

Welcome New Residents!

The Burleith Bell



Village in the city

April 2006

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Georgetown University and
The Burleith Citizens Association
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EVENTS

Some events and activities have a fee or require reservations. Please call ahead.

April 3, Library Book Club

Discussion of *Cloud Atlas* by David Mitchell, 7-8:30 pm, Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. NW. 282-0220.

April 4, ANC2E Public Meeting

6:30 pm, Georgetown Visitation, Heritage Room, 35th and Volta Place; 338-7427; see Web site for agenda: www.anc2e.com

April 4, Shower of Flowers

Hands-on flower arranging with Rance Goff of ULTRA Violet Flowers, 7 pm, Tudor Place, 1644 31st St. NW. 965-0400; www.tudorplace.org

April 7, Women's Leadership Conference

Presentations, discussions, and keynote speaker Janis Karpinski, 8 am-4 pm, GW Mount Vernon Campus, 2100 Foxhall Rd. NW. 242-6697; gwired.gwu.edu/wlc

April 7-8, The Laramie Project

Play about Matthew Shepherd's murder and impact on his hometown, 7:30 pm, Duke Ellington School of Arts, 3500 R St. NW. Tickets 800-494-8497; www.ellingtonschool.org

April 8, 15, 22, 29, Gargoyle's Den

Crafts workshop & scavenger hunt (ages 6-12), 10 am-2pm, Washington Natl. Cathedral. 537-2934; www.cathedral.org

April 8, Planes, Trains, Cars

Transportation-oriented Family Saturday tour plus hands-on activity (ages 4-8), 10-11:30 am, noon-1:30 pm, Washington Natl. Cathedral

April 8, Free Masterclass Concert

American Youth Philharmonic Orchestra performs for and learns from Chicago-based Pacifica Quartet; audience questions invited, 1 pm, Kreeger Museum, 2401 Foxhall Rd. NW. 338-3552; www.kreegermuseum.org

April 8, Seasonal Focus Tour

Learn how changing seasons affected mid-Atlantic households, Dumbarton House, 1:15 pm, 2715 Q St. NW. 337-2288 x450; www.dumbartonhouse.org

April 8, Pacifica Quartet

String quartet plays Mendelssohn, Janáček, and Tchaikovsky; reception follows, 8 pm, Kreeger Museum

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Saturday, April 8th, 9 a.m.

—Rain Date: Sun., Apr. 9th—

Burleith CleanUp

Gather at Ellington Field, 38th and R streets

9 am: Scrumptious Breakfast

9:30-12:30 pm: Neighborhood Clean-up

12:30 pm: Barbeque Blowout

Gloves, rakes, shovels, water, garbage bags, food and drinks will be provided.

Sponsored by G.U.'s Off-Campus Student Life, Burleith Citizens Association, G.U. Hospital, Hillandale Homeowners Association, DPW's Helping Hands Program, the Potomac Watershed Cleanup, Whole Foods, Einstein Bagels and Starbucks.

For more information: www.burleith.org or 337-1463

... and as for that old sofa in your basement:

All residents are invited to dispose of their large bulk-trash items—complements of G.U.'s Department of Solid Waste. On Saturdays, May 13, 20, 27 & June 3rd, a dumpster at 38th and R streets will be available from 8am to 12pm to collect any resident's bulk pick-up items: old furniture, bedding, yard junk.

G.U. will donate any bags of clothes or unused dry goods to needy families in West Virginia. Reusable furniture and other "good junk" will be recycled or donated. Old towels and blankets will be donated to animal shelters. No hazardous waste or appliances, please.

Also, Starting the first week of May and ending the first week of June, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, a GU truck will canvas the alleys for GU students' small-bulk items and bags of garbage. Students will place a sticker on the items to be picked up. The truck will be clearly identifiable by the bulldogs painted on the sides of the vehicle.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Clean, Green and Gratitude are the themes for Burleith this month. The Burleith Cleanup promises to be bigger than ever, with volunteers coming from the Burleith, Hillandale and Georgetown neighborhoods and support from various local organizations and businesses. April 8th is the perfect time to step outdoors and come together as a community to tidy up our "village in the city." If you are unable to make the cleanup, take some time to clean a stretch of the alley behind your house, check the street in front of your house and clean up the leaves and debris that have accumulated.



Lenore

Ray Danieli from GU must be commended for taking the lead and putting the Cleanup together. And thanks to Georgetown University Hospital, which has made a large donation towards the cleanup that will be used to fund this and future cleanup and beautification initiatives.

April 22nd is **Earth Day**, a good time to take advantage of the District's **Hazardous Waste** program. Buddy up with your neighbors and take a carload of old batteries, computers, and leftover paint products to Carter Barron. See **page 3** for details.

Georgetown University has really stepped up to the plate with its new **move-out program**. GU is providing a way for all residents of Burleith to clean out their homes while helping students dispose of their move-out items left in the alleys. See **page 1**.

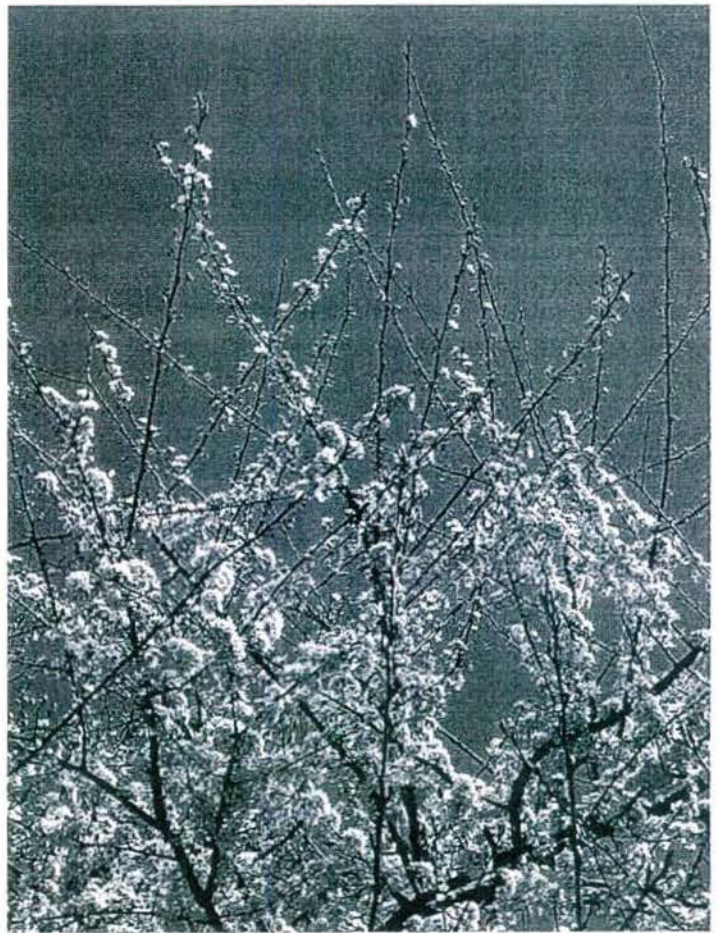
A big thank-you goes out to all **BCA members** that renewed or joined up for the first time. We had 22 sign ups in March! We will continue publishing the current membership list on the back page. Check to see if it's time for you to renew. Join us. We need your support, both financially and through active participation.

Our gratitude goes out to **Metro Police Department** for their efforts to keep Burleith safe while addressing our quality-of-life issues. MPD has limited resources so we all need to put some thought into how we use those resources. MPD will hold their Partnerships for Problem Solving meetings a half-hour before ANC meetings, starting in May.

A special thank-you to our ANC commissioner and chair **Ed Solomon** and executive director, **Bonnie Hardy**. Ed's leadership, dedication and uncanny ability to bring people together benefit Burleith in many ways. Bonnie is there whenever Burleith needs direction or a problem solved. Both are staunch Burleith supporters and go the extra mile when help is needed.

Happy Spring, and I'll see you at the cleanup!

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In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt.

—Margaret Atwood

One swallow does not make a summer, but one skein of geese, cleaving the murk of March thaw, is the spring.

—Aldo Leopold

If I had my life to live over, I would start barefoot earlier in the spring and stay that way later in the fall.

—Nadine Stair

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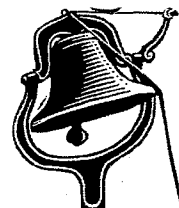
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Summer 2006

BURLEITH CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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You are invited to Burleith's . . .

Summer Picnic

in the Green Lot at 37th and Whitehaven Pkwy.

Saturday, June 24
4:30pm to 8:00pm

Barbeque, Drinks, and Paper Products Provided

Bring a side-dish, salad or dessert for eight

(If you don't cook, just pick up something at Safeway or Whole Foods!)

Meet the mayoral candidates
Children's Activities, music, sports
Raffle with lots of great prizes!

Don't forget a folding chair/blanket.

If you want to help or have questions call **Jen Perry, 338-1201**

EVENTS

Some events have a fee or require reservations. Please call ahead. Check the organizations' Web sites for additional summer events.

All summer

Agapanthus, canna, clematis, day lilies, fuchsia, gardenias, grandiflora magnolia, oleanders, perennial borders, and roses are in bloom at Dumbarton Oaks, R and 32nd. Open 2-6 pm, except Mondays and federal holidays. 339-6401; www.doaks.org

June 5, Library Book Club

The History of Love by Nicole Kraus, 7-8:30 pm. Georgetown Library, 3260 R St. 282-0220

June 8, Free Jazz in the Garden

Sandra Y. Johnson, 6:30-8:30 pm. St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3655 Calvert St. 333-4949; www.saintlukemethodist.org

June 9, Kreeger Museum Chamber Festival

American Chamber Players, 7:30 pm (also June 13, 16). Kreeger Museum, 2401 Foxhall Rd. 338-3552; www.kreegermuseum.org

June 10, Flag Day Family Festival

Meet Betsy Ross and look for patriotic symbols during tour. Create a family flag, decorate a mug with a patriotic logo, and learn how to properly fold the American flag, 10 am-2pm. Dumbarton House, 2715 Q St. 337-2288 x450; www.dumbartonhouse.org

June 13, Alliance for Local Living

Discussion of off-campus student living issues, 6:30-8 pm. MBNA Career Center Conference Room, 1st floor, Leavey Center

June 15, Saving the Trees

Meet at George Washington statue on Pilgrim Road for All Hallows Guild woodwalk, 10 am. Washington Natl. Cathedral. 537-2319; www.cathedral.org

June 17, Go Gardening!

See and smell plants and flowers in the Bishop's Garden, then plant a seed of your own to take home. (ages 4-8), 10-11:30 am, noon-1:30 pm. Washington Natl. Cathedral. 537-2934

June 19-Aug, 11, Camp Creativity

Weeklong Corcoran workshops (ages 6-15) on painting, drawing, sculpture, papermaking, bookmaking, and mixed media. Georgetown campus, 35th and S. 298-2540; www.corcoran.edu

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With summer around the corner, I hope you will all come out for our annual **Burleith Summer Picnic**. It is a great way to meet the neighbors and create a special memory for the little ones. This year we have invited the mayoral candidates to mingle with the neighbors and have a bite to eat.

A few lawns in the neighborhood remind me of my husband. Sometimes he waits too long to get a haircut and starts looking a bit scraggly. DCRA just published a notice on the Burleith Yahoo group Web site on "**Seasonal Grass Cutting Rules**." Apparently, besides making our neighborhood look unsightly, there are sanitary and health reasons for keeping our outdoor space tidy and neat. Long grass attracts rats.



Lenore

The BCA, ANC and CAG have hammered out a truck transportation agreement with the **Hardy School** contractor. While there is no easy way to avoid inconveniencing residents, this plan has incorporated suggestions made by community organizations and residents. Truck traffic will use 35th Street's one-way stub north of Whitehaven to stage and turn around. The trucks will exit off of Whitehaven Parkway onto Wisconsin Avenue, and 34th Street will become a two-way from Wisconsin to the Hardy School parking lot entrance during construction hours, allowing trucks to enter and exit via Wisconsin Avenue.

GU's spring move-out plan has been a success. Some residents feel it has been the best ever. In the past, old sofas, mattresses and garbage filled the alleys. This year, not only was student garbage picked up in record time but we all had use of the dumpster at 38th and R streets. Bravo GU for coming up with a plan that served the community needs.

Summer is a time to enjoy the fruits of our labor and so The Burleith Bell will be taking off for a two-month summer vacation.

Have a wonderful summer!

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PHOTO BY JOE GOLIAN

On its way down: The old gym at Hardy Middle School.

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SPRING STORMS HIT BURLEITH

Neighbors on T Street received an unwelcome wake-up call at 6:30 a.m. on Monday, April 16, when high winds toppled a tree from the sidewalk and caused damage to three houses. Sparks flew as power lines came down onto the iron railings outside one of the houses, but emergency crews were quick to respond and by 10:30 a.m. the power lines had been put back in place and the tree had been removed. Marjorie Wolfe, whose house was damaged, said "The response of Travelers Insurance, Greentree Tree Care, DC Urban Forestry Administration, Pepco and the DC Fire Department was incredible."



EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

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Some events have a fee (\$) and/or require reservations. Please call ahead. Check the organizations' Web sites for additional events.

Through May, In Bloom

\$ Lilacs, perennial borders, clematis, roses, peonies, fringetree, Tues.-Sun., 2-6 pm. Dumbarton Oaks; 339-6401; www.doaks.org.

Through May, Camp Registration

\$ Ellington Summer Arts Camp (dance, theater, vocal music, visual arts) for ages 10-14, June 29-July 20. Duke Ellington School of the Arts; 333-2555 x101; www.ellingtonarts.org.

Through May, Class Registration

\$ Register online for Corcoran's summer term, which starts May 29. Also click on "Special Programs" for children's camps and classes. www.corcoran.edu.

May 8, Alliance for Local Living

Discussion of off-campus Georgetown student living issues, 6:30-8 pm. MBNA Business Center, GU's Leavey Hall. Chuck VanSant; 687-3199; vansantc@georgetown.edu.

May 8, Learn about housing rehabilitation and construction assistance programs; programs that offer financial and technical assistance to tenants that desire to purchase their buildings; funding sources. 6:30 pm. 801 N. Capital Street NE, 9th floor Board Room. RSVP by Monday, May 4 to dhcevents@dc.gov or call 442-7251.

May 9 (16, 23, 30), Poetry Group

Share work and offer positive feedback, 8-9:45 pm. Guy Mason Center (upstairs); 282-2180; or facilitator/poet Pamela Passaretta, passapamela@aol.com.

May 10, Native Plant Talk

Cathedral horticulturist Maureen Alonso discusses native plants and the Amphitheater Restoration, 10 am. Washington Natl. Cathedral; 537-2319; www.cathedral.org.

May 10, Story Time at Kreeger

\$ 10:30 am (ages 3-5). (May 15, 1:30 pm). Kreeger Museum; 338-3552; www.kreegermuseum.org

Off Campus Trash Services for University Students

Move-Out and Burleith Residents Begins May 7

(see page 3 for details)

President's Message



Lenore

Ed Solomon and I attended a **public safety meeting** with Cdr. Solberg, Jeanne Lord of Georgetown University and members of the Citizens Association of Georgetown. The Commander is committed to helping us maintain our quality of life and has drafted a customized community policing plan to address late night noise.

The plan includes issuing noise citations, fines and arrests at the time of the violation. Subsequently, an MPD official will visit the house and speak to occupants about their behavior and the consequences of such behavior.

It is imperative that neighbors report loud and unruly houses to the police and to the BCA. The new policing plan will be most effective if MPD can be brought in from the beginning. If left unchecked these houses can become unsafe for a variety of reasons. Judith McCaffrey, Ed and I have worked extensively on quality-of-life and noise issues this past month and **we are having great success working together with MPD, landlords, tenants and GU.**

Pat Davies has worked diligently this month to manage and coordinate the newsletter. The Corcoran's publication design class, under the guidance of instructor Elizabeth Hardy, presented five **redesigns of our newsletter**. The Board has

chosen the design that we feel best serves the community. We will roll out the new design in September 2007.

Dwane Starlin has been researching our **tax status** with the IRS. While we have been organized as a non-profit organization, it appears that we may be a 501(c)(4) for tax purposes. The 501(c)(4) is for "social welfare" organizations (civic groups and community betterment organizations). We are awaiting the determination letter from the IRS for confirmation of the status.

Sarah Wallerstein and Pat Davies have graciously agreed to chair the **summer picnic**. While the summer picnic normally takes place in June, this year it will be held on July 15th.

Lastly, I took a walk through parts of Burleith with the District's lighting supervisor, Steve Gross. 39th and 38th streets should see improvements in their **streetlights** in the next month. If you know of any streetlight problems, please get in touch with board member May Vaughan (MVaughan@cnmc.org), who is in charge of Burleith infrastructure issues.

See you around the neighborhood,
Lenore Rubino | 262-1261 | lenorerubino@gmail.com

Alfred Bigelow has made a donation in honor of Guy Gwynne. Alfred wrote, "I left Burleith for my 'roots' in Massachusetts in 1998, but I remain close to Burleith and my twenty-two years in the community. I do enjoy getting the Newsletter, now the 'Bell'." Thank you Alfred for your support.

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Board Member: Dwane Starlin



Dwane

Dwane, a full-time actor/performer, moved to Burleith with his personal leading lady, Marilyn Bennett, in May of 1999. He migrated to DC from his native Colorado 23 years ago, caught Potomac Fever, and has sunk his roots. A lapsed lawyer who formerly practiced before the U.S. Tax Court, his primary function on the Board is to attend to non-profit issues and historic preservation. He has performed recently with the Washington National Orchestra in Porgy & Bess and A Streetcar Named Desire. His current project is an one-man show based on the famous American lawyer, Clarence Darrow. Additionally, he is a professional tour guide. His regular routes are walking tours of Capitol Hill, Georgetown and Fort Stevens/Lincoln Cottage as well as the Spy City Tour for the International Spy Museum. He is the national spokesman and image for Jonathan Green Grass Seed Company. Check him out at www.jonathangreen.com.

OFF CAMPUS TRASH SERVICES FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS MOVE-OUT AND BURLEITH RESIDENTS

For Georgetown students living in the neighborhoods around the University, the end of the academic year produces boxes of old clothes, pizza containers from March Madness, and items like the ratty sofa. Our neighbors see a large exodus from their neighborhood within a very short period of time.

The University, in conjunction with the Department of Public Works, offers trash services for University students moving out of the Burleith and West Georgetown neighborhoods. It is also one of the efforts the University makes to keep the neighborhood clean and presentable to the numerous residents, tourists, and other visitors.

The University will augment the regular trash services provided by the Department of Public Works. The following schedule outlines these enhanced services:

May 7 | University trash runs begin

The University will provide additional service on Mondays and Wednesdays. Items for pick-up should be placed in the regular collection location before 9 a.m. on the day of pick-up.

May 12 | On-Site Container

9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. A large trash truck will be parked at 38th and R Streets in Burleith, and 35th and O Streets in Georgetown. Bring any allowable items*. **Burleith neighbors** are encouraged to use this service. Maybe this time is ideal to clean out the basement or attic!

May 26 | On Site Container

June 4 | Trash runs end

The City will continue its regular schedule, picking up refuse and items for recycling on Tuesdays and Fridays in Georgetown, and Fridays in Burleith. All items must be in cans with lids closed for the City pick-up.

For the additional University service (Mondays and Wednesdays), students will place trash in 3ml plastic trash bags with the top tied.

Acceptable Items for Donation:

Clean and in good usable condition. No stains, tears or breaks in furniture. Appliances must be clean and working

*Unacceptable Items for Trash:

No hazardous materials, no computers, and no paint.

While the city expects all trash to be placed in a can with the lid on for their pickups, the city is allowing, during this period only, for student trash to be placed in 3 ml bags so the University may collect them.

The University hopes these efforts will keep your neighborhood clean and pleasant during this very busy time.

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EVENTS/ACTIVITIES Continued

May 11 (18, 25), Prostate Cancer Screening
Free screening every Friday by GW's Cancer Institute, Medical Faculty Associates, Hospital, and Medical Center. To schedule appointment, 741-3106.

May 12 (19, 26), Gargoyle's Den
\$ Crafts workshop & scavenger hunt (ages 6-12), 10 am-2 pm. Washington Natl. Cathedral; 537-2934.

May 12, Partnership for Problem Solving May 12
Monthly community meeting with 2nd District/PSA 206 police offers to discuss crimes and prevention strategies, 10:30 am. Second District Station, 3320 Idaho Avenue; 715-7300; felicia.lucas@dc.gov (please list subject as PSA 206 PPS meeting).

May 16, DC's Spring Home Energy Efficiency EXPO
10 am - 2 pm. Reeves Municipal Center, 2000 14th Street NW.

May 17-18, Dance Performance
\$ "Celebrating the Legacy of Christopher Huggins," 7:30 pm. Duke Ellington School of the Arts; 337-7958; www.ellingtonarts.org.

May 17, Gala and Auction
\$ Benefit event with news anchors Maureen Bunyan and Bruce Johnson, guest artist Carmen deLavallade, and members of the International Association of Blacks in Dance, 6 pm. Duke Ellington School of the Arts, 337-7958.

May 19, G-Town Garden Treasures
\$ Guided tour of Tudor Place and Dumbarton Oaks gardens, 11 am. Tudor Place; 965-0400; www.tudorplace.org.

May 20, Artists Open Their Studios to the Community
Buy low priced original art and pottery at Jackson Art Center, 3048 R Street. 12 noon to 5 pm. Refreshments, Music, and Art. Sponsored by Starbucks, Safeway, Whole Foods, and Georgetown Wine and Spirits. Any questions call Angela Iovino at 337-1898.

May 22, Chamber Music
Friday Morning Music Club, noon-1 pm, Dumbarton House; 337-2288 x450; www.dumbartonhouse.org.

May 24, Opera Workshop
\$ Featuring scenes from *The Telephone* by Gian Carlo Menotti and *Carmen Jones* by Georges Bizet and Oscar Hammerstein II, 10 am and 7:30 pm, Duke Ellington School of the Arts, 333-2984.

June 5, ANC 2E Public Meeting
6:30 pm. Georgetown Visitation, Heritage Room, 35th and Volta Place. See Web site for agenda and/or to sign up to receive agenda via email. 338-7427; www.anc2e.com.

—Ann Carper, rochester54@verizon.net

GERMS Celebrates its Silver Anniversary

When you think about it, GERMS may not be the best nickname for an EMS provider. Regardless, Georgetown Emergency Response Medical Service has served the Georgetown community for 25 years with this acronym, and is proud to announce its anniversary in this article.

For those who have not seen our ambulances in Burleith lately, GERMS serves Georgetown University and the neighborhoods of West Georgetown, Burleith, Hillandale and Foxhall. We are in service 24/7 throughout the normal academic year and the summer. Every member of GERMS is a certified Emergency Medical Technician – Basic, the same certification as EMTs that will likely respond if you call 911. In contrast to DC Fire, though, GERMS' services are completely free.

Though it has been several years since GERMS has expanded its boundaries to include the neighboring communities, the majority of its calls are still on- or just off-campus students. One does not have to be a Georgetown student to benefit from GERMS' services. Our boundaries extend from the corner of M and Wisconsin, covering West Georgetown, Burleith up to Calvert Street, and westward to Foxhall Road.

For 25 years GERMS vehicles have patrolled these streets. It began with a modified golf cart in 1979, used to transport the injured from Georgetown's sporting events to Georgetown University Hospital. GERMS marks its birthday as 1982, when it began providing 24/7 coverage of the campus. As time progressed, so did the vehicles. GERMS acquired a morbid yet apt modified hearse, and then its first

ambulance, Unit 5. Since then, GERMS has built up its fleet. We now own two certified ambulances. Because of this GERMS is able to respond to multiple calls at once, significantly lowering our response time and our reliance on DC Fire. Our newest ambulance, Unit 8, was purchased in 2005.

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of providing 24/7 care this upcoming semester, GERMS will continue serving Georgetown and the surrounding neighborhoods for years to come. As we do, we continually improve our response time and standards of care. If you are ever in need of emergency medical services or transport, GERMS invites you to call anytime at 202-687-HELP [202-687-4357]. Our services are free, quality, and time tested.

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LANDLORD REPORT

By Judith McCaffrey

BCA would like to welcome our twenty-five new landlord members. We are looking forward to your input on how we can make our neighborhood a better place to live for all our residents, homeowners and tenants alike. Our landlords are a diverse group, some owning a single house while others hold multiple properties. However, we all share a desire to protect and improve our unique community.

BCA and its landlord members, in partnership with the DC government, will be working together on items of mutual interest, such as trash pick-up, street repairs, rodent elimination and crime prevention.

All out-of-town landlord members should now be receiving a monthly copy of our newsletter, The Burleith

Bell. Also, we encourage the landlords to become part of the online Burleith group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/burleith/join> (just identify yourself as a member of BCA for admittance to the group.) If you need a good plumber, roofer, chimney sweep, electrician, lawn maintenance – just ask the group. You will get quick and honest information on which repair people have been naughty and which ones have been nice.

This month's helpful information:

Supercans | Need another Supercan?
Additional Supercans may be purchased from DC Department of Public Works. Send a check or money order, made payable to "The DC Treasurer" in the amount of \$62.50, to:

DPW SWMA
2750 South Capitol Street, SE
Washington, DC 20032

Need another Supercan?

In order to keep the alleys clean and the rodent population down, it is recommended to have one Supercan for two people.

Warranty repairs (replacement of wheels, replacement of tops) will be done free of charge. Supercans with manufacturing defects will be replaced at no charge. Damage caused by abuse of the Supercan is the responsibility of the resident. Stolen Supercans will be replaced for a \$20 delivery and handling fee. A police report will be required. For more information on Supercans, visit <http://dpw.dc.gov/dpw/cwp/view.asp?a=1203&q=518108>.

We would love to hear from both the landlords and the residents of Burleith on your thoughts or suggestions for making Burleith a better place to live.

Judith E. McCaffrey,
Judith@mck-law.com (Put "BCA Landlords" as the subject so the message does not get sent to the Spam graveyard.)



Saturday, April 12th
Annual Burleith Spring Cleanup



Burleith's Winter Gala



Hexagon 2008: "Stars And Gripes Forever"

President's Message



The outstanding contributions of **Sarah Wallerstein** and **Marjorie Wolfe** — along with the help of many others — created an outstanding Winter Gala at the French Embassy last month. Many thanks to La Maison Francaise (**Roland Celette**), Georgetown University Hospital (**Regina Wood**) and Georgetown University (**Linda Greenan**) for continuing to support Burleith. (For more on the Winter Gala, see page 3.)

A few weeks ago, I had the privilege of sitting down with GU's president **Jack DeGioia**, Dean of Students **Todd Olson**, GU representatives from Student Affairs and External Relations, and community leaders from Georgetown and the Advisory Neighborhood Council. The meeting was groundbreaking in that community leaders met directly with officials at GU who can change policy. We agreed to meet monthly with core university leaders and have frank discussions on how we can improve relationships between the school and the surrounding communities.

You may have seen GU flyers posted around Burleith, stating that noise violations can lead to a \$300 fine and/or 10 days in prison. The BCA applauds GU's continuing efforts to work with us to curb noise issues. Receiving a noise violation from MPD (61D) can lead to an

arrest. The arrest will stay on one's record and so would a subsequent conviction. Unfortunately this sort of thing could hamper one's ability in the employment arena.

At the BCA's last board meeting, we discussed meeting with representatives from the citizens associations of **Hillandale**, **Glover Park**, **The Cloisters** and **Georgetown**. We will seek ways to work together in areas we have common ground. Members of the Hillandale board will attend our April board meeting.

Joseph Martin, Ward 2's outreach-and-services specialist, suggested that we assemble a petition that alerts District officials to our community needs. (I can think of a few things: the Whitehaven Parkway sidewalk, various streets repairs, lamp repairs. Please email or write me to let me know what you think needs to be addressed. Your ideas will be summarized and submitted.

Spring is only a few weeks away. It's time to start thinking about spring cleanups, gardening, cherry blossoms ... Burleith is so lovely in the spring!

See you around the neighborhood!

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Marjorie Wolfe: Burleith's Volunteer Coordinator

Marjorie moved to Burleith from Morgantown, West Virginia, in 1971. Her interest in photography led her to a job working for Kodak. Bored with her job, she was recommended for a job with Knoll International, a contemporary furniture manufacturer. This move changed her life forever. She was introduced to the world of architecture and design and, through her job, she had many opportunities to travel. Marjorie became very passionate about architecture, art and design, and was fascinated to meet people who were creating and designing. Having spent two years in Paris as a young girl, Marjorie wanted to

relive this experience and began to travel around the world. Her favorite countries to visit are France, Italy, Iceland, Kenya, and India (Kashmir and Ladakh). She hopes to continue to visit the peoples of the world, but also to continue to enjoy the people of this beloved Burleith Community.

As well as coordinating volunteer activities in Burleith, Marjorie organizes the annual Flea Market, and arranges for the distribution of The Burleith Bell each month. If you are interested in volunteering in Burleith please contact Marjorie at mapearl@verizon.net.



Queen Marjorie at the Winter Gala

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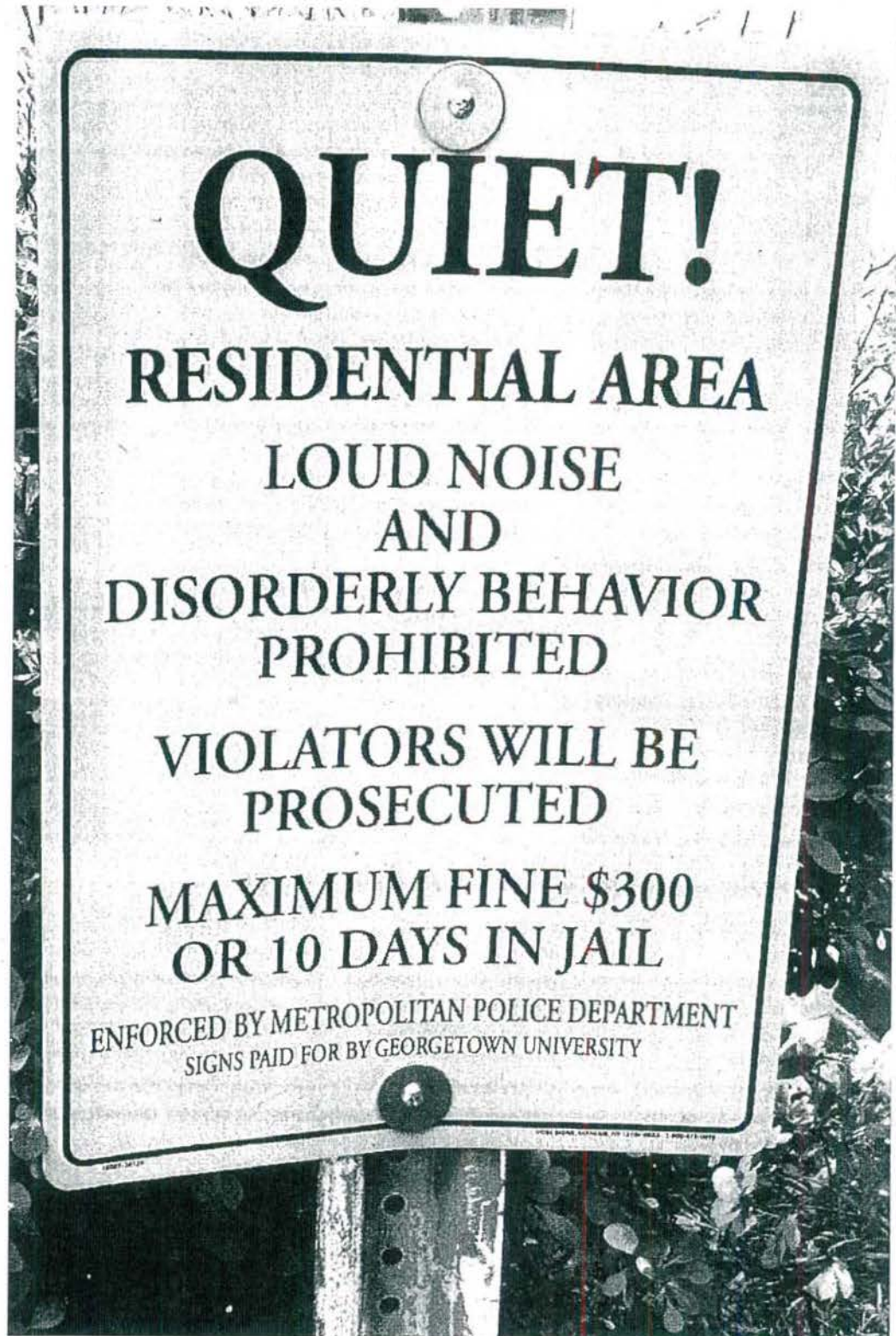
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New signs are being placed throughout Burleith to help curb loud and disruptive behavior. Please see Neighborhood Noise on page 7.

President's Message



Burleith's spring cleanup was a big success, and it revealed how far we have come. **Our streets and alleys are in much better condition than in previous years. A big thank you goes to GU's Ray Danieli and our very own Mark Gisler. Ray and Mark are instrumental in getting the resources together to help collect and remove trash.**

I attended an MPD safety meeting with representatives from Georgetown and the ANC to meet with our **new commander, Mark Carter**. We spoke frankly about our quality-of-life issues, safety concerns and moving forward with the programs started under Cdr. Solberg. We will miss Cdr. Solberg. He was a tremendous partner, highly respected and well-liked by many.

The neighborhood experiences a spike in **noise-related incidents** in the spring and early fall months. **GU and the BCA are working hard to reduce noise levels.** Please email me with your concerns.

The Board wishes **Judith McCaffrey** the very best for her new life in New York City. Judith resigned from the board this month.

Her role on the board was groundbreaking, as she helped bridge the gap between residents and landlords. We will miss her tremendously. Her position as a landlord liaison has been assumed by **Betty McDonald**.

This past month, several homes in Burleith homes were **burglarized**. This is an unusual occurrence for us and needs to be taken seriously. In one instance, the culprits obtained access through a basement door. I've spoken with Lt. Hoyle, who has alerted foot beat and patrol cars. For more information on how to keep your home safe, please see page 3.

The **summer picnic** is just around the corner. The board needs help from the community if we are to continue having this event. Please contact me if you would like to assist and help organize the gathering.

See you around the neighborhood!

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BURLEITH NEIGHBORHOOD: CLEAN FOR SPRING

On the morning of Saturday, April 12, approximately two dozen Burleithians and Georgetown University students and officials converged on the Ellington Field Track for the annual spring clean-up. Armed with garbage bags, rakes and shovels, the group fanned out into the neighborhood. Georgetown University and DC Department of Public Works provided several vehicles to patrol streets and alleys, picking up dozens of garbage bags, large items and brush. All trash was quickly and efficiently crushed on the spot in a large garbage truck provided by DCDPW. Later in the morning, when the

neighborhood was clean, the Georgetown University Grilling Society fed volunteers with delicious barbeque. Special thanks go out to: Georgetown University Hospital, who provided a generous financial donation; Ray Danieli and Chuck Van Sant, who mobilized student volunteers; Hillandale Citizens' Association for its donation of water; Georgetown University and DCDPW for donating vehicles for picking up and crushing trash and debris. Mostly, Burleith thanks all who came out to help. Our neighborhood looks terrific!

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November 8th
Fall Community Cleanup
Ellington Field, 9:00 am



November 12th
Annual Burleith Community Meeting
Duke Ellington School, 6:30 pm



Thursday, October 23, from 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Chancellor Rhee will attend.
Guided tours, short program & reception



TOT LOT HALLOWEEN PARTY

Friday, October 31
4:30 to 6:30 pm at Tot Lot located at 35th St. and S St.
(see page 3 for more information)

President's Message



On a monthly basis, I meet with the leadership of the Metropolitan Police Dept (MPD) and Georgetown University (GU) on issues that directly affect Burleith. This month the ANC's safety group (of which I am a part) met multiple times with Lt. Milam to offer insight and guidance for the current policing strategy. Community policing is at the core of the plan. The current plan calls for four patrol beats with two officers per beat. (See page 7 for the map of the patrol beats and for more information on how MPD is structured.) The safety group also recommends a police car for each patrol beat, the use of Segways rather than bicycles, an increase in patrol personnel, consideration of a patrol beat as an "assignment" and a slight tweaking to the beat areas. PSA 206 is understaffed, so vacations, sick leave, etc can affect the number of police we have at any given time. Also, officers are taken out of their patrol area to work in other parts of the 2nd District

if needed. Our preference is to see the beats considered "assignments," where the officers can not be taken off to be used in other areas unless there is an emergency.

MPD and GU are working closely to bring a closure to the sexual assaults that have occurred in Glover Park and Burleith over the past year. Very little information has been disclosed because of the nature of the crimes. From what I can gather, the perpetrator is gaining access by blending in with the landscape. He may look like a student so he doesn't create any sense of being out-of-place, then gains access to a house through open doors or windows. He appears to fondle his victims and then runs away when they wake up. Very important: If someone or something looks out of place, call 911 immediately and give as best a description as you can. Don't feel you are being overly cautious. Better safe than sorry.

A leadership group meets every month at Georgetown University, where we discuss our common interests. Great progress has been made with student issues and GU has implemented many of our suggestions. I have noticed a decrease in complaints about student behavior, so I feel we are on the right

track. GU's ten-year plan is in the process of developing. GU will be consulting with the residents of Burleith and Georgetown to gather information about our concerns. What is the ten-year plan? GU puts together a strategic plan for the University's future in 10-year segments. It will encompass what GU wants to look like at the end of 2019. Parking, transportation, enrollment, construction of new buildings, applying green practices, etc.; all of this will affect GU's surrounding neighborhoods. Unlike in prior years, we will be brought into the discussion at the beginning stages of planning. Expect an invitation by the University to meet in October or November for a meeting on the 10-year plan.

Many thanks to Marjorie Wolf and the neighbors who made our annual flea market a success. Please make a note to join us for our annual community meeting on November 12th and also for Burleith's fall cleanup on November 8th.

See you around the neighborhood,
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2008 Annual Community Gathering

Please join us for the annual community gathering on Wednesday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, 3500 R Street NW (entrance on R Street, between 35th and 36th Streets NW).

Refreshments will be served.
Councilmember Jack Evans will attend.
Duke Ellington students will perform.
We look forward to seeing you there!

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Burleith Summer Picnic

FUN and SUN

When: Saturday, June 13, 3:30pm – 8:00pm

Where: The Green Lot
(Whitehaven Pkwy and 37th Street)

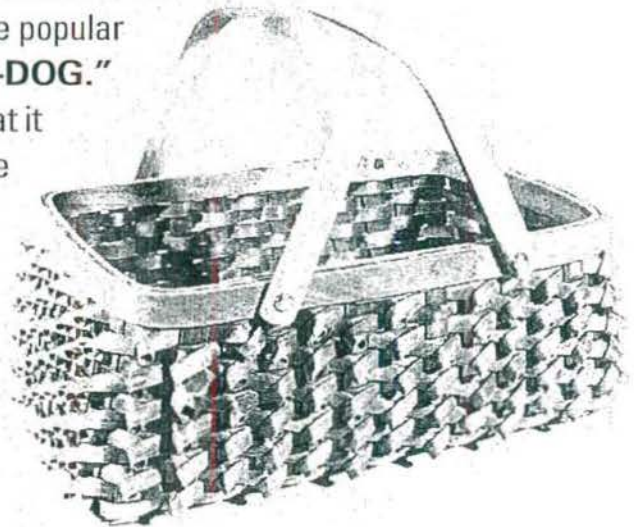
Features: Live Music Rocklands Barbeque
Refreshments Sports & Games
Activities for kids Burleith Top-Dog Contest

Kick off your summer at the annual Burleith picnic, sponsored by the Burleith Citizens' Association. This is a free and fun community event—and a relaxing way to spend time with family, friends and neighbors while enjoying live music and delicious food.

Highlights include a return of the popular contest to find Burleith's **"TOP-DOG."**

So if you think your dog has what it takes, enter it in the contest. The winning dog will be featured on the cover of the *Burleith Bell*.

Plenty of work goes into planning the picnic. Please consider volunteering to help organize games or cool/fun activities for kids or adults; the top-dog show; setting up on the day of the picnic; picking up items/supplies before or on the day of the picnic; or if you'd just like to help **CALL Kay Twomey at 202-337-5105 or email her at burleithevents@gmail.com.**



President's Message



With spring here and summer around the corner, it is time to talk about warm weather etiquette. Three things that can turn our warm

weather months into not-so-pleasant experiences are dog poop, mosquitoes and noise.

I am hearing more and more that people are not picking up after their dogs. **Dog poop** is being found on curbs, sidewalks, parks' walkways, etc. Besides the awful smell, dog poop carries germs and feeds the rat population. DC's law states that no person owning, keeping or having custody of a dog in the District, except a Seeing-Eye dog, shall allow or permit dog waste to remain in any public place. Lastly, rain carries dog poop into storm drains and nearby streams, contaminating the water with harmful bacteria, which makes the water unhealthy to touch.

Growing mosquito populations prevent us from enjoying our outdoor spaces in the summer. Some even carry West Nile virus, which has killed many of our crows and related smaller birds. The virus can create flu-like symptoms in humans, sometimes causing death. Mosquitoes lay eggs in any receptacle containing water rich in decomposing organic material. Breeding sites include: clogged rain gutters, children's wading pools, bird baths, cans and bottles,

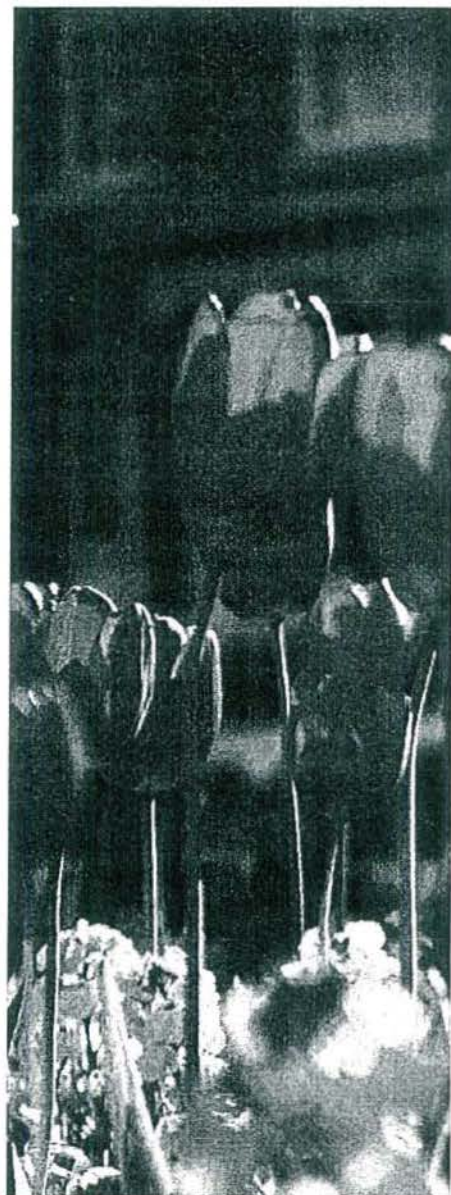
flower pot trays and discarded tires. Please inspect your property and empty any standing water. For bird baths, change the water every few days. If you have an outdoor pond, make sure it's stocked with mosquito-eating fish. This is a good time to make sure your gutters are operating properly.

During warm months, please remember to have **responsible parties** that don't disturb your neighbors. It is important to remember that the Metropolitan Police Department can now issue 61d violations to anyone committing a noise violation. 61d's will show up on one's record; prospective employees will now need to report they have a 61d when applying for a job.

Safeway has closed its doors and will not reopen till next year. If you would like more information on the Safeway renovation please go to www.socialsafeway.com

Many thanks to all our new and renewed members for joining.

See you around the neighborhood.
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Burleith Spring Clean-up - April 4 - Thanks To All Who Participated!

We had great weather and an excellent turnout on April 4 for the Spring Cleanup in Burleith. Thanks to all who came out to help, including our stalwart old neighbors, and the new residents, who I hope will join us again. Special thanks to Marjorie Wolfe for cruising the alleys and reporting trash stashes, the Warga family for helping to occupy my 5-year old, and especially to Ray Danieli and his group of more than 30 eager Georgetown University students. **The event demonstrated the bond between our respective communities and provided an opportunity to watch many fine young people in action, chipping in to clean up our trash, rather than focusing on the misdeeds of a few as our community sometimes tends to do. In addition to making our neighborhood look nicer (it has never looked cleaner in my view) we hope that all who participated were inspired by our small part -- together with the Alice Ferguson Foundation -- in the regional effort to clean up our rivers, creeks and watersheds. We should feel good about the fact that the stuff we picked up will not wash down storm drains into Rock Creek and the Potomac River. Again, thank you and kudos to our crew.**

Mark Gisler



DDOT REPORT

Hello, neighbors. This is Matthew Yabroudy of 35th Place. I volunteer for the neighborhood on the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) public works transportation committee. My main task is to notify the department of roadway problems in our community. Please call 311, the mayor's city line, to report potholes, sinkholes, blocked drains, hazardous sidewalks, and any other neighborhood roadway issues you see.

Recent DDOT meetings have included discussions about alley and sidewalk repair. The alley between 37th/38th, R & S streets has water drainage issues that have been reported to the city. A city inspector has checked the alley and agreed that it is in need of repair. In early March, street maintenance performed

work to fix the drainage problem. If you notice continuing problems please call 311 right away. There has also been a request for the city to look at 39th street between T & S to investigate erosion and deep holes between the street and sidewalk. The investigation is pending.

Future projects include: an April inspection of 35th Place potholes and repair to the sidewalk on Whitehaven Parkway at 37th Street. This is a major project and will take some time to complete. The goal is to have a continuous concrete sidewalk at the corner to make this intersection safer for pedestrians.

Call 311 or visit the dc.gov web site to report issues. Be sure to note the confirmation number you will be given. This will allow you to track the progress of the reported problem.



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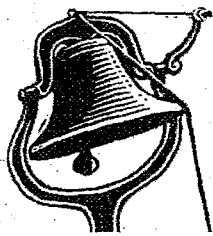
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ACTIVITIES

MAY 2009

May 7

The Birth of Monkey King (\$) 10:15 am, 11:30 am; Chinese shadow theater performance by Chinese Theater Works (ages 5-12). At Freer Gallery, Smithsonian's Discovery Theater.

Cathedral History Talk 2:30 pm; Illustrated lecture on its creation. Washington Natl. Cathedral, Perry Auditorium, 7th floor; 537-6200

Cathedral Architecture Tour (\$) 3 pm; Washington Natl. Cathedral; inside front doors.

Corcoran Open House 6-8 pm; Learn about programs and courses in sculpture, ceramics, and photography. Downtown campus. RSVP online. www.corcoran.edu.

May 14

Georgetown U. Commencement through May 17.

Story Time (\$) 10 am; Ages 3-5; Kreeger Museum; 338-3552

Cathedral History Talk 2:30 pm; See May 7 for details.

Byzantine Literature Lecture 5:30 pm; Harvard U's Panagiotis Roilos discusses "Art of Stratification." Dumbarton Oaks; evansp@doaks.org; 339-6940

Paul Klee Lecture (\$) 6:30-8 pm; Education head Erich Keel discusses Klee's path to poetic fulfillment 1920-1940. Kreeger Museum; 338-3552

Japanese Children's Day (\$) 10:15 am, 11:30 am; Kodomo Dance Theater performs (ages 5-10). Smithsonian's Discovery Theater; 633-8700; discoverytheater.org

Dinosaur Kids (\$) 10:15 am, 11:30 am Musical puppet show by DinoRock Productions (ages 2-8). Smithsonian's Discovery Theater

Poets on the Fringe 8 pm Reading/workshop/feedback for poets (18+). Guy Mason Center; 203-919-9199; passapamela@aol.com

Mother's Day Tea Adventures (\$) 10 am-noon; 1-3 pm; Garden event with refreshments and crafts for parents and kids (ages 5+). Tudor Place; 965-0400 x110; tmosconi@tudorplace.org
Capitol Hill House and Garden Tour (\$) 11 am-5 pm.
See May 9 for details

Alliance for Local Living 6:30 pm Discuss off-campus GU student living issues. Leavey Center/Career Center. 687-5138; oconnelp@georgetown.edu

Poets on the Fringe 8 pm
See May 6 for details.

Organ Recital 5:15 pm
Washington Natl. Cathedral; 537-6200

Friday Morning Music Club noon
Dumbarton House; 337-2288 x450; www.dumbartonhouse.org

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Organ Recital 5:15 pm
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