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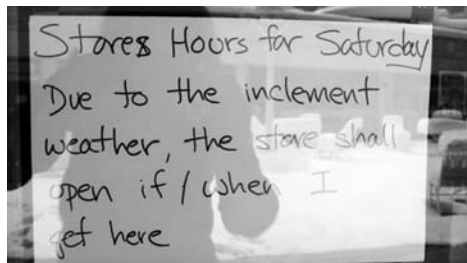
February 10, 2010

## Snowmageddon? Not in Foggy Bottom! Kudos to our Watergate Safeway Staff

Beginning Thursday afternoon, a crush of blizzard-crazed shoppers headed to Safeway resulting in long hours of lines of people—one after another—with carts filled to the brim. As the other stores put up the “Closed Saturday” signs, our Watergate Safeway crew of ten—led by manager, Eugene A. Peters—went above and beyond to keep the shelves stocked and customers checking out as efficiently as possible. Preparing for the worst, staffers arrived Friday at 6 am with clothes to last until Tuesday. When DDOT all but closed and not even the *Washington Post* was delivered, Safeway was open Saturday morning with shelves and produce being cheerfully restocked by managers and clerks alike even after prolonged and extended hours on their feet.



Safeway staff going above and beyond



They put OUR families before theirs to bring us a sense of normalcy when nothing else functioned. They persisted despite all obstacles to serve us. We owe them a debt of gratitude.

**Blizzard Crew:** Eugene A. Peters, Store Mgr., Katina Bannister, Front End Mgr.;

Donnell Sharpe, Janet Smith, Melvin Seaborne, *(continued on next page)*

## DC WATCH – Tracking District Government

### Transparency and Accountability Matters

Dorothy Brizill, community activist, civic reformer, founder and Executive Director of District non-profit, non-partisan DC



Watch is a stalwart dedicated to reducing District government corruption and promoting transparency. She enlightened nearly 30 FBA members at the January 26 membership meeting of the significance of having

a watchdog organization that shares fiscal and policy information about district administration and bureaucracy that would otherwise go unreported or be buried obscurely in printed news. DC Watch continued connecting the dots. In FB/WE, the *(continued on next page)*

## THE FOGGY BOTTOM NEWS

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The *Foggy Bottom News* is published by the Foggy Bottom Association as a service to its members and provides information on FBA and neighborhood news, programs, activities and other events of interest to FBA members. Contributions and story ideas are welcome, but the *FBN* reserves the right to edit or hold pieces as space requires.

The Foggy Bottom Association was formed by a group of citizens in 1955 and was formally incorporated in 1959. Attendance at FBA meetings is open to all residents of Foggy Bottom and the West End.

### FBA Officers:

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Susan Trinter (FBN Editor)

## Beauty with a Price

For us FB/WE dwellers, the impact beyond the beauty of Saturday's snow was the tremendous loss of



branches and mature trees on Washington Circle and the New Hampshire Ave corridor. Ron Cocome, along with Don Ramsey and Marcy Kurt spent the better part of Saturday gently knocking snow off Juarez Circle and New Hampshire Ave tree branches during the blizzard. Louise Wiener and Pat Kellogg also attended to the critical effort.

With more snow forecast, please don't hesitate to take a broom and a few minutes to help our precious trees. What snow that is not shaken from branches, melts in the sun and freezes even heavier at sunset. Let's all pitch in to prevent further destruction of our precious neighborhood assets. ~

## Snowmageddon (cont'd)

Clerks; and Robin Jamison, Meat Mgr.; Wayne Anderson, Asst Mgr.; Chris Payne, Debbie Jones, Grocery Mgrs.; and Sean Pavlish Head Stocker.

**SAFeway CARTS:** Safeway does its best to keep carts for customers. Many customers leave them on the streets rather than returning them. PLEASE CALL Safeway (202) 338-3628 so they can recover them.

**CVS PHARMACY** complete with pharmacist (also located downstairs at the Watergate Mall) stayed open during Saturday's blizzard. Many thanks to all for jobs well done! ~

## DC WATCH (cont'd)

elemental concern revolves around the sale or transfer of our public assets to private parties, for illusory public benefit and empty promises. Our Fire Station, MPD Special Ops substation, West End Library, and Stevens School—some of the most valuable property in the District—have all been on the auction block and could well “lost” to residents, the rightful owners. Brizill reminded members that, without citizen oversight, there is no barrier to losing the proximity and level of our protective fire

and police services and that we must be vigilant.

DC Watch's major official project is its website, [www.DCwatch.com](http://www.DCwatch.com), which informs the public about fundamental policy issues, District government, and its officials. DCWatch also serves as an online outlet for opinion with its twice-weekly e-letter, “The Mail,” as well as providing a wealth of informational resources for citizens. ~

Contributing subscribers are encouraged to post notes. Not all notes are posted and some may be returned for

clarification or with questions. In general, newsworthy notes conveying information and/or analysis are more likely to be posted than opinions. Posting rules are simple: Please provide a title for each message. On the next line, write your name and email address. Anonymous posts are not accepted. Please use conventional grammar, formatting, and layout. Classified ads and event listings are accepted and run on a space available basis. All contributions should be sent to [themail@dcwatch.com](mailto:themail@dcwatch.com). ~

### E V E N T S

#### **WEST END LIBRARY FRIENDS' HALF-PRICE BOOK SALE: SAT. FEB 27, 10:30 AM TO 3:30 PM**

The West End Library Friends' half-price used book sale at the West End Library, 1101 24th St., NW (24th & L Streets) of used and contributed books with most items marked from \$.25 to \$2.50. All sales proceeds will go toward the D.C. Public Library citywide 2010 Summer Reading Program.

Mark your calendars now and help support this worthy cause.

#### **FBA MONTHLY MEETING – FEBRUARY 23**

Social hour at 7; Speaker at 7:30

Mark Your Calendars