



NEWSLETTER

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Next Meeting: Saturday, Aug. 2, 2008, at 10 a.m.

At the Hillcrest Recreation Center, Corner of Denver & 32nd Streets, SE

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

Neighborhood Watch Crime Prevention Safety Seminar



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The Sixth District Substation Police Service Area 606 hosts the third annual Neighborhood Watch Crime Prevention Safety Seminar at the HCCA monthly meeting.

Join your fellow neighbors, elected leaders and local police officials to learn about preventing crime and fraud, and what you need to do in partnership with the community and the police to make Hillcrest a safer place.



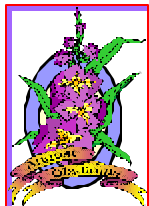
AGENDA:

Date: Saturday, Aug. 2, 2008

Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- 1) Crime Prevention Room—Robberies, Burglaries, etc.
- 2) Role Playing
- 3) Meet and Greet Officers

For more information, contact Lt. Ronald Netter, (202) 412-7747



Comments
Any comments or story ideas, please e-mail the newsletter

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National Night Out

The National Night Out is an annual event designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness. The Metropolitan Police Department hosts the annual National Night Out on **Tuesday, Aug. 5, from 6 to 8 p.m.** at the Lutheran Church of the Holy

Comforter, 3319 Alabama Ave., SE. **More information on other National Night Out activities is available at www.mpdc.dc.gov/nno**

Message from the President

Dear Neighbors,

We find ourselves in the “Dog Days of August” and in the midst of an economic recession. I don’t care what the government says; I know my money doesn’t go as far as it did this time, last year. The price of gas has really taken a bite out of our budget, energy prices have gone through the roof, as has the price of food.

Even without these economic pressures, the summer months usually see a major increase in crime. Unfortunately, while we are facing a season of increased threats, we cannot depend solely on our law enforcement officers to be our primary source of protection. No matter how many police patrol our streets, there is no way they can be everywhere. Let’s face it, they have their hands full trying to catch criminals after they have claimed a victim; but it’s almost impossible for them to be present before a crime is committed. We have to be the primary overseers of our own safety. We have to be more aware of what’s going on around us, in our homes, and in our neighborhoods. We need to learn to recognize the warning signs of trouble and how to protect ourselves.

In an effort to facilitate this process, at this month’s meeting our local law enforcement officials will be available to help us learn to develop that “sixth sense” we need to keep from becoming a victim. So come out and learn to protect yourself and your family at the Third Annual Neighborhood Watch Crime Safety Seminar. See you there!

Karen Lee Williams
President, HCCA

Hillcrest News and Updates

Blessing of the trees fall festival Request for Vending Space

Washington Seniors Wellness Center: Alabama Avenue @ 30th Street, SE
Saturday, September 6, 2008; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Set-Up Time - 9 a.m.

The Blessing of the Trees Fall Festival is seeking vendors. Each vending space will be about 6’ X 3’. There are two categories of vending spaces, food and non-food. The price per space is as follows:

Food Vending Space: \$50

Non-Food Space: \$25.

Please indicate your vending preference by completing the form to the right. Give it and the cost of your requested space to any member of the Environmental Committee. The form may also be mailed to 3319 Alabama Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20020 Attention: Blessing of the Trees Festival or faxed to (202) 583-5162. If you have questions, please call Mary Hammond at (202) 582-3050 or Mary Ross at (202) 583-5166. Thank you for your support of Hillcrest schools.

Name	Vending Type	Number of Spaces Desired	Amount	Telephone # or Email

Blessing of the Trees Fall Festival Souvenir Booklet Ad and Patron Levels

The Environmental Committee is soliciting advertising for the souvenir booklet for the Blessing of the Trees Fall Festival. Ads are acceptable in the following format: camera-ready, jpeg, pdf or tiff files. Fill in the form to your right and e-mail your file to Ruth Lewis at ruth.lewis2@verizon.net or Mary Ross at DCMFROSS@cs.com by **Aug.15, 2008.**

Name	Type of Ad/Patron	Ad (Type of File)	Amount	Contact Telephone or E-mail

Ad Prices

Full Page \$150.00

Half Page \$75.00

Quarter Page \$35.00

Business Card \$25.00

Note: The front and back (inside and outside) have already been sold.

Patron Prices

Trunk \$50.00

Branch \$25.00

Twig \$15.00

Leaf \$10.00

Updates from the Recreation Center

The Department of Parks and Recreation now requires that all participants have a DC One Card to enter any recreation center in the District. Cards may be obtained at Hillcrest recreation center. **Everyone is required to have a card to enter the center.**

Aug. 15, End of summer camp. Close out with a cook out/party for all our summer campers from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Parents invited

Aug. 18, Center returns back to regular hours. Now that camp is over, the general public can enter the building before 6 p.m. (While camp was in session the building was closed until 6 p.m.)

Aug. 23, Hillcrest Recreation Center sport banquet, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Donations are needed. Anyone who wants to help with the banquet's set up or clean up, please contact Orville Wright at the center.

Truck Touch

The District of Columbia government invites residents to the first D.C. "Truck Touch" on Saturday, Aug. 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at RFK Stadium, Lot 7, off Oklahoma Avenue, NE. Experience the high-tech equipment and vehicles used to provide city services. Learn how they operate to serve you better. Kids can climb aboard and honk the horn.

For more information, contact Daniel Harrison, DPW safety officer, at (202) 671-2005 or Daniel.harrison@dc.gov.

Hillcrest in the News

Looking Out For Each Other

Hillcrest Community Neighborhood Watch Enjoys Decades of Unprecedented Success

You'd never know that this quiet, quaint community was in the heart of a major U.S. city that was once known as the murder capital of the U.S. Find out just what its secret is.

By: The National Sheriffs Association

"It's all about neighbors looking out for one another. It's as simple as that," says Gloria Logan. And she should know. Over twenty-

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five years ago, she and her husband Dennis founded one of the most successful Neighborhood Watch programs in the country, and it's still going strong today. Located in the heart of Washington, DC—a city that is certainly no stranger to violence and crime—the Logans' neighborhood is quiet, beautiful, and per-

haps most important, safe as a result of residents' commitment to their community and to each other.

For more, read at the following Web site:
<http://www.usaonwatch.org/EZine/EZineMainArticle.php?EZineID=20060522>

COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

2	10 a.m.	HCCA Meeting, Hillcrest Recreation Center 32nd and Denver Streets, SE
4	7 p.m.	Friends of Francis Gregory Library Meeting Francis Gregory Library, 3660 Alabama Ave., SE
13	10 a.m.	Goodhope Marketplace Taskforce Meeting Goodhope Police Substation, 2800 blk Alabama Ave., SE
20	6 p.m.	PSA 606 Police/Community Meeting Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter, 3319 Alabama Ave., SE
21	7 p.m.	ANC 7B Monthly Meeting Ryland Epworth Methodist Church, 3200 "S" St., SE

Scout meeting every Saturday morning, 9:30 a.m.—Cub Scouts;
11 a.m.—Boy Scouts at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

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Have you paid your dues for 2008? Your paid-through date is on the mailing label of this newsletter. If it is earlier than 2008, please send your payment now!

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ ZIP code: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail: _____

New Member: _____ Renewal: _____

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

Annual dues are only \$10. Make check payable to the Hillcrest Community Civic Association and mail to:

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