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## Helping Others, Having Fun!

So it begins! Runway shows, makeovers, and **30 boutiques** each night selling at **incredible prices**. Crystal City BID's **Crystal Couture** starts today, and continues all week. We're co-hosting its closing night, **Feb. 6**; see you there! It's **free!** [Info](#)

We braved the snow Saturday night and headed to downtown's **Ritz-Carlton** for the fourth annual **Monte Carlo Night** to benefit **Children's National Medical Center**.



The event supports ground-breaking treatment and less invasive surgeries at Children's, as well as building and equipping new surgical facilities. Front: JBG Rosenfeld's **Grier Buchanan** and UGL Equis' **Miles Pratt**; back: McShea's **Timmy Connolly** and Vocus' **Angie Jusino**.

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The Ritz was transformed into a Vegas-style lounge, where supporters bid on silent auction items, danced to a live band, and gambled for a good cause at the poker, blackjack, and craps tables. Here: Transwestern's **Lauren Dean**, MCPS's **Susan Zeccardi**, Transwestern's **Christine Masney**, and Willis' **Melissa Randolph**.



Funds from the real estate community will equip Children's with state-of-the-art technology for its operating rooms. FedSource's **Arylyn Stokes**, Washington Property Co.'s **Evan Feldman**, and CoStar Group's **Owen Billman** and **Brent Glodowski**.



Feeling lucky at the blackjack table: ASB's **Mandi Wedin** with husband, web developer **Isaac Wedin**, CIM Group's **Terra Weirich**, and Rad Designs' **Eric Blodnikar**.

**Tigerlily!**

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Almost 200 people poured into downtown's **Josephine Lounge** on Thursday for **Tigerlily Foundation's** annual bachelor/bachelorette **date auction** to raise funds and awareness for young women with **breast cancer**. Its founder, author, activist, and breast cancer survivor **Maimah Karmo**, aims to empower other young women who get the disease.



Unlike other organizations, Tigerlily not only provides women with hands-on services—such as a support groups—but also with financial support, such as doctor co-payments. Here: Aesthetic Dental Spa's **Mehrnaz Naini**, Hot 99.5 on-air personality **Sarah Fraser**, and WPGC news director and the night's emcee **Guy Lambert**.



Two cool bachelors who came out to support breast cancer education and advocacy: AboveNet's **Ali Zinat** and former *Skins* superstar

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**Helping Haitian Orphans!**



We dropped in on a **Wesley Heights** party Friday evening to raise funds for the **Mercy and Sharing Foundation**, which has provided medical care, feeding programs, education, and protection for **Haitian orphans** for 15 years. Plastic surgeon **Jim French** was one of the **first doctors in Haiti** after the earthquake, operating in a makeshift hospital near the embassy. He's flanked by the sisters who organized the event, Washington Fine Property realtors **Heidi Hatfield**, **Anne Hatfield-Weir** (at whose home it was) and **Andrea Hatfield**.



Friends and neighbors who, along with the Hatfields, pulled the event together in a few days: **Lucy Pugh**, **Aimee Whitelaw**, **Myra Moffett**, **Tammy Gale**, **Connie Carter**, **Jennifer Hirshberg**, **Cathy Kerkam**, **Karen Nunes**, and **Morgan Wilson**. The party raised over \$20,000 for the orphanage.

**More Help for Haiti!**



Friday night, we also went to **Sesto Senso**, which hosted **Together for Haiti** with Spanish pop rock band **Ocho de Bastos**; proceeds went to the American Red Cross. Steering committee member **Federico de Jesus**, House of Reps staff **Darrienne Gutierrez**, and **Maximiliano Trujillo**, USDA's **Yamil Jaskille**, GW's **Adrian Brito**, and House staff **Flavio Cumpiano**.

*Courtney Caldwell, Kristina D'Ambrosio, and Vanessa Meccarielli, contributed to this issue.*

**WHERE TO BE SCENE:**

**Thursday, February 4 from 6:00 – 9:00 PM**, join **Becky's Fund, Hanky Panky** and the **W Hotel** for a **Pre- Valentine event** at the **Altitude Bar at the W Hotel, 515 15th St NW**. A **portion of event proceeds** will go to **Becky's Fund**, a national non-profit dedicated to domestic violence prevention and education. Come personalize your own Hanky Panky, shop the exclusive Hanky Panky pop-up boutique, enjoy signature cocktails and treats, jam to a live DJ, and enjoy mini Bliss treatments. **Tickets: \$40-\$50** at [www.beckysfund.org](http://www.beckysfund.org)

**Monday, February 1** from 7:00-8:00pm, join *Sweeney Todd* actress **Erin Driscoll** at Signature Theatre's **Page to Stage Mondays** at the **Shirlington Branch of the Arlington Public Library**, 4200 Campbell Avenue, Arlington, VA 22206. nex to Signature Theatre. **Free**. No reservations required. For more information, check out [http://www.signature-theatre.org/conv\\_series.htm](http://www.signature-theatre.org/conv_series.htm).

**Monday February 1** from 6:30pm to 9:30 pm come at the **Alliance Française** (2142 Wyoming Avenue, NW) to provide hope and relief for our francophone friends of Haiti during a very special fundraising event in partnership with **Doctors Without Borders**, Raffle or Auction including a session of classes at the Alliance Française, concert tickets, paintings, the use of Letelier theater, etc to raise funds. Haitian music, French food and wine. Donations starting at \$25. Reservation through Alliance Française web site: <http://www.francedc.org/en/CulturalEvent.aspx?id=617>

**Monday February 1** from 6:30-8:30 PM, head to **Black Cat** at **1811 14th Street NW** for **MidCity Mixer**, and event held the first Monday of every month to **bring together residents, business owners and city officials** who live work and play in the MidCity area. Admission is **free**. Visit <http://www.midcitylife.com/> for more info.

**Monday February 1 thru Wednesday, February 3** Come **shop and/or dine** at Federal Realty's Rockville Town Square and Bethesda Row, and **10% of all proceeds** will go to the **relief efforts in Haiti** through The American Red Cross. Make a difference and lend a hand to help the people of Haiti in **Rockville Town Square** at Bobby's Crabcakes, The Cottage Monet, Five Guys, Fractured Prune,

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**Tuesday, February 2**, 6:30pm **Georgetown School of Continuing Studies** is holding an **information session** and **reception** at the **National Press Club**, 1529 14th Street, NW. Learn more about the Master's and Doctoral degree programs from faculty, staff & students. RSVP [here](#).

**Tuesday, February 2** from 7:00 – 9:00 PM, join Academy Award-nominated documentary filmmaker **Morgan Spurlock** for an evening of **only-in-America pop culture** as he takes the stage at **the Corcoran Gallery of Art** (500 17th St. NW). He'll go behind the scenes of his new documentary series **30 Days** and discuss his recent role as **director** of **The Simpson's 20th Anniversary Special**. Tickets: \$20 (half off for students) at [www.corcoran.org/calendar](http://www.corcoran.org/calendar).

**Tuesday, February 2**, from 6-9pm come to downtown RAMMY-winning restaurant **Teatro Goldoni** for the DC Air Society's **Derby Day Committee Kickoff**. Open wine and beer bar, Teatro appetizers, and excellent mingling. Contact Shiree Skinner [SkinnerS@njhealth.org](mailto:SkinnerS@njhealth.org) 703-519-5760

**Wednesday, February 3** from 6:30 - 9:30 PM, join **Wine & Roses Jewelry** for **Gin, Gents and Gems** at Local 16, 1602 U Street, for a night of **gin and whiskey tastings** and **shopping for your Valentine**. RSVP to: [wineandrosesjewelry@gmail.com](mailto:wineandrosesjewelry@gmail.com).

**Thursday, February 4** from 1:00-2:00pm, join *I Am My Own Wife* actor **Andrew Long** at **Signature Theatre's Brown Bag Thursday**, at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Avenue, Arlington, VA 22206. Bring your lunch. **Free**. No reservations required. For more information, check out [http://www.signature-theatre.org/conv\\_series.htm](http://www.signature-theatre.org/conv_series.htm).

**Saturday, February 6** from 6 to 10 pm, escort your favorite little princess to A WINTER PRINCESS BALL: Dining and Dancing with Daddy to benefit The **Gladney Center for Adoption**. Held at Westwood Country Club, Vienna, VA, and **black tie optional**. For information contact Stacey Reynolds at [reynoldssj@msn.com](mailto:reynoldssj@msn.com) or call 703-264-8896.



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