



## Updating the Douglas Park Neighborhood Conservation Plan

by Eric Berkey

Arlington created the Neighborhood Conservation Program in 1964 to encourage residents to work together on ideas to improve and enhance their neighborhoods, resulting in projects such as the installation of sidewalks, streetlights, park improvements, and other efforts. Each civic association is encouraged to develop and update a Neighborhood Conservation plan to identify the needs and priorities of their neighborhood. Those civic associations with Neighborhood Conservation plans can submit projects for review and action by the Neighborhood Conservation Advisory Committee (made up of volunteers) and County staff. The most recent Neighborhood Conservation project in Douglas Park is the upcoming effort to provide curb, gutter, and sidewalk improvements to 12th Street South, between South Glebe Road and South Highland Street.

Accordingly, the DPCA Executive Committee has decided that our Neighborhood Conservation plan, which was last issued in 1998, is long overdue

### CURRENT NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION PROJECT UPDATE

The Douglas Park Civic Association held a formal community meeting on Thursday 5 April 2018 with County staff and neighbors along 12th St S regarding the upcoming project along 12th St S from Glebe Road to S Highland St. The project is now under the petitioning phase for property owners in the project area. Details on the project may be found on the DPCA website here:

<http://www.douglasparkca.org/2018/04/13/12th-st-s-nc-2018-04-05-2/>

for an update. It's important for us to update our Neighborhood Conservation plan, as only priorities identified in the plan can be submitted for review and approval through the Neighborhood Conservation plan funding process. New priorities could include, for example, sidewalk installations, streetscape efforts, or improvements to our neighborhood parks.

The DPCA Executive Committee has asked Eric Berkey (16th Road South) to lead the effort and is looking for volunteers to serve on the Neighborhood Conservation Plan Committee. The Committee needs folks to help with tasks such as: developing and distributing a community questionnaire; conducting an inventory of the physical conditions of the neighborhood, including taking pictures of past projects; preparing a demographic profile; analyzing data from the questionnaire; and drafting the final plan. If there is a park improvement, sidewalk addition, or other capital project that you think the county should be doing in the next several years, this is your opportunity to help to identify that now.

Those are who are interested in serving on the Neighborhood Conservation Plan Committee should send an email to Eric Berkey at [berkeyeric@gmail.com](mailto:berkeyeric@gmail.com).

The Committee will begin meeting soon to get the process started early this summer.

### NEXT DPCA MEETING

**MONDAY 25 JUNE 2018 AT 7.30P**

Please see the June Neighbor News for topics and location.

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## DOUGLAS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION • ARLINGTON, VA

## MEETING CALENDAR

The Association conducts general membership meetings in February, April, June, September and November. Meeting dates and locations are subject to change; up-to-date information is available at <http://www.douglasparkca.org/> or in the *Douglas Park Neighbor News*.

## NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Monday evening, 25 June 2018 at 7.30p. Please see the June 2018 issue of the *Douglas Park Neighbor News* for location and agenda. All are welcome.

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WE ARE SEEKING A NEW NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION ALTERNATE REP. If interested, contact Adam Henderson at [president@douglasparkca.org](mailto:president@douglasparkca.org)

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## President's Corner

by Adam Henderson

## NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION

As you've seen from the cover article by DPCA Executive Committee member Eric Berkey, the Civic Association is launching a concerted effort to update our Neighborhood Conservation plan. The neighborhood conservation program is a source of much needed funding for valuable improvements around Douglas Park, including lighting along the trail from Randolph Elementary to Doctors Run Park, new streetlights along 12th St S from Monroe to Quincy and the current prospective project for sidewalks along 12th St S from Glebe to S Highland St. Our neighborhood conservation plan was last updated in 1998. A revision not only allows us to highlight issues and needs that have changed over the past two decades, but also affords bonus points to help move our projects forward more quickly. I encourage anyone who is interested in the future of the neighborhood to shoot an email to Eric at [berkeyeric@gmail.com](mailto:berkeyeric@gmail.com). This is a great opportunity to help shape the future of Douglas Park and we could use your help! We are also looking for a new alternate rep to the Neighbor Conservation Advisory Committee, please contact me at [president@douglasparkca.org](mailto:president@douglasparkca.org) for more information if you'd like to get involved.

## FOUR MILE RUN VALLEY

The two-year long process to craft a long-term vision from the Four Mile Run Valley is in its final phases. As we go to press, the County Board is scheduled to review the draft Framework recommendations at its 24 April meeting. These draft plans were presented to the neighborhood on 19 March. On 22 March, the DPCA Executive Committee voted unanimously to endorse 'Concept 1' for the redesign and expansion of Jennie Dean Park. A summary of the Draft Framework is available here:

<http://www.douglasparkca.org/PDFs/DPCA/4MRVWG%20Framework%2011.pdf>

## CAREER CENTER SITE

The Joint Career Center Working Group continues its review of the Career Center site along Walter Reed Drive just north of the Pike. At a meeting earlier this month with County Board members, certain County Board members expressed reservations about the amenities and services to be offered at the proposed 4th comprehensive high school under consideration for the site. DPCA will continue to advocate for any new high school to offer the full range of amenities offered at our other three high schools. I encourage anyone interested in the site, including the

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## FY2018 Treasurer's Report

by Al Fox

This issue of the Douglas Park Neighbor News includes the financial statement for the membership year which ended 28 February 2018. The year began with a cash balance of approximately \$19,000 and ended with a cash balance just under \$17,000. Membership dues and contributions amounts decreased when compared to the prior year (ended 28 February 2017). The Election Day bake sale generated just over \$1,800 of income, which is noteworthy given that it was not a presidential election year. Presidential election years tend to draw higher voter turnout and bake sale revenue.

Expenditures increased when compared to prior year. The July 4th parade and picnic was conducted in 2017, versus an inclement weather cancellation in 2016. Also, the civic association made a contribution to the Randolph Elementary PTA for their project to refurbish the landscaping in front of the school.

The civic association continues to utilize PayPal to accept payments for dues and Holiday Drive contributions. The number of dues and contributions made using PayPal continues to increase. In the prior year, 42 households paid using PayPal, and in the current year, 58 households paid using PayPal. It is hoped that this trend will continue going forward. Increased use of PayPal reduces the time spent by volunteers stamping/distributing envelopes and depositing checks.

I'd like to thank Douglas Park's neighbors for continued support of the civic association. Have a safe and enjoyable spring!

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**FY2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
 1 MARCH 2017—28 FEBRUARY 2018

	FY2017	FY2018
<b>OPENING BALANCE</b>	\$14,393.61	\$19,015.28
<b>INCOME</b>		
Membership Dues	\$3,105.00	\$2,535.00
Contributions	1,695.00	1,230.00
Newsletter Ads	1,140.03	1,023.25
Election Day Bake Sale	1,951.06	1,807.50
Holiday Fund Drive	2,715.00	3,145.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$10,606.09</b>	<b>\$9,740.75</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Newsletter Printing	\$2,677.56	\$1,799.88
Membership Dues Drive Materials	66.75	70.15
Fourth of July Community Parade and Picnic	236.50	3,516.79
Hallowe'en Trail of Terror	0.00	66.31
Holiday Fund Drive	2,474.37	3,052.82
Holiday Sign Decorating	0.00	99.43
Randolph E S Landscaping Project	0.00	2,500.00
Columbia Pike Blues Festival Contribution	200.00	200.00
Dues	50.00	150.00
Meeting Expenses	158.15	81.75
Website Expenses	47.98	170.85
Bank Fees	54.06	77.89
Miscellaneous	19.05	0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$5,984.42</b>	<b>\$11,785.87</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>\$19,015.28</b>	<b>\$16,970.16</b>

/s/ Al Fox  
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# Arlington Home Energy Rebates

**DEADLINE 18 JUNE 2018**

by Adam Segel-Moss

Most homes in Douglas Park were originally built around 1950. That means that your house was likely built without insulation in the walls, floor, or roof. The reason for this was that energy was cheap and insulation was expensive back then.

Things have changed since 1950. Many homes have had some insulation installed. Nevertheless, most homes are under insulated and have uneven temperatures on different floors or areas of the home.

Take advantage of Arlington's Home Energy Rebate Program before the June 18th deadline. You can get a rebate of up to \$575 to install insulation before summer arrives. Rebates are also available for high efficiency water heaters, air conditioners, furnaces, and duct sealing. Act now before the program ends!

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by Adam Segel-Moss

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For a limited time, you can purchase a solar system or an electric vehicle charger for your home at a discount through the Arlington Solar + EV Charging Co-op.

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Interested? To learn more, attend the upcoming information session on May 2 at 6:30 pm in the Navy League building at 2300 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA

Learn more and RSVP here: <http://www.bit.ly/ArlingtonSolarEV>



## Axumite Village Update

by Adam Henderson

**T**hrough mid-July, the general contractor of the Axumite Village project at 12th St S and S Highland St expects to be engaged in installation of on-site utilities. Street connections in S Highland St will be performed as part of this work. Adjacent neighbors will be notified prior to any interruption in water or sewer service. On-site dirt will be used for backfill, and there may be some off-site hauling during this time. Materials and equipment will be delivered to the site during this time.

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