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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Lamond-Riggs Family,

Spring is in the air!!! I don't know about you but I am ready for the warm weather. Thanks to all the residents that continue to come out to the meetings to get information and stay informed. Also, thank you to the residents that are not able to make the meeting but still pay your membership to support us.

We had a great meeting in February and want to thank Mr. Caesar Dudley for the benediction and our guest speakers, Alice Thompson, Community Outreach Specialist with DC Office on Aging and the Office of the People's Counsel for providing an update on the Excelon/Pepeco merger.

At our March 7th meeting we will be joined by Tim Wilson with the DC Fire EMS, Heather Johnson, Executive Director, Explore Children's Museum of Washington, DC and Mark Bergel, A Wider Circle.

See you all soon!

Barbara Rogers, President

NOTICES & 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 7, 2016
Monday April 4, 2016
Monday, May 2, 2016
Monday, June 6, 2016
At 7:00 pm in the LaSalle-Backus EC Auditorium.

AGENDA

1. Invocation
2. Officer's Reports: Minutes and Treasurer
3. Updates from PSA and ANC
4. Committee Updates
5. Guest Speakers
6. Closing Remarks
7. Benediction

COMMUNITY NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Lisa Michelle Brannock**, LRCA member and Historian, on her graduation from Trinity Washington University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration. The graduation ceremony took place on January 8, 2016.

Congratulations to **Gwen Cofield**, LRCA member and Co-Chair of the Lamond-Riggs Development Task Force, on her appointment to the position of Director of Communications for the D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development. The appointment occurred in January 2016.

IN MEMORIAM



Mrs. Alice B. McMillian, LRCA neighborhood, entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, January 19, 2016. Mrs. McMillian was 86 years old.

PRIVATE SECURITY CAMERA INCENTIVE PROGRAM

This program is now administered by the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants and provides residents, business, nonprofits and religious institutions to purchase and install security camera systems on their property and register them the MPD. The program provides a rebate of up to \$200 per camera, with a maximum rebate of up to \$500 per residential address and \$750 for all other addresses. This program is intended to help deter crime and assist law enforcement with investigations. Certain PSAs will be given priority consideration for participation. For specific information about the program you can call 202-727-5124 or go to <http://ovsjg.dc.gov/page/private-security-camera-incentive-program-faqs>

The program is now operational and you are encouraged to determine if you want to participate.

Safety Tips

Message from Wil Manlapaz, Commander, 4th District:

It has been relayed to the MPD that there is a middle-aged woman calling senior citizens in the Riggs Park area making appointments claiming to represent some type of community support activity. The woman reports for the appointment and is invited inside of the home by the resident. The woman then rummages through the house and leaves. Please be vigilant and also spread the word to your elderly neighbors that this maybe a scam. If this has occurred to you or your neighbor please call 911.

LRCA T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER

Have you purchased your t-shirt? Please help support our fundraiser by purchasing a LRCA T-Shirt for \$10. We will have a variety of sizes at every meeting.

We really appreciate your continued support.

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LRCA General Membership Meeting Minutes
LaSalle-Backus Education Campus
February 1, 2016

President Barbara Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Trustee Willie Lynch, Jr. gave the invocation and emphasized unity in the community. President Rogers encouraged all neighbors to join the LRCA listserv. Two neighborhoods were attending the LRCA meeting for the first time.

Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie's Office – Wesley Dawson reported that on February 2, 2016 there will be a public workshop to discuss the Crosstown Multimodal Transportation Study which is undertaken to include the identification of improvements along the east-west connections that cross Wards 1 and 5 and to address transportation safety concerns. The workshop will be held at Trinity Washington University. The D.C. Council is now holding public oversight hearings. The hearing schedule is posted on the D.C. Council Web site. The H Street CDC is offering college scholarships to eligible students. Visit <http://www.hstreetcdc.org> for more information about the scholarships.

Guest Speaker: **Office of the Peoples Counsel – Ms. Linda Jefferson** stated that the PEPCO/Excelon merger is with the Public Service Commission for a decision that is expected in the next few months. PEPCO has started installing underground cables and will continue that process. Washington Gas has a 40 year plan to replace main gas supply lines.

ANC 4B09 – Doug Sloan reminded attendees that the monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2016.

Mayor's Office – Khalil Thompson discussed the new security camera rebate program. Upon the completion of regulations, individual homeowners will be able to receive a rebate of up to \$500 per residence and businesses will be able to receive a rebate of up to \$750. For more information visit <http://mayor.dc.gov>.

D.C. Office on Aging – Ms. Alice Thompson discussed the program "Safe At Home" which promotes aging in place for residents who are at least 60 years old and for residents between the ages of 18 and 59 who are living with disabilities. Call 202-638-0050 for more information.

Councilmember Brandon Todd stated that he would vote against lifting the ban on social venues for the use of marijuana. The ban should stay in place until regulations have been finalized. The budget oversight hearings have started. Based upon concerns expressed by attendees Councilmember Todd will look into the issues of businesses, Metro and apartment owners removing snow in a timely manner and the possibility of providing playground space for families in the neighborhood.

December 7, 2015 meeting minutes were accepted as presented and Tanya Slade, Treasurer, reported that the January treasury balance is \$6,926.21

Mr. Ceasar Dudley provided the benediction with the theme love your neighbor as yourself.

President Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Barbara J. Carter



College Scholarships Available

The Lamond-Riggs Citizens Association, Inc. is pleased to open the scholarship application process for eligible graduating high school seniors who live in the Lamond-Riggs neighborhood (see application for details and neighborhood boundaries). The application packet and instructions on how to apply are available at <http://lrcadc.org/scholarships> on LRCA's web site. Deadline for application submission is March 22, 2016.

(Cut here and mail your membership form with payment, or bring to the next meeting.)

Membership Form - October 2015 thru September 2016

LAMOND-RIGGS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION P.O. BOX 60272 - WASHINGTON, DC 20039

Salutation	First Name	Last Name	Evening Phone #	Daytime Phone #
1				
Email:				# Children at home:
2				
Email:				
Address:				Washington, DC 20011
I/We volunteer for the following committee(s):			Use code: 1=Self, 2=Spouse/Partner, 3=Both, 4=Other	
<i>Senior</i>		<i>Membership</i>		<i>City Services/ Public Safety</i>
<i>Budget/Audit</i>		<i>Communications</i>		<i>Development Task Force</i>
<i>Education</i>		<i>Newsletter Distribution</i>		<i>Youth Development/ Recreation</i>
Membership & Donation:	Individual \$10	Household \$15 (2 adult members)	Corporate \$50	Additional Donation \$
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