# DOUGLAS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION



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# The 32<sup>d</sup> Annual Douglas Park Fourth of July Parade and Picnic

# El 32º anual desfile y comida campestre de barrio de Douglas Park del Dia de Independencia

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

Picnic in Douglas Park until 2.00p

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

Comida campestre (Picnic) en el parque de Douglas hasta las 14.00h.

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# NEXT DPCA MEETING

Tuesday evening 17 June 2014 at 7.30p in the downstairs meeting room at Arlington Fire Station No 9; corner of South Walter Reed Drive and 19th Street South. Topics will include a Virginia state legislature update, an update on the Columbia Bike Boulevards project and a discussion of proposed changes to the traffic flow near Randolph School. For details, please see the President's Corner on p 2. All are welcome to attend.

# Douglas Park noticias junio 2014

## REUNIÓN DE LA ASOCIACIÓN CÍVICA

**L**a **reunión de la asociación cívica** sera el 17 de junio a las 19.30 en las estación de bomberos numero 9 (Walter Reed y calle 19 sur). ¡Atienda por favor!

## **DON'T FORGET!**

Our Spring Membership Drive is underway. Annual household dues are only \$15. Please see the form on p 3 and join or renew today!

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## **DOUGLAS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION • ARLINGTON, VA** Meeting Calendar

The Association conducts general membership meetings on the third Tuesdays of February, April, June, September and November at 7.30p. 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, 17 June 2014 at 7.30p in the downstairs meeting room at Fire Station No 9, 1900 South Walter Reed Drive at the corner of 19th Street South. Please see the full agenda in the 'President's Corner' column in this issue of the *Douglas Park Neighbor News*. All are welcome.

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# President's Corner

by Adam Henderson

## NEXT CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING Tuesday evening, 17 June 2014 at Firehouse 9

by Adam Henderson

**T**he next civic association meeting will be Tuesday 17 June at 7.30p in the downstairs meeting room of Firehouse No. 9 at 19th Street South and South Walter Reed Drive. On the agenda:

- An update on the 2014 Virginia General Assembly session. Forty-Ninth District Delegate Alfonso Lopez will be on hand to review the activities of 2014 session of the Virginia General Assembly.
- **Bike Boulevards Update.** As has been discussed in several Civic Association meeting over the past few years, Arlington County is installing improvements along 9th, 11th, 12th and 13th Streets South to create 'Bike Boulevards' paralleling Columbia Pike. Plans include changes to pedestrian crossings at South Glebe Road, South Walter Reed Drive, and South George Mason Drive. The proposed improvements include
  - HAWK signal at South George Mason Drive and 13th Street South
  - HAWK signal at South Walter Reed Drive and 9th Street



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South

- Rapid flashing beacon and crosswalk at South Glebe Road and 9th Street South
- Other intersection curb and crosswalk improvements.

Christine Simpson of Arlington DOT will be on hand to review the latest plans. Additional information is online at *http://www.arlingtonva.us*, search 'Bike Boulevards.'

The Executive Committee of the Civic Association voted on 22 May to oppose the portion of the Bike Boulevard between South Glebe Road and South Walter Reed Drive until the County develops a plan to address ongoing pedestrian, cyclist and motorist safety issues in the corridor.

- **Proposed Traffic Changes near Randolph Elementary School.** Arlington County and Arlington Public Schools (APS) have been working to address perceived traffic circulation and safety issues around Randolph Elementary School. Proposals include:
  - Two to three additional student loading and unloading spaces along South Quincy Street.
  - Updated school warning signage and 'End School Zone' signs along South Quincy Street.
  - School crosswalk signage at 13th Street South and 14th Street South.
  - 'No U-Turn' signage at South Quincy Street and 14th Street South.
  - Turn restrictions during arrival (8–8.30a) and dismissal (3–3.30p) at the intersection of South Quincy Street and 14th Street South.

Stephanie Taylor of Arlington Transportation Engineering will be on hand to review the proposal and answer questions.

• Fourth of July Parade and Picnic. Most of the details are nailed down, but we'll spend a few minutes to review the plans to be sure that everything is ready to go. For an overview of the event, see John Snyder's article on page 7.

## LAST CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING, TUESDAY 22 APRIL

Approximately sixty-five people attended the special Civic Association meeting/School Board Candidates' forum on Tuesday evening 22 April at the Arlington Mill Community Center. We had a lively 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour questionand-answer session with candidates Greg Greeley, Barbara Kanninen and Nancy Van Doren. Barbara Kanninen went on to narrowly win the Democratic endorsement caucus on 15/17 May and will go on to face Green candidate Audrey Clement in the November general election.

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# President's Corner

by Adam Henderson

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# NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES Doctors Run Trail Upgrade and Pathlighting

Contracts for this project have now been finalized and the project in on schedule to begin shortly after the school year finishes up at the end of June. The section of Doctors Run Trail from Randolph Elementary to South George Mason Drive will be replaced and improved and new LED pathlighting will be installed. The project will improve trail safety during the winter months, especially for schoolchildren who use the trail on the way to and from Barcroft Apartments. A deteriorating corrugated strormwater drain under the trail will also be replaced by a modern concrete box culvert at the same time. An overview of the project is on the Civic Association website at *http://bit.ly/ QkS2Rh*.

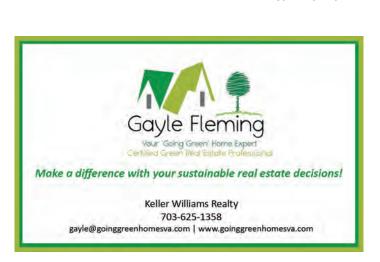
# Columbia Pike Utility Undergrounding and Streetscape Improvements

The long-standing reconstruction of the West End of Columbia Pike between South Wakefield Street and South Four Mile Run Drive continues to near completion. Dominion Virginia Power's subcontractor has been undergrounding wires and removing poles. The final pavement work and asphalt replacement should begin soon, along with tree and street lamp installation, taking 6 to 8 weeks.

# 1700 SOUTH QUINCY STREET

The County has recently acquired the property at 1700 South Quincy Street as an addition to Douglas Park. Over the next several weeks, the County will be moving forward on the removal of the house, garage and rear fence and reestablishing the site as open space.

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# President's Corner

by Adam Henderson

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# NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES (CTD) 1700 South Quincy Street (ctd)

The County's contractor started work in early June to remove asbestos from the garage and house in preparation for the upcoming demolition. The County's pest control contractor will be installing rodent control by the middle of June. Actual demolition work will start after the Fourth of July. The large silver maple, which the County's urban forester has determined is in bad health, will be removed along with some of the shrubbery around the site There are no plans at this point in time for improvements to the site other than reseeding the area and running a fence along the southern property line.

# Arlington Parks and Rec Events OPERATION RESCUE READY; THU 26 JUN, 9A-5P

The perfect day for disaster! Teens are invited to Thomas Jefferson Community Center to participate in an adventurous, hands-on, emergency response scenario alongside Arlington's public safety and emergency response teams and the American Red Cross. Partake in a real-time disaster drill, hands only

## DOUGLAS PARK Neighbor New

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## FIREFLY FESTIVAL

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# Fourth of July Parade and Picnic

by John Snyder and Adam Henderson

**Patriots of all ages are invited** to the Douglas Park Fourth of July Parade and Picnic on Friday, July (wait for it) 4th.

The neighborhood gathers in Monroe Park at 10a for judging of the best parade floats, costumes, decorated bikes, and the coveted prize of Mr and Ms Douglas Park. The parade itself starts at 10.30a from Monroe Park, proceeding



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along South Nelson Street to 18th Street South, then to South Quincy Street and into Douglas Park for the picnic. There will be live music, a moonbounce, a water slide and sno-cones.

It is a pot-luck picnic, so bring your finest recipes to share. The civic association will provide water and hotdogs for free. At noon, there will be a reading of the Declaration of Independence.

If you would like to help, you can:

- Join the civic association and/or pay your dues—we need funds for entertainment and refreshments;
- Come to Douglas Park or Monroe Park at 8:30a the morning of, to help set up;
- Take a shift watching over the moonbounce—we promote a mayhem-free environment;
- Cook hotdogs—a hot, but rewarding task greatly appreciated by the neighbors;
- Help clean-up afterwards; or
- Contact John Snyder at *jvsnyder54@comcast.net* or Adam Henderson at *president@douglasparkca.org* to volunteer. We have an intrepid crew who take on setup, hot dog procurement, water and ice schlepping and other important tasks. Help and new talent are always welcomed.

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82 S. Wise	\$510,000	\$510,000	4651 S. 28th Rd.	\$314,000
929 N. Madison	\$675,000	\$675,000	2914 S. 6th St.	\$650,000
2223 N. Culpeper	\$544,900	\$544,900	4019 S. 18th Street	\$625,000
2100 Shirlington Rd.	\$699,500	\$688,000	705 S. Wakefield St.	\$1,198,000
1705 S. Oakland	\$549,000	\$549,000	510 S. Highland St.	\$925,000
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