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**General Chapter Meeting – Thursday, August 21st, 2014**

George Washington University – Hall of Government - Room 101

(710 21st Street N.W., Washington, DC)

* **Introductions and EWB in a Nutshell** – Jonathan Mead < president@ewb-dc.org>
* **EWB National/Regional News** – Ben Hsu <vice\_president@ewb-dc.org>

**Design Global; Engineer Local**

* EWB-USA international accredited course & conference
* Dates: Oct. 5-11, 2014 Location: Panama
* Registration ($1,500): http://panama2014.org/

**EWB-USA National Conference**

* Hosted by EWB-DC, EWB-Montgomery College, and EWB-Frederick MD
* Dates: Oct 31. – Nov. 2 Location: Reston, VA
* Link: http://ewbusaconference.org/

**Solar Symposium 2014**

* “Using Solar Energy to Generate Wealth in Lower Income Communities”
* Date: Tuesday September 23rd, 2014 Location: George Washington U.
* Link: http://solar.gwu.edu/events/2014-solar-symposium

**Bridge Builder Conference**

* Hands on workshops in development infrastructure construction
* Panel discussions with bridge builders and global change agents
* Dates: Sept 12-14, 2014 Location: Winter Park, CO
* Registration ($150): bridgestoprosperity.org

**EWB-USA Fall Grant Cycle**

* All projects should apply! Cycle opens Sept. 2nd with an October 2nd deadline

**New Chapter: EWB - Northern Virginia**

* The new Northern Virginia Chapter has launched!
* Contact Janet Chang to get involved: jjchang@bechtel.com

**Become an EWB Member!**

* Get access to a great suite of online technical resources
* Vote / run in chapter elections, travel on project trips, help fund EWB-DC projects
* **EWB-DC Updates** – Ben Hsu <vice\_president@ewb-dc.org>

**Gala Planning**

* Proposed Dates: Late January 2015
* Status: Venue selected, strategizing financial success plan

**Chapter Hike & Picnic in Shenandoah**

* August 9th hike had gorgeous weather, fun rock scrambling, and fantastic views!
* **Panama Project Updates** - Rahul, Nina, Mohamed <panama@ewb-dc.org>
* Preliminary community technology center design and calculations progressing with hope to have them ready in the next two - three months
* Next meeting: Wednesday, Sept 3 @ 7pm - MLK Jr. Memorial Library
* **Cameroon Project Updates** - Rachel & Ashley <cameroon@ewb-dc.org>
* Spring/gravity water supply design wrapping up for mid-September final submission
* Next trip to the community planned for December 2014
* Next meeting: Thursday, Aug 28 @ 7:00PM
* **El Salvador Project Updates** - Angeline <santaclara@ewb-dc.org>
* Phase II of design - looking for a low-cost, two-burner, fuel-efficient design
* Next trip to the community in the fall will demonstrate stove options to community for input towards final designs / configurations
* Next Meeting: TBD
* **Fundraising Update:**
* Panama Project: DC United vs. Philadelphia Union Game
	+ September 27th: 12:00pm Tailgate Party - 3pm Game
	+ Order Tickets from Nina (panama@ewb-dc.org): $25
* Shop Amazon Smile and support EWB (smile.amazon.com)
* T-shirt Fundraiser: http://tinyurl.com/ewb-dc-tshirt
* **Treasurer’s Report** - Marie <treasurer@ewb-dc.org>
* August 15th update: Total current funds = $36,420.54
	+ - Chapter (unrestricted) = $8,181.70
		- El Salvador = $6,953.94
		- Cameroon = $20,933.46
		- Panama = $351.44
* **Local Student Chapter Updates**
* **Officer Elections: Candidate Nominations**
* Positions: President, VP, Treasurer, Secretary
* Voting Eligibility: All dues paying EWB-DC members of greater than 6 months
* Nomination period: August 21-29 (Email: president@ewb-dc.org)
* Elections held online from September 3-12, 2014
* New officers announced at the September 16th chapter meeting
* New officer term begins October 1, 2014
* **Future Meeting Dates for 2014** – Note all meetings are at 7:00pm
* September 16th (Tuesday) @ George Washington University – Phillips Hall, Rm 415
* October 15th (Wednesday) @ George Washington University – Monroe Hall, Rm 110
* November 20th (Thursday) @ George Washington University – Funger Hall, Rm 222
* December 17th (Wednesday) @ George Washington University – Blding/Room TBA