



Hillcrest Community Civic Association

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# HILLCREST NEWSLETTER

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May 2019

## APRIL COMMUNITY MEETING SCHEDULE

**HILLCREST COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING**  
Hillcrest Recreation Center  
32nd and Denver Street, SE  
Saturday, May 4, 2019  
11:00 AM

**PSA 606 POLICE COMMUNITY MEETING**  
East Washington Heights  
Baptist Church  
2200 Branch Ave., SE  
Wednesday, May 15, 2019  
6:00 PM

**ANC 7B MONTHLY MEETING**  
Ryland Methodist Church  
3200 S St., SE  
Thursday, May 16, 2019  
6:30 PM

**Friends of Francis Gregory Library**  
3660 Alabama Ave., SE  
Monday, May 6, 2019  
7:00 PM

**Pay 2019 Dues**  
**\$20.00 per household**  
Make checks payable to  
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Send to: P.O. Box 30895  
Washington, DC 20030  
or  
[www.hillcrestdc.com/hcca/  
paydues.html](http://www.hillcrestdc.com/hcca/paydues.html)

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## May Guest Speaker

Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America is a grassroots movement of Americans fighting for public safety measures that can protect people from gun violence. Moms Demand Action (MDAGSDC), campaigns for new and stronger solutions to lax gun laws and loopholes that jeopardize the safety of our families.

Emily Arndt, the Deputy Local Legislative Lead, for Moms Demand Action DC will talk about Moms Demand Action DC's Legislative Agenda which includes the following:

- ◆ Full implementation of the Neighborhood Engagement Achieves Result Act;
- Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement is asking for increased funding to fund four additional full-time resources for 2020;
- ◆ Assist the Mayor's office on a communication plan to raise awareness for Extreme Risk Protection Order; and Support Cure the Streets program and advocate for full funding model in 2020 budget.



**Join the Hillcrest Community Civic Association**  
**Saturday, July 13, 2019**

at

The casino features slots, thrilling table games, food & drink specials, BBQ and family activities @ The Grove, and the excitement of **live harness racing**. ([delawarepark.com/racing](http://delawarepark.com/racing))  
The cost is \$45 (with \$30 free play)

(plus your option for shopping at nearby Christiana Mall)  
For reservations contact: Sheila Brown @ (202) 297-3883  
Nancy Harris @ (202) 575-2696

## Hillcrest and the Riversmart Benefits

Submitted by Katie Ahlfeld

Spring is here and Hillcrest neighbors are getting back into their yards, pruning, planting, seeding and weeding. Did you know that there are programs available through the DC Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) to help you beautify your garden and make it environmentally friendly? The Riversmart program includes funds to help you add features to your property that will help minimize water runoff into our creeks and streams which all feed into the Anacostia River.

Hillcrest is a priority area for Riversmart because of the erosion in Alger Park where the stream feeds into the Texas Avenue tributary of the Anacostia. As a priority homeowners are eligible to receive up to \$2,400 worth of conservation landscaping features such as rain barrels, bay scaping, impervious surface removal and rain gardens. If you have participated in the Riverside before the Hillcrest individual home gap was raised, you can request to use the additional funds available until you reach the \$2,400 cap.

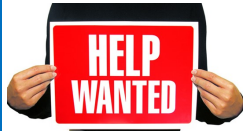
If you choose to use the program, DOEE will send an auditor to your home to walk you through the options. In addition, DC has completely waved the co-payment for shade tree planting. Hillcrest homeowners can have as many trees as they would like planted for free. Just consult with an auditor/arborist who will make recommendations about the total number, specific species, and location for the recommended trees.

For homeowners who do not want to wait for an audit, there are Riversmart Rebates available. These rebates can be found on the DOEE website. In addition to beautifying your yard and helping clean up our watershed, participating in the Riversmart program can also help you save money. Riversmart Rewards provides a discount of up to 55% off DOEE's Stormwater Fee and up to 4% off DC Water's Clean Rivers Impervious Area Charge.

To participate in and benefit from the Riversmart program visit <https://doee.dc.gov/riversmart> where you can learn more about what is available.

## Manifest Your Expression Through Art

Join the Francis Gregory Library for this special program series in participation with the Age Friendly DC Initiative where participation age 50+ can express themselves through painting and poetry. All programs are on Tuesdays at 12:30 pm. The Remaining dates are: May 14th, June 18th, July 16th, and August 20th.



**Chairman for Streets, Traffic and Transportation (STT)** - We are seeking a committee chair for the STT Committee. The Committee shall monitor, advise on and keep the membership abreast of plans and proposals for street, traffic and transportation changes or improvements. The Committee shall serve as liaison to public and private agencies.

**Recording Secretary** - We are seeking a community member to record and post the minutes of our Board and Membership meetings.

If you are interested in serving in either capacity please contact Karen Williams at [karen.williams4@verizon.net](mailto:karen.williams4@verizon.net)

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# THE SOUTHEAST DC *Porchfest*

BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR  
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**A DAY OF PERFORMANCES  
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**KETCHUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRUMLINE | KHADIJAH MOON**  
**JASPER MADDOX | SHALAYA BEE | KING STREET | THE AFRO BETTY**  
**FEMI | MM BETHUNE IB WORLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRUMLINE**  
**LINDA HARRIS | BODY OF EVIDENCE | DJ GOLDY SMOKES | BLISS ANANDA**  
**SWEET SOMETHING | OFFICIAL JESUS GANG | UN'Q NTR | SABRIA LARAE**  
**LADY J | BLACK OUT BAND | NOISE ON RESISTANCE | CASANOVELA**  
**DEUCE DUCARTIER | SAY NO MORE | HOT GUMBO BAND | JUS PAUL**  
**THE EXPERIENCE BAND AND SHOW | DJ TEE ALFORD**



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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

@PORCHFESTDC

12PM-6PM

HILLCREST  
KICK-OFF AT THE FRANCIS GREGORY LIBRARY

SUNDAY

19  
MAY

## National Bar Association Scholarship

Submitted by Toya Carmichael

Region XII of the National Bar Association announces a deadline extension for the 2019 MLK Drum Major for Justice Competition. The 1,000 word essay prompt, "Would Martin Luther King, J. support "The Green New Deal?" Why or why not/ All high school seniors attending schools in the District of Columbia are eligible to apply. First place winner - \$700; Second place winner - \$250; Third place winner - \$150

The first place winner will also be become eligible to receive an all expense paid trip to New York to participate in the National Competition. First place - \$4,000; Second place - \$3,000; Third place - \$1,000. Interested students should immediately contact Toya Carmichael via email - [hillcrestday2017@yahoo.com](mailto:hillcrestday2017@yahoo.com) for the complete packet.

## Bolling 65th Anniversary

The Past, Present, and Future of School Diversity in DC  
Sunday, May 19, 2019/ 1:00 - 5:00 PM  
Sousa Middle School

May 17th marks the 65th anniversary of the Bolling v. Sharpe decision, one of the 5 cases consolidated into the Brown v. Board of Education landmark Supreme Court case. Bolling challenged school segregation in D.C. and John Phillip Sousa Junior High was the school at the center of the historic civil rights case. Join us for a dynamic afternoon of history, reflections and discussions. RSVP at [LearnLiveTogether.org/bolling](http://LearnLiveTogether.org/bolling)

## Washington Seniors Wellness Center Ward 7 3001 Alabama Avenue

Seniors on the move. Come join us! Orientation every Tuesday at 2:00 pm

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