk and Pennsylvania for a small-business grant program.

■ commissioner Pat Jakopec reported that the Hillwood estate is taking steps to prevent rainwater from draining off its property and damaging the Soapstone Trail.

■ commissioner Sally Gresham reported that work is progressing on the Van Ness project at 4455 Connecticut Ave. Much of the building’s rear area facing Soapstone Valley Park has been completed. The firm is starting on interior work. Permitting contracts will be offered in August. Some planned retail space has been leased. The sidewalk will remain closed until December.

■ former commissioner David Bar- din reported that the University of the District of Columbia has a new president, Ronald Mason Jr., previously president of the five-campus Southern University and A&M College System.

Bardin also reported that the National Park Service is considering expanding the Rock Creek Park Historic District to include Soapstone Valley Park.

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Events & Entertainment

Wednesday, July 29

Classics
- Dexter Summar will lead a “Natha-Vinyasa Yoga” class. 7 p.m. Free. Pakalides Library, 4901 V St. NW. 202-282-3139.

Concerts
- The group Creole United will perform African-American music from Louisiana. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.
- The Harbour Nights summer concert series will feature the Suitors. 6:30 to 9 p.m. Free. Washington Harbour, 3050 K St. NW. 202-297-5050.
- The Washington International Piano Festival will present a Young Artist Showcase Concert featuring prize winners from the piano studio of Dmitri Nazarenko. 6:45 to 7:15 p.m. $10 to $20. Ward Recital Hall, Catholic University. 620 Michigan Ave. NE. washingtonpianofest.com. The annual Washington Internationa

Discussions and lectures
- Tamara Winfrey Hixson will discuss her book “In the Heights:.” 7:30 p.m. Free. Gypsy Sally’s, 3401 K St. NW. gypsyseasy.com.
- The Washington International Piano Festival will present a concert by pianist Antoni Di Cristofano. 7:30 p.m. $30 to $20. Ward Recital Hall, Catholic University. 620 Michigan Ave. NE. washingtonpianofest.com.
- The Marine Band will perform. 8 p.m. Free. West Terrace, U.S. Capitol. 202-433-4011.
- Bud’s Collective will perform. 8 p.m. $30. Gypsy Sally’s, 3401 K St. NW. gypsyseasy.com.
- Herb Scott will host a weekly Capitol Hill Jazz Jam. 8 to 11 p.m. No cover; two item per person minimum. Mr. Henry’s Restaurant. 601 Pennsylvania Ave. SE. 202-546-6412.

Wednesday, July 30

Classics
- A panel discussion on the artistic inspiration, creation and distribution of graphic novels and comics will feature Esther Kim, manager of Fan tract Comics; Peter Casaza, distributor, publisher and manager of Big Planet Comics of College Park; Shawn Martin, local comics artist; and Andrew Aydin, author of the award-winning graphic novel “March.” 7 p.m. Free. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW. 202-727-0321.
- Paula McLain will discuss her novel “Circling the Sun,” about a record-setting aviator in 1920s colonial Kenya, who is caught up in a passionate love triangle. 7 p.m. Free. Poli

FILMS
- Teen Heroes Summer Film Series will feature the 1995 movie “To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything.” 7 p.m. Free. Petworth Citizen. 829 U Street NW. 202-243-1188.
- The NoMa Summer Screen outdoor film series will feature Baz Luhrmann’s “Moulin Rouge.” 7 p.m. Free. Storey Park, 1505 2nd St. SE. nomadrub.com/no-marra-summer-screen.
- “Book Hill Talks” will feature a screening of the Deutsche Welle TV Arts 21 short documentary “Gutenberg in the Odyssey,” followed by an open discussion about what the future holds for reading, bookellers and libraries. 7 p.m. Free. Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW. 202-727-0222.
- “The Met: Live in HD” series will feature an encore presentation of “Aida.” 7 p.m. $15. AMC Mazzara, 5300 Wisconsin Ave. NW. fathomevents.com.
- The annual Jane Austen Film Festival will feature the 2005 film “Pride and Prejudice.” 7:30 p.m. Free. Dumbarton House, 2175 Q St. NW. dumbartonhouse.org.
- George Washington University is screening several films in its summer series. Richard Don

Special event
- Facilitators from the Dignity Memorials Network and the Washington Home & Community Hospices will host a “Death Café,” a venue — with coffee and sweets — for people to talk openly about death, dying and end-of-life issues. 7 p.m. Free. Busboys and Poets Brookland, 625 Monroe St. NE. 202-636-7230.

Sporting events
- The Washington Mystics will play the Seattle Storm. 11:30 a.m. $15 to $300. Verizon Center, 600 F St. NW. 202-740-3000.
- The Washington Kastles will play the Boston Lobsters in Miami World TeamTennis

Performance
- Chris Poetryzchyld Thomas will host an open mic poetry event featuring 2Doep. 9 to 11 p.m. $5. Cullen Room, Busboys and Poets, 1025 5th St. NW. 202-789-2227.

Sale
- St. Alban’s Opportunity Shop will host a “Half Price Sale.” 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free admission. 3001 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202-960-2588. The event will continu

Concerts
- The Golden Triangle Business Improvement District will present an hour-long “Waltzes in the Park” class led by a certified instructor. 5:30 p.m. Free. Farragut Square Park, Connecticut Avenue and K Street NW. goldenringledc.org. Classes will continue each Tuesday and Thursday through Sept. 29.
- The D.C. Fitness and the Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District will present a weekly “Yoga on the Waterfront” class led by a certified instructor. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free. Gangplank Marina, 600 Water St. SW. wharfdc.com.
- The Washington International Piano Festival will present a Faculty Showcase Concert with Hao Kaltchik, Ekholin Miniski, Nikita Fitenko. 7:30 p.m. 10 to 20. Ward Recital Hall, Catholic University. 620 Michigan Ave. NE. washingtonpianofest.com.
- The D.C.-based roots-rock quartet Grammophonic will perform. 7 p.m. Free. Gypsy Sally’s Vinyl Lounge, 3401 K St. NW. gypsyseasy.com.
- The Washington International Piano Festival will present a Faculty Showcase Concert with Xian Zhang, Alexander Menuhin, Stéphane Duro

Events & Entertainment

Exhibit honors Nationals
“Nations at 10: Baseball Makes News,” spotlighting 10 memorable media moments from the Washington Nationals’ first decade in the nation’s capital, will open Friday at the Newseum and continue through Nov. 29. Exploring how the press covers the team on and off the field, the exhibit fea

This 2015 photo by the Washington Nationals of star outfielder Bryce Harper is featured in a new exhibit at the Newseum.

Located at 1670 Wisconsin Ave. NW, the gallery is open Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. 202-338-5180.

The Library of Congress recently opened three exhibits in its Thomas Jefferson Building.


“First Among Many: The Bay Psalm Book and Early America,” on view through Jan. 2, spans 100 years of printing in the American colonies.

Also, the exhibit “The Civil Rights Act of 1964: A Long Struggle for Freedom” has been extended through Jan. 2 and is featuring 50 new items, including several from the recently acquired Rosa Parks Collection.

Located at 10 1st St. SE, the Jefferson Building is open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 202-707-8000.

“War Paints: Art of Michele Coburn,” highlighting an American University Park artist known for her focus on guns and violence, will close Sunday at Charles Krause/Reporting Fine Art.

Located at 1300 13th St. NW, Suite 105, the gallery is open Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m. 202-368-3612.
Fri 2015 July 31

Discussion: Melanie Choukas-Bradley, author of “City of Trees: The Complete Field Guide to the Trees of Washington, D.C.,” will lead a tour of the Regional Garden and explain how to identify and appreciate the many trees planted throughout the Atlantic Piedmont and Coastal Plain. 5 p.m. Free; reservations required. Meet on the National Garden Lawn Terrace, U.S. Botanic Garden, 100 Maryland Ave. SW. 202-225-8333.

Tour: Garden’s Focus: The Cutting Garden—led by head gardener Drew Asey—will feature a look at the cutting garden that supplies the many flower arrangements that are used in arrangements throughout the Hillwood estate. 11 a.m. $15 for seniors; $10 for college students; $5 for ages 6 through 18. Tickets are required. Tours are limited to 24. Hillwood Estate and Gardens, 3401 S. Bay Drive, Chevy Chase. 301-589-6200. Free tickets available at www.hillwoodmuseum.org. 

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Concerts

Peter Martz Quartet will perform as part of its 40th anniversary tour. 7 to 7 p.m. Free; tickets required. Embassy of Austria, 3520 International Court NW. adro.org.

Incendio will perform acoustic guitar as part of the “Jazz in the Garden” concert series. 5 to 8 p.m. Free. Sculpture Garden, National Gallery of Art, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-737-4215.

Bluegrass and hillbilly musician Bob Perilla will perform. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free. Forest Hills Playground, 32nd and Chesaapeake Avenues NW.

Participants in the Washington International Piano Festival will perform. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center. 202-467-4600.

The U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Band of the West will perform as part of the 2015 Summer Concert Series sponsored by the Friends of the National World War II Memorial and the National Park Service. 6 p.m. Free. World War II Memorial, 17th Street and Independence Avenue SW. 703-696-3617.

The Friends of Guy Mason and real estate agent Lisa Brandon will present the Crunch Funk Bass Band. 6:30 p.m. Free. Play- ground, Guy Mason Recreation Center, 3600 Calvert St. NW. 202-772-7703.

Summer Sounds will feature the Texas Chain Saw Horns performing rock music. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free. Gangplank Marina Park, 600 Water St. SE. wharfdc.com.

The Yarda Park Friday Night Concert Series will feature White Ford Bronco performing 1990s covers. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free. The Yarda Park, 355 Water St. SE. capitolriverfront.org.

The U.S. Army Voices will perform Broadway musical selections as part of the “Tour with a Soundtrack” concert series. 8 p.m. Free. West Steps, U.S. Capi- tol, usarmymband.com.

The weekly “Jazz on the Hill” event will feature musician Chuck Holden. 8 to 11 p.m. No cover. Two item per person minimum. Mr. Henry’s Restaurant, 601 Pennsylvania Ave. NW. 202-546-8412.

The Jerry Garcia Birthday Bash will feature the Trongone Band, Tumble Down Shack and Zydeco. 8:30 p.m. $10 to $15. Gypsy Sally’s, 3401 20 St. NW. gypsysallys.com.

Discussions and lectures


Films

The Hong Kong Film Festival will feature Fruit Chan’s 2014 science-fiction comedy “The Midnight After.” 7 p.m. Free.

Meyer Auditorium, Freer Gallery of Art, 12th Street and Jefferson Drive SW. 202-363-1000.


Performances

The Art on 8th series will feature a dance event with the DC Casineros. 6:30 p.m. Free, Plaza, Busboys and Poets Brookland, 625 Monroe St. NE. dcasino.com.
Gilbert and Sullivan on tap

Capitol Hill Arts Workshop will present its 15th annual summer Gilbert and Sullivan production July 30 through Aug. 8. The show will feature the rarely produced “Trial by Jury.”

Studio 2ndStage has extended the parody “Silence! The Musical” through Aug. 23.

Clarence, Hannibal and Buffalo Bill are more outrageous than ever in this spoof, with glibly vulgar songs, nonstop zingers and a singing chorus of tap-dancing lambs. The show shattered NYC Fringe Festival box office records and ran for more than 500 performances off-Broadway.

Tickets cost $40 to $45. The theater is located at 505 7th St. SE. 202-265-3787; keegantheatre.com.

The Keegan Theatre has extended Tennessee Williams’ classic drama “Cat on a Hot Tin Roof” through Aug. 1.

Tickets cost $25 to $36. The Andrew Keene Theatre is located at 1742 Church St. NW. 202-265-3787; keegantheatre.com.

The Second City’s “Let Them Eat Chaos” has extended its run at Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company through Aug. 2.

Tickets range from $35 to $100 after a pay-what-you-can performance the first night. Woolly Mammoth is located at 4415 St. NW. 202-393-9393; woollymammoth.net.

Discussions and lectures

- Physicist, neuroscientist and robotics mentor Bill Marks will lead a weekly open discussion of science topics with students and adults over snacks in the Wilson High School Science Club, 3:30 to 6 p.m., Free, Room B101, Wilson High School, 3950 Chesapeake St. NW, 202-329-8320.
- Luis Fernandes, Brazil's former deputy minister of sports, will discuss "Brazil's Buildup to the Olympics," 6:45 to 8:15 p.m., $20 to $25, S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson SW, 202-408-3000.
- Local historian C.R. Gibb will discuss "Heroes of the Battlefield: The Fighting First Regiment in War and Peace," 7 p.m., Free, Fialkis Library, 4901 V St. NW, 202-282-3139.

Films

- The "Marvelous Movie Monday" series will feature the 2000 film "Into the Blue," about dead refugees who were sent to Great Britain to escape the Nazi apocalypse, 2 and 6:30 p.m., Free, Chevy Chase Library, 5625 Connecticut Ave. NW, 202-262-1947.
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**tion in the U.S. Media.** 1 to 2 p.m. Free. The Palestra Center, 2425 Virginia Ave. NW. 202-339-1200.


In a panel discussion on the artistic inspiration, creation and distribution of graphic novels and comics will feature Esther Kim, manager of Fantom Comics; Peter Cazzola, distributor, publisher and manager of Big Planet Comics of College Park; and Shawn Martinbrugh, local comics artist. 7 p.m. Free. Tenley-Friendship Library, 4400 Wisconsin Ave. NW. 202-727-1468.

**Films**

- The MoMA Summer Screen outdoor film series will feature the 2007 drama “Stomp the Yard.” The event will include music by DJ Hpiqot and a performance by the Dance Place Youth Step Team. 7 p.m. Free. Storey Park Lot, 1005 1st St. NE. nomadgb.org/summer-screen.
- Robin Hamilton will present her documentary short “This Little Light of Mind: The Legacy of Fannie Lou Hamer,” about the life of an impoverished sharecropper. A conversation between Hamilton and NPR host Michel Martin will follow. 7 p.m. Free. Hill Center at the Old Naval Hospital, 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE. 202-549-4172.

**Performance**

- Busboys and Poets will host an open mic poetry event, 9 to 11 p.m. $5. Cullen Room, Busboys and Poets, 1059 5th St. NW. 202-789-2227.

**Special event**

- An event commemorating the 70th anniversary of the atomic bombings in Japan will include a moment of silence at the American University Museum, site of an exhibit featuring the Maruki panels that depict the horrors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The event will also include remarks by a survivor of the atomic bombings and a performance by the children of Little Friends of Peace. 7 to 8:30 p.m. Free. American University Museum, Katzen Arts Center, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW. 202-882-1500.

**Sporting event**

- The Washington Mystics will play the San Antonio Stars. 7 p.m. $19 to $300. Verizon Center, 601 F St. NW. 800-745-3000.

**Thursday AUGUST 6**

**Children’s program**

- Friends of the Cleveland Park Library will present weekly chess instruction for kids of all ages. 5 p.m. Free. Cleveland Park Library, 3320 Connecticut Ave. NW. 202-282-3090.

**Classes and workshops**

- The Golden Triangle Business Improvement District will present an hour-long “Plates in the Park” class led by a certified instructor. 5:30 p.m. Free. Farragut Square Park, Connecticut Avenue and K Street NW. goldentrianlgeclub.com. Classes will continue each Tuesday and Thursday through Sept. 29.
- VIDA Fitness and the Capital Riverfront Business Improvement District will present a weekly outdoor Zumba class. 7 p.m. Free. Boardwalk, The Yards Park, 355 Water St. SE. vividafitness.com. Classes will continue through Sept. 10.
- Joe Ryan, managing principal of CareerMentors, will lead a workshop for job seekers. 7 p.m. Free; reservations requested. Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW. 202-727-0232.

**Concerts**

- The U.S. Marine Band Sergeant Sings Sergeants and Celtic Aire ensembles will perform. Noon, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Free. Flag Hall, National Museum of American History, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW. 202-786-7585.
- The 25th Army Band will perform as part of the 2015 Summer Concert Series sponsored by the Army Historical Foundation. Noon and three other feisty old women during Italy’s biggest summer holiday. 6:30 p.m. Free. kristen@afascarpetandscreen.com. 5:30 p.m. McEvoy Auditorium, Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and G streets NW. 202-633-1000.

**Performances and readings**

- D.C. teens will lead a theatrical tour that brings the National Portrait Gallery’s collection to life through an original, student-written play. Noon and 1:30 p.m. Free. National Portrait Gallery, 8th and F streets NW. 202-633-1000. The tour will repeat Friday and Saturday at noon and 1:30 p.m.
- In honor of the 100th anniversary of World War I, the Kennedy Center and the WNO/Performing Arts program will present “Remembrance,” featuring the rich legacies of poetry, letters and music from the era. 6 p.m. Free. Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center, 202-418-5000.
- The First Thursday Evening Poetry Reading series will feature two local poets, followed by an open mic. 7 p.m. Free. Georgetown Library, 3290 M St. NW. 202-727-0232.

**Special event**

- August’s “Philly After 5” installment will feature opportunities to embrace the great American road trip while sampling cuisine from across the region during the Phillips Collection’s fourth annual Food Truck Fest. Activities will include travel-related gallery talks and a viewing of road trip episodes from classic TV shows. 5 to 9 p.m. Free. Reservations suggested. Phillips Collection, 1600 21st St. NW. phillipscollection.org/events.

**Tour**

- The Washington National Cathedral’s art and architecture tour series will spotlight “Women in Glass and Stone” for ages 10 and older. 3 p.m. $10 to $20, reservations suggested. Washington National Cathedral, Massachusetts and Wisconsin avenues NW. cathedral.org.
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