



NEWSLETTER

HILLCREST COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter

3319 Alabama Avenue, Southeast

Washington, D.C. 20020

www.HillcrestDC.com

Next Meeting: Saturday, August 6, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

At the Hillcrest Recreation Center, Corner of Denver & 32nd Streets, S.E.

NOTE: Meetings are normally held the first Saturday of the month.

Paul Quander, Jr., Director, CSOSA, to Speak at August Meeting

The Director of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA), Paul Quander, Jr., will speak to the Hillcrest membership at the August 6th meeting. Upon his confirmation by the United States Senate as the first Director of CSOSA on August 5, 2002, Quander pledged to make the Agency a national model for offender supervision. As Director, Quander oversees a growing federal agency created by the D.C. Revitalization Act of 1997. CSOSA is responsible for supervising adults on probation, parole and supervised release in the District of Columbia.

At the HCCA meeting, Mr. Quander will present the agency's plans to establish a new Field Unit facility at Benning Road and East Capitol Street. The Community Supervision Officers and Pretrial Services Officers that work with the offenders and defendants who reside in Ward 7 would be relocated to this Field Unit facility, along with the CSOSA Learning Lab services, currently being provided at St. Luke's Catholic Church on East Capitol Street. CSOSA has chosen this site to better serve and supervise the offenders and defendants who live in Ward 7 neighborhoods but must now travel to locations throughout the city to fulfill their U.S. Parole Commission or Court-ordered responsibilities. The Jenco Group, in partnership with Marshall Heights Community Development Organization, Inc. (MHCDO), would be the project developer and the facility would be completed in approximately 18 months after groundbreaking. CSOSA and the developers anticipate the creation of new jobs and services as a result of this project. CSOSA is presenting their plans to community organizations throughout Ward 7 in an effort to gain support for the proposed new field office.

Reception for Kayeen Thomas

Hillcrest will be hosting a reception for Kayeen Thomas on Thursday, August 18th at the Hillcrest Recreation Center. Kayeen is a Hillcrest resident who recently published his first book, *Lyght*, a compelling look at growing up in SE Washington DC.

Please join us for light refreshments at 6:30 pm. The author will read excerpts from his book starting at 7pm and will answer questions from the audience. Please come out and support one of our own!

Message from the President

Getting to know your neighbors brings many benefits. You develop new friendships, facilitate relationships where you look out for one another's safety, learn about common interests and concerns regarding quality of life in the neighborhood, etc. There are lots of ways that you can get to know your neighbors, such as organizing block parties, serving as a neighborhood-watch block captain or zone leader, publishing a block newsletter, establishing a neighborhood address and e-mail directory, celebrating and recognizing birthdays, special achievements, etc., The Hillcrest community is made up of many neighborhoods that fall within the boundaries of our civic association. The HCCA website contains information regarding the overall Hillcrest community that ties us all together. During my tenure of duty as the president of HCCA, and while serving in various other capacities within the community, I have had the pleasure to meet a wide cross section of the residents of Hillcrest and other communities. And it goes without saying, that we have some of the most wonderful folks who live here. You just need to take steps to get to know them. One major step towards getting to know your neighbors would be to attend the monthly civic association meeting and get involved in community activities. It is a fun and enjoyable thing to do!

Sincerely, Vincent M. Spaulding, President, HCCA

Hillcrest Drive and Park Drive Speed Abatement Plan

This notice is to announce that on August 8, 2005, the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) will take action to abate speeding on Hillcrest Drive, SE and Park Drive, SE. The project is scheduled to be completed by August 15, 2005. DDOT's plan utilizes strategically placed flexyposts, lane narrowing, new signage, and street line painting, etc.. to cut down on the excessive speeding and unsafe conditions on Hillcrest Drive, SE and Park Drive, SE. This plan is the culmination of over 20 years effort by residents, ANC's, and Civic Association members to bring attention to the excessive speeding that occurs all day long on these streets. Residents and community leaders are pleased to finally see something done to address this ongoing problem.

Need a Painter? Roofer? Plumber?

Have you checked the Hillcrest classifieds lately? Visit www.HillcrestDC.com and click "Classifieds" in the lower part of the menu. This is one way to share with your neighbors positive experiences you've had with area businesses, and to use services your neighbors recommend. E-mail me your recommendations and I will post them in the classifieds. Remember, recommendations must be based on first-hand experience. No advertisements. Be sure to mention approximately when you used the service. If you've had a bad experience with a business and want to warn your neighbors about it, you can e-mail that too.

Some of the existing listings are old, so the company may no longer be in business. Please help to keep the web page up to date by letting me know if a phone number doesn't work or you are pretty certain a listed company has gone out of business.
Kathy Chamberlain, kathychamberlain@rcn.com

Proposed New Provisions to the By-Laws of the Hillcrest Community Civic Association

The following new provisions to the HCCA by-laws have been approved by the Board of Directors and will be presented to the membership for information and subsequent action at the August meeting:

In Article 5. Committees. Add four new sections as follows:

Article 5. Committees. Section 9. RECREATION COMMITTEE

The committee shall monitor and advise on issues related to recreation and leisure time activities for children, youth, seniors and families including: DC Parks & Recreation and Senior Wellness facilities and programs. The committee shall develop plans and recommendations for information and action.

Article 5. Committees. Section 10. STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The committee shall plan, organize, and promote activities and communications that convey an authentic, holistic and healthy image of the Hillcrest community in particular, the HCCA and East Washington in general. The committee shall develop plans and recommendations for information and action.

Article 5. Committees. Section 11. GARDEN TOUR COMMITTEE

The committee shall plan, organize and promote an annual Garden Tour for HCCA members and the community at large. The committee shall develop plans and recommendations for information and action.

Article 5. Committees. Section 12. HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The committee shall plan, organize, and promote social events on holidays and special occasions. The committee shall develop plans and recommendations for information and action. The duties of the committee also include making arrangements and providing refreshments for monthly HCCA meetings.

In Article 6, add a Section 5 to read as follows:

SECTION 5. DISBURSEMENTS

The President or Vice President, along with the Treasurer, shall be authorized to disburse funds in an amount up to \$150 in support of HCCA community improvement activities without the expressed approval of the board of directors and the membership.

The Board of Directors shall be authorized to disburse funds in an amount of up to \$300 in support of HCCA community improvement activities without the expressed approval of the membership.

Amounts in excess of \$300 must be approved with the expressed approval of the membership in a meeting of the Association.

HCCA WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBER:

Erica N. Smith, 2200 38th St, SE

COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

Visit www.HillcrestDC.com/calendar.htm for more calendar events

2	6 – 9 p.m.	National Night Out, Naylor Gardens 30 th and Erie Streets, SE
6	10 a.m.	HCCA Meeting, Hillcrest Rec Center 32 nd and Denver Streets, SE
10	10 a.m.	Goodhope Marketplace Taskforce Meeting Goodhope Police Substation, 2800 blk Alabama Ave SE
17	6 p.m.	PSA 606 Police/Community Meeting 6 th District Substation, 2701 Pennsylvania Ave., SE
18	7 p.m.	ANC 7B Monthly Meeting Ryland Epworth Methodist Church, 3200 “S” St, SE
27	7 a.m.- Noon	Twining Park Adopt A Park Work Session Twining Park, 2700 blk Pennsylvania Ave., SE

Dues for 2005 are now due. Please pay promptly.

It's only \$10 per year. Get on track and send your payment NOW!!!!

Names(s) _____
Address _____ zip code _____

Phone number _____ E-mail _____

New Member _____ Renewal _____

I'd like to serve on the following
committee(s): _____

Make check payable to Hillcrest Community Civic Association and mail to: Evelyn Primas,
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