

Park View United Neighborhood Coalition (UNC)

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Annual Park View United Neighborhood Coalition Holiday Pot-Luck

Please join your neighbors on Wednesday, December 1st to share in the joys and blessings of the holiday season at our annual pot-luck dinner.

*Wednesday, December 1, 7:00 - 8:30pm
Park View Rec Center, Otis Place and Warder Street NW*

Please bring a dish to share. To ensure a variety of dishes, we encourage you to bring the following based on the letter of your last name, but please feel free to bring what you wish or just join the festivities.

A-G: Entrée H-M: Side dish/Salad N-S: Beverage T-Z: Desert

A donation bin will be set up to collect canned goods, charitable donations or clothing.

All community members are welcome!

November UNC Meeting Report

- Pearlette Merriweather spoke about the Park View essay contest. The committee is working with teachers at schools in the area to have students enter the contest, and on raising prize money. They have raised \$60 so far out of a budget of \$528. They also need two additional judges. Community members are encouraged to donate. Contact Pearlette at pmerriweather@ymail.com for more details.
- Elections were held for officers and board members of the Park View UNC for 2011:

President: Deborah Colvin-Washington
Vice-President: Pearlette Merriweather
Treasurer: Vacant
Secretary: Vacant
Board Members: Kent Boese
Frances Clarke
Mose Montgomery
Geoffrey Tate

- Sylvia Robinson spoke about work on the George Avenue Task force. They are working on collecting community feedback on plans for development on Georgia Avenue. Meetings are the second Monday and fourth Wednesday of the month. Contact Sylvia at sylvia@ecacollective.org for additional details.
- Officer Randy Rogers mentioned that thefts from autos have dramatically increased in the last three weeks. Community members should also be vigilant when walking at night now that the sun sets earlier. He can be reached at randy.rogers@dc.gov with tips or concerns.
- There was an extensive conversation about the future of Park View Elementary School as the city begins looking at whether to rebuild Bruce Monroe or fix up Park View Elementary. There was a general feeling that the community supports working towards keeping Park View Elementary and perhaps working with the Bruce Monroe parents on a unified plan. More discussion is necessary.

Crime Report for the period from 10/16-11/17



In comparing crime for the month ending on November 17, 2010, with the same period last year, total crime decreased 5%. A year ago there were 39 reported crimes within 1,500 feet of the Park View Rec Center compared to 37 this year. Violent crime was up 43%, while property crime was down 16%.

The reported crimes were:

Robbery Excluding Gun:	8 (+100%)
Assault w/ Dangerous Wpn Excl. Gun:	1 (N/C)
Assault w/ Dangerous Wpn Gun:	1 (N/C)
Burglary:	5 (+150%)
Theft:	9 (-10%)
Theft from Auto:	11 (-39%)
Stolen Auto:	2 (N/C)

Information from <http://crimemap.dc.gov/>

In Remembrance: Audrey Nicole Trice

The community lost one of its daughters, Audrey Nicole Trice, who passed away on Saturday, November 6, 2010. Nikki was 36. She died of complications from a gunshot wound to her leg sustained when Troy Thomas opened fire on the 600 block of Quebec Place on the evening of June 22, 2009. That event also resulted in the death of 28-year-old Ryan Randy Trotman.

Services for Nikki were held on Friday, November 12, 2010, at Spirit of Faith Christian Center, Temple Hills, MD. The community's thoughts and prayers are with Nikki's family and friends in this difficult time.

Leaf and Christmas Tree Collection Info

<http://dpw.dc.gov/DC/DPW/Education+and+Outreach/Brochures+and+Fact+Sheets/Leaf+Collection+Guide>

The Department of Public Works will collect leaves from November 8, 2010 to January 15, 2011. DPW uses vacuum trucks to collect the bulk of the leaves, which are then composted. We urge residents to follow the schedule detailed in this brochure when planning to rake loose leaves into piles in the curbside treebox space for collection.

DPW will collect bagged leaves from the treebox space or the alley in neighborhoods with rear trash and recycling collections. Place bagged leaves next to the trash/recycling container(s). Bagged leaves will be disposed with the trash.

Ward 1, East side of Georgia Avenue, NW

Rake Leaves

<u>Out By Sunday</u>	<u>For Collection From:</u>
November 21	November 22 to December 4
December 19	December 20 to January 1
January 9	January 10 to 15

Rake leaves into the treebox space the weekend before your street's collection weeks. Please – leaves only! Tree limbs, bricks, dirt, rocks, etc., will damage the equipment and delay collections. Prevent fires and parking problems by placing leaves in the treebox space, not in the street. Every street will have at least two collections. During the first pass, crews will vacuum loose leaves from the treebox space, collect bagged leaves, and clear potentially hazardous situations.

The second pass features a more thorough cleaning.

2011 Christmas Tree Pickup

Holiday trees and wreaths will be picked up curbside from January 3 to January 15. Remove all decorations and place your holiday greenery in the treebox space in front of your home no earlier than Sunday, January 2, and no later than Sunday, January 9.

Any trees not collected by January 15 should be set out with your trash. Trees will be picked up as space in the trash trucks allows over the following weeks.

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