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The 28th Annual **Douglas Park** Fourth of July Parade and Picnic

El 28º anual desfile y comida campestre de barrio de Douglas Park del Dia de Independencia

The parade kicks off at 10.00 am, Sunday, July 4 in Monroe Park (South Monroe and 14th Street South) and continues to to Douglas Park at South Quincy and 16th Street South.

Picnic in Douglas Park until 2.00 pm

Prizes for best parade floats, decorated bikes and costumes!

Free Moonbounce, Superslide, Dunk Tank and Sno-Cones at Douglas Park!

Music by Douglas Park Musicians!

Please bring a food dish to share.

Hot dogs, soda, juice and water will be provided free.

Desfile comienza a las 10.00 horas el 4 de julio del parque de Monroe (calles Monroe sur y 14<sup>a</sup> sur) al parque de Douglas (calles Quincy sur y 16<sup>a</sup> sur).

Comida campestre (Picnic) en el parque de Douglas hasta las

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¡Música por los músicos de barrio de Douglas Park!

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## NEXT DPCA MEETING

The next meeting of the Douglas Park Civic Association is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday evening, September 21, 2010. Please see the September issue of Neighbor News for details.

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If you haven't already, please take the time to renew your membership in the Douglas Park Civic Association. Annual dues are only \$15 per household. To join or renew, please see the form on page

#### DOUGLAS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION • ARLINGTON, VA

MEETING CALENDAR

The DPCA executive committee has scheduled regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm in the cafeteria of Randolph Elementary School, 1306 South Quincy Street.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at 7.30 pm in the cafeteria of Randolph Elementary School, 1306 South Quincy Street. Please see the September issue of the *Douglas Park Neighbor News* for further details. All are welcome.

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## The 28th Annual Douglas Park Fourth of July Parade and Picnic

**D**on't miss the parade! For the 28th year, Douglas Park will celebrate the Fourth of July with our own home town parade and picnic. As is our tradition, the festivities will be on July 4, not moving to the Monday federal holiday.

#### 10.00 am

We gather at Monroe Park (14th St South and S Monroe St) in our patriotic costumes, with our decorated bikes and parade floats—prizes will be awarded for the best of each category, but what is most fun is seeing the creativity and ingenuity of the contestants. Judging starts at 10.00 am for:

- Patriotic Costumes
- · Bike Decorating
- · Parade Floats
- Mr and Ms Douglas Park—a drawing will also be held for this honor from among our youngest neighbors.
- Classic Cars—please bring them for the parade—it wouldn't be complete without them!

#### 10.30 am

The parade starts at 14th St South and S Nelson St, escorted by Arlington's Finest from the Arlington Police Department, proceeding along S Nelson St to 18th St South, then to S Quincy St to Douglas Park. Everyone is welcome to join the parade, or to watch from the side as it passes by.

DCPA Thanks Carole Skole for donating balloons for the July 4 event

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## The 28th Annual Douglas Park Fourth of July Parade and Picnic (ctd)

#### 10.45 am

- The parade arrives at Douglas Park for the picnic, featuring:
  - Hot dogs supplied by the DPCA, expertly grilled by our chefs,
  - Pot-luck food supplied by you, Douglas Park's finest cooks and bakers—please bring a lot, we have underestimated our appetites in years past—pasta salads, chips, beans and rice, all kinds of salads, veggies, dessert, we love it all!
  - Water and ice supplied by DPCA
  - Sno-cones, supplied by DPCA
  - · Moonbounce!
  - · Water slide!
  - Music and entertainment!
  - Reading of the Declaration of Independence: remember, that is what this celebration is all about



**ABOVE:** Gathering for the best-decorated bicycle competition at the 2009 parade.

#### 2.00 pm

It all wraps up, we clean up, go home and rest up for the fireworks.

It's all FREE! You have paid your dues, haven't you?

#### **HELP NEEDED:**

We cannot do all this without your help. Can you help us with any of the following?

- · Help procure water, ice and supplies?
- Help cook hot dogs?
- Come to either Monroe Park or Douglas Park at about 8.30 am to help with set-up and decorations?
- Take a shift watching over the moonbounce or waterslide?

We are committed to a mayhem-free holiday. We have to shut these down if we don't have grown-ups to watch over them.



**ABOVE:** The neighborhood gathers at Monroe Park for the start of the 2009 parade..

· Help clean up?

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# Upcoming Improvements at West End of Columbia Pike

#### PROJECT ESTIMATED AT FIFTEEN MONTHS

In late May, the Arlington County Board authorized a \$2.3 million contract to underground utilities along Columbia Pike between South Wakefield Street and Four Mile Run Drive. The project will proceed in two phases:

In the project's first phase, beginning in late June, existing overhead utilities will be undergrounded. An existing water main and sanitary sewer will be upgraded to improve reliability and meet the community's growing needs. Gas lines and other underground facilities will be moved and consolidated.

The second phase of the project will focus on improving streets by building wider sidewalks and adding trees and lighting.

The project will also see a re-alignment of South Buchanan Street and the Four Mile Run Drive service roadway at their intersection with the Pike to improve safety.

Residents and commuters should anticipate traffic delays and detours in the area while the work is done, especially during the first phase as the existing water mains in the area are some twenty feet underground. Commuters are encouraged to consider alternate routes or take transit. For more information on available transit options, visit http://www.commuterpage.com/.



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Annual dues are only \$15 per household!

To join or renew, look for the member form on page 3.

## Wakefield H S Library Seeks Volunteers

Due to staff cuts, the Wakefield H S library could use extra hands and brains to help keep things organized. If you can help, please contact Head Librarian Natalie Pomar at 703.228.6697 or via email at Natalie\_Pomar@apsva.us.







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