



# NEWSLETTER

HILLCREST COMMUNITY CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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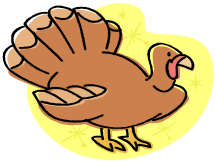
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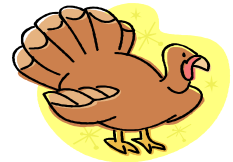
[www.HillcrestDC.com](http://www.HillcrestDC.com)

**Next Meeting:** Saturday, November 4, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.  
**At the Hillcrest Recreation Center, Corner of Denver & 32<sup>nd</sup> Streets, S.E.**

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



## HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



### NCRC REPRESENTATIVES TO PROVIDE UPDATE ON STATUS OF SKYLAND SHOPPING CENTER PROJECT AT NOVEMBER MEETING ON NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>



Executive Ted Risher from the National Capital Revitalization Corporation (NCRC) will provide an update on the re-development of the Skyland Shopping Center, and a presentation on initial conceptual designs developed in response to the community charette on August 19th. Once it receives an appropriate level of interest from an anchor (store) or anchors, NCRC will schedule a second community-wide charette to discuss finer aspects of the project's design with concerned residents. **Ted Risher**, Senior Development Manager, has worked for NCRC for over two years, during which time he has been responsible for the re-development of the Skyland Shopping Center. Prior to that, he worked for Bolan Smart Associates and Mid-City Urban, LLC as an office leasing broker and a financial analyst, respectively. Ted began his career in real estate as a project manager for the District of Columbia Housing Authority.

## HAUNTED HOUSE AT GOOD HOPE MARKET PLACE

The Metropolitan Police Sub Station, at 2839 Alabama Ave. S.E. will open its doors to the community at 7 pm on October 31, 2006. Come and enjoy the thrills on Halloween Night.

### **Message from the President**

*Dear Neighbor,*

*I am totally and absolutely amazed at how fast time seems to be flying by since I retired and reached the age to officially qualify as a senior citizen. Come December of this year, I will complete 3-1/2 enjoyable years as president of HCCA, an honor I sincerely appreciate. More will follow regarding my tenure as your president next month. However, for this month's message, I want to continue to play my **one note** and that is: the appearance of the community has a lot to do with how we are perceived as residents of the community. The visual image of the District of Columbia is being adversely impacted by uncontrolled littering, illegal dumping, unlawful posting of advertisement signs on trees and lamps, graffiti, trucks hauling trash without protective coverings, etc. Legislation, programs, and initiatives designed to discourage the foregoing illegal activities in communities across the District are lacking and a low priority. Consequently, I encourage the residents of Hillcrest to be proactive and remove illegal postings of advertisement signs in our community and to pick up litter and trash in your neighborhoods. The D.C. Council is considering giving police officers the authority to write tickets for littering, thanks to legislation introduced by Councilmember Kwame R. Brown, at-large Democrat, which would allow police to fine people who leave a beer bottle on a curb or toss a fast-food bag out a car window. I encourage the residents of Hillcrest to support and push Councilmember Brown and the other members of the City Council to get this legislation passed. In closing, a clean and poster free neighborhood is an incentive for economic development and a disincentive for criminal activities, resulting in a better place to live, work, and raise a family. I encourage everyone to pitch in and do your part! Thank you and*

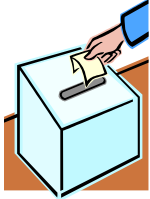
*Sincerely, Vincent M. Spaulding, President, HCCA*

## CITIZEN ATLAS IS A WEALTH OF INFORMATION

Do you know your Voting Precinct? Police Service Area? Advisory Neighborhood Commission? ANC commissioner? You can find most of this information and much more on DC's Citizen Atlas. Go to [www.about.dc.gov](http://www.about.dc.gov) . Click "Find it", then "Where You Live". Type your address, then click "Make Report". The report provides the nearest library, recreation facility, fire station, hospital, post office, police district, voting precinct, PSA, Ward, ANC, neighborhood name, and more. If you want to know the name of your Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, you'll first need to know your Single Member

District (SMD). Go to [www.dcboee.org](http://www.dcboee.org), the DC Board of Elections website. Under "Services", choose "Find Your Polling Place". You'll need to type in your street number, street name, and quadrant. The screen will show your ward, voting precinct and location, ANC and SMD. With this information you can locate your ANC commissioner and his/her contact information by going to [www.anc.dc.gov](http://www.anc.dc.gov) and choosing the appropriate ANC.

## **VOTING FOR HCCA OFFICERS ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**



Don't forget to attend the November HCCA meeting on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Voting for the new slate of officers will take place at that time. Your vote DOES count! Please care enough about your civic association to cast your ballot.

## **DHCD HOSTS A SERIES OF "NEEDS" MEETINGS**

Stan Jackson, Interim Director of the Dept of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), announces a series of public hearings on "Housing and Community Development Needs in the District of Columbia". The hearings will form a basis for developing the District's draft "Consolidated Plan for the District of Columbia Fiscal Year 2008 Action Plan" and the spending priorities utilizing federal entitlement funds. The public is invited to identify the needs of their communities and to comment on the Department's performance during fiscal year 2006, in meeting the District's housing and community development needs.

Residents and other stakeholders are strongly encouraged to come out and participate in the development of policies and programs in the following areas: 1) affordable housing; 2) special needs housing; 3) homelessness; 4) home ownership; and 5) community development and public service activities. The Department is also interested in receiving community feedback on innovative strategies to enhance community participation during this planning process. Four (4) public hearings will be held throughout the city during the month of November and their dates and locations are as follows:

- ◆ Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Greater Mount Calvary Holy Church, 605 Rhode Island Avenue, NE;
- ◆ Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Marshall Heights Community Development Organization, 3939 Benning Road, NE; Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Matthews Memorial Baptist Church, 2616 Martin Luther King Avenue, SE
- ◆ Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Metropolitan Police Department, Regional Operations Command North, 801 Shepherd Street, NW

If you would like to testify, you are encouraged to sign up in advance by

e-mail to [Pamela.Hillsman@dc.gov](mailto:Pamela.Hillsman@dc.gov) or by calling 202 442-7250. Provide your name, address, telephone number, and organization affiliation if any. Written statements may be submitted at the hearing or until 4:45 p.m., December 8<sup>th</sup>.



**HCCA WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:**

Gwendolyn W. Tyner, 3551 Texas Avenue, SE  
 Cleve Mesidor, 1501 27<sup>th</sup> Street, SE

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER**

4	10 a.m.	HCCA Meeting, Hillcrest Rec Center 32 <sup>nd</sup> and Denver Streets, SE
6	7 p.m.	Friends of Francis Gregory Library, Francis Gregory Library, 3660 Alabama Ave., SE
8	10 a.m.	Goodhope Marketplace Taskforce Meeting Goodhope Police Substation, 2800 blk Alabama Ave SE
15	6 p.m.	PSA 606 Police/Community Meeting Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter, 3319 Alabama Ave., SE
16	7 p.m.	ANC 7B Monthly Meeting Ryland Epworth Methodist Church, 3200 "S" St, SE

***Dues for 2006 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: Monica Evans,  
 Treasurer, 3650 Camden Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20020