

# **Shepherd Park News**

A quarterly newsletter for the residents of Shepherd Park, Colonial Village and North Portal Estates

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# **Change Comes to SPCA for 2009**

■ By Charisse Brossard.

Thank you to the 140 neighbors who have already paid their 2009 dues. We are off to a great start! In the spirit of change that has taken over our country, the Shepherd Park Citizens Association has added something new for 2009 – all new and renewing SPCA members will receive an oval "SP" sticker. We hope all our 2009 SPCA members will proudly display their new stickers. If you have sent in a check and haven't received your new sticker yet, know that it is



on its way. Our SPCA board members will be hand delivering your "SP" sticker along with a thank you note. Dues are just \$20 per household and SPCA membership also entitles your household to receive discounts on our new SPCA t-shirts, Garden Tour tickets, and the Yard Sale registration fee. If you misplaced the membership envelope sent to you at the beginning of January, please clip out the membership form on page 2 and mail it in today.

Your contributions are vital to our community outreach programs such as the Annual Picnic, Yard Sale, Garden Tour, Halloween Parade, Potluck Dinner, and community meetings de-

signed for neighbors to learn more about issues affecting our community. Your dues also support the SPCA newsletter and are used to support our school and community beautification efforts and new efforts like our showing of "The Great Debaters" on February 27 as part of Black History Month.

SPCA's membership goal last year was 500 and we just missed the mark with 415 memberships. This is less than 30 percent of the 1500 households in the SPCA membership area and does not reflect the activism and community spirit of the Shepherd Park community. Shepherd Park is truly a neighborhood like no other in Washington, and we welcome one and all to join.

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Once again many thanks to the 140 neighbors who have already paid their 2009 dues, we need the rest of you to join the SPCA and make our neighborhood all that it can be!

# **New Shepherd Park T-Shirts**



We've just received our new stock of Shepherd Park t-shirts. The short sleeve 100% cotton shirts are available in white with green lettering and kelly green with white lettering. Adult (S-M-L-XL-XXL, \$15/\$12 for SPCA members) and youth (S-M-L, \$12/\$10 for SPCA members) sizes available. Call Angela Martin at 723-0323 to get yours. Free delivery in the SPCA membership area!



# 2009 SPCA Membership Application

Name	
Please list all adult household members.	
Address:	
email:	
Phone Number:	
Signature:	
☐ I want to join SPCA and live in the area bordered by Eastern Avenue on the north, Aspen Street on the south, Georgia Avenue (west side) on the east, and Rock Creek Park on the west.	
<ul> <li>I don't live in the neighborhood, but would like to be a community supporter of SPCA.</li> </ul>	
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\$Dues: \$20/household \$Contribution \$TOTAL	
Make your check payable to SPCA and mail to: SPCA, 7826 Eastern Ave., NW Suite 300, Washington, DC 20012	

# **Calendar of SPCA Events**



- SPCA Movie Night:
  - "The Great Debaters," Fri, Feb 27, 7 pm, Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 I 6th St NW
- SPCA Community Meeting: Tues, Apr 14, 7 pm, Shepherd Elem.
- Garden Tour: Sun, May 17

- Yard Sale:
- Sat & Sun, June 6-7, 9 am-3 pm
- SPCA Annual
   Meeting & Election:
   Tues, June 9, 7 pm, Shepherd Elem.
- Picnic: June, Lowell field

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# Time Cannot Erase Their Contribution to this Community

By Gloria Owens. Photo by Carlton Smith.

The fifth annual New Year's Potluck at the Lowell School on Sunday, January 24, was not just a time to reacquaint ourselves through good music, good food, and good conversation, but was an occasion to honor retiring Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner Jourdinia Brown and her husband, Rodger.

After fourteen years of loyal, dedicated service to this community and this city, Mrs. Brown has stepped down as an ANC. Lovingly and respectfully called Jourdinia by most, she truly embodies the full definition of an advisory neighborhood commissioner. When there were issues of traffic, street improvements, and parking, Jourdinia was there. When the matters were liquor licenses and a single sales alcohol ban, she was at the forefront. In working with police and other community activists to clean up upper Georgia Avenue of drug dealers, loiterers, and other criminal activity, Jourdinia was very vocal. When the city approved new developments in our community without opportunity for input, she was outraged. Jourdinia also identified and fought for the replacement of missing and dying trees within the Shepherd Park community. If the cause was good for the community, you could count on her to lead or guide you through the bureaucracy.

At the potluck, Mrs. Brown and her husband, who has been by her side throughout this journey, were honored with accolades from several Ward 4 leaders: Councilmember Muriel Bowser, ANC 4A Chair Steve Whatley, Gateway Georgia Avenue Revitalization Corp. Executive Director Marc Loud, and the newly elected ANC 4A02, Dwayne Toliver. Councilmember Bowser called her "the



Jourdinia Brown and husband Rodger.

mother of the single sale alcohol ban." Mr. Whatley stated that "she has been my right hand. I will dearly miss her but I know where to find her."

The Browns received a certificate of appreciation from Mayor Adrian Fenty and a commemorative clock from the SPCA with the inscription, "Time cannot erase your contribution

to this community." Neighbor Carlton Smith presented them with a photo collage, while other neighbors were given an opportunity to offer their expressions in a guest book. Marianne Scott of Primrose Street wrote, "This past election was one of emotions. I was glad to be able to vote for Barack Obama but saddened not to see Jourdinia's name on the ballot."

Mrs. Brown, who is the mother of two and grandmother of four, will continue with community work but on a wider scope as a board member of the D.C. Federation of Citizens Association. A Shepherd Park resident since 1963 and a retired high school counselor, she will continue to be directly involved in our community "whenever there is a need for involvement."

Of her service, Mrs. Brown writes, "In the language of my oath, I tried to faithfully discharge my duties to the best of my ability." My efforts were exerted to try to justify the community's votes and confidence in me. I always tried to love justice, to do mercy and walk humbly with my God."

The Shepherd Park Citizens Association and the neighbors of Shepherd Park wish Mrs. Brown much success in her next endeavors. We know that she and her husband will continue to be a combined force in service of the community.



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# Think Spring!

By Beth Allaben and Clif Grandy. Photo by Clif Grandy.

Although it may not feel like it, Spring is just around the corner. And with the thoughts of Spring come the possibilities of **Spring cleaning!** As you clean up around your home, take advantage of these opportunities to dispose of unwanted items courtesy of DC's Department of Public Works.

**Recycle**. The types of things that can go in your recycling bins have greatly increased this year and include:

- Newspapers, junk mail, books, boxes
- aluminum foil
- narrow-necked plastic containers with symbols 1-7
- wide-mouth plastic containers for yogurt, margarine, etc.
- rigid plastic toys, plastic furniture, plastic flower pots
- plastic bags

Dispose wisely. You can dispose of household hazardous waste and electronic equipment and get documents shredded at the Fort Totten (4900 Bates Road, NE) or Benning Road Trash Transfer Station (3200 Benning Road), Saturdays only, 8 am-3 pm.

Put bagged and bundled yard waste out with your recycling. DPW will collect up to five bags or bundles per week, depending upon the trash truck's capacity.

Gardeners may call 311 or go to the trash transfer stations from March-October to get compost made from the leaf vacuuming operations.



Call 311 or go to the "Service Request Center" heading at dc.gov to request collection of up to seven items of bulk trash or drop it off at one of the trash transfer stations (Fort Totten only Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm or either location Saturdays 8 am-3 pm).

Visit www.dpw.dc.gov for more details.

You can also help with the Spring cleaning of our neighborhood at the Annual Fenwick Branch Cleanup. Last year, over 100 volunteers turned out to



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clean up the Fenwick Branch of Rock Creek. The Alice Ferguson Foundation will hold the 21st Potomac River Watershed Cleanup 9 am-12 pm, Saturday, April 4. Join in this effort locally at the Fenwick Tributary to Rock Creek. Register at North Portal and East Beach Drives. North Portal Estates' neighbor Clif Grandy will once again lead this local effort. and SPCA is pleased to be a sponsor.

The Fenwick Branch drains 1200 acres and is significant not

only because of the poor condition of the parks, but also for the direct impact that the streams have on the Rock Creek, Potomac, and Chesapeake Bay waterways.

For additional information contact Clif Grandy at: clifathebeach@starpower.net.

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# Official Talk: Deputy Mayor Neil Albert

■ By Sekou Biddle. Photo courtesy of DC Government.

Another installment in a series of interviews with DC government officials about neighborhood concerns.



Neil Albert is the District of Columbia's Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, where he is responsible for executing Mayor Adrian

Fenty's economic development strategy and managing a development

pipeline. He spent five years as a senior member of former Mayor Anthony Williams's administration and held a number of senior-level positions in the public and private sector in New York City. Neil and his family also live in Shepherd Park.

What are you hearing that Shepherd Park residents want? There are a lot of requests for a coffee shop, a sit down restaurant, and small grocery store like a Trader loe's.

What are the biggest challenges to developing these kinds of projects for the neighborhood? The lots on Georgia Avenue present

a few issues. In general most of the lots are small and not very deep. Additionally, there are a number of owners, which makes consolidating these lots difficult. The availability of parking also presents challenges to potential development.

How are the credit crunch and the economic situation impacting your office's work? The current economic conditions have made for slower development deals. However, recently we have seen a lower cost for materials, which lowers the cost of projects.

What are the opportunities for further development in Shepherd Park? Since there is access to Metro and Georgia Avenue will continue to be heavily traveled, the area will always be attractive for potential investors. Additionally, because Mayor Fenty's administration has managed our finances very well, we are in a strong position to seize and support new development opportunities.

If I have more questions is Ledo's on Friday evenings still a good place to find you and your family? Sure, see you soon.

To learn more, visit www.dcbiz.dc.gov.

# **Library News**

If you haven't checked out our neighborhood library lately, here's a grand chance. The *Friends of the Juanita E. Thornton-Shepherd Park Library* will hold an **Open House Saturday, April 4, 1-4 pm at the library**, 7420 Georgia Avenue.

#### Here's just some of what's in store:

- Hear from local authors and artists, including retired library staffer Fannie Hamilton
- Listen to library teen aide Kianna Shepherd (her real name!) play piano
- Enjoy refreshments in the lobby
- View new materials on display
- Visit the used bookstore
- Participate in children's activities and story breaks in the children's room
- Check out gaming for teens with the library's teen aides
- See the new library laptops set up in the meeting room
- Win door prizes

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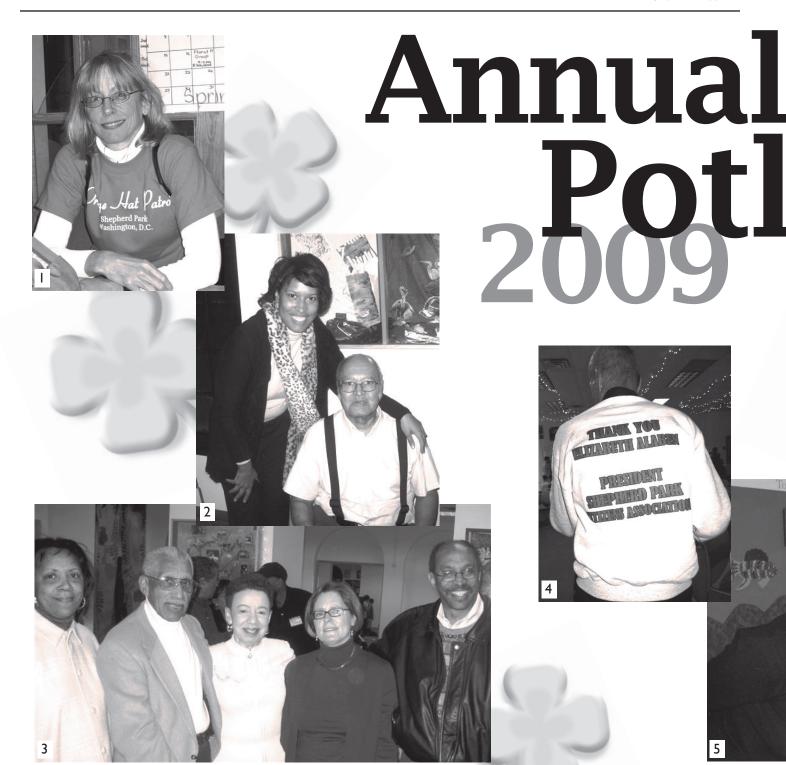


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The Shepherd Park Citizens Association's 5th Annual Potluck was another great show of community. Over 150 neighbors gathered for fun and food.

Many thanks to: Roz Wilcots, Christine Martin and Patrick Grobbel for chairing this year's potluck and to the many neighbors who helped out, including Paul Coates, Cynthia & Sam Prather, Pam Loos, Charisse Brossard, Angie Martin, Gloria Owens, Carlton Smith, Manny Pastreich, Matt Chambers, Dwayne Toliver, Amalia Grobbel, Mike Imbroscio, and to the others who helped and whom we may have missed! A big thank you to the Lowell School for hosting us once again and a special thanks to Lowell staff members Jack Jones, Andre Withers, Tara Wiebenson, and Lorenzo Williams for their help.

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■ Photos 1, 4, 5, 6 by Beth Allaben, Photos 2, 3, 7, 8 by Carlton Smith.



# Introducing Jamie Miles, Shepherd Elementary Principal

By Sekou Biddle. Photo by Beth Allaben.

Jamie Miles was named principal of Shepherd Elementary School last October.

Tell us about yourself: I am originally from a small town in North Carolina called Tabor City. I received my undergraduate degree, graduate degree, and certifications from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and Johns Hopkins University. I spent most of my career in the Charlotte Mecklenburg School System. For the last year and a half I have been in the DC Public School System. I am passionate about what I do as an educator and knew very early in life it was my calling. I am married to a wonderful man and we are expecting our first child in March.



What have you learned about Shepherd ES since beginning as principal? I have learned there are a lot of great individuals who do not

have Shepherd students but have a vested interest in the school and its success. They volunteer their time and are always asking how they can support the school.

How can the community get involved at Shepherd ES? The community can get involved by continuing to volunteer their time. We are always in need of volunteers here at the school and would love to see more community members. We would also like to develop additional partnerships that will enhance our school program. If we have any retired educators in the community, I encourage them to become certified substitutes so that we may add them to our substitute list.

# Seeking Volunteers for Early Readers Program

■ Article and Photo by Cynthia Prather.

The Shepherd Elementary School Early Readers Program is looking for volunteers. The program, which meets on Mondays, Wednesdays, and



Fridays from 8-8:30 am in the school library, is a simple one. Adults read to and with early readers – children from pre-school to third grade – to share their love for reading.

The Early Readers Program was started by Carolivia Herron, a member of Tifereth Israel, in September 2008. Now coordinated by Shepherd Park neighbors Cynthia Prather and Kathleen Sheekey, the program currently has 11 adult readers, many of

whom are former Shepherd Elementary parents. "I enjoy having a way to give back to the school," commented *Early Reader* volunteer Linda Archer. "It's very rewarding."

Volunteers are needed to share the reading tasks, particularly on Friday mornings. Even a day or two per month would help. For more information or to volunteer, contact Kathleen at Kathleen@sheekey.com or Cynthia at SCSPrather@aol.com.







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# Community Involvement is His Mantra "All About ANC Steven Whatley"

Article and Photo by Linda Wharton-Boyd, Ph.D.



When third generation Washingtonian and Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner Steven Whatley, was asked what would make our com-

munity better, without hesitation he said, "More community involvement!"

"If more people get involved," said Whatley, "we can address our community concerns in a more concerted manner."

Whatley's Advice...

To Youth: Education is the Key!!!
To Adults: Do what you can to help the younger generation to attend college or post graduate training.

Steven Whatley loves his native city. In his second term as chair of ANC 4A, Whatley believes he can be an asset and positive force in the community. He considers the ANC structure an excellent opportunity for grassroots participation where individuals can solve issues at the neighborhood level. With better working relationships with District agencies, ANCs can be much more effective.

Major priorities of Whatley's ANC tenure include:

- Development of community-based shopping centers along upper Georgia Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Street, and Kennedy Street where residents can walk to shops and get things they need:
- Controlling crime and traffic with a greater police presence in Shepherd Park and along Georgia Avenue;
- Involvement in the decisions on the closure and redevelopment of the Walter Reed Army Medical Center site:
- Income and property tax reform and
- Enforcement of zoning regulations to address the conversion of homes into places of worship.

Residents are encouraged to share their ideas, thoughts, and concerns with Whatley by attending the ANC meetings at 7:15 pm on the first Tuesday of the every month (except July and August) at the Fort Stevens Recreation Center or by sending a letter to the ANC 4A office at 7600 Georgia Avenue, Suite 404. Soon, a new interactive website will be launched where residents get information about ANC 4A and also share their thoughts.

Steven Whatley is a graduate of Macklin Catholic High School and West Virginia State University. For the past 20 years, he, his wife Annie Whatley of *Annie's Collection*, and his daughter, who is a student at Spellman College in Atlanta, have resided in Shepherd Park.

# HAIKU

Neighbors Clif Grandy (1st verse) and Marianne Scott (2nd verse) were inspired by all the recent problems with the RCN digital conversion and email to write the following haiku.

#### RCN

Time to reassess.
Unnecessary boxes.
Monthly rent. Email?

Options disappoint.
Tight budget but need bandwidth.

What alternative?

The editors welcome brief "literary" submissions from our creative neighbors.



# Feel the Love at Tropicana

Article and Photo by Aziza Tichavakunda.

the brim with steaming vegetables,

rice and peas, and the preferred choice of protein. The authentic Ja-

Craving a new and delicious taste? Tropicana, a Jamaican restaurant that opened its Shepherd Park branch in

2002, offers this and more. Tropicana is a family business with four restaurants in Washington, DC. The owner of the Tropicana in Shepherd Park, David Howard, revealed why the food is so tasty and unique; Mom's secret recipes are throughout the menu. In fact, his mother, Sheila Newman, gave him the idea to open a res-



Tropicana Owner David Howard.

David Howard can vouch for the quality of his food; he always tries it and, most of the time, cooks it. His dishes offer such a diverse range of tastes that he eats at least one of his dishes almost everyday. What does David Howard enjoy most about Tropicana? He enjoys meeting new and different people. Howard wants Shepherd Park to know that "Tropicana is an introduction to Jamaican cuisine; you feel like being in lamaica. We cook with love."

Eating the food is feeling the love; the take-home containers are filled to maican recipes include a variety of dishes that offer different tastes for the palate. The menu includes curried dishes (chicken, shrimp, tofu), "Kuntry" chicken with a sweet ginger taste and a spice to back it up, fried wiches, rotis, patties, and even homemade desserts. Vegetarians will rejoice at the 100% vegan dishes. Eating the curried tofu does not feel like being punished for not ordering meat; the dish comes with the same sides as the meat/seafood dishes, with the addition of plantains. The drinks also

reflect Caribbean culture; the homemade Island Punch is not to be missed, and the flavors of ginger beer and Ting, a soda made with grapefruit concentrate, are different enough from American soft drinks to be a delightful surprise.

So when you have a taste for something new and delicious, try Tropicana, and feel like you're in Jamaica!

**Tropicana** 7812 Georgia Ave, NW Washington, DC 20012 541-9060 Monday-Saturday II am-I0 pm

# Two Shepherd Park Angels

Every year neighbor Carlton Smith uses his own funds to buy toys and clothing for area families at Christmas. There are no forms to fill out: Mr. Smith doesn't even know how some families get his phone number. But year after year, he finds the time and money to reach out to needy families. This year his efforts got a boost with a very generous unsolicited donation from Tito Contractors, Inc. at 7308 Georgia Avenue. Thanks to Mr. Smith and this neighborhood business for seeing a need and stepping forward to offer a helping hand!

# plantains, seafood dishes, jerk sand-



#### Charlie's Restaurant Bar & Grill

7307 Georgia Avenue, NW (202) 726-3567 M-Thur. 11am-11pm, Fri-Sat 11am - 2am; open Sunday afternoons noon - 9pm during football season Full-service neighborhood soul food restaurant serving lunch and dinner. Menu includes burgers, pork chops, chicken, and crab cakes. Week-night entertainment includes karaoke, oldies-butgoodies, R&B, and hip hop.

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# COMING SOON!

## Watch this space for our new Business Beat featuring **SPCA**'s business supporters.

For more information on the benefits of supporting SPCA through business memberships, go to www.shepherdpark.org or contact Laura Marchiori at laura.marchiori@gmail.com or 286-2298

# Meet the International Ethiopian Evangelical Church

Responses by Pastor Hanfere Aligaz. Photo courtesy of International Ethiopian Evangelical Church.

This is the fourth in a series of profiles of our local houses of worship.

International Ethiopian **Evangelical Church** 7930 Eastern Ave NW Washington, DC 20012 (202) 726-8529 www.eecdc.org

Briefly describe your house of worship. International Ethiopian Evangelical Church is a large and vibrant Evangelical Christian church. It is home to many Ethiopian Evangelical communities both in the U.S. and overseas, which it reaches through its audio, video, and internet ministries. In addition, more than 100 weekly home Bible study groups provide a sense of community for church members.

Who is the leadership? Senior Pastor Hanfere Aligaz is the founder and leader of the church.

What is the history of the church? IEEC was founded by Pastor Aligaz along with four other members

of the church. Pastor Hanfere came to the United States from Ethiopia in 1982 with his wife Yetenayet Haile and four children. Pastor Aligaz

started the church in a single meeting room of a local Presbyterian church. The congregation outgrew the meeting room and subsequently the sanctuary of the church. The congregation moved to its current Shepherd Park location, a former synagogue, in 1996.

When are the regular scheduled services?

Due to large attendance at our Sunday service we have added a third service. English translation is available for all main services. Our first service is 9-11 am, second service 11:30 am-1:30 pm, and evening service 6-8:30 pm. The church also established an orphanage in Ethiopia in 1999 which currently has 50 children ages 3 to 9, and provides the children with food, clothing, healthcare, and, most importantly, education. Our church's Victory Bible School, which opened in Ethiopia in May



2007, helps equip future church leaders with solid biblical knowledge. Please visit our website for a full listing of ministries and services.

What does the future hold for **IEEC?** The *IEEC* congregation is again reaching out in faith and is in the process of building another facility in Virginia that will seat 7000 people.

#### Gateway Georgia Avenue Eateries: N-Z Grania Arospo & U Nile Restaurant & M-Fr: 11-11; Sat: 11 am -1 am Taste of the New location with Teddy's Dishes from Jamaica and Market Carribbean 7815 Georgia Avenue, NW (202) 882-1130

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Teddy's Roti 7304 Georgia Avenue, NW (202) 882-6488 M-Sat: 9-9; Sun: 11-6

Caribbean menu: roti, meat patties, king fish, dumplings. Caribbean drinks

Tropicana Jamaican

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## **Calendar**

#### Continuing

- Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 pm Team gaming and movies, ShPk Library
- First Mondays of the month, 7 pm All ages pajama storytime, ShPk Library
- Tuesdays, 10 am
   Storytime for Preschoolers and
   11 am, Baby/Toddler Laptime, ShPk Library
- Thursdays, 10:30 am
  Preschool Movies, ShPk Library
- First Wed of the month, 4:30 pm Arts and crafts for all ages, ShPk Library
- Fridays, 9-9:45 am
  Seniorcise for adults, \$5/session,
  walk-ins welcome, Trinity Church,
  7005 Piney Branch Road, NW,
  Diane Robinson, DLR814@aol.com,
  726-7036
- Saturdays, I pm Scrabble for all ages, ShPk Library

#### **February**

■ Fri, Feb 27, 7 pm SPCA Movie Night, "The Great Debaters," Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 16th St NW

#### March

- Tues, Mar 3, 7:15 pm ANC 4A mtg, Ft. Stevens Rec Center
- Fri, Mar 6, 7 pm
  Movies with Meaning: "Surfwise",
  \$5 includes popcorn, candy, & drink,
  Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 16th St NW,
  882-6650 or wes@ethicalsociety.org
- Sun, Mar. 8, 1-4 pm Make Your Contacts Count, \$40 (incl. lunch & book,) Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 16th St NW, 882-6650 or wes@ethicalsociety.org
- Thurs, Mar 12, 7 pm
  PSA 401 mtg. 4D Community Room,
  6001 Georgia Ave.
- Sat, Mar 14 and 28, 2-3 pm
  Forensic Family Discovery Cart: DNA
  Unraveled. Learn more about DNA,
  free, Nat'l Museum of Health and
  Medicine @ Walter Reed, 782-2200
- Sun, Mar 15, 1-4 pm Coming of Age II: Who Will I Be When I Retire, \$30, Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 16th St NW, 882-6650 or wes@ethicalsociety.org
- Tues, Mar 17, 6:30-8 pm
  Digital telecommunications workshop,

- a presentation by the DC Office of People's Counsel, Shepherd Elem., 727-3072
- Wed, Mar 18, 6:45 pm Shepherd Elem. PTA meeting
- Sun, Mar 22 & 29, 1-3:30 pm Creative Mask-Making, \$35 (incl. lunch), Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 16th St NW, 882-6650 or wes@ethicalsociety.org

#### April

■ Fri, Apr 3, 7 pm

Movies with Meaning: "Autism: The Musical." Autistic kids writing and performing a musical? Tearing down our preconceived notions of autism. \$5 includes popcorn, candy, & drink, Wash. Ethical Soc'y, 7750 16th St NW, 882-6650 or wes@ethicalsociety.org

- Sat, Apr 4, I-4 pm Friends of the Juanita E. Thornton/ Shepherd Park Library Open House, 7420 Georgia Ave.
- Tues, Apr 7, 7:15 pm ANC 4A mtg, Ft. Stevens Rec Center
- Thurs, Apr 9, 7 pm
  PSA 401 mtg. 4D Community Room,
  6001 Georgia Ave.



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