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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Lamond-Riggs Family,

I hope you all are staying warm! If you did not attend our February meeting, I hope to see you on March 2, 2015. We continue to have a great turnout with residents attending the meeting for the first time. I want to thank those residents that joined us for the first time and hope to see you on March 2nd.

LRCA will host A Ward 4 Councilmember Forum at our March 2, 2015 meeting. Our meeting will start at 6:30 pm.

Tuesday, April 28, 2015 – SPECIAL ELECTION DAY

We will be voting on the next Ward 4 member of the Council of the District of Columbia. The current candidates are:

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| Acquonetta Anderson | Edwin W. Powell |
| Leon T. Andrews, Jr. | Pedro Rubio, Jr. |
| Ron Austin | Glova Scott |
| Renee L. Bowser | Douglas Sloan |
| Gwenellen Corley-Bowman | Bobvala Tengen |
| Judi Jones | Brandon Todd |
| | Dwayne Toliver |

The moderator will be Mr. Colbert King, columnist for *The Washington Post*. So please come out, get informed and ask questions.

This is also an election year for LRCA officers. LRCA has formed a Nominating Committee—Ms. Pat McCallan is chairing the nominating committee. All Executive Board offices are open for nominations. The nominating committee will present the 2015-2017 LRCA slate of officers and trustees at our April 6, 2015 meeting. Voting will take place at our May 4, 2015 meeting. See the enclosed by-laws on pages 2 and 4.

Regards, Barbara Rogers, President

NOTICES AND AGENDA

LRCA Meetings

General meetings are scheduled for the first Monday of each month from October thru June, 7:00 pm—8:45 pm at:

LaSalle-Backus Education Campus
 501 Riggs Road, NE, Washington, DC, 20011

The next LRCA meetings will be held on:

- Monday, March 2, 2015 at 7:00 pm
- Monday, April 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm
- Monday, May 4, 2015 at 7:00 pm

in the LaSalle-Backus EC Auditorium.

AGENDA

1. Invocation
2. Meet & Greet with candidates (6:30 – 7:00 p.m.)
3. Welcome/Introduction of Moderator
4. Ground Rules/Candidate Introduction
5. Questions & Answers with Candidates
6. Closing Remarks
7. Benediction

Safety News
(Police Service Area (PSA) Meetings)

PSA 402 (bi-monthly)

Lt. Aleisa Wheeler-Moore (202) 730-0603

Aleisa.Wheeler-Moore@dc.gov

March 26, 2015

Fourth District, 6001 Georgia Ave, 7p.m.

PSA 404 (quarterly)

Lt. Michael Whiteside (202) 730-0612

Michael.Whiteside@dc.gov

PSA 404- May 28, 2015 (Combined with PSA 407)

Patrol Services, 801 Shepherd St, NW, 7 p.m.

PSA 405 (quarterly)

Lt. Michelle Ridlehoover (202) 730-0607

Michelle.Ridlehoover@dc.gov

PSA 405 April 22, 2015

N. Michigan Park Recreation Center, 1333 Emerson St. NE, 7 p.m.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is available free to taxpayers with low and moderate income, with special attention to those 60 and older. Through a cadre of trained volunteers, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide has helped low- to moderate-income individuals for more than 40 years in every state and the District of Columbia. Come and meet with a trained AARP tax aide provider at:

LAMOND-RIGGS LIBRARY

5401 South Dakota Avenue, NE

Feb. 4th - April 15th

Wednesdays - 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Thursdays - 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Fridays - 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM

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DC DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Residential Trash Collection

Avoiding a Sanitation Ticket

Place trash and recycling containers out for collection no earlier than 6:30 pm the night before collection and no later than 6 am on your collection day. Residents are required to remove trash and recycling containers from public space by 8 pm on your collection day. Keep the public space around your property free of litter.

Preventing Theft of Trash and Recycling Containers

Paint your address (including street name and number) on at least two sides of your containers using a bold, bright color that attracts attention and distinguishes your containers from your neighbors' containers. Record each container's serial number and provide that information to 311 to report a missing/stolen container.

LRCA By-laws Excerpt—

Article VI: Officers, Trustees and Delegates

Section 1. The business of the Association shall be conducted and its affairs administered by its duly elected and appointed officers and trustees, who shall comprise the Executive Board and shall meet in executive session no less than one week prior to the regularly scheduled monthly Association meeting. Each Officer and Trustee shall Chair or Co-Chair a Standing Committee with the exception of the Nominating Committee Member.

Section 2. Required Officers: The Association shall have the following officers: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary, Parliamentarian and Corresponding Secretary. The President must also appoint Delegates to represent the Assn. at the D.C. Federation of Civic Assns. and other events as requested by the President. The Association may create additional officers as needed. The duties of the officers are as follows:

A. President- The President shall conduct the regular, special and Executive Board meetings of the Association and shall be an Ex-Officio member of all standing and temporary committees, with the exception of the nominating committee. The President shall have such other responsibilities as may be assigned to him or her by the members. When quick decisions are needed on critical issues, the President must contact a total of 2 Executive Committee members in this order: the two Vice Presidents or if not available, the Secretary of Treasurer to get a majority vote on the action in question. The issue and resulting vote must be presented at the next Executive Board and Regular Body meetings.

LRCA General Membership Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2015

President Barbara Rogers opened the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Rev. Dr. Alethea Smith-Withers, Pastor of Pavilion of God, 6401 Chillum Place, NW, gave the invocation. She also stated that Pavilion of God is sponsoring a monthly jazz program. The next one is featuring Ms. Anita King on February 20, 2015 from 7-9 pm at the Lamond Recreation Center. The jazz program is free and open to the public. All are invited.

President Rogers invited those who are new to Lamond Riggs to stand and eight (8) new neighbors stood to be welcomed. They are new to 5th, Oglethorpe and Oneida Streets; Kensington Place and Eastern and South Dakota Avenue. The **February 2015 meeting is the last opportunity to pay membership dues for 2014-2015. Candidates for the office of Ward 4 Councilmember will be featured at the LRCA March meeting. You will have the opportunity to meet the candidates and hear their vision for Ward 4. Tell your neighbors. There will not be a car raffle fundraiser this year because St. Mary is not sponsoring one.** President Rogers is proposing to start a LRCA Saturday morning walking club. If you are interested in participating, let her know so that she can get a sense of how many want to join.

MPD Commander Manlapaz, Lt. Posey and Inspector Parker represented PSA 406. Attendees raised a number of concerns **regarding gunshots, response time, groups of young people “hanging around” and problems with neighbors.** The officers responded to those concerns and reminded attendees to call 911 when they see something and not to leave items in our cars. Theft from auto remains a problem.

Mayor Bowser stated that her office is preparing the City’s budget. Her priorities are affordable housing, schools, addressing physical and mental health issues, and economic development. She will be holding forums across the District to obtain citizen input for the budget. Additionally, her office is working with PG County regarding cars speeding into the District along Riggs Road.

Councilmember-At-Large Elissa Silverman discussed some of her priorities—closing the achievement gap, making certain that D.C. is affordable to all and working with the religious community to confront issues. She can be reached at esilverman@dccouncil.us, (office) 202-724-7772 or (cell) 202-386-2173.

Melanie Laughinghouse, Community Navigator, Medstar Washington Hospital Center, brought us information about the cancer prevention project in Ward 5 funded by the Avon Foundation Safety Outreach Program. Residents of Ward 5 are asked to complete the questionnaire.

Ward 5- Ms. Jeannette Mobley reported that her office is working with the National Park Service regarding making the trail along Galloway Street safer (paving, lighting, etc.).

Treasurer Tanya Slade reported that the ending balance per bank statement for Dec. is \$6,545.66. The report was accepted.

The December 2014 LRCA meeting minutes were accepted as presented in the February newsletter.

ANC 4B09 - Doug Sloan stated that the meeting for ANC 4B will take place on February 5 at the 4th District police station.

Linda Hodges, LaSalle-Backus Education Campus Parent Coordinator and PTA President, provided information about a Food Market scheduled for the third Thursday of each month. The first Food Market will be held on February 19 from 5-8 pm. There will be an open house at LaSalle-Backus on March 5 from 4-8 pm.

Rev. Dr. Alethea Smith-Withers provided the benediction.

President Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Submitted by: Barbara J. Carter

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The President shall appoint standing, special and temporary committees as the need arises and he or she shall designate which of the Officers shall be responsible for the operation of each said committee. Each Officer shall Chair or Co-Chair at least one of the following, as designated by the President and report out to the General Body at least bi-monthly: City Services/Public Safety, Seniors/Community Economic Development (including businesses, churches, non-profits, etc.), Youth Development/Recreation (incl. the Rec. Centers, After-school Programs, Youth Leagues, etc.), Education (Library, Schools, etc.), Budget/Auditing, Nominating (temporary committee), Newsletter and Membership.

B. First Vice President- The First Vice President shall preside in the absence (or at the request) of the President. In the event that the President's office becomes vacant, he or she succeeds thereto for the unexpired balance of the term.

C. Second Vice President- The Second Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President and First Vice President. In the event that the President's and First Vice President's offices become vacant, he or she succeeds thereto for the balance of the unexpired term.

D. Treasurer- The Treasurer shall keep an accurate and detailed account of all monies received and expended by the Association, shall keep all the financial records of the Association in such form as the Executive Board shall prescribe, shall pay all duly authorized vouchers, obtain and give out receipts as appropriate and, shall be the recipient and custodian of all money of the Association, such monies to be deposited in such banking institution as may be designated by the Executive Board. It shall further be the duty of the Treasurer to submit a written monthly financial report and a semi-annual detailed financial report to the Association at the regular meetings of the Association. The "Books" must be closed, balanced, and submitted to the Budget/Auditing Committee as provided for in Article 7 Section 2, in July. The Treasurer shall be bonded.

E. Financial Secretary- The Financial Secretary shall receive all dues and other monies from the Association's members and transact same as provided in the fiscal policies of the Association, work with the Treasurer in the transaction of all Association financial business, determine financial roster of paid members, reconcile any budget dues, fees to the membership, and submit a quarterly report to the Association on the expenses and income of the Association officers, and Standing and Ad Hoc Committees. Copies of the reports shall be filed with the Treasurer, Auditor, and Recording Secretary.

F. Recording Secretary- The Recording Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of the proceedings of the Association at regular, special, and Executive Board meetings, perform all other duties incident to the office of Secretary, and such other duties as may be assigned to the Secretary by the President or the Association members. Copies of the minutes of the proceedings of any meeting shall be submitted to the President and the two Vice Presidents within one week after such meeting is held. The Recording Secretary shall take the roll at all General Body and Executive Board meetings, and inform the Executive Board of the absence of any Board member for three successive Board meetings. The Recording Secretary is the custodian of the Association's records during his or her term.

G. Corresponding Secretary- The Corresponding Secretary shall assist in the development or develops correspondence (written, phone, or electronic) and is charged with forwarding such correspondence from the LRCA as requested by the President, assist in notifying Association members of regular membership meeting, Executive Board meetings and other activities as may be necessary; and, make presentations to the Association regarding correspondence for information and action.

H. Parliamentarian- The Parliamentarian is appointed by and advises the President on the Association By-laws, Rules of Order, and any procedures, and helps to maintain the orderly procedure of business of the Association in Regular, Executive, or Special meetings, in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order where appropriate.

To nominate a neighbor for one of the offices described above you are encouraged to speak to Ms. Pat McCallan at one of the LRCA meetings or call her at (202) 529-3927.