

# Infrastructure Improvements Coming to Amidon-Bowen

BY NEO H. MORAKE,  
AMIDON-BOWEN ALUMNA

The start of the school year began on Monday, Aug. 26 and Amidon-Bowen Elementary School students started the new school year facing similar infrastructure issues as they have faced for the past five years: sinking playground surfaces, buckling floors in the multi-purpose room and a gymnasium in need of repair. These overdue repairs were the focus of a letter drafted by ANC6D's elected officials earlier this year (April 2019), seeking to identify capital funding to address these outstanding work orders.

Over the course of the last five years, Amidon-Bowen has submitted multiple service requests to the Department of General Services (DGS) to repair indoor and outdoor flooring issues. The oldest work order, placed in July 2014, concerned restoring the gymnasium floor, which was, and still is, heavily utilized as

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Amidon-Bowen Elementary School

Photo by Matthew Koehler



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## New Team at "The Southwester"

"The Southwester" is proud to announce its new team. As of this month, former Copy Editor Mike Goodman is taking the helm as the new Editor-in-Chief, and Southwest resident Matt Koehler has joined the staff as the new Copy Editor.

Mike has served as Copy Editor of "The Southwester" for the last year and has lived in Southwest since 2011. He has advocated for greater education funding at DC public schools, learned to sail at DC Sail, and previously volunteered at National Zoo. Mike is a proud Amidon-Bowen Elementary School parent, and also works as a government affairs consultant right here in Southwest. He lives in Capitol Park II with wife, Allison, and daughter, Ella, and is also lucky to have his mother, Susan, in the neighborhood.

Matt is serving as Copy Editor for the first time ever but is excited to be taking on the role at "The Southwester." He and his wife moved to Southwest in mid-2013, right before their daughter started to walk. In another lifetime, he was an ESL teacher in Japan, even teaching in DC part-time for a while, before becoming a stay-at-home-parent. Currently, he freelance writes and edits while chasing down stories that DC residents will find interesting and informative. He lives in Carrollsburg with his wife, Caroline, and daughter, Cecilia, and is always on the lookout for obscure beers.

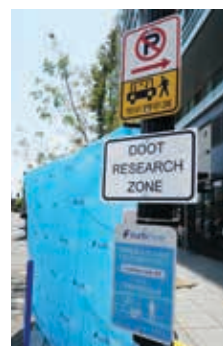
Staff positions at "The Southwester" are unpaid, volunteer positions, and report to the Board of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly (SWNA).

## Ownership Change at Randall School Site

BY SOUTHWESTER STAFF

National real estate developer, Lowe, has acquired the former Randall School site on Eye St. SW. The site was previously operated by a partnership between Telesis Corporation and the Rubell family.

Lowe will now proceed with the 500,000 square-foot redevelopment, which will include a 31,000 square-foot contemporary art museum featuring art from the world-renowned Rubell Family Collection. The museum will be free to all DC residents. In addition to the museum, the development will include 18,000 square-feet of office space, and a 12-story building with 489 residential apartments. The design also includes a large park area, spanning nearly an acre, intended as an area to be used for relaxation and recreation. Construction is expected to begin in 2020.



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Photo by Perry Klein

At left (in yellow) is Donna Purchase, Acting President of SWNA. At center (in yellow) is Jan Adams of JMA Solutions. At right (in gray) is Coralie Farlee, President of Friends of Southwest DC. The Friends of Southwest DC is sponsoring five students for the 2019-2020 academic year.

# Southwest Students Awarded College Scholarships

BY AUDREY HINTON, MEMBER,  
SWNA EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP  
TASK FORCE

On Sunday, Aug. 4, the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly's Education and Scholarship Task Force (SWNA ESTF) awarded 19 Southwest youths with college scholarships. The event, "45 Years of Awarding College Scholarships," was held at Westminster Church, with Bonita V. White, ESTF member, serving as Mistress of Ceremonies.

In her opening remarks, Donna Purchase, Acting President of SWNA, spoke of ESTF's goal of encouraging and assisting youth in DC's Ward 6 to pursue a secondary education. Purchase said, "We have learned that obtaining such an education is the surest way for our young people to carve out a successful and rewarding life for themselves." She also thanked attendees for their generous contributions to the scholarship program which, for over 45 years, has awarded more than 400 scholarships, totaling more than \$250,000, to approximately 200 neighborhood youth.

Peri Hamlin, another ESTF member, spoke about the importance of giving back to the community in her introduction of guest speaker Jan Adams, a philanthropist and President and CEO of JMA Solutions—a management services firm headquartered in Southwest.

Adams advised the students about the importance of having a mentor. She encouraged them to identify two or three people who they think can assist them in achieving their goals, talk with

those people about their ideas, then to follow through with what they suggest. "A true mentor," she said, "will want you to be better than they are." Adams also advised the students about the importance of giving back to their community with money or time or both. "I would not be in the position I am in today," she said, "without mentorship, giving back, and a strong support circle. In order to fly, you must build your wings, and your wings are the people who you surround yourself with." In her closing remarks, Adams stated that she would be donating \$10,000 to the scholarship program the next day—she received a standing ovation.

Many in the audience sang along with Edward Yarsky, a 2018-2019 scholarship recipient and accomplished musician, while he played his guitar and sang Al Green's "Let's Stay Together."

Perry Klein, Chair, SWNA Technology Task Force, announced that computers are available to any students who received scholarships. So far, four students have received them.

Ava Millstone and Alex O'Sullivan discussed the tutoring program at Amidon-Bowen Elementary School, which was started in 2019 by ESTF under the leadership of Robert St. Cyr. Millstone, Tutoring Coordinator, noted that students came into the program two or three grade levels behind in math. At the end of the year, almost all the students were either at grade level or slightly behind. Students who were not in the program, however, did not show similar improvements. O'Sullivan,

a 10<sup>th</sup> grade student at Basis Charter School and a Tutor of the Month at Amidon-Bowen, said that tutoring has been a very fulfilling experience for him and that he is impressed by how eager the students are to learn. Both encouraged attendees to become tutors.

Benjamin C. Sands, Jr., a musician, educator and visual artist who was a 1975-1977 scholarship recipient, performed an original piano composition and encouraged all to attend the August 9th Jazz Night event where he would premier his autobiographical presentation of art, music and the spoken word. During the Jazz Night event, \$4,000 was raised for ESTF's 2019 scholarship program.

ESTF member Delmar Weather introduced the scholarship recipients and presented each with a laminated certificate of congratulations for their academic achievement. They are: Sam Anderson, Raven Berry, Monique Chambers, Danielle Crutchfield, Nicla DiBiasi, Daytia Foote, Roman Hamilton, Christopher Johnson, Omar Mahmoud, Jada Miles, Nicholas Moses, Philip O'Sullivan, Samantha O'Sullivan, Kendall Parks, Najma Pettiford, Dayonna Queen, Aaliyah Wilkinson, Donja Wilkinson, and Edward Yarsky.

ESTF Chair Vyllorya Evans expressed her appreciation for the support ESTF has received over the years from the Friends of Southwest DC (FOS) and presented its president, Coralie Farlee, with an Award of Special Recognition. Over the past 10 years, FOS has awarded more than 30 students almost \$50,000.

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# September Transitions

BY KATE MILLER

September! That time of year when pumpkin spice comes out. Kids go back to school. The trees start to lose their leaves, and the holidays are barreling down. While September happens for everyone of all ages, I was particularly interested in what moms feel this time of year and wanted to know their go-to strategies for moving forward into school. I asked local SW moms, moms I work with, and moms from Vacation Bible School programs, and these are their go-to thoughts for parents and for children:

Parents:

1. Right now, mark the first day of school in your calendar, and schedule the end-of-the-week celebration dinner at the restaurant of your child’s choice.
2. Schedule a dinner for you and yours too, clearly on another day—just to celebrate another summer of family fun in the books!
3. Fall time, bed-time schedules for the entire family. If you think your child is the only one who needs a fall time, bed-time schedule, think again.
  - a. For parents:
    - try that new red wine without the kiddos present
    - catch up on your dvd player
    - meals for two that don’t include chicken nuggets
    - adult only (yeah) over the fence neighborhood conversations that don’t include the directives, “stop it, quit, play nice”
  - b. For kids:
    - new glow in the dark ceiling stickers
    - new bedtime books or stories
    - new jammies

Kids:

1. Summer-time memory books. If you keep memory boxes for your children, consider helping them make a short, summer 2019 memory book. The book could include pictures, drawings, rocks, leaves, or whatever made for a super summer. This project could help ease the summer (no-school) to fall (school) transition.
2. Designate a special place for home-



Kate Miller

work. This could be special plastic boxes to hold homework to a nook in your home, or special tablecloth which means: study time.

3. While the weather is warmer create special transportation days: Monday=Metro, Tuesday=bike, Wednesday=scooter, and other options, such as: bus, walk, and/or car days.
4. Support your child with notes in their backpack or lunchbox for the first week, or until they have reconnected with friends and the routine of school.

I know for myself September is a blend of excitement and bittersweet. I am excited as my children head back to school, and I wonder what they will learn, and how they will grow. And yet, I experience a sense of bittersweet too as I reconcile that another summer is over, and my children’s sun-kissed skin will fade, and our over-consumption of ice cream will cease (that’s a good thing). I have to remind myself it is a classic transition time of year.

And, do note, that while these tips were provided by moms for children returning to school, if you are a home that has no children, these tips could easily work if you are transitioning into a new job, new degree program, or new home.

Remember that transition, no matter the time of year, is all about creating personal ideas, skills, or goals that help you navigate with SUCCESS!

Have a SUPER September!

## SCHOLARSHIPS

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With the celebration coming to a close, Thelma D. Jones, Chair, SWNA Youth Activities Task Force, graciously thanked the audience for their continued support and investment in Southwest youth. She also shared how ESTF, the Technology Task Force and YATF worked closely together, noting that at least four YATF Computers-for-Kids students are recipi-

ents of scholarship awards. Jones reminded the audience that ESTF is still accepting donations so that it can fulfill its goal of giving each of the 19 students a \$1,500 scholarship.

To make a tax-deductible donation to this worthy cause, please make your check payable to SWNA, noting Scholarship in the memo line, and mail it to: SWNA Scholarship Fund, PO Box 70131, Washington, DC 20024-0131.



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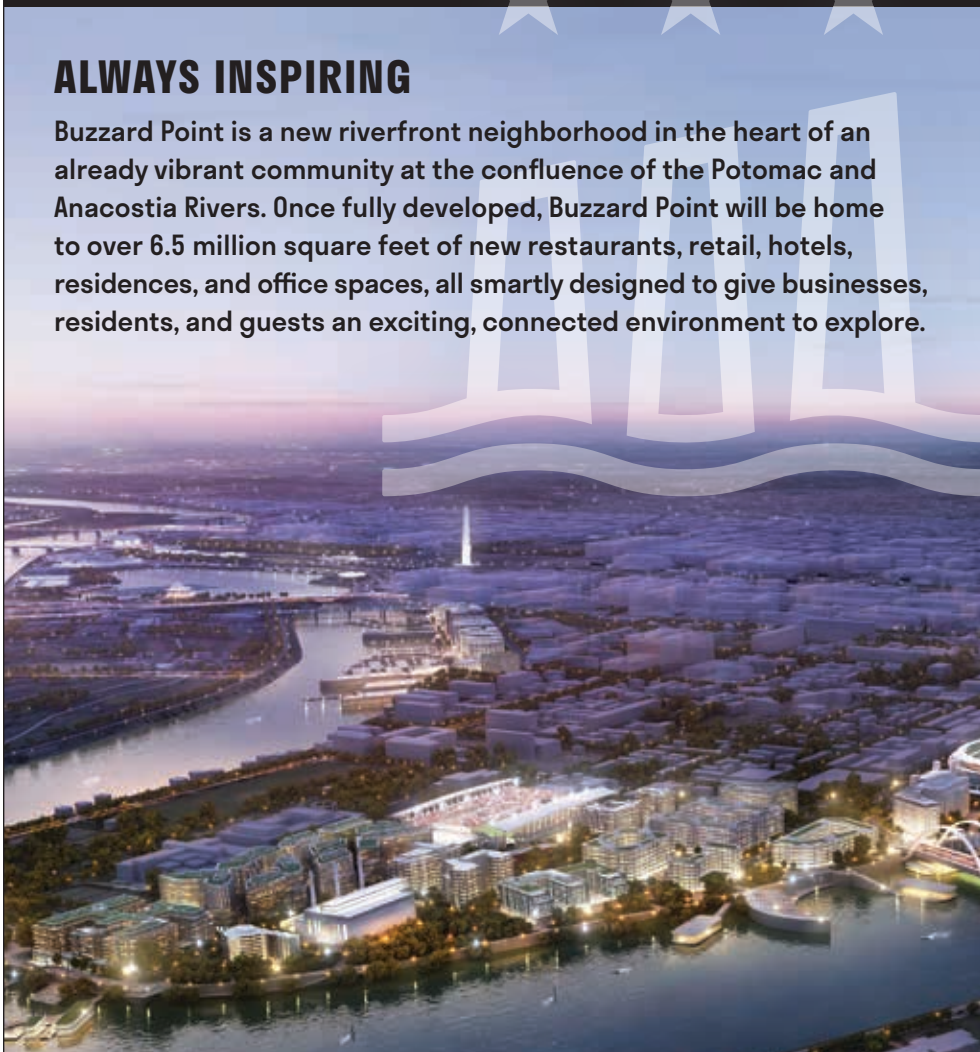
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**We are waiting to hear from you!**

## Extra! Extra! Read All About the Wharf from Wharf Life DC

BY RAMSEY POSTON

Getting news and information about The Wharf just got a lot easier with the launch of WharfLifeDC.com.

The new site provides in-depth information about where to eat, drink, play, and live at The Wharf. There are reviews about restaurants, articles about happy hours and special events, and helpful hints about getting around. For example, Wharf Life provides good information about how to best get to the Wharf: Hint, they are not advocates of driving.

The organizers of Wharf Life DC realized the need for an independent source of information for new and returning visitors, thus Wharf Life DC was born! Specifically, the site was launched to increase awareness about the merchants, their employees, and their products—year round.

The platform is positive and upbeat. Their role, as they see it, is to provide accurate information about the Wharf neighborhood while having some fun.

The most popular recurring posts are the weekly music schedule, calendar of free events, and sales and deals of the week. The free events and sales posts are really useful because there's often a misperception that everything at the Wharf is very expensive and commercial, yet there *are* lots of free events and shopping deals.

For example, Union Stage, Pearl Street Warehouse, and the Wharf host free concerts almost every week. You can also get a falafel and some of the best vegan French fries you will find anywhere at Falafel Inc. for \$6. Captain White Seafood City and Jessie Taylor Seafood provide great deals on cooked and fresh seafood.



Most of the merchants and retailers are small businesses or family owned, such as Toastique, Velo Cafe, Diamant Jewelry, A Beautiful Closet and SW Soda Pop Shop. They might not get *The Washington Post* or *City Paper* treatment but they will be featured in Wharf Life DC and its social media pages.

Wharf Life DC is entirely written and edited by people who live at The Wharf. They've eaten at every restaurant, had drinks at every bar, are regulars at the music venues and do their shopping at The Wharf. As a result, the team knows the bartenders, servers, chefs, shop owners, security guards and parking attendants. Who better to get info about the Wharf than from them?

Wharf Life's home is at [www.WharfLifeDC.com](http://www.WharfLifeDC.com) and you can follow Wharf Life DC on Facebook @WharfLifeDC, Instagram @WharfLifeDC, and Twitter @WharfLifeDC.

*Ramsey Poston is the owner and editor-in-chief of Wharf Life DC.*

## In October, Real Men Wear Pink

Real Men Wear Pink recognizes men who want to make a difference in the fight against breast cancer. These distinguished men commit to raising awareness and funds in support of research and local patient programs. Throughout October, these Real Men wear pink every day to spread awareness of the cause to their networks. At American Cancer Society's Pink Tie Gala on Saturday, Nov. 2, candidates are invited to bring their family and friends to an evening of celebration to include a cocktail hour, silent auction, dinner, mission program, and awards ceremony. If you know of a Real Man you would like to nominate, please pass along the following information to [Kelly.skahan@cancer.org](mailto:Kelly.skahan@cancer.org) (Candidate Name, Candidate Contact info—email and phone; Is this candidate aware of their nomination? Yes/No). Southwest's own Thelma D. Jones Breast Cancer Fund is helping to spread the word and recruit Real Men candidates who lend support to both organizations as local leaders in the breast cancer community.





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- OCTOBER 5**  
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# Tour Southwest Floating Homes in their New Home

## First Liveaboard Boat Tour of the Wharf Era

BY MARGARET L. JOHNSON

From the waterfront along the Washington Channel, you've probably seen the liveaboard boats and barges of the Wharf Gangplank Marina, south of the District Wharf's recreational pier. Maybe you've wondered what it's like to live in such unusual spaces. This fall, you'll have the chance to see inside some of those homes and find out.

On Saturday, Oct. 5, the residents of the marina will hold their sixth-ever home tour of the floating neighborhood. It's the first time the homes have been open to the public since the District Wharf opened in 2017. The marina has gone through dramatic changes—including moving about 200 yards downriver—and many new faces have arrived around the docks.

The marina dates back more than 35 years, however since the earliest days of the capital, Southwest waterfront has been home to people who lived and worked on boats. Comprising the largest liveaboard population on the East Coast, "Gangplankers" are a tight-knit and diverse community. The marina has evolved over the years, and many people have been attracted by the unique lifestyle. From the famous (or infamous) residents such as scandalous senators, to the everyday families just making a life on the water, throughout its history the marina has seen all stripes of residents on its docks.

Twenty-three of the homes will open their doors—

or in some cases, hatches—to visitors for self-guided touring. The boat owners and hosts will be on hand to answer questions. The homes are as singular as the people who live aboard them. Check out a renovated barge with a beautiful and spacious open-plan kitchen. Step aboard a 54-foot cruiser that's home to a family with two young kids. Inside the largest houseboat in the marina, you may even forget you're on the water...until you catch the beautiful views out the window. No two floating homes are alike!

Can you garden on a boat? Have dogs and cats? Take your home out on the water for a weekend getaway? Find out all the answers on Oct. 5.

The Boat-Home Tour will take place between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5 (rain or shine), at Gangplank Marina, 600 Water St., SW (entrance near Waterfront Park). Tickets and more information are available at [www.dchouseboat.org](http://www.dchouseboat.org).

The liveaboards especially enjoy welcoming their Southwest neighbors, so residents of the 20024 zip code get a discounted ticket price of \$20 (the usual ticket price is \$25). Proceeds from the tour go to organizations doing great work in Southwest: recipients of funds raised from the tour include Friends of the Southwest Library, Amidon-Bowen Elementary School PTA, St. Augustine's neighborhood initiatives, DC Sail's local youth programs, and Potomac Riverkeeper's work keeping the waterways clean.

See you on Oct. 5!

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a basketball court and indoor play space. The second outstanding request, focused on the buckling floors of the multi-purpose room, which lead to tripping and falling hazards, had been submitted on numerous occasions. The last of the work orders, submitted over a year ago, details the hazards of the ABES playground, which is used as a gathering place for families and children outside of school hours.

With ABES students qualifying for national mathematics competitions, outperforming other students at the DCIAA Elementary School Track and Field Championships and teachers being named finalists for the Council of Chief State School Officers National Teacher of the Year Award—great and exciting things are happening at Amidon-Bowen. Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen, recognizing the past year's achievements of the school, has pledged to continue working on resolving these issues and investing in the school.

Earlier this spring, Councilmember Allen acknowledged that DGS did not have the

funds within their 2019 fiscal year budget to address the outstanding service requests.

In light of this, during the DC FY2020 budget proposal, he secured \$1.4 million in the budget towards the expansion and revamping of Amidon-Bowen's playground space. Repairs to the playground will entail a high investment in green space, the placement of a better playground surface, and new playground equipment—similar to the work done at Van Ness Elementary School's playground.

While the repairs of ABES' playground will begin during the 2020 summer, there is no date in place for the repairs to the multi-purpose room and gymnasium floors. There is hope that repairs can be completed during the school breaks, after the FY20 funds become available October 1.

Regarding the playground, Councilmember Allen wants to engage the school community and the neighborhood in creating a shared vision, stating "Playgrounds are a community space...when we do this right, [we] hope to make it an exciting [and] engaging space."

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# Prevent Cancer Health Fair and 5k at Nationals Park

BY LISA BERRY EDWARDS,  
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Step up to the plate for cancer prevention and come down to Nationals Park on Sunday, Nov. 3 for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Prevent Cancer Health Fair and 5k Walk/Run. The Foundation will bring the community together for a day of healthy fun to support lifesaving cancer prevention and early detection programs across the country.

Here are the top 5 things to look forward to at the event:

**Free health services.** More than 30 local health and fitness partners will offer services such as health screenings and flu shots, healthy snacks, massages, giveaways and more.

**Exclusive access to Nats Park.** After the 5k, you and your family can take a swing in the Nationals batting cages and hang in the dugouts down on the field.



The starting line of the 5k

Photo Courtesy of Jack Hartzman Photography

**Family fun.** All kids 12 and under are FREE. Check out the kids parkour course

and face-painting for all ages, plus a Kids Zone and jungle gym for youngsters. The

event is both stroller- and dog-friendly and there will be a shortened “Fun Run” for kids, dogs and anyone who does not want to run or walk the full course.

**Getting active.** Physical activity is an important part of living a healthy lifestyle and reducing your cancer risk. Before running or walking the 5k, you can get warmed up with a quick lesson from cardio kickboxing trainer Geni Lee. The 5k is not a timed race, so everyone can join in on the fun!

**Fundraising for a good cause.** Start a team or fundraise alone; you may even win an award, such as “biggest team” or “highest fundraiser.” Your fundraising dollars support the Prevent Cancer Foundation.

To register and learn more, visit: [preventcancer5k.org](http://preventcancer5k.org).

Cost of registration is \$20 for participants ages 13-16 and \$35 for ages 17+. The event will take place rain or shine.

## Meet SWBID Ambassador Roland Bunch

BY DONNA PURCHASE

*Southwest DC is “the place to be.” We continue to spotlight the dedicated staff of the SWBID who are focused on making Southwest a clean, safe, vibrant community in which to live, work, visit and play!*

Roland Bunch is originally from Brooklyn NY, but when his mother passed in 2007, he decided to move to DC where he has family. He was introduced to the SWBID by a friend who works on the team. He was very excited about the opportunity and overjoyed when he was hired. Roland started out as one of the SW Ambassadors, then was eventually promoted to the landscaping team where he is the second lead. He is part of the team that is putting up the new planters around the neighborhood; as a matter of fact, he worked on the new plantings at the Duck Pond. I remember the first day I saw them and posted a thank you on Instagram!

Roland says he loves coming to work and likes all the support and camaraderie in the office. It is like being part of a family. (Note: this is a constant comment from SWBID employees.)

He currently lives in West Hyattsville but he aspires to live in SW.

SWBID COO Andre Witt says, “Roland has been a great find for SWBID, he brings a wealth of landscaping knowledge to the team and has played a tremendous role in help-



Roland Bunch

Photo Courtesy of SWBID

ing the BID advance the landscaping operations. Roland is a hard worker who you can really count on to get the job done.”

### Roland's Favorites

**Movie:** “One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest”

**Music:** Jazz—“These are a few of my Favorite Things” by John Coltrane

**Sports:** Football—Pittsburgh Steelers

**SW Spot:** The Wharf—being around people from all walks of life

**Best thing about his job:** Meeting new people and being part of a supportive team

**Proudest moment:** When his grandson was born—he’s five now.

**Favorite quote:** “You think I won’t when I will.”

So when you’re out and about, be sure to say hello to Roland. He’s there for you!

## Present and Future: Green Infrastructure at the Wharf

BY BETH HALL

The Wharf is known for its environmentally friendly architecture and features. From the beginning, the project was designed to include green roofs, rainwater collection systems and other green features. On an ongoing basis, these features help prevent thousands of gallons of water from flowing into our storm sewer and into the Potomac River.

Green roofs are one example of green infrastructure. Today, about 50% of the buildings at the Wharf feature a green roof. Green roofs have soil and plants covering the flat surface and usually feature a waterproof membrane under the soil. They work by absorbing rainfall that

would otherwise run off. In the summertime, a green roof can capture up to 90% of normal rainfall.

Additional environmental benefits associated with green roofs are reducing energy use and mitigating the heat island effect. A heat island is an urban area that is significantly warmer than rural areas due to human activities.

Some of the buildings with green roofs at the Wharf feature bars and food. Popular building rooftops include Officina, which has a flowering garden, lounge furniture and a fire pit; Tiki TNT’s rooftop is dotted with pink flamingos; Whiskey Charlie has a green roof which frames views of the rotunda.

See “Infrastructure,” page 12

## Crafty Bastards Coming to Southwest

BY SOUTHWESTER STAFF

Are you into crafts and being outdoors? Well then, Southwest DC has an event for you!

Set to kick off September 28, the District’s premiere two-day entrepreneurial craft event (ending on the 29th), Crafty Bastards Arts and Makers Festival, will take place at the Akridge Lot at Buzzard Point, 1880 2nd St SW, near Audi Field. Sponsored by Washington City Paper, the festival has a rich history dating all the way back to 2003 and features a wide range of knick knacks from household goods, jewelry, toys, and more.

One day and weekend passes are on sale now. Details here: <https://www.craftybastardsdc.com/tickets-1>.

If you want to get in on the action in a more involved role, you can still volunteer to help out here: <https://www.craftybastardsdc.com/volunteer>

The vendor participation window has already closed.



# 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF APOLLO 11

July marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Apollo 11 landing on the moon. Southwest's own Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum celebrated this anniversary with events including a visual projection of the Saturn V rocket on the Washington Monument as a part of the "Apollo 50: Go for the Moon" show, and an opportunity to view Neil Armstrong's Apollo 11 spacesuit.

At right: The Washington Monument is lit up with a projection of the Saturn V rocket that took the Apollo 11 crew to the moon 50 years ago.



Smithsonian Photo by Jim Preston

Photo by Benjamin G. Sullivan



Above: The scene on the National Mall as the countdown goes to zero, during the "Apollo 50: Go for the Moon" show on July 20. Smithsonian

At right: The moon is projected on top of the Washington Monument at the conclusion of the "Apollo 50: Go for the Moon" show on July 20.



Smithsonian Photo by Jim Preston



Smithsonian Photo by Eric Long

Above: Apollo 11 astronaut Neil Armstrong's spacesuit, which he wore to walk on the moon on July 20, 1969 in its new display case in the Wright Brothers gallery at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum on July 12.



Smithsonian Photo by Jim Preston

Above: Visitors fill the National Air and Space Museum on the anniversary of Apollo 11, in Southwest DC, on July 20.

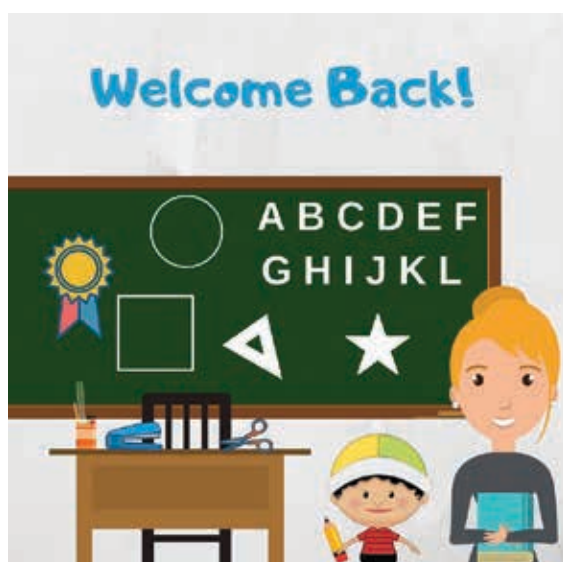




Each month check out the most recent issue of the paper for activities and games to help you discover SWDC! Have a suggestion? Email us: [editor@thesouthwester.com](mailto:editor@thesouthwester.com). Check out next month's issue for the answers!

## Spot the difference!

Can you spot the differences in the two scenes below?



2. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers from August 2019 issue

**Differences:** The cloud is green in one picture and white in the other; the sun has a face in one; there is a sailboat in one; the girl has glasses in one; the girl has ice cream in one and a popsicle in the other; the boy has a hat in one.

**Word Scramble:** There are 242 words you can make from “summertime.”

## WORD SEARCH: BACK TO SCHOOL!

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CLASSROOM  
LEARNING  
MATH

PENCIL  
PLAYGROUND  
SCIENCE  
STUDENT  
TEACHER

## Word scramble!

How many words can you make from LEARNING?

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal blue or grey ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.





Photo by Trent Johnson

2017 Wiener 500

# The Wiener 500: Back for its Eighth Run

BY SOUTHWESTER STAFF

Back for its eighth consecutive year, the District’s Wiener 500 will make its grand return at the District Pier at the Wharf on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 5 p.m. There will be food, music, and, given that it’s Oktoberfest, plenty of beer and more throughout the afternoon.



Photo by Mike Kim

2018 Wiener 500

Of course, there will also be fast pups, no more than 128 dachshunds to be exact, running for first, second, and third place. A whopping \$100 will be given to the grand champion with \$75 and \$50 going to second and third, respectively. Racing proceeds will go to benefit the Human Rescue Alliance.

Even if you don’t have a dog, you can come enjoy the festivities while tiny dachshunds try to outpace each other on the race track. Have a different breed dog but want to bring your pup? Don’t worry, your four-legged friend won’t be left out; there will be a “best dressed” contest for all other breeds.

This is a free family-friendly event. Participants can still register their best friend here: <http://www.wiener500.com/>

# Bon Voyage Jason!

BY DONNA PURCHASE

Southwest Neighborhood Assembly (SWNA) Waterfront Task Force chair Jason Kopp is off to Samoa for the next year. However, he’s not abandoning ship, he’s working with volunteers to take over the task force (more about that next month).

Jason has led the task force since 2015 and says their most significant accomplishment has been working with Councilman Charles Allen to provide input on the recently proposed District Waterways Management Act of 2019. The bill, introduced July 9, establishes the District Waterways Management Authority

and the District Waterways Management Commission to plan, manage and advocate for the diverse uses of and access to the District’s waterways and adjacent property, and to require the development of a District Waterways Management Action Plan.

You can “meet” Jason on the SWBID’s “Hello Neighbor” website (SWBID.org). Jason has lived on a houseboat since 2007 where he says he found a really tight community in the floating neighborhood of Gangplank Marina.

We will really miss Jason’s amazing photos of his water adventures!! Safe travels, Jason.



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INFRASTRUCTURE

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Other rainwater collection systems at the Wharf are beneath your feet. For example, the bicycle path along Maine Ave. is made of porous rubber that allows water to reach the tree roots below. Meanwhile, underneath Wharf Street is an Olympic size cistern—a holding tank that

catches rainwater falling on the road.

The quality of the environmentally friendly design features at the Wharf is set to continue on into the future. Following the completion of Phase 2, the Wharf is projected to achieve LEED Gold for Neighborhood Development. LEED stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design.

Hey Dog Owners!  
What's the POOP?

BY BRIDGET GONZALES,  
PAWS OF SOUTHWEST

Perhaps you've seen or smelled the little brown piles piling up around the neighborhood? It seems that some of our neighbors are neglecting their duties as a dog owner when it comes to #2. And let's face it, owning a dog in the city, in a densely populated neighborhood like SW, requires all of us to go the extra mile; dog waste can be a nuisance and a health concern if not picked up and handled appropriately.

Just to be clear, under District law, all dog walkers are required to pick up their dogs' poop unless it is a registered seeing-eye dog. It should also be obvious to everyone that ALL poop is stinky, messy and unsanitary, and nobody likes stepping in it no matter how tiny your dog's... er.... end product is.

So, for the inexperienced dog owner, new-to-Southwest DC resident, or the less-than-enthusiastic poop picker-upper, here are some neighborhood tips:

1. Carry poop bags with you on walks and bring extras just in case. (I always have at least 3, if not a roll). Ideally, biodegradable poop bags are best, but old produce, bread, or newspaper bags work as well. Just don't leave home without poop bags!!
2. Regardless of what "kind" of poop, you are required to pick it up!
3. Healthy dog poop should be solid and easy to pick up in whole pieces using a light touch—don't grab and squeeze! If the poop is in the grass, make a claw-

like circle with your fingers and then get as far under the pile as possible before lifting up the poop.

4. On occasion, every dog has a bout of diarrhea and that poop is no fun for anyone! Pick-up the best you can—yes, it might require a couple of tries and picking the grass up too! And, before you walk away, find some clean grass, mulch, dirt, gravel, or leaves to mix with the remains to cover up what is left behind.
5. Place bagged waste in a public waste can while on your walk; or take it home to place in *your* trash can. At home, be sure to put poop bags in larger bags of garbage so they are picked up by DPW; otherwise they might get left behind at the bottom of your garbage can. And be advised, it's illegal to put waste of any kind in another resident's garbage can.
6. Never throw or leave bags of poop on the ground or in a storm drain.
7. The unexpected happens—your pup poops and you're without a bag! Find some sticks and insert them in the ground around the poop as a marker, then go get a bag and return to the site to pick up the poop.
8. Respect your neighbors' private property. If possible, take your dog to low pedestrian traffic areas to do its business and keep them on the street side of the sidewalk for their regular walks.
9. Never take your pup to a playground or recreational field to do its business.
10. Send recommendations for where you'd like to see poop bag stations to PAWS of Southwest at pawsof-sw20024@gmail.com



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The SWNA Parks and Open Space Task Force invites you to join the **Friends of Titanic Memorial Park** for a picnic at the Titanic Memorial Park. Bring your blankets, chairs, snacks, and non-alcoholic drinks to enjoy one of our community's most cherished places with your SW neighbors!

Light refreshments will be provided.

**Location:** Near the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and P Street SW

**Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

**5-7 pm**



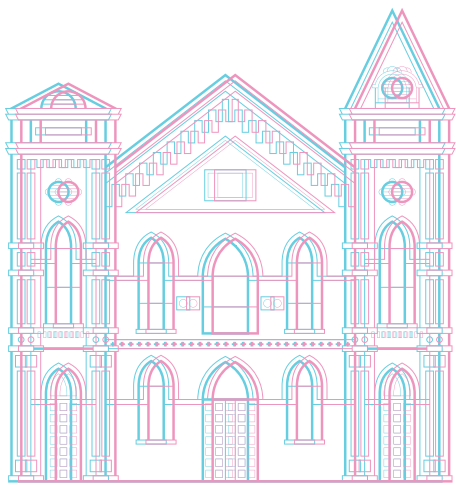
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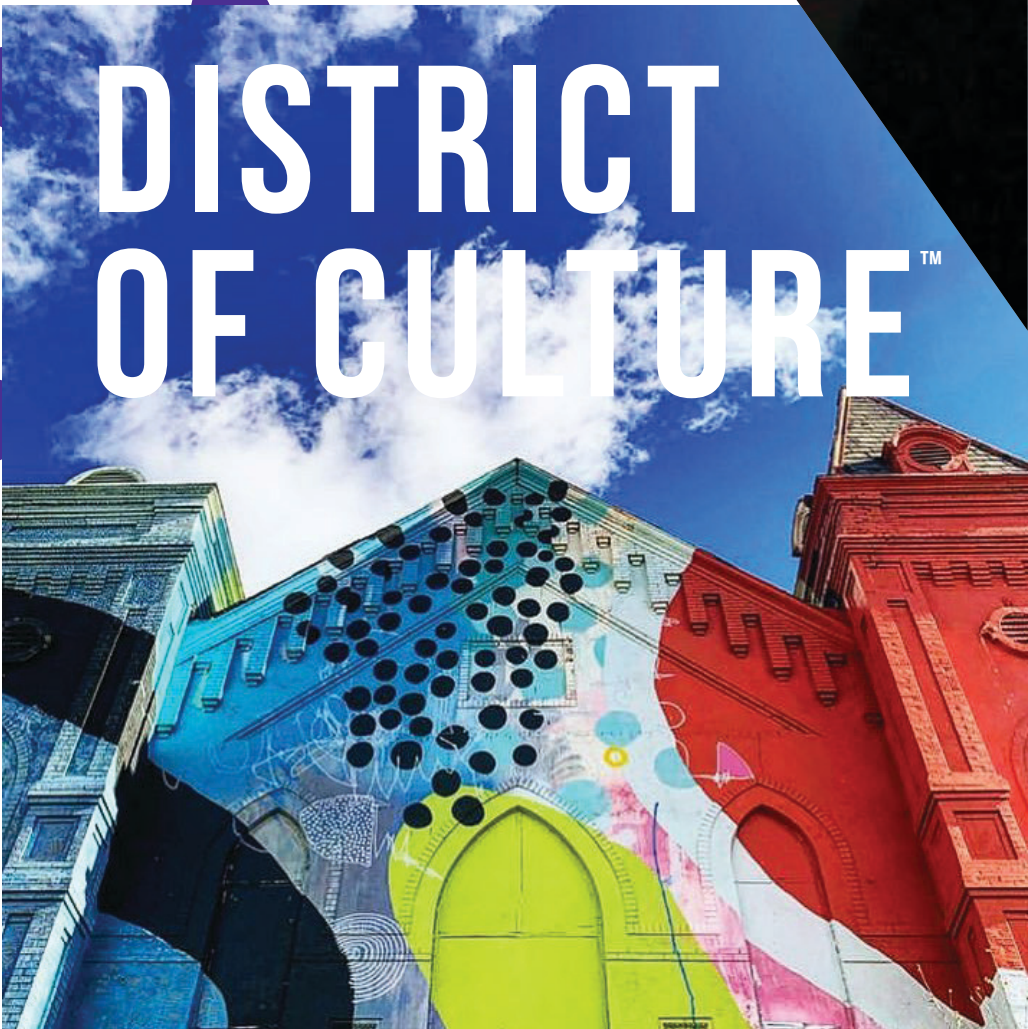
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## CULTURE HOUSE ANNIVERSARY

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# Amidon-Bowen Tutors of the Month

BY AVA MILLSTONE

**T**hank you to all of our neighbors who tutored young people at Amidon-Bowen Elementary School last academic year. The tutoring program, part of Southwest Neighborhood Assembly's Education and Scholarship Task Force, had a successful first year and is recruiting volunteers for this year.

Read more below about Amidon-Bowen's Tutors of the Month: Garon and Diane Reeves. Afterwards, if you feel inspired, sign up to learn more. There will be an Information Session on Sept. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Wharf, to kick off the 2019-20 school year. Please email [friends@communityscholar.org](mailto:friends@communityscholar.org) for more information and/or to sign up.

## Interview with Garon and Diane Reeves:

### How long have you lived in SW?

Garon has been commuting from the Raleigh, North Carolina area to work in DC for over nine years. Our first SW experience was when we rented a studio apartment at River Park and we really enjoyed the diversity and energy of the area. When we decided to get a more permanent residence, we were immediately drawn back to the SW area. We love the location and



Garon and Diane Reeves

Photo Courtesy of Robert St. Cyr

the neighborhood feel of our community.

### What do you do in your professional life?

Garon had been working as a government consultant until recently, making the switch to federal employee as an enterprise data architect for USDA. Diane is an author and children's book producer who focuses on career exploration books

for the middle grades through her company, Bright Futures Press.

### What made you get involved in the tutoring program at Amidon-Bowen?

Diane saw an ad seeking volunteer tutors in our online neighborhood newsletter and talked Garon into responding. It was alarming to hear that so many stu-

dents were so far behind in their math and reading skills.

### Describe your favorite moment so far from the program.

It was great news to hear that our student's math scores had improved, and very satisfying to see them grasp tough concepts.

### What is one thing you enjoy, appreciate or respect about your students?

It can't be easy for a child to spend an extra hour being tutored after a long day at school. We really appreciate their willingness to stick with it and do what it takes to master new skills. It was also nice to see the family support that our student had through his mother and siblings.

### Why should other SW community members consider joining the program as tutors next year?

It doesn't take much time or effort to really make a difference in a child's life. Standardized testing requires students to acquire a great deal of knowledge in a short amount of time. Third grade math is much more complex now than it was when we were that young. We hope that our efforts play at least a small part in preparing our students for success in life.



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Goddard School at The Wharf

## Goddard School Opens New Location at The Wharf

BY UNA YARSKY

With over 500 schools in 37 states, the Goddard School franchise opened its first DC location at the Wharf. The DC Goddard school is located at the intersection of 7th and I Streets, SW. The new school is owned and operated by third-generation franchisee Taylor Pope, along with his mother Anne Pope and his grandfather Don O'Brian.

This marks the third Goddard School opened by the Pope-O'Brian family, with the two other schools located in Chesapeake and Virginia Beach. Pope's mother, Ann Pope, and grandfather, Don O'Brian, are both a part of the Goddard leadership team.

The Goddard school has educated children from six weeks to five years of age for over thirty years. The school is known for teaching children to "learn through play," and has an overall goal of "lifelong

learning" for their students, as described by Taylor Pope. The school's well known enrichment programs include opportunities for students to learn yoga, sign language, Spanish, chess, and art, which increase in complexity as students progress through the school. Goddard teachers are also given the opportunity to tailor their curriculums and programs based on, as Pope says, "what they feel interests the students."

The DC Goddard school opened on July 29 and admission for this 2019 school year closes September 3. The school's hours run from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and they currently have 42 families enrolled with a total capacity of 111 families. These families consist of both new and old Southwest residents, and they will have a chance to meet and discuss with each other, as well as Goddard staff, during the monthly PTA meetings.

## DDOT Partners with CurbFlow to Mitigate Congestion in Southwest

BY ANNE MCNULTY

In August, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) launched their partnership with the mobility tech startup CurbFlow to test an app-coordinated effort for commercial operator pickup-dropoff locations around the city. The program is being implemented at two Southwest locations: the 1100 block of 4th St. SW and the 700 block of Maine Ave. SW. The pilot began on August 1 and will run for 12 weeks. It aims to decrease congestion and provide DDOT with the information they need to make data-driven decisions moving forward.

"DDOT is continually exploring innovative ways to address safety on our streets, and reduce traffic congestion," said DDOT Director Jeff Marootian. "By exploring new curbside management options through this partnership with CurbFlow, DDOT is able to keep traffic

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A CurbFlow research zone



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For more info, email [swgardensdc@gmail.com](mailto:swgardensdc@gmail.com).





# Op-Ed: Elevate Interval Fitness, A Year in Business

BY DAVID MAGIDA, FOUNDER

To Southwest Community,

It's hard for me to believe that it's already been a year since we officially opened our doors for business at the 301 M Building. In that time, it's been a pleasure immersing ourselves in the Southwest community while watching the neighborhood grow and evolve.

After only a year, we've managed to touch hundreds of lives by changing people's bodies, strengthening their minds and boosting their confidence. Those changes are what makes this lifestyle, and job, so meaningful to me and our team. To see so many of our Southwest neighbors enthusiastically engage in our program, our philosophy and our fitness community has truly been something special!

Maybe you've seen us working out in the field beside the Waterfront Metro stop, or you've walked past the huge sign on the side of the 301 M building. Or, maybe you've even given our program a try. Regardless, I encourage you to come join us for a free introductory workout, or a month trial of classes to experience what Elevate can do for you. My hope is to

meet and engage with more community members and impart some of my love of fitness on you.

This year saw the launch of not just this location but our BREAK|THROUGH program, a regimen of advanced "Strength" and "Endurance" classes designed for athletes to hyper-focus on one particular element of their fitness and take their progress to new heights. If you've spoken to anyone who has taken these classes, they will tell you they are life changing!

We also brought 130 athletes to the Spartan Race at Nationals Park, claiming the title of biggest team along the way.

We hosted countless private workouts for different buildings, organizations and businesses in the neighborhood, and plan to host many more. Talk to your HR directors, building managers or our team and we'll set up a fun event!

As we look forward to the coming year, we have many new developments on the horizon! We'll be launching the Elevate App shortly, for a more immersive fitness experience, as well as the launch of a digital program. This will include expanded mobility and recovery offerings. We'll also be adding to our equipment offerings to

diversify our program even more.

And of course, we'll be expanding our event calendar to provide our members with even more opportunities to test their bodies, minds and fitness. I wholeheartedly believe that entering a challenging event, beyond just "losing a few pounds," is the best way to ignite or expand the fire that fuels your training. Real goals lead to real results.

As we move forward with the rest of this year, I'd love the opportunity to meet you. To help make you stronger, faster, mentally tougher or more self-confident. To share my personal passion for fitness, our training philosophy and the Elevate mentality with you. And maybe even change the way you look at fitness. All it takes is for you to try a free class. Stop by the studio and we'll set you up.

We're here, and we're waiting for the opportunity to change your life. Take the first step and we'll take the next one with you.

Thanks for a great first year. Here's to many more!

For more information, call (202) 599-9099 or email: [southwest@elevateintervalfitness.com](mailto:southwest@elevateintervalfitness.com).

## CONGESTION

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flowing, maximize efficiency of our curbside space, and make data-driven decisions about next steps."

DDOT began experimenting with regulating pickup-dropoff zones, or PUDO zones, in October of 2017 in an effort to increase passenger safety by allowing for curbside access to the vehicle. The rise of car-sharing apps combined with a general increase in congestion and a shift towards more multimodal streets emphasized the importance of establishing and enforcing PUDO zones across the city.

DDOT is now broadening the scope of PUDO zones to include commercial players. Vehicles eligible to make reservations through the curbFlow app include parcel and goods delivery, couriers, and on-demand delivery.

The 1100 block of 4th St. SW and the 700 block of Maine Ave. SW are congested areas that see a high volume of commercial deliveries. CurbFlow will remove two to three parking spaces to accommodate the curb space needed for the commercial PUDO zone. DDOT will be monitoring this pilot and collecting needed data around curbside management that can ultimately increase safety and reduce congestion.

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AT AMIDON-BOWEN ELEMENTARY & JEFFERSON MIDDLE

Photos by Perry Klein



Above: Tiger, Talon and Screech

At right: ANC 6D Commissioner Rhonda Hamilton with Cdr Morgan Kane and E. Simmons of the Metropolitan Police 1st District. At right is Thelma Jones, Chair of SWNA's Youth Activities Task Force.



Above: Amidon-Bowen teachers with Talon of D.C. United.

At left: Ken LaCruise, Chair of the Community Benefits Coordinating Council (CBCC) and Dr. Rikki Kramer Vice-Chair, with Principal Sykes.



At right: ANC 6D Commissioner Rhonda Hamilton, CBCC Chair Ken LaCruise and Naomi Mitchell of Councilmember Charles Allen's office.



At left: Principal Dohmann addresses the school in Jefferson's newly rebuilt auditorium. The acoustics are much improved!



Above: Talon of D.C. United greets students with high-fives



Above: Volunteers from Christ United Methodist Church and the Southwest BID served breakfast to parents and teachers. Breakfast was donated by Potbelly and the Edgewood/Brookland Family Support Collaborative.



# Sackler Gallery's *My Iran: Six Women Photographers* Chronicles the Iranian Revolution and the 40 Years Since

BY SHEILA WICKOUSKI

Set against the contrasting background of urban Tehran and the natural landscape, *Somayeh*, by Newsha Tavakolian, is an almost life-sized looped projection. *Somayeh* stands amid dead tree branches, a gentle wind blows her blue headscarf and the clear plastic garbage bags caught in fallen tree limbs. She is unblinking, enveloped by the branches, but not swallowed by them. Far from being entrapped by upheaval and war, she is resolute in defining her life. Tavakolian has further recorded this in the series *Blank Pages of*



Above: *Witness 1979* By Hengameh Golestan  
At left: *A Long Wait* By Mitra Tabrizian

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*an Iranian Photo Album*, which follows *Somayeh*'s daily life as a teacher of English in an all girls school.

Persistence in the face of personal and political realities, is a theme shared by the artists in offering a female perspective from the beginning of the Iranian Revolution to the present.

One of the few photographers to doc-

ument the protests of the 1979 Islamic Revolution, when women were ordered to wear the chador or veil in public, Hengameh Golestan created the series *Witness*, a collection of untitled works of unveiled women. She herself is part of the crowd, not an outside onlooker, as she shares their short lived optimism in the early months of the revolution.

Juxtaposing before and after the revolution, Shadafarin Ghadirian uses themes from 19th-century Iranian photography to dress post-revolution women in historical clothing. They are posed with ordinary objects from contemporary life—a soda can, a newspaper, a bicycle—each with a

subtle meaning that accentuates the tension between tradition and modernity in post-revolutionary Iran.

Going back to the early 20th century, Malekeh Nayiny re-creates her childhood in Iran before she left for France in 1980. In *Observation*, digital alterations of photos of her family is an intimate biography of her parents and a personal memorial.

Works by Mitra Tabrizian and Gohar Dashti are placed together for dramatic effect. Both reference common symbols, like the suitcase, which embodies memory, identity and inner conflicts. Both create their own definitions of what it means to be Iranian, either within the country or outside of it.

Dashti, who works in Iran, focuses on those caught in physical and emotional

limbo. One work shows a line of people in a field, each with suitcases but going nowhere. Her portrait of a mother and child with a bloody dead fish from the series *Slow Decay*, or the line of eleven women clad in black in *Iran*, are about those who remained in Iran.

Tabrizian, based in London, portrays Iranian emigres who reluctantly left after the revolution. In *A Long Wait* from her series, *Border*, a woman sits in a chair in an otherwise empty room with a suitcase posed between her and a door. It is unclear how long has she been there, or even if she's coming or going. The work evokes an emotional response for her suffering, even as she conveys strength.

Two works stand out from the portraits. From Dashti's series, *Home*, are the views of the inside of houses, devoid of humans and overflowing with plants. What at first seems to be a digital creation, are actually rooms filled to the brim with vegetation by the artist. That natural life thrives even in the most abandoned of places, conveys the message of the persistence of life in times of political and social turmoil.

Whether the portraits were recreated digitally, staged or taken in real life, what they share in common as artworks is to present the authenticity of the subjects in the complex history of their time.

This exhibit is only part of the experience. The Sackler will host other events, including a program about women's voices in Persian poetry, which will be held in late October, and feature renowned translator of Persian poetry Dick Davis, as well as the author Azar Nafisi. The Iranian Film Festival will take place again next year and the gallery will be open until February 9, 2020.

## Southwest Moment



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The SWNA booth has a visitor, at Arena Stage's Community Day.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER

**FRI 6, 6:30 P.M. Game Night.** First Friday of every month. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church, 555 Water St., SW, 202-554-3222, [www.staugustinesdc.org](http://www.staugustinesdc.org)

**SAT 7, 10:30 A.M.-Noon. Komen Toastmasters.** Kids gone back to school? How about you? Visit us to see how we can help you develop public speaking and leadership skills. We meet on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month. Visitors welcome. Westminster Presbyterian Church, I & 4<sup>th</sup> St. SW

**SAT 7, 1:30 P.M. SOUTHWEST LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION.** A special encore discussion of **Killers of the Flower Moon** by David Grann. Southwest Interim Library, 425 M St. SW

**SAT 7, 2-5 P.M. Improving Concentration: Stillness Within w/ Gen Demo.** \$25 (\$12.50 students/seniors, included for members). In this class, we will learn what concentration is, why it is so important, and how to develop our powers of concentration through systematic training in breathing meditation. Concentration completely determines the power and effectiveness of our spiritual practice and the extent to which our mind is under control. Therefore, it is of paramount importance to our happiness and well-being and empowers our ability to be of greatest benefit to others. Drop-ins are welcome. 1200 Canal St. SW, [info@meditation-dc.org](mailto:info@meditation-dc.org)

**MON 9, 7 P.M. ANC6D Monthly Business Meeting.** 1100 4th Street SW, 2nd Floor. [www.anc6d.org](http://www.anc6d.org)

**MON 9, 7 P.M. At the Arena** – A community discussion of August Wilson’s play “Jitney”, which will be in production at Arena Stage, Sept. 13th-Oct. 20th. Please note that this discussion will be held at Southwest Interim Library, 425 M St SW, not at Arena Stage. Copies of the play are available at the Southwest Library. 425 M St. SW

**THURS 12, 6:30-8 P.M. Rain Storms, Floods, Hurricanes, Fires, Earthquakes. What To Do?** Come to a free talk and learn more. “A RESILIENT DC: How The District Plans to Thrive in the Face of Change” HARRISON NEWTON, Deputy Resilience Officer. Office of the Mayor, Location: Capital Yacht Club 800 Wharf St. SW

**THURS 12, 7-8:30 P.M. Monthly Labyrinth Walk with Live Music.** Come to walk the labyrinth or just listen to the music. Meet the artist at the end of the program. Refreshments served. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**SAT 14, 11 A.M.- 12:30 P.M. Introduction to Buddhist Meditation w/ Kelsang Yongchog.** \$12 (\$6 students/seniors, included for members) Do you keep hearing about all the benefits of meditation, but don’t know where to start? Or maybe you just want some pointers for improving your practice. This class is designed to help you learn meditation tips, improve the quality of your life, and gain an experience of inner peace. Drop-ins are welcome. 1200 Canal St. SW [info@meditation-dc.org](mailto:info@meditation-dc.org)

**SAT 14, 7-9 P.M. Faith & Film** presents **“Amazing Grace,”** a documentary film by Director Sydney Pollack over two days in 1972 as Aretha Franklin recorded the best-selling live gospel album of all time. Door prizes and Pizza. RSVP at 202-484-7700. Donations accepted. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**SUN 15, 10 AM The National Congress of Black Women 35th Annual Brunch:** Honoring the 50th Anniversary of Shirley Chisholm’s Election to Congress. The Thurgood Marshall Ballroom, Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, 2660 Woodley Road, NW, Washington, DC 20008. For more information on ticket orders, vending space, sponsorship information or ads, call (202) 678-6788 or visit [www.nationalcongressbw.org](http://www.nationalcongressbw.org).

**MON 16, Noon-2 P.M. The Southwest Waterfront AARP Chapter Fall Opening Luncheon** Business Meeting. Keynote Speaker: Charles Allen, Ward 6 Council Member, will join us for a Community Conversation. Everyone is welcome. Please come out and join friends, neighbors, meet new people and have a dialogue with Councilmember Charles Allen about Important Community Matters. River Park-South Common Room, 1311 Delaware Ave SW, Lunch Available–Cost \$5.00. For further information, contact Chapter President Betty Jean Tolbert Jones, [bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com](mailto:bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com) or 202-554-0901

**WED 18, 6 P.M. Thelma D. Jones Breast Cancer Fund 67th Birthday Celebration and the 7th Anniversary of the Founding of the Thelma D. Jones Breast Cancer Fund.** Guest Speaker will be Breast Cancer Champion Dr. Lori L. Wilson, Surgical Oncologist/ Surgeon, Howard University Hospital & College of Medicine. Birthdate tributes will be provided. Questions or to RSVP, contact [thelma@tdjbreastcancerfund.org](mailto:thelma@tdjbreastcancerfund.org) or (202) 251-1639. Location: St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church

**THURS 19, \*6-7:15 P.M. Yoga Nidra led by Pamela Wilson.** Meditate, Chant, Breathe, and Relax. Move toward healing your Mind, Body and Spirit. Invite your family and friends. No experience necessary. Bring a mat and light covering. \$10 Donation suggested. \*New Day and Time Westminster Presbyterian Church

**FRI 20, 7-8:30 P.M. Friday Night Lecture: Take Control of Your Life.** \$12 (\$6 students/seniors, included for members). Our thoughts and attitudes create all of our experiences. If we want to take control of our lives and find the happiness we long for, we must learn how to control our mind. Using meditation and Buddhist wisdom, we can reduce negative thinking and learn to think in ways that result in a more positive and peaceful outlook. Through training our mind, we develop the inner space to respond to daily challenges in more constructive ways, improving our relationships

with others and making our life truly meaningful. Drop-ins are welcome. 1200 Canal St. SW [info@meditation-dc.org](mailto:info@meditation-dc.org)

**SAT 21, 10 A.M.-1 P.M. A Buddhist Perspective on Life & Death,** \$25 (\$12.50 students/seniors, included for members). We are alive, therefore we will die. This is the simplest, most obvious truth of our existence, yet very few of us have really come to terms with this fact. Buddha gave extensive teachings on the death process, and how to use awareness of our death to live a more full and meaningful life. 1200 Canal St. SW [info@meditation-dc.org](mailto:info@meditation-dc.org)

**SAT 21, 10:30 A.M.-Noon. Komen Toastmasters** – Kids gone back to school? How about you? Visit us to see how we can help you develop public speaking and leadership skills. We –meet on the 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month. Visitors welcome. Westminster Presbyterian Church, I & 4th St SW

**SAT 21, 1:00 P.M. “How Well Do You Know Your Mate?”** Friendship Baptist Church, 900 Delaware Ave., SW. Donation: \$10. For additional information, please call 202-488-7417

**THURS 26, Noon, NARFE Chapter 2052, meeting** at Christ Methodist Church at 4th & I Street, SW, Please come and join us, ALL current and retired Federal employees! Contact: Gloria Harper-Simon, Secretary @ [ghsatty1@hotmail.com](mailto:ghsatty1@hotmail.com)

**THURS 26, 6:45 P.M. ABC Committee,** ANC6D. Alcohol license applications, renewals, enforcement and other issues. To be added to email list for agenda & notifications contact Coralie Farlee, Chair, ABC Committee, 202-554-4407, [cfarlee@mindspring.com](mailto:cfarlee@mindspring.com). Harbor Patrol, 550 Water St., SW

**FRI 27, 5-7 P.M. Picnic in the Park** at the Titanic Memorial Park. Looking for something to do when the SW Night Arts Market is on an off-week? The SWNA Parks and Open Space Task Force welcomes neighbors to join the Friends of Titanic Memorial Park for a picnic to kick off National Public Lands Day. Bring your blankets, chairs, snacks, and drinks to enjoy one of our community’s most treasured places! Free.

**SAT 28, Noon-Dusk. 18th Annual Jazz Preservation Festival.** Free to the Public. Preserving, promoting and extending the legacy of DC jazz. Come hear dozens of DC’s most creative jazz artists appearing all day. Art exhibits/sales, vendors, and our great home cooked food for sale all day. Plus, Ward6Initiative Health Slam Jam Fair with health screenings, discussions and more. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**SAT 28, 1:30 P.M. Southwest Library Book Discussion**—Copies of this month’s title, *The Line Becomes a River* by Francisco Cantu, are available at the Southwest Interim Library. 425 M St. SW

## WEEKLY, BIWEEKLY

**10U FLAG FOOTBALL,** Mondays-Fridays, 6-9 P.M., Ages 9-12, David Freeman, Randall Recreation Center, South Capitol and I Sts. SW (202) 554-6973

**12U FLAG FOOTBALL,** Mondays-Fridays, 6-9 P.M., Ages 11-12, David Freeman, Randall Recreation Center

**ADULT BEGINNER TENNIS,** Thursdays and Fridays, 6:30-8:30 P.M. All Ages, Randall Recreation Center

**ADULT BEGINNER TENNIS,** Saturdays, 1-2 P.M. Ages 18+, King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N St. SW, (202) 645-7454

**ADULT INTERMEDIATE TENNIS,** Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 P.M., Randall Recreation Center

**ALZHEIMER’S ASSN CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP,** 2nd Tuesdays of the month, 10:30-11:30 A.M. Free and open to the Public. Faith Presbyterian Church, 4161 S. Capitol St. SW

**ALZHEIMER’S ASSN CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP,** 4th Thursdays of the month. 11 A.M.-12 P.M. Free and open to the Public. St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church, 222 M Street SW

**ARTS FOR KIDS,** Tuesdays 5-6 P.M. Ages 6-12, Michelle Edmonds, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**BALLET,** Saturdays, 10:15-11:15 A.M. Ages 6-12, Alexis Miller & Jilian Carter, Randall Recreation Center

**BALLET,** Saturdays, 11:15 A.M-12:15 P.M. Ages 3-5, Alexis Miller & Jilian Carter, Randall Recreation Center

**BASKETBALL,** Ages 5-6 on Tues. & Thurs., 5-6 P.M.; Ages 7-8 on Thurs. & Fri., 6-7 P.M.; Ages 9-10 on Tues. & Thurs., 7-8 P.M.; Ages 11-12 on Tues. & Fri., 7-8 P.M.; Ages 13-14 on Fri., 8-9 P.M. All at King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**BLUES MONDAYS,** 6-9 P.M. Various Blues musicians and singers featured each Monday. \$5 cover and food for sale. Schedule at [www.westminsterdc.org/blues.html](http://www.westminsterdc.org/blues.html), Westminster Presbyterian Church

**BREAD FOR LIFE,** Sundays, 8-8:45 A.M. Free Breakfast, Hot Breakfast of eggs, pancakes, sausage, biscuits, juice and coffee. Seeking Volunteers to help cook, serve and set-up. Contact: [chee-cheemathis@staugustinesdc.org](mailto:chee-cheemathis@staugustinesdc.org). St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church Community Room, 555 Water Street SW

**CENTERING PRAYER,** Thursdays, 11:45 A.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church

**COMMUNITY BREAKFAST,** Every 3rd Saturday, 9-11 A.M. Rear entrance of Christ United Methodist Church, 900 4th St. SW, across from SW Library. \$5 donation

**COOKING LEVEL 1,** Wednesdays, 5:30-7 P.M. (Boys) Ages: 8-13, Safiyyah Aleem-Woods, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WALK-IN CLINIC,** Wednesdays, 1-4 P.M. Westminster Presbyterian Church, I & 4th St SW

**The DC DRAGON BOAT CLUB (DCDBC)** will be hosting beginners practice every Saturday unless we are racing that weekend. Please register on Meetup and before your first practice, remember to complete The waivers. (1) Sign Up on MeetUp <https://www.meetup.com/Dragon-Boat-Club> 2) Complete our waivers On [dcdragonboat.org](http://dcdragonboat.org)

**EVENING PRAYER,** Tuesdays, 6:30 P.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church

**FEDERAL CITY RUNNERS TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP RUN,** Tuesdays, 6:30 P.M. Meet by Waterfront Metro exit (near Safeway). Run distance: 4-5 miles. Runners of all paces welcome! Run year-round in rain, snow, or shine. RSVP at [www.meetup.com/fcrunners](http://www.meetup.com/fcrunners) to receive run updates or just show up!

**FITNESS BOOTCAMP,** Mondays and Wednesdays, 5-6 P.M., Ages 7-12, Randall Recreation Center

**FITNESS BOOTCAMP,** Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-7 P.M. Ages 18+, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**FITNESS BOOTCAMP,** Wednesdays and Fridays, 6:30-7:30 P.M. Ages 18+, Randall Recreation Center

**FLAG FOOTBALL,** Thursdays, 6-7 P.M., Ages 14U, Nathaniel Green, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**FOOTBALL 8 U,** Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 6-7 P.M. Ages 7-8, Ronald Hines, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**FREE DCROW** hosts Rows for seniors every 4th Friday and The Heroes Row (for vets, active duty military and first responders) every 3rd Saturday. More info: <https://www.dcrow.co>

**FRIDAY NIGHT FISHING,** 5:30-8:30 P.M. Free event for kids and families, and fisher-folks young and old! At the docks at Diamond Teague Park (in SE across from the baseball stadium)

**HAND DANCING,** Saturdays, 1-3:30 P.M. Ages 18 & up, Volunteer, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**HOT BREAKFAST SERVED** 10 A.M. Freewill Donation Accepted. All Welcome. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**JAZZ NIGHT IN SW,** Fridays, 6-9 P.M. Various Jazz musicians and singers featured each Friday. \$5. Food for sale. Schedule at [www.westminsterdc.org/jazz.html](http://www.westminsterdc.org/jazz.html). Westminster Presbyterian Church

**JOB SEEKING ASSISTANCE,** resume writing, mock interviews, and other job assistance. All are welcome. For more info call D.C. Mentoring and Assistance Program (D.C. MAAP) at 202-816-8572 or email [weared-cmaap@gmail.com](mailto:weared-cmaap@gmail.com)

**JUNIOR BEGINNER TENNIS,** Mondays, Wednesday and Friday, 3:30 P.M.-5:30 P.M. All ages. Randall Recreation Center

**JUNIOR BALLET,** Monday-Fridays, 3:30-4:30 P.M., Ages 6-13, Shaunte Anthony, Randall Recreation Center

**KEYS TO FREEDOM N/A Group,** Tuesdays, Noon-1 P.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church

**The KIWANIS CLUB OF SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT,** every first and third Monday, 6:30-7:30 P.M. Christ United Methodist Church

**KADAMPA MEDITATION CENTER,** Sundays, 10-11 A.M. Advice for Life and Kids Class (Not on 8/4/19). Thursdays, 7:15-8:30 P.M., Thursday Night Meditation Class. Weekly Chanted Prayers: Tuesdays – 5pm – 6pm – Heart Jewel; Sundays (Wishfulfilling Jewel w/ tsog) Tuesdays August 13th, 20th & 27th, 7:30-8:30 P.M. Taming the Mind, 3-Part Series w/ Kelsang Yongchog, Price: \$12 (\$6 for Student/Seniors – Included for members) Wednesdays August 14th & 21st, 7:30– 8:30 P.M. Fundamentals of Meditation, 2-Part Series w/ Gen Demo. Price: \$12 (\$6 for Student/Seniors – Included for members)

**KOMEN TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL** meets every 1st and 3rd Saturday, 10:30 A.M.-Noon. All are welcome. Details at: <https://www.toastmasters.org/Find-a-Club/00008714-00008714>, Westminster Presbyterian Church

**MACHINE PITCH,** Monday and Wednesdays, 6-7 P.M., Ages 6-13, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS,** Wednesdays, 7-8 P.M. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST,** Sundays 8 A.M.-8:45 A.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church .

**PICKLE BALL,** Tuesdays, 10:30 A.M.-1 P.M. Ages 55+, Volunteer, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**PRESCHOOL STORY TIME,** 10:30AM. Aug. 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th. Held at Politics and Prose at The Wharf.

**RED HAT SOCIETY,** Ladies over the age of 50 are invited to participate in monthly get-togethers, outings, parties, a book club and more. Contact: [mloadc@yahoo.com](mailto:mloadc@yahoo.com)

**SEATED YOGA TWICE A WEEK,** Mondays, 11 A.M-Noon and Wednesdays, 4-5 P.M. Pamela Wilson guides a gentle series of movements designed to free the joints and ease the mind. This is part of Westminster’s Wellness program. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**SENIOR BINGO,** Mondays and Thursdays, 1-3 P.M. Ages 55+, Lykeyia Lucas, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**SOUTHWEST RENEWAL A/A Group,** Wednesdays, 7 P.M. St. Augustine’s Episcopal Church

**SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT AARP Chapter 4751** monthly luncheon meetings are held every third Wednesday at 12:00 noon. Current AARP members, prospective members and visitors are welcome. Lunch is Available. Cost: \$5.00. River Park Mutual Homes’ South Common Room, 1311 Delaware Avenue SW. For further information, contact Chapter President Betty Jean Tolbert Jones, [bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com](mailto:bettyjeantolbertjones@yahoo.com) or 202-554-0901

**ST. AUGUSTINE’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH,** Sundays, Bread For Life Pancake Breakfast 8-8:45 A.M. 9:30 A.M. Worship Service and Holy Eucharist. Come Join us! All Are Welcome. 555 Water Street SW, (202) 554-3222

**ST. MATTHEWS LUTHERAN CHURCH,** Sundays 9:30 AM. All are Welcome. 222 M St. SW,

(202) 800-4600

**SUPREME TEENS,** Mondays, 6:30-7:30 P.M. Ages 13-19, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**SUPREME TEENS,** Wednesdays, 4-6 P.M. Ages 13-18, Randall Recreation Center

**SW FREEWAY,** NA, Wednesdays, 7-8 P.M. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**SW WATERFRONT HOOKS AND NEEDLES GROUP,** Mondays 2-4 P.M. Velo Café at District Bike & Hardware at The Wharf. All fiber crafters welcome

**SWING DANCE CLASSES,** Wednesdays, 7-9:30 P.M. Westminster Presbyterian Church

**TEE BALL,** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-6 P.M., Ages 3-6, Chamia Day, Randall Recreation Center

**TEE BALL,** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-7 P.M., Ages 3-6, Nathaniel Green, King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N Street SW

**TENNIS ABC**-Agility, Balance, Coordination, Mondays and Wednesdays, 1-2P.M. All ages. King Greenleaf Recreation Center, 201 N Street SW

**TENNIS ADULT BEGINNER,** Saturday, 1-2 P.M. Ages 18 & up, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**TINY TOT BALLET,** Saturdays, 10:15 A.M.-11:15 A.M., Ages 3-5 Alexis P. Miller, Randall Recreation Center, 25 I Street SW

**TINY TOTS NEED RECREATION TOO,** Thursdays & Fridays, 10:30-11:30 A.M. Ages 1-3 years, Michelle Edmonds, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**TINY TOT SOCCER,** Saturdays, 11 A.M. -12 Noon, Ages 5-13, Randall Recreation Center, 25 I Street SW

**TINY TOTS TENNIS,** Mondays, & Wednesdays 4-5 P.M. Ages 3-5, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**TINY TOT TENNIS,** Mondays, 4-5 P.M. Ages 18 & up, Randall Recreation Center, 25 I Street SW

**TTNRT!** Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30 A.M-11:30 A.M. Karenna Houser-Hall, Randall Recreation Center,

**VOLLEYBALL,** Tuesdays, 5:30-7 P.M. Ages 10-14, Safiyyah Aleem-Woods, King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**WASHINGTON STAMP COLLECTOR’S CLUB,** First and Third Wednesday each month, 7-9 P.M. Buy, trade and sell stamps. Refreshments provided. Christ United Methodist Church

**WATERCOLOR PAINTING,** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 P.M. Ages: 18+, Elin Whitney-Smith, Randall Recreation Center

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,** Sundays, 10 A.M. Hot Breakfast Served. Freewill donations accepted. All welcome. 10-10:45 A.M. Resistance Bible Study. 11 A.M. Worship Service. All Welcome. 11A.M. Vacation Bible School for children 4-10 years old.

**YOGA IN THE WATER: ALL-LEVELS CLASS,** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30-10:30 A.M. and Sundays, 12:30-1:30 P.M. with Pamela Wilson at Waterside Fitness and Swim Club, 901 6th St. SW. \$10 for class/day pass. For more information, call Waterside Fitness and Swim Club, 202-488-3701

**YOUNG LADIES ON THE RISE,** Thursdays, 5:30-7 P.M. Ages: 6-14, Michelle Edmonds, Game/Art Room at King Greenleaf Recreation Center

**ZUMBA,** Mondays-Friday, 6-9 P.M. Ages 7-8, David Freeman, Randall Recreation Center

View our on-line calendar at [www.swna.org](http://www.swna.org)

Submit Calendar events to [calendar@thesouthwester.com](mailto:calendar@thesouthwester.com) by the 15th of the month preceding the month it is scheduled.



Photo Contest Winner:  
Anne McNulty



Check out the newly landscaped Dean Wilhelm Memorial Park, thanks to the SWBID crew in blue. It's located near the intersection of 6th St and Virginia Ave SW

Westminster's Faith & Film  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019**  
Join us as we screen  
**AMAZING GRACE**  
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A documentary filmed by director Sydney Pollack over two days in 1972 as Aretha Franklin recorded the best-selling live gospel album of all time. Filmed in the New Temple Missionary Baptist Church in the Watts section of Los Angeles with gospel star James Cleveland and the Southern California Community Choir.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 I Street, SW  
**Doors open at 6:30. Film starts at 7:00pm**

A MESSAGE FROM REV. HARRY STOCK

It is with great excitement and joy that I announce that this will be my last Faith & Film. We started Faith & Film twelve years ago and it has been a wonderful and blessed journey for me. I still remember our first film "The Last Temptation of Christ." We had eighteen people. Over the years the attendance has bounced all over the place with our largest attendance being for "Hidden Figures" with over a hundred people. We've seen some wonderful films and we've have had some great discussions. I am forever grateful for everyone who has made my time with Faith & Film such an incredible experience. But, with my travels to churches on weekends with my Scrolls Revealed Ministries I have to turn the reigns over to someone else who I am sure will continue to bring you great movies and lead you in more great discussions. I hope you can join me for this fun night.

Following the showing of the film there will be  
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In order to plan on the number of pizzas – please rsvp at 202-484-7700 or [wpcdooffice@gmail.com](mailto:wpcdooffice@gmail.com)



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