



Neighborhood Conservation Plan Questionnaire

by Eric Berkey

Chair, DPCA Neighborhood Conservation Plan Update Committee

Over the past year, many volunteers in the neighborhood have begun the work of updating our Neighborhood Conservation Plan, which is the document that guides our requests for new community projects and improvements through Arlington's Neighborhood Conservation Program. Recent projects include much-needed streetlights on 12th Street South and improvements to Doctor's Run Park.

Now, we need to hear from you. Attached to this newsletter, and available online at <http://www.douglasparkca.org/nc> (preferred), is the Neighborhood Conversation Plan Questionnaire. This is your chance to share what you love about our neighborhood and to describe what you would like to see as it changes over the next ten years or more.

Should you choose to complete the paper version of the questionnaire, you can drop it off at the front desk at the following locations: Arlington Mill Community Center; Barcroft Community and Fitness Center; or the Walter Reed Community Center. You may also drop off your completed paper questionnaire at Fire Station 9 (1900 South Walter Reed Drive) by using the box outside of the fire station off 19th Street South. All completed questionnaires (online or on paper) must be submitted **no later than March 9, 2019**.

Once the questionnaires have completed, we will be able to develop an updated Neighborhood Conservation Plan that reflects the concerns of the entire Douglas Park community.

A special thanks to the DPCA Neighborhood Conservation Plan Update Committee, the DPCA Executive Committee, and all of the volunteers who have given their time and energy to make this effort possible.

Holiday Fund Drive Recap

By Rita Wiggins

Iam happy to report that the Douglas Park Civic Association Holiday Fund Drive, was a tremendous success again this year! This program, which has been going strong for thirty-five years and is an integral part of DPCA annual activities, gives a hand to needy families at Randolph Elementary School. Each year DPCA works with the staff at the school to identify students/families who are in financial need. Neighbors generously contribute their time, money and efforts to help these families.

This year, we added a new twist to the fund drive by making it possible for people to donate through Pay Pal. That seemed to be a popular option! In all, we collected over \$3,500!! We purchased multiple gifts for 40 students and donated over \$1,100 in grocery store gift cards to be distributed as needed throughout the remainder of the school year

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NEXT DPCA MEETING

TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7.30P

Please see the 'President's Corner' on page two for topics and location. All are welcome to attend.

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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

Tuesday evening, 26 February 2019 at 7.30p. Please see the February 2019 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

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Holiday Fund Drive Recap

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This activity was the definition of a group effort. Our appreciation goes out to all who participated. Thank you to everyone who so generously contributed money. Thanks also to Randolph counselor, Jennifer Baitinger, Bi-lingual Resource Assistant, Jackie Garcia, Social Worker, Flor Gonzalez and Psychologist, Staci Downey who identified the students, collected wish lists, ascertained sizes to assist the shoppers and distributed the gifts. Thanks to neighbors, Steve, Shannon and Emily Taylor, Kate Pernia, Amy Creed, Susan Rochard, Katie Miller and Debbie Ruggieri who took time out of busy holiday schedules to shop for and wrap gifts. Special thanks to the entire Ruggieri family for their extreme selflessness. We extend our gratitude to all those who helped with preparation of fliers and envelopes, to the dedicated newsletter deliverers, and a final, special appreciation to DPCA president, Adam Henderson, and treasurer, Al Fox. I am very proud to be a part of such a generous and caring community!

(A final note from Adam Henderson and Al Fox: Rita Wiggins was also a holiday shopper. We would like to personally thank Rita for her shopping/wrapping this year, and liaising over the past many years while she worked at Randolph. She's now retired and it seems she put in place a durable succession plan. This year, things hummed along without missing a beat!)

President's Corner

by Adam Henderson

The next Civic Association meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 26 February 2019 in the downstairs meeting room of Firehouse No. 9 at 19th Street South and South Walter Reed Drive. **Pizza will be served!** On the agenda:

- **OUR ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.** All current officers (Adam Henderson, President; Megan Lynch, Vice-President; Al Fox, Treasurer and Annette Pigott, Secretary) are running for re-election. However, new nominations are open for all these offices as well. If you would like information about the role of civic association officers, please contact Adam Henderson at president@douglasparkca.org.

- Next steps after the Neighborhood Conservation Plan Questionnaire attached in this newsletter.
- A discussion of the proposed relocation of Metta Montessori School from Columbia Heights to Douglas Park. Metta Montessori, currently at 1012 South Cleveland Street in Columbia Heights is looking to re-locate three blocks west to 1022/1026/1030 South Highland Street. A representative from the school will be on hand to give an overview of the project and answer questions.



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WHEN: THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH, 2019
6:30 PM

WHERE: 700 South Buchanan St.,
Arlington, VA 22204 Ample parking

Come early to visit booths and talk directly to those working in the field - stay late for Q&A

Local experts will define Human Trafficking, what is happening locally and regionally, signs to look for and what to do about it.

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Douglas Park Good Citizen's Award

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We are honored to announce that

Patricio Salazar

has been chosen by his neighbors for this award.

"He is a Good Samaritan if there ever was one."

- Bradley Flood

In honor of Patricio's heroic act of bravery and courage, we will be donating \$500 to Doorways for Women & Families in Arlington, VA in his honor.

Upcoming Douglas Park Event

Douglas Park Garage Sale: Saturday May 4th
 Rain Date: Sunday May 5th

Save the date for this community event! We are going bigger this year and inviting the Red Cross Blood-Mobile, a local shredding company, and setting up booths for DP businesses to showcase their products and services. If you are interested in participating or would like additional information, please reach out to our team via email at concierge@gmail.com.



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