

MVSNA



MOUNT VERNON SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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November 2008

Next MVSNA Meeting

Tuesday, November 18th

7:30 pm

Yale Laundry Common Room

437 New York Ave NW

Agenda

- Public Safety Report - 1st & 3rd District Police invited
- Election of New Board Member
- Douglas Development - 600 Block NY Ave
- Single Sales Exemption - Modern Liquors
- Convention Center Marriott Hotel

Upcoming Events

Nov 15 - 2nd & Mass Park Clean Up, 2nd St. & Mass Ave NW, 9AM

Nov 18 - **MVSNA Mtg., Yale, 437 NY Ave NW, 7:30pm**

Nov 25 - CCCA, Kennedy Rec., 1401 7th Street NW, 7pm

Dec 3 - ANC 6C Planning & Zoning, NPR, 635 Mass. Ave NW, 7pm

Dec 3 - ANC 2C Mtg., Kennedy Rec., 1401 7th Street NW, 6:30pm

Dec 9 - DNA/PSA 101, Calvary Church, 8th & H Sts. NW, 7pm

Dec 10 - ANC 6C Mtg. Heritage Foundation 214 Mass Ave NE, 7pm

Dec 11 - PSA 308 Mtg., Kennedy Rec., 1401 7th Street NW, 6:30pm

Dec 16 - MVSNA Meeting, Location TBD, 7:30pm

Keep up to date with community events:

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<http://chappleanc.com/public/index.php/meeting>

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Sara Bakker & Jefferson Parke hard at work on 4th Street, there's a sidewalk under there! Thanks to everyone who made it to the Fall Clean-up despite being moved to Sunday by the rain.

Got leaves? DPW leaf collection schedule:

http://dpw.dc.gov/dpw/frames.asp?doc=/dpw/lib/dpw/Leaf_Collect_08-09WEB.pdf

Message from the President

As we head toward Thanksgiving, there is much to be thankful for in Mount Vernon Square. So let's all raise a glass:

- To having an effective, productive ANC 2C that serves the entire community in 2009. MVSNA looks forward to working with our new Commissioner, Theresa Sule, who will represent a significant portion of our neighborhood falling within Ward 2. We also congratulate Commissioners Kevin Chapple, Alex Padro, and Doris Brooks on their reelection to ANC 2C and Commissioners Mark Dixon and Keith Silver to ANC 6C.
- To having a new Safeway, 5th Street Hardware, Bus Boys & Poets, and a bank, all within our close reach.
- To new neighbors who have joined us in Yale Laundry, City Vista, and Madrigal Lofts.
- To movement forward on the Marriott Marquis convention center hotel and the O Street Market.
- To new energy on our board of directors with the addition of Warren McBroom and Sara Bakker.

At this time next year, I hope we will be able to say that we are thankful for:

- Renovated parks and 6th & N Streets and 2nd & Massachusetts Avenue NW.
- Safer crosswalks along New York Avenue.
- A fully-functioning Shotspotter that is helping to deter and catch criminals.
- Movement forward on Douglas Development's vacant properties along NY Ave, L and 7th Streets NW.
- Development of vacant lots on the 1200 Block of 4th Street NW, putting government-owned vacant property into productive use, and the sale, rental, or renovation of other vacant property around the neighborhood.

In January, MVSNA will hold its third annual Hero Awards night. Please contact me to nominate a fellow resident, police officer, government official, or business owner who has made our neighborhood an even better place to live. 2008 recipients included Assistant Chief Diane Groomes and Officers Chanel Nasser, Mike Jewell, Sherri Forrester, Mike Hoban and Mike McConnell for their hard work and the numerous arrests made to stop drug dealing and prostitution and for their support in shutting down Fun Fair Video, and Rev. Adomio Boddie, formerly of the Third Street Church of God for forging a positive relationship with the community, planning Shaw Community Day and a Harvest Festival, addressing vacant property, and for his work with many community organizations. 2007 recipients were Officer Tommy Barnes (PSA 308) and Carlson Klaphor (Ward 2 Service Coordinator).

MVSNA has an opening on its Board of Directors due to a vacancy of the seat previously held by Deborah Ziska. We thank Deborah for her long and continued service to the community. **Jeff Surpenant** has expressed interest in the position. Additional nominations and an election will be held at the November meeting.

Join MVSNA Committees

MVSNA is forming Committees for Parks and Transportation. Please consider signing up to work on one or both of these important issues! With the new Safeway & Busboys now open and many new neighbors moving in, pedestrian traffic has increased. DDOT has reconfigured the intersection at 5th & NY resulting in odd light patterns and very short times to cross the street on foot. This comes in addition to other issues that have still not been addressed. Also we have numerous pocket parks which range in condition from trash filled to asphalt covered. Together in partnership we can make a difference! If you are interested in serving on a committee, please contact an MVSNA officer.



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Neighborhood News

Serving the Community

MVSNA Treasurer Rob Amos is now on both the ANC6C Planning and Zoning and Transportation Committees. Residents of ANC6C in the Chimney & the Triangle should feel free to contact him with their issues or concerns at his email address of robamos@yahoo.com or by phone at 202.494.5839.

1242 NJ Ave Zoning Update

The owner of the unsafe property 1242 NJ Ave NW again neglected to appear before ANC 6C however he remains on the BZA schedule for Wednesday November 25th at 1pm. To submit written testimony to BZA, refer to case # 17813 and fax to 202.727.6072 or mail to 441 4th Street, NW room 200/210 south

New Ward 6 Mayor's Rep

At the last MVSNA meeting we were pleased to meet our new Ward 6 Mayor's Representative, Forest Hayes. He recently joined the staff of the Executive office of the Mayor. If you have an issue that has not been solved by placing a service request (call 311 or submit online at www.dc.gov) contact your Mayor's rep:

Ward 6 - forest.hayes@dc.gov

Ward 2 - mark.bjorge@dc.gov

abby.petersen@dc.gov

Police Contacts

PSA 308

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Michah.Pate@dc.gov

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Yahoo Groups

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Election Results - Change Has Come

As of this printing, according to the Board of Elections unofficial results, Theresa Sule has prevailed over incumbent Barbara Curtis for the ANC 2C04 seat. ANC 2C03 Commissioner Doris Brooks won reelection over challenger Jessica Lanza. To our north ANC 2C01 Commissioner Alex Padro and ANC 2C02 Commissioner Kevin Chapple both won their contests. If this result holds in the final tally, it will mean an end to the paralyzing deadlock that has gripped ANC 2C. Also ANC 6C Commissioners Dixon and Silver were reelected in their uncontested races. What ANC do you live in? See these handy maps:

<http://mvsna.org/images/ANC2C.pdf> <http://mvsna.org/images/ANC6C.pdf>

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