



# HILLCREST NEWSLETTER

*The Hillcrest Community Civic Association*  
 "Working together for a Better Community"  
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**HILLCREST COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING**  
 Hillcrest Recreation Center  
 32<sup>ND</sup> and Denver St., SE  
 Saturday, June 7, 10AM to Noon

**FRIENDS OF FRANCIS A. GREGORY LIBRARY MEETING**  
 Francis Gregory Library  
 3660 Alabama Ave., SE  
 Monday, June 9, 7PM to 9PM

**PSA 606 POLICE COMMUNITY MEETING**  
 East Washington Heights Baptist Church  
 2200 Branch Ave., SE  
 Wednesday, June 18, 6 PM

**ANC 7B MONTHLY MEETING**  
 Ryland Methodist Church  
 3200 S St., SE  
 Thursday, June 19, 7PM to 9PM

## This Month's Guest Speakers Kenneth Ellerbe



Fire and Emergency Medical Services Chief Kenneth B. Ellerbe leads the 2,000 member force. Chief Ellerbe a 31 –year veteran of the department briefly served as the city's Interim Fire Chief in 2000. He left in August 2009 to lead the Fire and EMS Department in Sarasota County, Florida

and returned to head DC F&EMS Department in January 2011.

Chief Ellerbe has a well-rounded career including managing the Operations Division, coordinating labor relations for the agency , managing the Fire Prevention Bureau, overseeing research and development and facilities management, as well as serving as the Director of Training, to name a few.

Chief Ellerbe earned a Bachelor of Science and Masters in Public Administration from the University of the District of Columbia . He graduated from the George Washington University Center for Excellence in Municipal Management where he received his certification in Public Management. He completed Harvard University's Senior Executives in State and Local Government. He has also completed the Naval Post Graduate School's Homeland Security Program for Executive Leaders.

Chief Ellerbe is a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and is a member of the Metro

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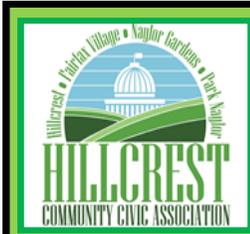
## Come Join HCCA As We Participate in Our Sister Association—Palisades Civic Association Annual 4th of July Parade

**When: July 4, 2014, 10:00 AM**  
**Where: McArthur Blvd.**



Bring wrapped candy for the kids and water to keep hydrated. Contact Karen Williams @ karen.williams4@verizon.net or 584-2703 for more details if you would like to represent HCCA at this annual event. Its great fun!

## Hillcrest's Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Article Series: Anniversary Luncheon Ticket Sales Begin in June



**HCCA**  
**Celebrating**  
**25 Years of**  
**Community**  
**Service**

Tickets for **HCCA's Saturday, September 27, 2014 25th Anniversary Luncheon** and fundraiser to be held at the Kellogg Conference Center located at 800 Florida Avenue, N.W., will be sixty (60) dollars per ticket. The luncheon features a two - main course meal of chicken and beef, with alternative vegetarian and vegan meals. Tickets sales, beginning in June, will be handled by **Mr. Mark Johnson**. Tickets will be available at the monthly meetings, from Board members and online through Eventbrite. **Mr. Paul Savage** will serve as Master of Ceremony. The luncheon will feature Keynote speaker, **Mr. Jim**

**Byers**. Byers is a former **Hillcrest resident, Hillcrest historian, WalkingTown DC tour leader, WPFW 89.3 FM radio host**, and author of the chapter about "East Washington Heights & Hillcrest" about the history of the Hillcrest, in the 2nd edition of the book, *Washington at Home*. **Mr. Harry Wingo, President of the D.C. Chamber of Commerce**, will discuss the D.C. business and Hillcrest community partnership and vision. The event also features HCCA past and current presidents, HCCA members, local violinist, **Mr. Walter L. Peacock, III**, elected officials, and others. This historic achievement presents an opportunity for reflection and celebration, including a tribute to **the Hon. Mayor Vincent C. Gray**, an HCCA member and long-time Hillcrest resident.

### **Update on Efforts to Extend Weekend Gate Opening Hours at the Hillcrest Recreational Center**

De'Andre Anderson, Chair of the HCCA Education and Recreation Committee, filed this report following a meeting convened by Commissioner Robin Marlin with representatives from the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the National Park Service.

One of the purposes of this meeting was to discuss concerns over having the gates opened on the weekends. The issue has been resolved. From now on, the gates should be opened Saturday and Sunday from 10AM to 7:30PM. Only two gates will be opened: the middle one, and the one closest to the school. The recreational center staff will open the gates on Saturday, but the National Park Service will handle the three remaining weekend shifts.

If there is ever a problem within the play center (non-criminal), please reach out to Mr. John

DPR's chief of staff, at [202-288-7275](tel:202-288-7275). If there is a crime happening on the property, please call the Park Ranger at [202-441-2605](tel:202-441-2605), or 911.

### **Violinist, Walter L. Peacock, III ("Heru"), will Play Violin Musical Selections for HCCA's 25th Anniversary Luncheon**

Violinist, Walter L. Peacock, III ("Heru"), who is a second generation Hillcrest resident and first-year Howard University engineering student, will play musical selections for the Hillcrest Community Civic Association's 25th Anniversary luncheon. Heru trained in the Suzuki method of musical training, which seeks to teach children to learn music naturally, like language, and seeks to develop "noble hearts" as opposed to musical prodigies. Heru plays with great passion and has played solo concerts and at wedding and other special occasion venues. HCCA welcomes the opportunity to showcase this talented young student from our very own community.

### **Saturday May 17, 2014 HCCA Held a Community Cleanup and an Art Auction and Wine Tasting Fundraiser**

*I want to take this opportunity to thank the Environmental Committee, Chair Mary Ross and the Fundraising Committee, Chair Sheila Brown for their committees' work to pull off 2 great events on one day. The Environmental Committee sponsored a "Community Clean Up" and the Fundraising Committee had a great Art Auction to raise money for our neighborhood schools and to provide a scholarship for a Ward 7 high school senior in 2015. Thank all of you who supported these HCCA events!!!*

**BYLAWS OF  
The Hillcrest Community  
Civic Association**

Proposed bylaw changes to be voted on at  
the June 2014 Meeting

**ARTICLE 1**

**SECTION 3. PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

(Delete—The principle of the Hillcrest Community Civic Association is located at the Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter at Alabama and Branch Avenue, SE in the District of Columbia Washington, D.C..

**ARTICLE 3  
DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 5. DUTIES**

E. Register their addresses (add—and email addresses) with the Secretary of the association, and notices of meetings (delete—mailed or telegraphed) (add—emailed) to them at such addresses shall be valid notices thereof.

**SECTION 8. PLACE OF MEETINGS**

Meetings shall be held at (delete the principle office of the association unless otherwise provided by the board or at such other ) a place (delete as may be designated from time to time) designated by resolution of the Board of Directors.

**SECTION 11. NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

B. Special meetings; At least one week prior notice shall be given by the Secretary of the Association to each Director of each special meeting of the board. Such notice may be oral or written, may be given personally, (delete—by first class mail) (add—email), or by telephone (delete or by facsimile machine) and shall state the place, date and time of the meeting and the matter(s) proposed to be acted upon at the meeting . (delete— In the case of Facsimile notification, the Director to be contacted shall acknowledge personal receipt of the facsimile notice by return message or telephone call within 24-hours of the first facsimile transmission).

**SECTION 13. MAJORITY ACTION  
AS BOARD ACTION**

Every act or decision done or made by a majority of the directors present at a meeting duly held at which a

quorum is present is the act of the Board of Directors, unless the Articles of Incorporation, these bylaws or provisions of law require a greater percentage or different voting rules for approval of a matter by the board. Unless otherwise restricted by the Articles of Incorporation or these bylaws, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the board directors may be taken without meeting using electronic communication (delete — equipment), if all members are notified (add — by email) (delete —in writing) at his or her (add—email) address.

**ARTICLE 4  
OFFICERS**

**SECTION 9. DUTIES OF THE  
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

(Delete—The Corresponding Secretary shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with provisions of these bylaws or as required by law. Keep at the principal office of the association a correspondence book containing copies of correspondence, the bylaws, the correspondence book. In general, perform all duties incident to the office of correspondence secretary and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation< or by the bylaws, or which may be assigned to him from time to time by the Board of Directors).

**SECTION 11. DUTIES OF THE CHAPLAIN**

**ARTICLE 5  
COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Board of Directors may by a majority vote of its members, designate an Executive Committee consisting of (delete - ten (10) ( add—five (5) board members and may delegate to such committee the powers and authority of the board in the management of the business and affairs of the association, to the extent permitted, and excepted as may otherwise be provided, by provisions of law.

**SECTION 4. MEETINGS AND ACTIONS  
OF COMMITTEES**

Meetings and actions of committees shall be governed by, noticed, held and taken in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaw provisions as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the Board of Directors and its members, except that the time for regular and special meetings of committees may be fixed by the committee. The Board of Directors may also adopt rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of meetings of committees to the extent that such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Bylaws.

(Add—Any positions, taken by any Committee on any issue, where the name of the Association is used, must be approved by the Board of Directors, before being made public in any forum. Copies of letters, written testimony, etc. shall be given to the Recording Secretary for posting on the HCCA website).

***Effective March 15,  
2014 HCCA dues are  
increased to \$15.00  
per year or \$24.00***

## **Former St. Elizabeths' East Campus to Become Future Site of a Microsoft Innovation Center**

Microsoft officials say they plan to open one of their first training centers in the United States on the east campus of St. Elizabeths. This will be one of the first Microsoft centers in the U.S. The Center at St. Elizabeths would be an extension of Microsoft's efforts to support computer literacy for D.C. students and job applicants through a "digital alliance" with the D.C. public schools and its employment agency. Microsoft will also use the Center to introduce its products to a new market of users, said Dan Kasun, a senior director.

Mayor Vincent Gray will decide on a real estate developer to overhaul the campus, and is also searching for a college or university to anchor a new hub of jobs, residences and shopping across the street from where the federal government plans to consolidate the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The campus is along Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE, between the Anacostia and Congress Heights neighborhoods. Interestingly, the Microsoft center will not provide a new source of jobs for DC. Instead, existing employees from around the region will staff the center on a rotating basis. How-

ever, Kasun said that with the right partnerships, the innovation center could be a magnet for new start-ups, even in areas with below-average levels of educational attainment, literacy and employment. Reference: O'Connell, J. (2014, May 11). Microsoft outlines plans for innovation center on St. Elizabeths Campus.

Retrieved from <http://www.washingtonpost.com/news/digger/wp/2014/05/11/microsoft-outlines-plans-for-innovation-center-on-st-elizabeths-campus/>

## **HCCA Board**

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