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"A Community Newsletter" —LRCA, P.O. Box 60272, Washington, DC 20039

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### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Lamond-Riggs Family,

*We want to wish you and your family a joyous holiday season. This is a time to enjoy and spend quality time with your family. We invite you to our December Holiday social. This is a great opportunity to meet a new neighbor, enjoy light refreshments and holiday music.*

*If you are unable to make our meetings, we still need your financial support. Please fill out the membership form on page 4 and mail in your dues. You can also pay your membership on our website.*

*We want to congratulate all the candidates that were re-elected and elected for the first time on election day. Thanks for serving your community.*

*The holiday is a time for not only receiving, but also for giving. There are volunteer opportunities at Food and Friends located in our neighborhood. Please remember to check on a senior neighbor.*

**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, December 5, 2016**  
**NO January 2017 meeting**  
**Monday, February 6, 2017**  
7:00 pm in the LaSalle-Backus EC Auditorium.

#### AGENDA

1. Invocation
2. Welcome new residents
3. Officer's Reports: Minutes and Treasurer
4. Updates from PSA and ANC
5. Committee Updates
6. Closing Remarks
7. Benediction
8. Holiday Social

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Explore! Winter Wonder Fest Children's Museum of Washington, DC

Enjoy family-friendly activities, meet new neighbors and learn what Explore! has in store for the new year. Activities include:

- DIY snow globes
- Playful wall painting
- Snowflake creations
- Experiment with light
- Large-scale whimsical weaving is back! You're invited to bring your own fabric, ribbon, etc. to weave into this collaborative community project.

#### **Saturday, December 3, 2016 - FREE -**

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

5455 3rd St, NE

Washington, DC 20011

#### **Ward 4 Holiday Party**

Join Councilmember Todd for The Annual Ward 4 Holiday Party and Coat Drive on December 10 at 6pm.

Please save the date for the annual Ward 4 holiday party and coat drive! It will be held at the newly modernized Lafayette Elementary School. We invite all to celebrate the holidays with us. The party will take place on **Saturday, December 10, 2016 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**, at Lafayette Elementary School, 5701 Broad Branch Rd NW. Please RSVP with Dolly Turner at [dturner@dccouncil.us](mailto:dturner@dccouncil.us) or 202-724-8052.

#### **Ward 5 Holiday Party**

Join Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie for The Annual Ward 5 Holiday Party on December 15 at 6pm.

Please save the date for the annual Ward 5 holiday party! It will be held at the Dock 5 at Union Market, 1309 5<sup>th</sup> Street, NE. The party will take place on **Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 6:00 pm**

#### **Health Insurance Open Season**

It's time to sign up for or renew your health coverage for 2017. Sign up now through January 31, 2017 during open enrollment. DC Health Link has 20 private health insurance options to choose from for residents and their families from CareFirst and Kaiser Permanente. For 2017 small businesses have 151 health plan options from Aetna, CareFirst, Kaiser and United. If you enroll by December 15, 2016, your coverage can begin January 1, 2017. Open enrollment for individuals and families ends on January 31, 2017. Small businesses can sign up throughout the year. Residents can apply for Medicaid throughout the year. Go to [www.dchealthlink.com](http://www.dchealthlink.com) or call (855) 532-5465 for more information and registration.

#### **Residential Parking Permits**

Registration is open for to receive a 2017 visitor-parking pass. DDOT will not automatically mail passes to each eligible household on RPP blocks as it did several years ago. Instead, sign up online at <https://vpp.ddot.dc.gov/vpp/> or by phone at (202) 671-2700.

LRCA General Membership Meeting Minutes  
LaSalle-Backus Education Campus  
November 7, 2016

President Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Pastor Meg Jenista, Washington, DC Christian Reformed Church, provided the invocation.

Mr. Jimmy Rock, Deputy Director, Office of Consumer Protection, Office of the Attorney General, provided information about scams now being perpetrated on consumers. Be cognizant of the fact that the IRS will not call a citizen on the phone as a first contact method. When you receive a political donation solicitation, ask for the phone no. and website for the candidate before considering making any donation. Never give out any personal information, especially Social Security numbers, to anyone calling on the phone. It is very difficult for authorities to stop people from attempting scams, but citizens can take precautions to protect themselves.

Thomas Talamonte reminded attendees that Advisory Referendum B, "Advisory Referendum on the State of New Columbia Admission Act Resolution of 2016," is on the ballot for a vote on Election Day, November 8, 2016. The referendum directed the D.C. Council to petition Congress to enact a statehood admission act to admit the State of New Columbia to the Union.

Below are candidates for office in the District of Columbia who presented at the meeting:

Candidates for State Board of Education-

1. **Lynette Woodruff** (Ward 4)- Focus will be on making certain schools and families are on the same page.
2. **Mary Lord** (At-Large)- All students will receive education in science and engineering. Financial literacy and cursive writing will be reintroduced to students.
3. **Tony Donaldson, Jr.** (Ward 7)- Wants to make certain that students graduation on time with college or life skills readiness.
4. **Ashley Carter** (At-Large)- Focus will be raising graduation rate to meet the national average within 4 years, adding more individualized attention in classrooms and preparing students for college or career.

ANC Candidates-

1. **ANC 4B07- James Gaston, III** will focus on public safety, traffic, senior citizens and the operation of group homes that are located in the neighborhood.
2. **ANC 4B09- LaRoya Huff** will listen to all residents in the neighborhood and respond. She will follow-up and follow-through.
3. **ANC 4B09- Tischa Cockrell** will provide attention to young people in the neighborhood.
4. **ANC 5B08- Angel Alston** is committed to the serving the community and to working on the issues of community development, including housing the 80 families remaining to housed from the ArtsPlace/Cafritz development.
5. **ANC 5B08- Gordon-Andrew Flectcher** will collaborate with residents and hold monthly meetings.

Minutes from the LRCA October 3, 2016 meeting were approved. The Treasurer stated that the ending balance for the LRCA account is \$2,117.10.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Barbara J. Carter

Barbara J. Carter, Recording Secretary



Pictures above are from the State of the Ward 4 Senior Address. Lamond-Riggs seniors were well represented. There were over 400 seniors in attendance and President Barbara Rogers welcomed all to our community.

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

**Membership Form - October 2016 thru September 2017**  
**LAMOND-RIGGS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION P.O. BOX 60272 - WASHINGTON, DC 20039**

Your membership donation is likely **tax-deductible**. LRCA is a 501(c)3 public charity. Please consult with your tax professional.

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	
Senior		Membership		City Services/ Public Safety
Budget/Audit		Communications		Development Task Force
Education		Newsletter Distribution		Youth Development/ Recreation
Tax-deductible Membership & Donation:	Individual \$10	Household \$15 (2 adult members)	Corporate \$50	Additional Donation \$
FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY	Date Paid: / /	Amount Paid: \$	Pymt Type: CK CA MO CC	Member #: 16-17   17-18   18-19