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Happy Labor Day!

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Dear Neighbors:

Our Calvin Coolidge Senior High School Colts football team will be playing the Eagles of Gonzaga High School tomorrow night Friday, August 29, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. This game has been nominated for "Game of the Week" on Fox 5 News.

Please ask your friends and colleagues to sign on to www.myfoxdc.com click on High School Game of the Week and then vote. You can find the link in Alert scroll or on the Sports home page.

The game that receives the most votes will be announced on Fox 5 News at 10pm tonight. The winning game will be featured on Fox 5 News at 5 and 10 PM on Friday.

Let's cheer on and support our Coolidge High School football team!

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Georgia Avenue/Rock Creek East Family Support Collaborative's Back to School Block Party – August 30

The Georgia Avenue/Rock Creek East Family Support Collaborative, Ward 4 Councilmember Muriel Bowser, the Mayor's Office of the Clean City in collaboration with Motivate Me for Life, the City-Wide Coordinating Council – Youth Violence Prevention Program, and the Columbia Heights/Shaw Family Support Collaborative are pleased to invite you to a Stop the Violence, Back to School Block Party on Saturday, August 30, 2008 from 12 noon to 6 PM in the 1100 block of Allison Street, NW (at Georgia Avenue, NW). There will be food, music, give away items, school supplies and lots of community spirit to spread around! Please call 202-722-1815 for more information.

Convoy of Hope at RFK Stadium – September 6

On September 6, 2008, Convoy of Hope in partnership with more than 65 local churches will host a local outreach event at the RFK Stadium Parking Lots 6 & 7 (C St. NE and Oklahoma Ave.) Metro-Blue/Orange Lines Stadium-Armory. The event will begin at 10:00 am (rain or shine) and run through the day until supplies are gone. Over 1,200 volunteers from many local non-profits, churches, and agencies will serve an estimated 10,000 guests and distribute more than 60,000 pounds of FREE food, clothing and supplies to those who attend. Services provided will include free resume preparation, health and dental screenings, free haircuts, and games and activities for children. No identification is required.

The Convoy of Hope is a national nonprofit organization that provides disaster relief and non-disaster outreach to those in need in the United States and around the world. In 2006, the organization assisted nearly 4 million people in the United States and around the globe with food, clothing, medical aid, and other essential resources through local outreaches and disaster response activities. For more information, please visit: <http://convoydc.org> or call (202) 544 – 0414.

DPR Fall Program Guide now available – Lamond Homecoming – September 6

As fall arrives, the DC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) remains the place to be for the best in urban recreation, athletic and leisure services in the District of Columbia. There is a wide array of outstanding programming at our recreation centers, aquatic facilities and parks throughout the city.

In September, an abundance of fun, educational and informational activities are available at our parks, recreation centers and aquatic facilities. To find out more about the events, programs and services DPR is offering in September, visit them online at www.dpr.dc.gov or stop by your nearest DPR center to pick up a copy of "Fun-Filled Fall," the 2008 DPR Fall Program Guide.

Here is one event that is not to be missed: Lamond Homecoming at the Lamond Recreation Center, 22 Tuckerman St., NW, on Saturday, September 6 from 12 noon to 8 pm for ages 6 and over. This is a reunion style celebration held every year for the entire Lamond community. There will be music, food, dance, sports, and entertainment. This year's homecoming begins with the annual parade where community businesses, schools, groups, and recreation center participants parade throughout the community. Mid day events include face painting, bingo, spades and a community softball game. For more information, contact Ward 4 DPR Manager Evelyn Lightfoot at (202) 541-6461.

Reminder: Petitions due September 5 for Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) elections

The Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANC) consider a wide range of policies and programs affecting their neighborhoods, including traffic, parking, recreation, street improvements, liquor licenses, zoning, economic development, police protection, sanitation and trash collection, and the District's annual budget.

In each of these areas, the intent of the ANC legislation is to ensure input from an advisory board that is made up of the residents of the neighborhoods that are directly affected by government action. The ANCs are the body of government with the closest official ties to the people in a neighborhood.

ANC commissioners are non-partisan, volunteer activists who serve for two-year terms. People interested in running for ANC commissioner positions began to pick up petitions from the DC Board of Elections and Ethics on Wednesday, August 6, 2008. Petitions are due to the BOEE on September 5, 2008. Petitions must contain the signatures of not less than 25 duly registered voters who are residents of the Single Member District from which the candidate seeks election. The election of ANC commissioners will be on the general ballot in November. More information is available at: www.dcboee.org.

DPW holiday collection schedule reminder

The DC Department of Public Works (DPW) announced today that services will be affected due to Labor Day on Monday, September 1, 2008.

Trash and Recycling Collections: There will be no trash and recycling collections on Monday. All Monday trash and recycling collections will "slide" to Tuesday. Trash and recycling containers should be put out for collection no earlier than 6:30 pm the night before collection and removed from public space by 8 pm on the day of collection.

Parking Enforcement: DPW will suspend enforcement of parking meters, residential parking, and rush hour lane restrictions. It also will suspend towing of abandoned vehicles.

Ft. Totten: Ft. Totten Trash Transfer Station will be closed Monday. It will reopen Tuesday for residents to bring bulk trash.

Other services that will be suspended for Labor Day include scheduled street and alley cleaning, graffiti removal, and nuisance abatement.

Household Hazardous Waste/E-Cycling/Shredding: the Benning Road Trash Transfer Station, at 3200 Benning Road, NE, and the Ft. Totten Trash Transfer Station at 4900 Bates Road, NE, will be open this Saturday and every Saturday from 8 am to 3 pm to receive residents' unwanted toxic items, such as pesticides, batteries and motor oil, electronics, including televisions, computers and cell phones, will be accepted. Residents also may bring up to five boxes of personal paper documents and credit cards to be shredded for free.

For more information please visit: www.dpw.dc.gov or call the Mayor's Citywide Call Center at 311 or 202.727.1000 if calling from outside the District.