



The Penn Brancher

Newsletter Update for the Penn Branch Citizens Civic Association

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2019-- 7:00 PM

in the **Pennsylvania Baptist Church** basement community room, rear parking area

Our Mantra: A Community That Comes Together Stays Together

FOREST BATHING- Come join in on a great experience, **Saturday, April 20, 2019 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.** Don't miss this opportunity to walk the Pope Branch Park Trail that's surrounding our community and reap the benefits. Research shows the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of the forest positively impact our well being, through: boosting your immune system, lowering your blood pressure, increasing energy levels, improving sleep, reducing stress and much more! Register now to learn more about this event at: <https://caseytrees.org/popebranch>

SCHOLARSHIPS

"The 2019 scholarship competition of the East Coast Chapter Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. (ECCTAI) is now open. \$1,000 scholarships are available. Applicants should be graduating high school seniors in DC, MD, and northern VA with GPAs of 3.0 or higher. Applicants with community service and those most in need of financial assistance will be given preference. Applicants must submit their high school transcripts, three letters of recommendation, a personal essay, an essay on the Tuskegee Airmen, a photo, and a copy of their parents 2018 Form 1040. Forms and all information are available on the ECCTAI website at: www.ecctai.org All applications MUST be postmarked no later than April 18th."

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a new JOB – Stop in and visit

DCWATER's Jobs listing. Update your resume and apply for as many positions that you are qualified for. See link below: <https://www.dewater.com>

RECRUITS NEEDED

Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) is pleased to announce a new partnership with the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) Community College, to provide an opportunity for qualified men and women to obtain an Associate Degree and become a DC Police Officer. Through this program, individuals may complete the police hiring process, before meeting the educational requirement, to determine eligibility as a police officer. For more information visit: <http://joinmpd.dc.gov/UDC-POTC>

Three Fire Disasters in 2019 in Our

Community -Fires are a devastating blow to any family or community. Be mindful of clutter in the home and attached structures. Storing old papers, magazines, oily rags, old paints and other flammable liquids should be removed before it can trigger a fire. Need some help in determining if your property is at risk for a fire event or disaster. The DC Department of Fire and Emergency Services can assist with a fire prevention inspection. DC Fire and EMS inspections are conducted as a courtesy by appointment on **residential dwellings**. A copy of the inspection will be provided once completed.

Call (202) 727-1614 to schedule an inspection.

Health and Fitness Corner

The District Government has a lot of Activities to Keep You Busy and Healthy This holds true for both youth and young adults. All Ward 7 Aquatic Centers are open at 6:00 am. You can swim at your leisure between 6:00 am and 7:00 am and participate in structured water aerobics from 7:00 am - 7:45 am. All looking for constructive activities, then go to: www.dc.gov and register. It's no secret that one of our neighbors (Ms. Paul) attends water aerobics at the Woodson Sr. High School on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It's invigorating and fun...her words exactly!

Planet Fitness Also Cares About Our

Seniors - The community's newly opened Planet Fitness location has an active Aging Program. It is a 30-minute Mobility and Stability Training Circuit. It includes Stretching and Abs Circuit, Lower and Upper Body Strength Circuit and Functional Accessories Strength Circuit. These 30-minute sessions are held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, starting at 8:30 am - 11:30 am. All age groups are welcome.

SAVE THE DATES

Yard Sale - June 22, 2019
(rain date June 29, 2019)
\$20 to reserve a spot and \$5 to rent a table

PBCCA Community Day

August 17, 2019
3600 Block of Texas Ave
Noon until 6:00 pm

Pet Owners and Dog Walkers

Pet waste (poop) has become a serious issue in our community where dog walkers are not cleaning up after their pets. There are numerous complaints by residents about this ongoing problem. We are asking you to please clean up after your pets. If you don't have a bag ask for one from a neighbor. This neighborhood is too beautiful to see mounds of pet waste on sidewalks and

curbsides. As a reminder there are heavy fines imposed on the owners if reported.

Fort Dupont and Fort Davis Drives

Rehabilitation- Phase 2- Full closure of Fort Davis Drive from Mass. Ave SE to the intersections with Fort Dupont Drive (March 11 until late April)

Phase 3- Full closure of Fort Davis Drive from intersection with Fort Dupont Drive to Ridge Road SE (March 11 until late April)

Phase 4- Full closure of Fort Davis Drive from Penn. Ave SE to Mass. Ave SE (late April until May 2019). For more information go to: go.nps.gov/fortdrs

Sick and Shut In

Mr. Gilbert Bussey, former PBCCA President
Mrs. Judy Gee, 1500 38th Street

Deaths

Mrs. Gwendolyn D. Tyner, 3551 Texas Ave., passed on Sunday, March 24th. She was in the hospital at the time of her passing. She is a longtime member of the community and was a dues paying member until very recently. A memorial is scheduled on Saturday, April 6th from 10-11:00 am at Pope Funeral Home, 5338 Marlboro Pike, Forestville, MD.

Reminder - "Of many we are One" and we need your help to keep PBCCA informed about your neighbors who are either sick, shut-in or who have passed. Also, articles can be submitted 10 days prior to the next scheduled meeting to elsonb13@gmail.com.

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