



Columbia Heights Civic Association Neighborhood Newsletter

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President's Message:

Thanks to our members and neighbors who joined our holiday party on December 12. Once again we had a spectacular party, and were joined by five candidates for public office, as well as current Arlington County staff and board member.

We have pictures from our holiday party on page 2. One of them is deliberately photo-shopped, so have fun trying to figure out which one is "fake" and let us know.

Here are some important events that you should be aware of:

County Meeting for Columbia Neighborhood Plan, Wednesday, Feb. 8, 7:00 p.m., Rm. 307, 2100 Clarendon Blvd.

CHCA Street Improvement Meeting, Feb. 13 meeting for street improvements (see article on this page).

Spring Home Show, Saturday, April 15, Walter Reed Community Center.

Sign up for CHCA Web Group

Go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ColumbiaHeightsCA/join> and follow instructions to sign up.

CHCA Board:

Ed Miltenberger (President); Sarah McKinley (Vice President); Allen Muchnick (Secretary); Joshua Folb (Treasurer); Ron Haddox, Linh Ong and Jennifer Bagnell Stuart.

East Side Street Improvement Meeting Monday, Feb. 13, 7:00 p.m.

Our next major meeting, scheduled on the East side of the neighborhood, will focus on our next major infrastructure project. Kellie Brown from Arlington County will be on hand to discuss the street improvement project that CHCA submitted to the the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee (NCAC) for consideration at the spring funding round. The meeting will be held at the Barkley Condominium at 1016 S. Wayne Street, Street Terrace Level. We urge everyone to come!

The project is a street improvement program for South Courthouse, S. 12th Street South and S. Wayne Street, all south of Columbia Pike. The project would include new streetlights, some sidewalk improvements, and a new bus stop for school children at the corner of Courthouse and 12th. We encourage parents and other residents to come to discuss the proposed solutions from County staff.

To date our civic association has been awarded over \$1 million in projects to enhance the neighborhood. Funding is based on a "point system" and this project will receive 20 points because it is based on our current neighborhood conservation plan. Even if we don't win approval in the spring funding round, we will continue to earn points, which moves our project up the list.

CHCA Approves Live Use Permits

Over the past two months several establishments that serve our neighborhood have asked for live use permits: P Brennan Restaurant, LA Bar & Grill, and Arlington Cinema N' Draft-house.

All three establishments plan to have live entertainment (music or stand-up comedy). In our support of the Cinema N' Drafthouse, we asked that the owners let their patrons know that free public parking is available across the street. CHCA is posting these applications on the CHCA web site: <http://www.on-the-pike.com/CHCA>.

In addition, the CHCA Board gave its approval for the continued operation of the Sunday Farmers' Market.

CHCA Enjoys the Holidays with our Friends!

This year our holiday party was bigger and better than ever. Takis Karantonis, Executive Director of the Columbia Pike Redevelopment Organization (left) and CHCA President Ed Miltenberger (right) both wore red sweaters!



CHCA Vice President Sarah McKinley (right) welcomes the owner of the new Sangam Restaurant on Columbia Pike, who brought "samosas."



South Arlington Papillon Cycle Crew: John Harpold, Tom Muir, Ron Haddox (former President of CHCA), Jason Harris, Bailey Garfield. Papillon has been a long-standing supporter of Columbia Heights Civic Association.

CHCA Board members Linh Ong and Allen Muchnick welcome Libby Garvey, who later won the Democratic primary for County Board. All the candidates came to the party to welcome in the new year!



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