

# The Fairlawn Informer

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## Fairlawn Citizens Association Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 2019, 7:00 PM

*Ora L. Glover Community Room, Anacostia Neighborhood Public Library  
1800 Good Hope Road, SE, Washington, DC 20020*

## Anacostia Riverkeeper-Ward 8 Woods-DDOT Trees

**First, regarding next month's meeting: Due to DC Emancipation Day occurring on April 16 and the Library closing early, our April meeting has been moved to Tuesday, April 30.**

This month's meeting will be focused on the environment with the Anacostia Riverkeeper, Ward 8 Woods, and DDOT Trees presenting.

The [Anacostia Riverkeeper](#) is a non-profit organization working to protect and restore the Anacostia River and to create opportunities for the community to connect to the river. It brings together communities across the Anacostia watershed and empowers them to take charge. It works with public and private partners to enact needed responsible environmental policy and enables local "citizen scientists" to encourage community ownership of the protection and restoration efforts. Clean water and a swimmable, fishable Anacostia River are its goals. A vibrant new riverfront, economic investment and responsible environmental policy has us moving closer to that goal.

Evolving from grants from the DC Office of Planning and DC Department of Energy and the Environment secured by the Committee to Restore Shepherd Parkway and the Anacostia Coordinating Council, the [Ward 8 Woods](#) works to reverse decades of neglect by employing Ward 8 residents to remove trash and invasive species from extensive but underappreciated wooded areas in Ward 8. These "Stewards" have braved DC's summer heat and humidity, scrambled up and down muddy slopes, crawled through brambles, hauled long-abandoned carpets and lock-boxes, and sawed through vines ten inches thick.

The District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) mission is to enhance the quality of life for District residents and visitors by ensuring that people, goods, and information move efficiently and safely, with minimal adverse impact on residents and the environment. DDOT is committed to achieving an exceptional quality of life in the nation's capital through more sustainable travel practices, safer streets and outstanding access to goods and services. Central to this vision is improving energy efficiency and modern mobility by providing next generation alternatives to single occupancy driving in the city. [DDOT Trees](#) is the Urban Forestry Division (UFD) whose primary mission is to keep the District's street canopy healthy, safe, and growing.

### **Fairlawn Exclusive:**

**FREE Boat Tour of the Anacostia River with the Anacostia Riverkeeper, Saturday, March 23, 3:00-5:00 PM. Boat will disembark from dock near boat ramp at Anacostia Park Pavilion and Aquatic Learning Center parking lot. Limit 20. First come, first served. RSVP: 202-678-0291 or [presbug@aol.com](mailto:presbug@aol.com).**

### **Anacostia River Festival**

The 11th Street Bridge Park and the National Park Service present the fifth annual Anacostia River Festival, a premier event and the official closing of the 2019 National Cherry Blossom Festival on Sunday, April 14 from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM. For a taste of local D.C., come celebrate the Anacostia River and the 100th birthday of Anacostia Park. Take a canoe out to explore the River, ride in our bike parade, play lawn games with your family and experience Southeast D.C.'s local arts scene at this special FREE event.

Be sure to use #DCRiverFest when using social media!

### **Income Tax Preparation Help**

The Anacostia Neighborhood Library will host income tax return preparation for qualified residents on Tuesdays, 11 am - 5 pm and Thursdays, 11 am - 3 pm through April 11. The library partners with AARP to provide service. For more information and to find other sites offering tax assistance, please visit our [tax page](#).

### **FREE Tech Support!!!**

[Connect.DC](#) is bringing back All Hands on Tech this spring to provide free tech support to DC residents. Technicians will be onsite to help residents remove viruses from laptops, set up new devices, sign up for email, and more! All events are held on Saturdays from 10:30 AM until 3:00 PM, unless otherwise noted.

- March 30 - Shepherd Park Neighborhood Library (7420 Georgia Avenue NW)
- May 4 - Benning Neighborhood Library (3935 Benning Road NE)
- May 11 - UPO - Ralph Waldo "Petey" Greene Community Service Center (2907 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE)

Text FIXED to 83224 to receive updates on future events. Visit [connect.dc.gov/free-tech-support](http://connect.dc.gov/free-tech-support) to register for an event and to find a list of services.

### **Urban Institute: 11<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Park's Equitable Dev. Efforts**

Three hundred forty-two home buyer's club participants with 71 having purchased homes to date, 104 local businesses receiving over \$525,000 in loans, 31 construction worker trainees hired and 7,600 pounds of fresh fruits & vegetables harvested from Bridge Park farms. These are just some of the results and insights from the first two years of implementing the Bridge Park's equitable development strategies as reported in an [Urban Institute white paper](#).

For a thoughtful overview of the Urban Institute's research findings, you may check out "[Why History Matters in Equitable Development Planning](#)," an article published in Next City.

## Fairlawn PSA Meetings to Resume

Do you remember when all of Fairlawn was in Police (Patrol) Service Area (PSA) 607 and we had PSA meetings at the 6<sup>th</sup> District Substation at 28th and Pennsylvania Avenue? But then came the MPD realignment splitting Fairlawn along Minnesota Avenue with the north side (the Anacostia High School side) staying in 6<sup>th</sup> District and PSA 607 while the south side (the Anacostia Library side) moved to the 7th District and PSA 701. Well, the Police Districts have been realigned again and we are going back to the way it used to be with everything on the Library side of Minnesota Avenue now back in the 6<sup>th</sup> District and PSA 607.

The new 6th District Commander Durriyyah Habeebullah wants to try a combined PSA 605, 606, and 607 meeting, known as the 6<sup>th</sup> District's Sector 2, beginning on the 3rd Wednesday of April (April 17<sup>th</sup>) and to be held at the DC Dream Center located at 2826 Q Street, SE, at 6:30 PM. So please bring your neighborhood Police matters to the 6<sup>th</sup> District Sector 2 meeting on the 3rd Wednesday and that will reduce the amount of time spent on Police matters at the Fairlawn Citizens Association meeting.

## Walk Up Visits to the African American History Museum

Visit the National Museum of African American History and Culture to explore the nation's history through the lens of the African American experience. Visitors can walk-up on weekdays at 1:00 PM, no passes required. Plan your visit at [nmaahc.si.edu/visit](http://nmaahc.si.edu/visit).

## New & Renewed Members for March

Jason Anderson	Burnice T. Kearney
Carolyn Beals	Kahlita Morgan
Amaya J. Fisher	Antoinette Ross
Althea Kearney	

## Happy Birthday! Members Born in March

Karen Anderson	Linda Little
Lauren Anderson	Andy Pulsirisaroth
Annie Resper	Kathy S. Williams
Deddeh Jones	Janice Larsen-Tyre
Robin Williams	Lauren Wolfe
Norma Brown	Phyllis Moore
Phillip Haughton	Carolyn Beals
Jane Hollimon-Curley	Jewel Houston
Edward Johnson	Kristine Louis

## Our Condolences to...

Andy Pulsirisaroth in the loss of his mother.

## Has Your Membership Expired?

**Please do not allow your dues to lapse.** If you are not recognized in the Fairlawn Informer on your birth month, your dues may have lapsed and your membership expired. Our yearly dues are \$10 per person and is due for

renewal on an annual basis from your join date. Dues paid after April are applied to the new membership year beginning in September. Receiving the newsletter is a benefit of your membership. No renewed membership – no newsletter, it is only fair. So, if you stop receiving the newsletter maybe your membership has expired. **Please be current with your dues.**

## Dates to Remember:

**Anacostia River Boat Tour**  
Saturday, March 23, 3:00 P.M.-5:00 PM

**Anacostia River Festival**  
Sunday, April 14, 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

**Joint PSA 607, 606, and 605 (6D Sector 2) meeting**  
Wednesday, April 17 at the DC Dream Center  
2826 Q Street, SE, at 6:30 PM.

**April Fairlawn meeting MOVED to Tuesday, April 30**

**Joint Game Day and Information Day/Flea Market**  
Anacostia Library, Saturday, May 4

## PSA & CAC Information

Fairlawn is once again located wholly within the newly aligned Police Service Area (PSA) 607 of the 6<sup>th</sup> District (D) of the Metropolitan Police Department. PSA 607 is in Sector 2 of 6D and it meets on the 3rd Wednesday at 7:00PM at 2830 Q Street, SE. The 6D Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) meets on the second Monday at 7:00PM at 5002 Hayes Street, NE and the 6D Community Outreach Specialist is Dayne Dixon, [Dayne.Dixon@dc.gov](mailto:Dayne.Dixon@dc.gov), (202) 698-1315. Always Dial 911 For All Police-Related Emergencies.

## 2019 ANC Information

There are three Single Member Districts (SMDs) located wholly within Fairlawn and four additional SMDs that overlap the Fairlawn Citizens Association's boundaries. SMDs 8A01, 8A02, and 8A03 are wholly within Fairlawn and SMDs 8A05, 8A06, 8B01 and 7B03 are partially located in Fairlawn. The ANC Commissioners serving the Fairlawn SMDs are: **Benjamin Crane (7B03), Holly Muhammad (8A01), Barbara Clark (8A02), Brian Thompson (8A03), Dorcas Agyei (8A05), Ty'on Jones (8A06), and Khadijah Watson (8B01)**. ANC 8A meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the DHCD Meeting Room at 1800 MLK Ave., SE.

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