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## TRIANGLE TIMES

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### CAPITOL CROSSING UPDATE

Capitol Crossing is a 2.2 million square foot, multi-phase development located adjacent to Mount Vernon Triangle on the south side of Massachusetts Avenue between 2nd & 3rd Streets, NW. The project has begun development with the relocation of utility work followed by infill of a platform within the air rights space above the Center Leg Freeway. The project will return the city's grid back to the original L'Enfant plan and creates a stronger connection between Capitol Hill, Mount Vernon Triangle and the Downtown East End. Additional information on Capitol Crossing can be found [here](#) and DDOT's traffic advisory regarding the utility work can be found [here](#).



### MVT BLOSSOMS

Glorious daffodils have bloomed along our streets. Thanks to the volunteer efforts of many of you last fall, more than 1,700 planted bulbs rewarded us with a big show this month. Also, in celebration of the National Cherry Blossom Festival, the Lift Off sculpture at 5th & K Streets sprouted blossoms, lending an original and festive look to the MVT.



## 5TH STREET ACE HARDWARE HOSTS DOG ADOPTION DAY

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 26th from 12-2 pm, when the MVT CID, Wagtime and Karmalades will support 5th Street Ace Hardware's dog adoption event in front of the store at 1055 5th Street. Dogs and puppies from the Washington Animal Rescue League will be available for adoption. Ace will also offer 20% off all pet supplies during the event AND will give a \$15 gift card to Ace Hardware to anyone who adopts.



## SILO WELCOMES NEW CHEF AND FRESH MENUS AROUND

Delicious news from Silo this month. New Chef, Michael Walters, has joined the kitchen, consulting with Chef de Cuisine Calvin Di Giovanni, to create a new Modern American Bistro menu. View the new menu [here](#). On Wed. April 9th, Silo invited the community to sample the new food and cocktail menu. Chef Walters and Chef Di Giovanni handed out free appetizer samples. Residents and visitors packed the restaurant for a lively evening complete with live jazz from Stolen Moment Jazz Duo.

Be sure to check out the spring menus from all of our neighborhood restaurants as they introduce tastes of the season.

## CLEAN TEAM SPRINGS INTO ACTION

As spring crept into the MVT, the Clean Team took to the streets, cleaning and caring for the tree boxes and preparing the neighborhood for the warm weather. The tree boxes have been weeded, plants cut back for spring growth and mulched. Also, as part of the spring cleaning, the team held a competition to remove cigarette butts from tree boxes. Please help us keep the neighborhood clean this season and for our many dog lovers, please remember to pick up after your pets.





## MVT SPOTLIGHT: CHEF DE CUISINE AMY BRANDWEIN OF ALBA OSTERIA

Alba Osteria opened just before New Year's 2014 to rave reviews and has welcomed the community to the restaurant. Guests are enjoying cuisine from the region of Piemonte, Italy with a focus on the town of Alba. We asked Chef de Cuisine, Amy Brandwein, to give us her insight into the Piemonte region characteristics, her favorite items on the menu, the Chef Bar concept for Alba, and what to anticipate for spring. Read the full interview [here](#).

## DRINK THE DISTRICT INVITES YOU TO DERBY DAY ON MAY 3RD

Drink the District is back on May 3<sup>rd</sup> to celebrate the "Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports". Sign up now for one of two sessions: 1 – 4 pm or 6 – 9 pm at 500 New York Ave for unlimited tastings of more than 75+ beers and wines and every ticket includes two mint juleps. We're told a nationally recognized dueling piano show is flying in! Food will be available at an additional cost at several DC Food Trucks and you can enjoy set ups for bocce, corn hole & giant jenga. There will be prizes for best hats and attire. Click [here](#) to access MVT CID special \$30 discount tickets.



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