Woodley Park News

Noodles & Company wants to open a restaurant at 2635 Connecticut Ave, the site of the old Sake Club. To do this, Noodles needs both a special exception and a variance from the requirements of DC zoning law. It needs a special exception because Noodles is a "fast food establishment" under the zoning rules, and such businesses are not allowed in Woodley Park. Zoning regs require a fast food establishment to enclose its dumpsters within brick walls and to have a brick wall along its property line to screen it from neighbors on the other side of the alley. Noodles says that it is unable to meet these requirements and is asking for a variance. Noodles has also applied for a permit for a sidewalk café. Representatives from Noodles will discuss these applications and answer questions at a WPCA meeting on Wednesday April 6th at Stanford (Connecticut Ave and Woodley Rd). Copies of both the zoning and sidewalk café applications are on our website.

Pepco will be installing **Smart Meters** in the area this year. ANC3C is hosting a panel that will include a Smart Meter presentation from Pepco, as well as short presentations from the DC Office of People's Counsel and the DC Public Service Commission regarding the state of the electricity retail industry, under-grounding electrical wires and the choices available to DC residents. Wednesday March 16th, 7 to 8:30 pm, MPD 2D Community Room, 3320 Idaho Avenue. More info available on the <u>ANC's website</u>.

Woodley Park East-of-Connecticut Neighborhood Cleanup. Saturday April 9th, 9 am until finished. Clean the alley, the green space, overhanging limbs, the area going into the park...whatever is bothering you. Contact <u>Judy Shapiro</u> for more information.

The final environmental assessment for the proposed hiking/biking trail along the old **Klingle Road** is <u>now available</u>. The study concluded that the project would have no significant impact on the natural, human or built environment.

DCPS is holding a **State of the Schools** meeting in Ward 3 on Thursday March 17th, from 5:30 to 8:30 pm at Alice Deal Middle School.

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