

Lamond-Riggs Citizens Association Newsletter

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Lamond-Riggs Family,

The summer heat is here. Please join us for our final meeting for this fiscal term to be held on Monday, June 6, 2022. While we will not hold meetings from July – September, Lamond-Riggs residents may always reach out to us by calling (202)838-6058 or by sending an email to ask@lrcadc.org. Meetings will resume this Fall on October 3. Depending upon health conditions and other environmental factors, we hope to bring back our in-person meetings as we miss seeing everyone's lovely faces. The LRCA plans to continue working within the community over the summer, including engaging each of you during our organization's planned membership campaign. Further we will continue work on the updates to the LRCA's bylaws and our health committee will continue its weekly community walks on Saturdays.

Upcoming Events

- Please look out for our upcoming Father's Day Brunch on June 17th at 11:00AM
- LRCA volunteer certificate ceremony on June 11 at noon at the Riggs LaSalle Recreation Center.
- Come out and meet the current executive board and your other neighbors.
- The LRCA Scholarship will present scholarship awards to students during our June meeting.

Congratulations to all Lamond-Riggs graduates! We wish each of you much success in your future endeavors. We thank all our speakers, elected officials, and residents that continue to support the LRCA. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer, and we look forward to seeing everyone in October.

Most Respectfully,
Barbara Rogers, LRCA President

JOIN THE MAY MEETING on Monday, June 6, 2022, at 7:00 PM EST

Join us online by clicking the link OR scanning the QR code below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/92714647207?pwd=V0VMc0pLd21tNFVMeTN6N05QMw9lZz09>

Meeting ID: 927 1464 7207 Passcode: 717092



Dial into the meeting by phone:

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June 2022 Meeting Agenda

- Welcome/Invocation
- Officers Report, Minutes, Treasurer Report, Budget Review/Approval
- Updates from Elected Officials & PSA
- LRCA Student Scholarship presentation
- Community Concerns/Closing

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NEWS YOU CAN USE!

Lamond-Riggs Library to Be Named After Lillian J. Huff

The DC Public Library Board voted to name the Lamond-Riggs Library after Mrs. Lillian J. Huff, a civil leader, activist, and organizer who led the quest to attain a library in the Lamond-Riggs neighborhood for two decades. The full name of the new library will be "Lamond-Riggs / Lillian J. Huff Library".

DC DPR (Department of Parks & Recreation) Boost Camp

Sign up at <https://dprboostcamps.splashthat.com> for summer camp re-imagined with a focus on accelerated learning and specialized enrichment activities. Slots are still available for the following specialty camps:

- ❖ **Challenge Camp** - exploration of the intersection of engineering, art, and technology.
- ❖ **Esports Camp** - immersion into the world of competitive gaming.
- ❖ **Journalism Camp** - exposure to digital media and the tracking of current events.
- ❖ **Robotics Camp** - STEM-based camp with a focus on robotics and machine building.
- ❖ **Rocket Camp** - STEM-based camp with a focus on flight and rocketry.

*The Summer Boost camps are looking to hire specialized staff. View the following website for hiring details:

<https://dpr.dc.gov/summerjobs>.

DPW is hosting a hiring fair on Wednesday, June 8 from

12pm-5pm at the North Michigan Park Rec Center (1333 Emerson St NE) to hire several tow truck drivers. Applicants should bring their Valid Commercial Driver's License (Class B), DOT Medical Certificate, and highlight their tow truck driver experience.

Children Ages 5-11 Now Eligible for Booster Shots at DC Vaccine Sites. View the DC COVID Centers website for scheduling details:

<https://coronavirus.dc.gov/covidcenters>.

Last day of school for DCPS is Monday, June 27, 2022

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

From Council member Lewis-George's Office (Ward 4) Ward 4 Summer Safety Strategic Meeting for all Ward 4

Residents—Wednesday, June 8 from 5pm-7pm at MacFarland Middle School (4400 Iowa Ave NW). Our office and each agency will lay out specific actions to address crime and gun violence during the summer. We know that public safety is the collective function of a community, so there will also be opportunities for neighbors to support these important efforts. RSVP to join us at <https://janeeseward4.com/ward-4-dispatch-pools-and-spray-parks-oregon-avenue-how-to-vote-and-summer-safety>.

The Council had its second vote on the proposed DC budget. While the budget won't be finalized until June 7, **Council member Lewis-George was able to work with Chairman Mendelson to secure some additional important wins for our community** including, funding for Six Closed Circuit Neighborhood-Based Cameras and \$150,000 for a Comprehensive Study on School-Based Behavior Health.

DC Primary Election is on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. In addition to receiving a paper ballot in the mail and mailing back the completed form in the included postage page envelope quickly; you may drop your ballot in any Election Day drop box; participate in early voting from June 10-19, and June 21; or vote in person at a vote center on Election Day, June 21 from 7am to 8pm. You may find voting information here:

<https://www.dboe.org/Voters/Where-to-Vote/Find-Out-Where-to-Vote>

Become a part of Council member Lewis-George's Office Team

Learn more here: <https://bit.ly/ServeWard4CLG>

Sign-up for Councilmember Lewis-George's electronic community newsletter and receive the latest updates here:

<https://bit.ly/Ward4newsletter>.

From Council member McDuffie's Office (Ward 5)

To Contact the Council member:

Phone—(202)724-8028 or signup for the newsletter at:

<https://kenyanmcduffieward5.wpcomstaging.com/signup>

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MAY 2022 MEETING MINUTES—May 2, 2022

Meeting opened at 7:01 pm. President Rogers went over housekeeping rules and then deferred to Rev. Paul for the opening prayer.

Officers Reports

- **Secretary's Report:** Correction to April minutes: Ending balance per May newsletter was \$9,447.31, corrected \$9,947.31. Motions were made to accept the minutes as amended. Motion was passed.
- **Treasurer's report,** presented by treasurer Audrey Walker: Beginning balance: \$9,947.31. Total deposits: \$1,994.82. Total expenses: \$274.34. Ending balance: \$10,867.79. Motions were made to approve the report into the record. Motion was passed.
- **Budget:** Motions were made to approve the April meeting budget. Motion passed with majority of voting (dues paying) members.

Elected Officials and PSA

- **Anthony Mitchell (Ward 4 MOCR):**
 - View Budget.dc.gov to view Mayor's budget; budget questions should be directed to the council member for response..
 - Announcement of grant funding for DC businesses, including initial investment funding.
 - Announcement of Violent Crime Impact Team: collaborative effort between local and federal partners to remove firearms from communities to reduce violent crimes.
 - Grants for Summer: \$3.57 million for youth ages 5-17 during summertime; given to community organizations for youth activities.
- **President Rogers announced the following from Councilmember Lewis George:**
 - Representatives from the Councilmember's office will only attend ANC meetings due to time constraints; will no longer attend civic association meetings. Excerpts from the council member's newsletter will also be included in the LRCA newsletter.

ANC Reports:

- **4B08, Commissioner Alison Brooks:** Unable to attend meeting, due to an emergency
- **4B09, Commissioner LaRoya Huff:**
 - Two alleys being rehabbed/cleaned: 700 Blk Nicholson; one 400 blk of riggs/500 blk of Nicholson
 - Will draft letter (and ask for LRCA support) to extend median calming measures
 - Will further explore 2nd and 3rd Streets roundabout with Commissioner Brooks, near Chick-Fil-A
 - Monitoring for excessive auto speeds along the 800 block of Eastern Ave; and 4th St (near Library) conversation regarding car speeding.
 - 600 block of Oneida reports residents repairing cars, causing traffic issues. MPD issued warnings. Residents desire residential parking.

Robert Oliver, Lamond Riggs Library Friends:

- Lamond Riggs Branch completion anticipated end of June, if not earlier.
- Name will not immediately be there (during opening) as it will require time to design the plaque, etc.
- Library hosting a seminar that covers how to start business. Seminar to be held between 11-6 on May 4th.
- Space-naming policy: naming auditoriums, rooms to honor community individuals. Meeting was not well-attended; other meetings to be held in future, so those interested in providing suggestions to name library assets should get involved.

Howard Burnett—Lamond Riggs Boys and Girls Club: The May 14 event starts at noon at Riggs Lasalle Recreation Center (501 Riggs Road) to celebrate 60 years of work within the community. Guest speaker is a notable person who grew up in the community. Proceeds will go to LRCA for youth programming and Friends of Riggs-Lasalle.

Edwin Washington, Executive Director of the Parks Main Street

- Campaigns and events throughout the month to celebrate DC small business month and Asian American and Pacific Islander month. Will also highlight AAPI businesses throughout the month.
- Looking for residents to do videos to support local businesses. In collaboration with Culture Coffee (each Sunday 12-4); Sunday Fun Days feature local businesses and artists.

Other: Lamond Action Group—block association of LRCA—will have elections this year.

LRCA Committees: Chairs of following committees provided report-outs regarding their respective activities: By-laws Committee and Friends of Riggs-LaSalle Recreation Center; Senior Committee; Scholarship Committee; Health Committee

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

s/ Rabihah A. Mateen, Recording Secretary

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Calling all Artists, Vendors, & Performers!

Art All Night 2022 at The Parks Main Street will occur on **Friday, September 23rd, 2022 from 7:00pm-11:00pm**. We are starting the search for artists, performers, and vendors for this inclusive and exciting festival. Riggs Park and Manor Park vendors, artists, and performers are encouraged to apply. Apply today to take part! To be a part of the Art All Night planning committee, fill out our volunteer application. You don't want to miss this. For questions email info@theparksmainstreet.org.

Every Sunday join us to shop, sip, and vibe at the The Divine Purpose Vendor Market at Culture Coffee Too (300 Riggs Road NE next to Walmart) from 12PM to 4PM. Enjoy some of the best artisans, makers, and builders the DMV has to offer while listening to great music and brunch offered by local chefs.

Lamond-Riggs Vendors who would like to participate in these events, vendor fees are \$75 for an inside table and \$100 for an outside table. Contact Daniel Myers at (240)502-4640 or Patrice Myers at (240)706-2061 to register your business.

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

LRCA Volunteer Certificate Ceremony

LRCA Volunteers! Stop by the Riggs LaSalle Recreation Center, 501 Riggs Road, NE. on Saturday, June 11 at noon to receive a certificate of appreciation for all of your hard work this year. Lamond-Riggs community, come out and meet our board members and chat with your neighbors.

Father's Day Brunch

ALL LAMOND-RIGGS Fathers! Join us on Friday, June 17 from 11:00am-1pm at the Riggs LaSalle Recreation Center, 501 Riggs Road, NE. RSVP by June 13 by email at fathers@lrcadc.org or by phone at (202)838-6058. It will prove to be fun for all fathers in attendance.

LRCA Health and Wellness Committee Weekly Walking Group.

Saturdays at 10AM. Will meet at the community playground on Nicholson St next to the Riggs-LaSalle Rec Center. Contact danielle@lrcadc.org for additional details.



Become an LRCA Member

Join online at [LRCADC.org/membership-join](https://lrcadc.org/membership-join) or call us at (202)838-6058 for a paper application!