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Our March guest speaker, Michael Leon, Leasing Representative at The Rappaport Companies, will discuss with the Hillcrest Community Civic Association (HCCA) the current status of Skyland. Michael assists with Rappaport's listings throughout Washington, D. C., Maryland, and Virginia. Michael joined Rappaport most recently from Rosenthal Properties where he worked as a Leasing Associate. Previously, Michael worked with Bisnow, serving as their sole writer for commercial real estate news from 2010 -2012. He also worked at Douglas Development.

Michael earned his Bachelor of Arts from James Madison University and is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Real Estate from the Johns Hopkins University Carey Business School. Additionally, Michael is actively involved in the International Council for Shopping Centers, and is always researching new trends in retail and commercial real estate.

Special Points of Interest

HILLCREST COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hillcrest Recreation Center
32nd and Denver Street, SE
Saturday, March 3rd
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

PSA 606 POLICE COMMUNITY MEETING

East Washington Heights
Baptist Church
2200 Branch Ave., SE
Wednesday, March 21st 6 PM

ANC 7B MONTHLY MEETING

Ryland Methodist Church
3200 S St., SE
Thursday, March 15th 7 PM



The Hillcrest Community Civic Association is planning to host a family game night this spring. Please stay tuned for details!



ICE MAN STOPPED COLD IN HIS TRACKS!

The mystery has been solved. Last month's issue of *The Hillcrest Newsletter* detailed a major and mysterious build up of ice on Camden Street between 34th and 36th Streets, S.E. (See the photograph below submitted by Mr. Aubrey Jasper, Jr. which was published in *The Hillcrest Newsletter* last month.)



One of the main complainants in the story was incorrectly identified. Ms. Gloria Gross was the person who indicated that a flow of water had been observed for about two years and the water volume had increased.

Various appeals to city officials had not produced any resolution of the water stream and with the coming of frigid weather, the problem had reached a hazardous level. It was at this point that Gloria Gross contacted Hillcrest's own Delia Gonçalves, a reporter from WUSA Channel 9.

In an email dated Dec. 28, 2017, TV reporter Delia Gonçalves contacted several city officials with a complaint that the neighbors near Camden Street were still looking for answers. She informed the city officials that she was going on the air that very evening with pictures!

In the following weeks, DC Water did its own investigation and stated that it was **not** the source of the creeping ice glacier. In the meantime, one block of Camden Street was closed to all traffic. A neighbor stated that the city had to bring in a backhoe to break up the ice.

In an email dated January 18, 2018, Mr. Donovan Anderson, ANC Commissioner for the affected area, stated that the "water issue had been corrected as of January 13, 2018." He had received an email from the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority explaining how that Authority had initially missed the problem. The spokesman apologized for any inconvenience this leak has caused the customers in that area.

Perhaps the final word on this troublesome episode could be sung to the miniature glacier by borrowing from Ray Charles in his hit song "Hit the Road, Jack".

Hit the road, Jack, and don't you come back no more, no more, no more, no more;

Hit the Road, Jack, and don't you come back no more!...

Women's History Month

Every March since 1987, the United States has celebrated the achievements of women during Women's History Month. As recently as the 1970's, women's history was virtually an unknown topic in the education or in general public consciousness. To address this situation, Molly Murphy MacGregor, convinced Sonoma County Education Task Force to celebrate the accomplishments of women during a week celebration starting on March 8, 1978. The local Women's History Week activities met with enthusiastic response, and dozens of schools planned special programs for Women's History Week.

In 1979, Molly Murphy MacGregor, was invited to participate in The Women's History Institute at Sarah Lawrence College, which was chaired by noted historian, Gerda Lerner and attended by the national leaders of organizations for women and girls. When the participants learned about the success of the Sonoma County's Women's History Week celebration, they decided to initiate similar celebrations within their own organizations, communities, and school districts. They also agreed to support an effort to secure a "National Women's



History Week." The first steps toward recognizing women during the month of March came in February 1980 when President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th as National Women's History Week. In the same year, Representative Barbara Mikulski, who at the time was in the House of Representatives, and Senator Orrin Hatch co-sponsored a Congressional

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HCCA ANNOUNCES THE HILLCREST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN HONOR OF YANTEE NEUFVILLE



When Hillcrest neighbor and HCCA board member Yantee Neufville passed away unexpectedly in July 2017, he left a hole in the community and a desire by many to recognize his life and legacy. In conjunction with his widow, Dr. Malika Fair Neufville, the HCCA is proud to announce the creation of the Hillcrest Memorial Scholarship in honor of Yantee Neufville. This scholarship will be awarded to its first deserving student this spring. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the scholarship, please make checks out to the Washington East Foundation, with "Yantee Neufville Scholarship" on the memo line. Checks can be sent to Washington East Foundation c/o Anne Beers Elementary School, 3600 Alabama Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20020 or brought to the HCCA monthly meetings. Electronic payment options are being developed as of this writing.

IT'S TAX TIME!

Hillcrest Residents April 15th will be here before you know it. Don't let the tax deadline slip up on you.

The District of Columbia offers residents assistance with their 2017 tax filing. The [Individual Income Tax Service Center](#) is available for our use. This center is a gateway for the services and information that personal income taxpayers will need to comply with the District's tax laws.

Residents can file online through the Tax Service Center, a secure site that provides full calculation of District tax and credits and currently allows District residents to file the D-40 and D-40EZ individual forms for free. This site is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The Federal/State E-File program allows taxpayers to file their federal and DC returns electronically at the same time. (Electronic filing does not increase the probability of being audited).

The Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR) provides a state-of-the-art, walk-in customer service facility, which is available to meet District taxpayers' needs. Here, taxpayers can get assistance quickly and efficiently in a comfortable, professional atmosphere.

Customer Service Center
1101 4th Street, SW, Suite W270
Washington, DC 20024
Phone: (202) 727- 4TAX (727-4829)
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Hours of Operation:
8:15 am - 5:30 pm

Residents take advantage of what your tax dollars provide. See eight new changes for 2018 filing at [CNBC.com](#).

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Women's History Month continued...

Resolution for National Women's History Week 1981. This co-sponsorship demonstrated the wide-ranging political support for recognizing, honoring, and celebrating the achievements of American women.

Each year, the dates of National Women's History Week, (the week of March 8th) changed and every year a new lobbying effort was needed. Yearly, a national effort that included thousands of individuals and hundreds of educational and women's organizations was spearheaded by the National Women's History Project.

By 1986, 14 states had already declared March as Women's History Month. This momentum and state-by-state action was used as the rationale to lobby Congress to declare the entire month of March 1987 as National Women's History Month. This effort resulted in Congress declaring March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women.

Contribution the National Women's History Project website

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