

# MVSNA



# MOUNT VERNON SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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**April 2008**

## **Next MVSNA Meeting** **Tuesday, April 15th, 7:30 pm**

**Location: MCC Church**  
**Corner of 5th & Ridge Sts. NW**

### **Agenda:**

- Public safety/crime report: MPD Officers from 1st & 3rd Districts invited.
- **Mayor Adrian Fenty!**
- Vote on 2008 MVSNA Goals

### **Upcoming Events**

- Apr 15 - MVSNA Meeting, MCC Church, 5th & Ridge NW, 7:30pm
- Apr 19 - MVSNA Spring Cleanup, 4th & M Sts NW, 8am-1pm
- Apr 22 (tbd) - 5th & I Mtg., Carnegie Lib., Mt. Vernon Sq., 6:30pm
- Apr 29 - CCA Meeting, Kennedy Rec., 1401 7th St NW, 6:30pm
- May 7 - ANC 2C Meeting, Kennedy Rec, 1401 7th St NW, 6:30pm
- May 7 - ANC 6C Planning & Zoning, SWW, 215 G St NE, 7pm
- May 8 - PSA 308 Walk w/Police, 1401 7th St NW, 6:30pm
- May 13 - DNA/PSA 101 Meeting, Chophouse, 509 7th St NW, 7pm
- May 14 - ANC 6C Meeting, 214 Mass Ave NE, 7pm
- May 20 - MVSNA Meeting, location TBD, 7:30pm

### 2008 Board of Directors

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*Cary Silverman*

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### ***Neighborhood News***

#### **Mt. Lebanon Church - Morgan Street**

ANC6C Commissioners voted to support the Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church zoning plans (BZA Application # 17755) for establishment of a community center and job training facility at 225-227 Morgan Street. MVSNA supported the project contingent upon: 1) an amendment to the zoning request by the church to reflect the changes that had been agreed on at the neighborhood meetings and meetings with MVSNA, and 2) a letter from CVS stating their commitment to the project. Both documents were presented during the Church's testimony. Several residents of the impacted neighborhood testified for and against the development plans. At the end of the discussion, 5 of the ANC6C Commissioners voted to support the Church's plans and two (2) Commissioners abstained. The Public Hearing with the DC Board of Zoning is scheduled for April 22, 2008.

#### **5th and I Development Plans**

The city has received seven proposals for the development of the property at 5th and Eye St., NW. Ideas include boutique and high-end hotels, restaurants, spas, fitness clubs, cafes, coffee shops, jazz clubs and live entertainment venues. Some proposals included apartments and condos, which would include affordable housing. DC will be holding a public meeting at the Carnegie Library, 6:30pm, **the week of April 28th. We will be sure to post the exact date online.**

#### **Shot Spotter Technology Coming Soon**

The Metropolitan Police Department has pledged to install ShotSpotter, a gunshot-tracing sensor system, in the Shaw and Mount Vernon Square neighborhoods within the month. Shotspotter has been successfully employed in Southeast DC where it has been used to recover weapons and make arrests in several shooting incidents. After numerous delays, the District has now confirmed that funding is available to move the project forward.

### **Message from the President - Cary Silverman**

It's spring in Mount Vernon and we are looking forward to continuing to work with you to make our neighborhood an even better place to live. At our April meeting, we'll be joined by Mayor Adrian Fenty. We will also discuss our goals for the year ahead, which include a continued emphasis on addressing vacant property and pedestrian safety in our area. I hope you will join us as a member and as a volunteer! You can also take a leadership role by becoming a member of our Board of Directors. We have an open position as a new member of our Board, as we bid a fond farewell to Reverend Adamio Boddie, who is no longer serving as Assistant Pastor at the Third Street Church of God. Let's make things happen!

MVSNA Membership Application Form - 2008

**Membership Information**

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Member \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Member \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Type**

Resident / Property Owner  
 Business  
 Non-Profit  
 Religious Institution  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yes, I'd like to receive an online copy of the monthly newsletter.

MVSNA depends on the generous support of its members to fund its activities, including membership meetings, monthly hand-delivered newsletter, web site, clean-up and beautification programs, neighborhood advocacy, social events, and achievement of goals of the Association. Membership dues are required but any amount is appreciated.

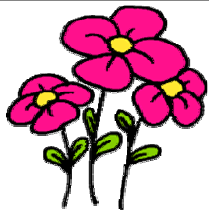
\$20 Individual     \$40 Household     \$100 Leader     \$250 Champion     Other \_\_\_\_\_

*I want to help. Please sign me up to participate in the following MVSNA committee(s):*

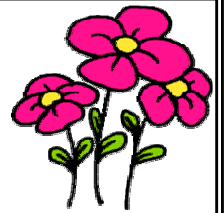
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety Task Force                | <input type="checkbox"/> Regulatory Affairs Committee             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Newsletter                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory Neighborhood Committee Liaison | <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory Business Group                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Beautification Committee   | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events and Fundraising Committee |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this completed form and your membership dues to Mount Vernon Square Neighborhood Association, PO Box 50526, Washington DC 20091-0526 or bring it to the Association's next monthly meeting. Please make your checks payable to "MVSNA".*



# MVSNA SPRING CLEANUP!



Come out on **Saturday, April 19th 2008** at **8:00am** to help beautify our neighborhood!

Meet at the corner of **4th and M**

Bring gloves and your enthusiasm!

Trash Bags, Tools, Coffee & Refreshments will be provided.

**Bagged Trash will be picked up by DPW after 1:00pm at these locations:  
5th & M, 4th & M, NJ & Morgan**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



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