# The Hillandale Bulletin

## September 2016

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#### **September General Meeting**

The first HCA meeting of the 2016-2017 year will be held on September 21st at the Centers for the Handicap located on New Hampshire Avenue. The meeting will begin at 7:30PM and end at 9PM. We invite you to come with your questions and concerns about Hillandale. We will not have a guest speaker but will introduce our board members to you to discuss what they do for Hillandale and solicit your input. As always we are looking for volunteers to help out on committees, so it you are interested in joining please let us know at the meeting. The last portion of the meeting will have an open question and answer period where you can direct your questions to the board in general.

#### **Membership Drive**

Most of you know that although we not have mandatory annual dues and the Hillandale Citizen's Association is not incorporated, we are still a very active and busy neighborhood association with a history that goes back decades. Each year we solicit a voluntary \$20 dues contribution from all households in the greater Hillandale community. This money goes to cover our basic operating expenses each year and maintains a reserve fund. It also helps to pay for community activities such as the holiday party and National Night Out. In this Bulletin you will find our proposed operating budget for the coming year. The budget will be submitted to the community for approval at the September meeting. You can pay your dues directly at the meeting or send a check for one or two years to Heather Thomas at 10202 Lariston Ln. Aside from helping to fund you neighborhood association those who are current on their dues will receive a copy of the new Hillandale directory slated to come out sometime in 2016.

#### Virtual Hillandale

We would like to remind you that we have a number of online resources focused on neighborhood life here in Hillandale, including:

#### Web pages:

- \* The **HCA Web Site** site includes all kinds of great information about Hillandale news, events, and history. www.hillandale-md.org
- \* Our neighborhood pools, Hillandale Swim and Tennis Association (www.hillandalepool.com) and West Hillandale Swim Club (www.whscpool.org) have loads of information on their pages for summer swimming and activities. And are seeking new members.
- \* **NextDoor** is a social media site & app specifically for neighbors to connect online. Depending on your address, you can join either the "Hillandale" or "West Hillandale" groups. www.nextdoor.com

#### **Email Lists:**

- \* Subscribe to the **E-Bulletin** to get important updates from the HCA in between the bi-monthly mailings. Send an email to Hillandale-Bulletinsubscribe@yahoogroups.com or use the form at the bottom of the HCA webpage to start receiving E-Bulletins.
- \* The long running **Parents Information Exchange** (PIX) is the email alias for Hillandale parents to share ideas, gear, and organize family friendly community events. Apply to Join the PIX list
- at groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/pix-hillandale

#### HCA Budget for 2016-2017

HCA operates on the fiscal year of October 1 through September 30. The Board publishes and presents the budget for approval at the HCA's Fall General Meeting. Currently, HCA has a large reserve which is being used to offset anticipated expenses. Here are the budget details:

#### Garden Award Signs 678

Beautification 200

WSSC Bill 150

Community Entrances 50

#### HCA 2016-2017 Budget

Income	Membership Drive 750
2016 Membership 5,750	Welcome Committee 150
Account Interest 100	School Community Support 600
Other Donations 0	Mo Co Civic Fed. Fee 65
From Reserves 3,746	Signs (Slow-Down & Award) 750

Total Income \$ 9,597

HCA Board Expense 1,097

#### **Expenses** Web Site 85

Publications 4,211 Treasurer Supplies 40

HCA Bulletin (? issues) 3,386 Travel 20

USPS Bulk Mail Fee 225 Bank & PayPal Fees 75

Directory Publication 600 Tax Return Filing 190

HCA Sponsored Events 1,095 Promotion 50

Annual Holiday Party 520 Insurance 537

National Night Out 375 Ancillary items 100

Park Pavilion Party 100

Meeting Refreshments 100 Total Expenses \$ 9,597



Neighborhood Watch.

Now that the kids are back in school and the weather has started to turn, we begin to think more about safety: traffic, the roads, weather extremes and keeping our homes safe.

If people think more about the golden rule, that you do unto others as you would have them do unto you, it's not so complicated to come up with the right solution to many problems before they happen.

We have to deal with changes. Some as big and universal as climate change, others technological, others as basic as the price of food at Safeway. We should try and do our best to help each other, to communicate with others so that they can help themselves.

Should we merely be a neighborhood watching or should we also be a neighborhood involved and a neighborhood in action? For 2016-2017 let's make time for safety, both for ourselves and our neighbors. Neighborhood watch is alive in Hillandale. We have a new committee chair in Clay Teunis, and he is actively seeking help and volunteers. If you would like to help, contact Clay at: clay@clayteunis.com.

#### Meet the HCA board for 2016

The HCA has undergone some changes in leadership for 2016. Come to the September meeting to meet the new leadership. Below is a list of our new officers:

#### **Executive Board**

President: Margie Goergen-Rood Executive VP: Shanna Davis-Cook VP Programs: Andrew Harris

Treasurer: Ken Harringer
Secretary: Heather Thomas
Past President: Luanne Spiller

#### **At Large members**

West Hillandale: Tom Helfand Old Hillandale: Jeff McNeil West Hillandale: Virgil Tudor Hillandale Forrest: Ava Penny

#### **Standing Committee Chairs**

Bulletin Editor: Ross Sutton

Garden Awards: Elizabeth St.John/Ross Sutton

Historian: Kimberly Pfirrmann-Powell Housing and Permits: Luanne Spiller

Natural Resources: John Dunn/Phyllis Solomon

Crime Watch: Clay Teunis

Membership: Heather Thomas and

Kimberly Pfirrmann-Powell

Schools: Tom Helfand

Website Maintenance: Russ Harris

Greeter: Kay Taub

Zoning and Planning: Eileen Finnegan

AdHoc Committee Chairs

Community-Developer Liaison: Bill Thomas

Bylaws: Shana Davis-Cook

## BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE FORUM

Sponsored by the Montgomery County League of Women Voters, MCCPTA, and the NAACP Parents' Council

**WHEN: Wednesday, September 28** - 6:30 - informal reception and candidate meet and greet, 7pm - 9pm candidate forum

WHERE: Kennedy High School Auditorium -

1901 Randolph Road, Silver Spring

WHO: All Board of Education candidates

will attend:

At-Large: Jeanette Dixon, Phil Kauffman

District 2: Brandon Rippeon, Rebecca Smondrowski

District 4: Shebra Evans, Anjali Reed Phukan All registered voters vote for all positions. The District slots only require the candidate to live in a specific area, ALL county voters cast ballots for the

District and at-Large positions.

### Hillandale Citizens Association Membership

Please print clearly; it	helps us keep our records straight.
Last Name	DO NOT list my name in Directory
First Name(s)	
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Additional First Name(s)	
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☐ I have enclosed \$20 for dues for the calend	lar year 2017
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Hillandale Citizens Association Mer c/o Heather Thomas 10202 Lariston Lane Silver Spring, MD 20903	mbership
Your membership support funds the printing and mailing hosting of general meetings with topics of community and National Night Out. All paid members receive the bi-a address/phone/e-mail listing of all Hillandale homes.	interest, HCA's Annual Holiday Party, and participation in
Payment option for renewing members: Use the PayPahttp://www.hillandale-md.org/membership.html	al payment option on the HCA web site. See:
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