

MVSNA



MOUNT VERNON SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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July 2008

Next MVSNA Meeting

Tuesday, July 15th, 7:30 pm

Metropolitan Community Church
5th & Ridge Streets NW

Agenda

- Public Safety Report - 1st & 3rd District
Police invited
- Concerned Coalition for the New York
Avenue Playground
- Shaw Junior High New Asst. Principal -
Kim Douglas

Upcoming Events

July 15 - MVSNA Meeting, Location TBD, 7:30pm

July 29 - CCCA, Kennedy Rec., 1401 7th Street NW, 7pm

July 30 - 2nd & Mass Park Mtg., 2nd Baptist Church, 816 3rd St NW, 6pm

Aug 2 - National Night Out - Orange Hat Patrol

Aug 11 - Voter Registration deadline for Sept 9th Election

Sept 9 - Primary Elections

No MVSNA, PSA, or ANC Meetings in August

Have a great & safe summer!!!

Keep up to date with community events:

<http://chappleanc.com/public/index.php/meeting>

www.anc6c.org

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Neighborhood News

Development

The much anticipated **5th Street Hardware** store is now open! Located at 1055 5th Street NW in the almost finished City Vista Development, 5th Street Hardware offers a wide array of hardware & housewares in a very nice, large space. From tools to tiki torches, this store is sure to cut down on the Home Depot trips for area residents.

Papa Johns Pizza has opened up a location on the 200 block of Mass Ave right next to Tunnel Wine & Spirits.

ANC 6C09 Commissioner Charlie Docter has informed us that the **6th & K** office project (next to Monarch Paint at the Auto Mart site) may now be developed as residential with ground floor retail. This was discussed at the last ANC 6C Meeting, the developer is keeping the option open.

Check out the newly renovated by Pulte, playground & basketball court at the **NY Ave Playground**, they did a nice job! And a big thank you to the neighbors who help to keep the play space clean.

On the other side of the Convention Center, plans for the new mega **Marriott** are moving forward. At a recent briefing with the Blagden Alley Association, conceptual plans were presented. The first phase will be located between 9th, 10th, Mass & L (phase 2 is north of L). The project is due to break ground 1st Q 2009 & will be completed in 2012. It's still in the concept stage but it's nice and glassy with a big atrium in the middle. The historic pipe fitters union building will be incorporated. The site will be connected to the convention center for underground truck loading and pedestrian traffic. Retail will include various eateries with sidewalk cafes on each corner, activating the streetscape. There will be a big setback on Mass Ave for valet dropoff, cafes, etc. Marriott will be developing traffic plan, hiring 51% DC residents, and job training through the WCCA. As far as the site on the north side of the 900 block of L, they plan for two smaller hotels to be completed at around the same time in 2012, but the planning for that is forthcoming.

Welcome to **Central Lock & Key** who have recently moved to 1117 7th Street NW. (Their old location at 9th & L is part of Marriott's phase 2.)

Capital Fringe Festival in our Neighborhood

The **Capital Fringe Festival** featuring "unjuried, risk-taking, independent performing arts" is based at "Fort Fringe" this year, in the old AV's restaurant at 6th & NY Ave NW. Stop by the box office for tickets to interesting performances running from July 10-27. The fence has a new paint job, the statue is dressed, tents have been erected surrounded by brightly colored salvage doors and DDOT has thoughtfully installed brand new red bike racks. For more information on the festival please visit www.capfringe.org

Reminder:

PSA (Police Service Area) meetings will break for the summer & resume in September. mpdc.dc.gov

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

September 9th PRIMARY

The voter registration deadline for the **September 9th** Congressional and **Council Primary** is rapidly approaching. All mail-in voter registration forms must be postmarked no later than **MONDAY AUGUST 11, 2008** in order to be eligible. This election is partisan so you must register with a party to vote in that party's primary.

November 4th GENERAL ELECTION

All mail-in voter registration forms must be postmarked no later than **MONDAY OCTOBER 6th, 2008**. The November 4th General Election will include **Presidential, Congressional, Council, & ANC positions.**

Get candidate info & Complete your voter registration online by visiting:

www.dcboee.org



Good Libations Events!

Good Libations, our local neighborhood source for wine and spirits located right on the corner of 5th & M Streets NW will be hosting 3 days of tastings next weekend! Come on out!

**Monthly wine tasting
Thursday, July 17th, 6-8pm**

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**Vodka Tasting  
Friday, July 18th, 6-8pm**

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Mojito Tasting & Customer Appreciation Event!

**Saturday, July 19th, 5:30pm
There will be food & drink, art, dancing, & dominos!**

<http://www.goodlibationsdc.com/>

At the last meeting...

MVSNA approved a zoning variance request for Ray's Firehouse/Primal Fitness at 219 M St NW, provided measures are taken to ensure the structural integrity of the neighboring property.

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Yahoo Groups

groups.yahoo.com/group/MPD-3D/

groups.yahoo.com/group/MPD-1D/

Park Beautification Meeting

Efforts to fix up the park at 2nd & Mass continue. If you would like to get involved, there will be a planning meeting with Bill McLeod of the Mount Vernon Triangle Community Improvement District & representatives from the Dept. of Parks and Recreation on Wednesday July 30th, Second Baptist Church, 816 3rd Street NW, 6pm. Current uses of the park, maintenance needs, landscaping needs, infrastructure needs, and future uses for the park will be discussed. All interested neighbors are encouraged to attend to help make this park a wonderful community resource.



Chimney Meeting

A meeting with MPD Police Service Area 101 will be announced in the next few weeks to specifically address crime issues and lack of coverage in the "chimney" area of PSA 101, north of NY Ave. Stay tuned to the blog and yahoo group for updates.

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