BURLEITH

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CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER
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2003 Happy New Year!

BCA General Meeting

Washington International School
(Enter on 36th Street between Reservoir and R Street.)

Wednesday, January 8, 7 p.m.

Christmas Tree pick-up on the curb is January 6.
Trees will also be collected in the alley during trash collection.

President's Message

Because of the hustle and bustle of the Holiday Season, my President's Message did not appear in the December newsletter. Therefore, a belated Happy Holidays and best wishes for the New Year from the Board of your Burleith Citizens Association.

The ice storm on December 11 resulted in the closing of the Washington International School. This forced the cancellation of the December BCA general meeting. Our BCA Board, which meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month, was also canceled for December. You guessed right, this year it fell on December 25.

Thanks to Sorrell Caplan and her leadership as chair of the Burleith Citizens Association (BCA) block captain committee, a hospitality kit was assembled and distributed to all households in the Burleith community. The block captains and Sorrell in particular, devoted many hours to this project. I hope you find the information contained in this packet useful and informative.

At the BCA general meeting on November 13, representatives from the Corcoran School for the Arts, Duke Ellington, Washington International School, Georgetown University and Fillmore Arts gave a brief presentation about their respective school and answered questions from the community. Each representative expressed a sincere appreciation about the concerns of the community. As always, parking was at the top of the list. Although a liaison committee exists for some of the schools, there was general agreement that improved communication was needed with all the schools. As the liaison committees are formed, we will keep you apprised of their progress.

Representatives of Georgetown, Hillandale, Burleith, Georgetown University, Georgetown Hospital and the Business Community have been participating in an emergency preparedness pilot project that could be the first step in developing a community-wide emergency alert network in Georgetown, Burleith, and Hillandale. This project is in collaboration with Roam Secure, Inc., an Arlington based company that has developed a system used by thousands of government leaders and first responders, including the DC Emergency Management Agency, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, and Arlington County.

Although used successfully in other organizations, this will be its first use on a community wide basis. Over 100 participants have registered on line. I must stress that this pilot is only to test the technology. After evaluation of the pilot, the communities will have their opportunity to debate the pros and cons. More information about this pilot will be given at the next BCA general meeting on Wednesday, January 8. If you are interested in participating in this pilot or would like additional information, please go to gtownalert.com and register.

Our winter picnic is scheduled for Saturday, February 22. Please save this date. Location and times will be announced in our next newsletter. Could it be Dumbarton House?

See you at the BCA General meeting, Washington International School (WIS), Wednesday, January 8, at 7 p.m.

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Highlights of December 4 Board Meeting

- Georgetown's request for zoning approval for a new Performing Arts Center.
- Maggie Fleming appointed as new WIS liaison.
- Those interested in the Emergency Preparedness Pilot Program can sign up at gtownalert.com
- Continued search for a Burleith resident to manage the Website.
- Discussion of a charitable activity to be organized in early 2003.
- Thanks to Peter Pulsifer and Jim Dempsey for their many contributions.

Born in Burleith

For almost 60 years I have lived at 3521 T Street in Burleith. My grandmother bought the house in 1919 for $4,600. At that time, there was no Whitehaven Parkway. The woods behind our house, where homes now stand, descended to only a few yards beyond our back door. Our house was a corner house then; 3519 and 3517 had not yet been built.

I was born in 1943 and all the men in my family were away at war. I remember my mother telling me about the air raid warnings we had in the neighborhood. When the alarm sounded, my family would turn out all the lights and go down to the basement. The streets were patrolled, and a knock would come at the door if any light was seen outside.

When I was a small child, the neighborhood was similar to what it is now except for the schools. Western High School (now Duke Ellington) had cadets in those days, and I remember my 17-year-old cousin marching down T Street in uniform and carrying a gun.

Since before I was born, there was a Safeway on Wisconsin Avenue. When I was a pre-teen, it was enlarged and a Dart Drug was built beside it. Later, it was rebuilt and moved back from the street, and a parking lot was put in front of it. Just recently, it was once again enlarged and remodeled.

Until I was 17, there was a small grocery store at the corner of 35th and T across from what was then Gordon Junior High School, which I attended. The original owners were a Mr. and Mrs. Cohen. Then the store was sold to a Mrs. Chesler. I loved that little store, and I was disappointed when it was converted to a house.

I remember the Calvert Movie Theater on Wisconsin Avenue, where Blockbuster now stands. There was a Peoples Drug Store beside it, and when I was a child, my aunt would take me and my cousins there after church on Sunday for a drink and an English muffin.

We don't have as many children in the neighborhood as we once did, and many of the old trees I grew up with have either fallen or been cut down. Still, Burleith has not changed much in my lifetime and remains a wonderful place to live.

Ellen Zapp

Nearby Events

At Georgetown University:

Nomadic Theatre presents "Bash" starting January 30. Contact nomadictheatre@hotmail.com.

At Duke Ellington School of the Arts: (For information call 282 0123.)

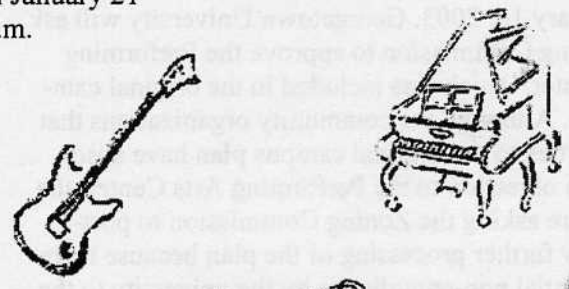
- Chamber Music Recital, January 22
- Jazz Orchestra, January 24
- Senior Fashion Show, January 11

At Barnes and Noble Bookstore on M Street:

The authors speak…

- "The Asian Diet", Diana My Tran (low-fat, high-taste meals) January 16
- "The Woman Who Wouldn't Talk", Susan McDougal January 21

For children: Storytime, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m.



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...a neighborhood FYI

Cafe Divan got their liquor license in mid-December.

...the newsletter

What would you like to read in your newsletter? Email your suggestions or articles to the editorial group (Debra, Sorrell, Candith, and Marjorie) at ddgg@starpower.net by January 22.

Iona Senior Services offers a variety of programs and classes for seniors, including support groups, computer classes, fitness classes from strength training to yoga, and a travel program.

On April 22, 2003, a trip to Longwood Gardens in Pennsylvania is planned. This is the world's premier horticultural display garden. $50.00 price includes roundtrip motorcoach, lunch, and entrance ticket.

Iona is located at 4125 Albemarle St. NW, tel. 966 1055 or online www.iona.org.

Guy Mason Recreation Center

...Winter 2003 Program Schedule

Sign up for aerobics, dancersize, pilates, bridge, ballroom dancing, painting and pottery, French, Spanish, and more.

Classes begin January 13.

Call Robert or Caryl at 282-2180 or visit Guy Mason Recreation Center at 3600 Calvert Street to register.

Book Review

Pope Joan

A Novel by Donna Woolfolk Cross

For thousands of years the existence of Pope Joan has been denied. She disguised herself as a man and rose to rule Christianity for two years. When her older brother dies in a Viking attack, she assumes his identity and enters a Benedictine monastery where she distinguishes herself as a scholar and healer. Eventually she is drawn to Rome and becomes enmeshed in a dangerous mix of power and politics. This book animates the legend with a portrait of an unforgettable woman who struggles against restrictions her soul cannot accept. This is a very enthralling historical novel.

Pia Mayr
...visiting Burleith from Memmingen, Germany

Burleithian Recipes

French Green Bean Salad

This a very simple salad to add to almost any meal and may be prepared in advance. ...Marjorie Wolfe

2 lbs French green beans
3 ozs toasted pine nuts
1 container Athenos Original Feta Cheese
Vinegarette with Dijon mustard dressing

Trim ends of the beans and blanch for about 5 minutes. Place in ice cold water to stop the cooking. Dry with paper towels. Place in a bowl and add feta cheese and pine nuts. If you like more cheese or nuts, add to your taste. Add the vinagrette so that the beans are lightly covered with dressing. Toss and serve. Serves about six people and can be used the second day.

GU to seek approval for Performing Arts Center

On January 16, 2003, Georgetown University will ask the Zoning Commission to approve the Performing Arts Center, which was included in the original campus plan. Although the community organizations that were parties to the original campus plan have absolutely no objection to the Performing Arts Center, the parties are asking the Zoning Commission to postpone any further processing of the plan because there is substantial non-compliance by the university to the conditions set forth in the Board of Zoning Adjustment's order.

It is imperative that GU demonstrates its intent to abide by the conditions in the order. These include: exceeding the undergraduate enrollment cap established in the campus plan order; refusal to monitor the registration of student vehicles; failure to provide the required monthly reports and the outcome of individual complaints; and lastly, the removal from its campus of a running track that the plan called for retaining on campus.

The Zoning Commission meets on Thursday, January 16, 2003 at 6:30 at 441 Fourth Street N.W. It is an open meeting and residents are encouraged to attend.

No Left Turn!

The DC register has posted the notice of the NO LEFT TURN provision eastbound on reservoir Road at 38th and 39th street from 7 to 9:30 AM, Monday through Friday. Residents who so desire may respond in writing to this notice in the next 30 days to the Dept. of Transportation.

Many Thanks To Our Advertisers...and Some Apologies!

Last month, the following neighborhood business advertisements were inadvertently left out of our newsletter. We apologize for this oversight. They have sponsored our newsletter for many years and we appreciate their continued support.

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Places to Visit Within Walking Distance

Old Stone House

A Cozy Spot

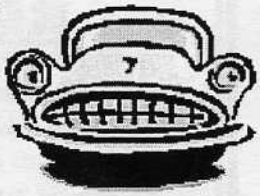
If you're looking for a cozy spot to visit on these last chilly, dreary days of winter, you'll find the Old Stone House in Georgetown very welcoming. Located at 3051 M St. NW, the Old Stone House is alleged to be the oldest house in Washington. It was built in 1765 and typifies dwellings of the period. You'll find a large stone hearth used for cooking and heating at the heart of the house with a wood fire sending forth a delightful aroma. As the guide describes the house and answers questions about the house and it's furnishings, you'll be transported almost 250 years to the colonial era. Adjacent to the house is a wonderful English-style landscaped garden that will be blooming before too long. Open Wed. to Sun. noon to 5, and it's free, a part of the National Park Service. Before you return home up the hill, you can stop for a cup of coffee or an ice cream cone on M St. (202) 426-6851.

For more information visit http://www.nps.gov/rocr/oldstonehouse/

Sorrell Caplan

District of Columbia Department of Transportation
Notice of Proposed RuleMaking
Docket Number 02-105-TS

The Department of Transportation hereby gives notice of the intent to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Regulations. Final rule making action shall be taken in not less than thirty days from the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register.



The following rulemaking action is proposed:

Title 18 DCMR, Section 4015, NO LEFT TURN, Subsection 4015.3(a) Northwest Section, is amended by adding the following to the list of locations:

- "eastbound Reservoir Road, N. W., so as to proceed northbound on **38th Street**, 7-9:30 A.M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY".
- "eastbound Reservoir Road, N. W., so as to proceed northbound on **39th Street**, 7-9:30 A.M., MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY".

All persons interested in commenting on the subject matter in this proposed rulemaking action may file comments in writing, not later than thirty days after the publication of this notice in the D.C. Register, with the Department of Transportation, Traffic Services Administration, 2000 14th Street, N.W., 7th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20009.

Dates to Remember

January 7 (Tues) ANC 2E Public Meeting, 6:30
January 8 (Wed) BCA General Meeting, 7:00
January 22 (Wed) BCA Board Meeting, 7:00
January 22 (Wed) Newsletter Deadline
February 22 (Sat) Winter Picnic

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ANC 2E Public Meeting
January 7, 2003, 6:30

Georgetown Visitation School
35th and Volta Place
(First building on the left by the gatehouse, 2nd floor)

A partial agenda follows:

- Election of 2003 Officers
- Web site update
- Comments on the Volta Place Pool
- P Street Bridge construction
- HPRB action concerning 1329 Wisconsin Ave
- Police Report
- Georgetown Project Update
- Illegal parking of ABC tow trucks
- Proposed ABC regulations
- ABC Matters
  - The Washington Harbour Club
  - Tony & Joe's
- Evermay, (a non-profit) BZA application

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Burleithian-to-Burleithian Classifieds

Found!

Charlotte responded to Debra with the name of a computer consultant, Joel Blanchette.
Debra also found him professional and helpful.
If you need computer services, call Mr. Blanchette.
Office: 703 689 0666. Cell: 202 746 3045.

For Sale!

Sturdy wooden baby changing table with two shelves, a handy drawer, and extra pads. Bought at Lewis of London. Excellent condition. Call Stacy, 965 1510.

Wanted!

Bridge players in the neighborhood to play once every week or two in the evening. Call Candith, 338 3554.