



## June 2006 Meeting

## WNA Neighborhood Newsletter

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### ♣ Possible New Area Restaurant ♣

There may be a new upscale but casual restaurant opening at 1905 9<sup>th</sup> Street in the near future. Some veteran restauranteers—Bryan Deily and Matthew Richardson—presented their plans to the WNA membership at this month's meeting. They hope to turn the now-vacant second floor into a place that sells quality bistro items such as cheeses, wines, and other delectables. Hopefully, the customers will be local residents looking for a place to relax and converse in a pleasant atmosphere of light foods and wine.

The hours of operation will be about 5:30 pm to 2:00 a.m., 7 days/week. It will have a capacity of 45 people. They will be getting a class C license. We wish them well and will keep you informed if and when they open.

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### ♣ Community Emerg. Plans

Our WNA Emergency Planning Committee presented some tentative plans which shows breaking up our geographic area into 2 units (east and west) with team leaders to coordinate each one. The assistance needed for each household was categorized as well as the equipment and transportation that we locally have available.

This is still a work-in-progress. If you have time to work on this committee, please contact Chuck Baxter (see footer on this page).

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### ♣ Playground Sprinkler Status ♣

While we reported several months ago that WNA was one of the grant recipients for some of the funds donated by the Broadway Atlantic developers, WNA has still not receive those funds. ANC Commissioner Dee Hunter has been overseeing those funds and he has not been able to report any progress in getting those funds to date. Mr. Hunter feels confident

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they will come, but he has not yet found a way to get them released to us. We have a contractor ready to start as soon as we can get the 'green stuff.'



### 🌿 Playground to Show Arts 🌿

One of our own local residents, Nikolas Schiller on Westminster Street, was a grant recipient from the DC Commission on Arts and Humanities. His project entails making art works from each of the City's wards from geographical maps. They are quite striking and unique and will be publicly shown in our own Westminster Street Playground in late August.

Nikolas will have them all on display on a week-end Saturday and Sunday and may even be able to obtain a giant globe for the children to play with during that time. Keep posted here for the exact date and time.



### 🌿 Private Trash Cans 🌿

For some of you newcomers wondering why all your neighbors have these great-looking green and blue wheelie trashcans, you should be aware that you, too, are entitled to them from the City (call 727-1000).

The green one's for your trash; the blue one's for your recyclables (if you get confused, the City won't dump either one). At this time at least, your trash still needs to be put in a plastic bag (& tied) before putting it in the green can (your beer cans don't need a trash bag—just dump them in the blue can).

Now these cans need to be taken back into your yard/house the evening they are dumped. For those of us who use the alley, it has become an obstacle course to maneuver around the trashcans to get out to the street—to say nothing of the aesthetic displeasure of an alley littered with trashcans. In addition, they seriously mess up the guy on the alley cleaning machine. He has no choice but to make a wide swath around each trashcan, resulting in that part of the alley not getting swept.

We'd like to think there is some confusion out there about when trash and recycle cans can be put out in the alley and when they must come back into your yards. We have distributed this information to our residents so often that you should all have it memorized by now:

- \* They are put out after 7 pm the day before the trash trucks come (*i.e.*, generally Sun. nite and Wed. nite).
- \* They must be taken in by 7 pm on the day they are emptied.
- \* If trash day falls on a holiday, push the above schedule back one day, *i.e.*, put them out on the holiday night and take them in the next night.

Please keep in mind that any trashcans put out too early and/or not taken in within 24 hours of being emptied may be reported to the city's Command Center (727-1000) for issuance of a citation (\$75 for 1st violation, \$150 for 2nd violation).



### ~ Trees/Treebox Care ~

While this is hardly the week for such a need, we have a cadre of volunteers to water most of the trees in our treeboxes when it doesn't rain regularly. For all the treeboxes where "no one" is mentioned, please consider taking on one of these trees if you live nearby. Contact Lynn Johnson about this (see footer on 1<sup>st</sup> page). Here's the list of current volunteers for this year:

#### T Street - South Side

- 902 Polly/Lisa
- 904 Hagos Seyoum at 907
- 910/08 Tim Shannon @ 914
- 914/12 Tim Shannon @ 914
- 918 Dan Katz/April Fulton @ 916
- 924 No one
- 928 Jeff/Lucia Seaver @ 930
- 930/32 Mark/Sharon Jordan @ 932
- 936 Mark/Sharon Jordan @ 932
- 940/42 Mark/Sharon Jordan @ 932
- 944/46 Betty Hightower @ 946

#### T Street - North Side

- 905 Polly/Lisa.
- 907 Hagos Seyoum at 907
- 911/13 Ron Massengal at 909
- 915 Jim/Maura Moore at 915
- 919/21 Nilante Mills at 919
- 923/25 Nilante Mills at 919
- 927/29 Denise Wilson at 927
- 935 Charles Dittrich at 935
- 939 No one
- 941/43 Lamont/Glenn Hames at 941
- 947/49 Jeff Tompkins/Robert Bell at 949

#### Westminster Street - South Side

- 902 Kevin/Claire at 908
- 904 Kevin/Claire at 908
- 908 Kevin/Claire at 908
- 912 Kevin/Claire at 908
- 916 Romes Calhoun at 918
- 922 Marjorie Perko at 924
- 928 Mike & Lisa Fauntroy @ 928
- 932/34 Jacquie Brower at 932
- 936 Jacquie Brower at 932
- 944 John Brown at 944

- 948 Parnace Williams at 946
- 950 No one
- 952 No one

#### Westminster Street - North Side

- 1820 [9th St.] Dorothy/Scheera Whitaker
- 9XX (in front of playground) Kevin/Claire
- 9XX (in front of playground) Simon/John
- 915 Kerry/Misa Meyer at 917
- 919 Simon/John at 919
- 921/23 Marcos/Sundrea Ballestero at 923
- 925 Kevin Humphries
- 927/29 Tim/Patsy Mack at 931
- 931 Nicole Pascua
- 933/35 Susan Ousley at 935
- 937/39 Susan Ousley at 935
- 939/41 Robert Bullock @ 941
- 943 Mary Nelson @ 943

#### S Street - North Side

- 907 Moses Lofton at 903
- 909/11 Holbach/Kennikal at 911
- 913/15 No one
- 917 Jack/Doris Edwards to keep clean
- 923 Ronnie McGhee at 919
- 927 Ronnie McGhee at 919
- 933 David Carl at 933
- 937 Analia Perez at 937
- 941 No one
- 945 Paul Hardy/Patti Anderson at 945
- 949 Emmanuel Blackwell at 949
- 1003 Lynn Boynton/Derek at 1003
- 1007/09 Jackie Herndon family at 1009
- 1013 Bob Holum at 1013

#### 9th Street - West Side

- 1800 No one
- 1802/04 No one
- 1806 Peaches
- 1812 (1<sup>st</sup> tree) Lisa at 1808
- 1812 (2<sup>nd</sup> tree) Patricia at 1812 (basement)
- 1824 No one
- 1828/30 Tarik/Sachi Gauze
- 1836 James Rawlings

#### 10th Street - West Side

- 1800 No one
- 1802 No one
- 1806 No one

#### 10th Street - East Side

- 1801 Emmanuel Blackwell at 949 S St.
- 1801 Emmanuel Blackwell

- 1803 Emmanuel Blackwell.
- 1815 No one
- 1817 No one
- 1817 No one
- 1819 No one
- 1819 No one
- 1823 No one
- 1831 No one
- 1833/35 No one

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**WNA Treasurer's Report**

**Financial Statement for May '06**

|                            |       |                   |
|----------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Bal. as of June 1, 2006    |       | \$6,813.69        |
| Receipts:                  |       |                   |
| Dues                       | 60.00 |                   |
| Donation                   | 5.00  |                   |
| Disbursements:             | 0.00  |                   |
| <b>Bal. as of 0701/ 06</b> |       | <b>\$6,878.69</b> |

**Balance Sheet**

|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Total                        | \$6,878.69        |
| Less Playground Fund         | <u>-2,536.98</u>  |
| <b>Total in General Fund</b> | <b>\$4,341.71</b> |

**2005 WNA Membership Dues**

Remember that the financial part of your membership dues were payable on the first day of the calendar year. If you haven't paid your 2006 WNA dues, please do so now so we can record you as a member for this year. As to the non-financial part, it is one hour/month on community work. You can carry it forward during the year, but can't carry it past the end of the calendar year.

While the \$5 or \$15 membership fee will not make us rich, what is more important is that it may get you psychologically involved in caring for your community. We also get to count you as a member when we ask the various City agencies and other entities to help us improve our community. Take a moment now to mail or drop your check in Chuck Baxter's mailbox: 914 Westminster Street, NW, WDC 20001.



**Next WNA Meeting**

WNA will hold our next regular monthly meeting on July 25 (remember, the 4th Tuesday of every month) at 7:00 p.m. in the Westminster Playground or at 922 Westminster St., NW (basement). Mark it on your calendar now.

**Volunteers Needed**

*Sidewalks* – We need a volunteer to get Wash. Gas to repair the damage they did to our sidewalks and treeboxes when they installed our new gas lines.

*Historic Preservation Infractions* – We need a volunteer to follow up on the infractions we obtained on developers/owners who installed improper windows and are still out-of-compliance.

