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NOVEMBER ANC 1A REPORT

The November ANC 1A meeting was attended by Commissioners Lisa Kralovic (1A01), Vickey Wright-Smith (1A02), Betty Pair (1A04), Laina Aquiline (1A05), William Brown (1A06), Kent Boese (1A08), Bobby Holmes (1A09), Lenwood O. Johnson (1A10), and Dotti Love Wade (1A11). Commissioners Sheldon Scott (1A03) and Thomas Boisvert (1A07) were absent.

Duane Oates of the Warrenton Group gave a status update on *The Avenue* project located on the southwest corner of Georgia Avenue and Newton Place. Oates also answered

questions from the community (See article on *The Avenue* on page 2).

Commissioner Douglass Sloan (ANC 4B09) addressed the assembly on the subject of iGaming and the Internet Gambling bill that was passed by the DC Council.

Official business included a Resolution in Protest of the Issuance of a Retail Class "A" License to Aman Liquor Store (3661 Georgia Ave., NW). That resolution passed unanimously.

Commissioner Pair introduced a Resolution in support of a Voluntary Agreement and Stipulated Liquor License for Maranon Café (3521 14th St., NW). Both the voluntary agreement and the stipulated license passed unanimously.

Commissioner Johnson introduced a Resolution earmarking Revenue From iGaming. Commissioner Wade moved to table the motion until the January meeting pending clarification on the legality of the proposal. The issue is whether or not revenue from iGaming can be earmarked for specific uses or if it has been mandated by Congress to go into the District's general fund. The motion to table the resolution passed unanimously.

The last official item was a draft Code of Conduct for ANC 1A that was introduced by Chairman Brown. The code is under consideration by the Commission and will be reviewed and discussed in the Committee of the Whole prior to the January 2012 meeting.



AREA REAL ESTATE SALES REPORTING PERIOD: September 2011

3545 6 th St.	\$186,000
3546 6 th St. #2	\$214,000
3607 Georgia	\$312,000
420 Irving	\$426,500
428 Kenyon	\$295,000
628 Kenyon	\$332,000
457 Luray	\$380,000
648 Morton	\$262,000
609 Newton	\$220,000
715 Newton	\$415,000
3518 Park Pl.	\$288,000

(Source: Redfin.com)



KEEP CATCH BASINS CLEAR OF DEBRIS

Please help DC Water keep streets from flooding and keep trash out of our waterways. The District has more than 25,000 storm drains that direct stormwater off roads and into sewers. A catch basin is the part of the

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storm drain that catches litter before it can enter the system. DC Water cleans and maintains catch basins regularly, removing 23 tons of debris every day.

Even with regular cleaning, this is the time of year for leaves and ice to clog up catch basins. To prevent flooding in the neighborhood, please call (202) 612-3400 or send a tweet to @dcwater to report clogged catch basins you see. Be sure to tell them the location as specifically as possible.

You can help to reduce pollution in local waterways by following these tips:

- Don't throw trash and yard waste in neighborhood storm drains or catch basins – deposit them in the appropriate cans.

- Don't throw trash on city streets or in alleys. How long could you survive without water and sewer services? We all take for granted that we'll have water with which to cook, to wash, to drink, and to brush our teeth, and that our toilets will flush. Yet, some families are struggling to pay their water and sewer bills and are in jeopardy of losing these critical services.

(from DCWater's What's on Tap?)



(Help keep catch basins clean)



UPDATE ON GEORGIA AVENUE'S *THE AVENUE* PROJECT

According to information shared by Duane Oates at the November 9th ANC 1A meeting, *The Avenue* project is on schedule to be completed by June 2012. Work on the site will remain mostly on the ground floor level for the next week, after which time the building should rise quickly.

Landex Corporation's Catherine Fennell, while attending the November 14th Georgia Avenue Community Economic Development Task Force meeting, also addressed the community regarding the building. According to Fennell, in addition to having a green roof the building will include a fitness center. The 83 unit mixed use building will contain 2,300 sq. ft. of retail space on the ground floor along Georgia Avenue.

At this time there is no identified business in mind for *The Avenue*, but Fennell did suggest that the size would be appropriate for a coffee shop or a dry cleaners. Pre-leasing for the commercial and residential space is expected to begin in January and February of 2012.

Both Oates and Fennell have expressed a willingness to speak before the community again as the project develops and more information is known.

Green Roof Description

All roof surfaces of *The Avenue* will be an extensive green roof system. The roofing system will be constructed of a series of layers, beginning with tapered rigid insulation on top of the concrete deck. An EPDM roof membrane will be covered by a protection sheet that doubles as a root barrier, above which will be a drainage mat.

The planting medium is a lightweight composition of vermiculite, peat, and other materials with a total thickness of 3 to 4 inches. Sedum plants will be planted by spreading cuttings in this medium. Sedums are used because they are succulent plants that are drought-resistant and grow in a variety of conditions. Their hardy

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character is complemented by their varied form; several varieties will be used at this location. Some grow close to the ground, others mound during their growing season to a foot or foot-and-a-half tall. Their leaves are typically small but vary in size. They flower at different times of the year in colors ranging from red to gold.

On a portion of the roof, two separate areas of pavers will be provided to create gathering spaces for the residents, each with their own view. It is accessed via an elevator to the roof. Some container planters are anticipated to allow residents to grow their own vegetables.

A guardrail will be provided around the entire roof, so that one does not feel

hemmed in to the plaza area. However, while green roof plantings are intended to absorb oxygen, retain moisture, filter stormwater, and provide visual interest – they are not a lawn or comfortable walking surface.



PLANNING FOR RENOVATION OF PARK VIEW SCHOOL MOVES FORWARD

On November 22nd there was a meeting at the school between community members, parents, teachers, and city representatives to discuss the immediate needs and planned modernization of the Bruce-Monroe @ Park View School. Deputy Mayor for Education De'Shawn Wright and Councilmember Jim Graham were in attendance

In reviewing outstanding

issues from the May 2011 meeting, the chief concerns continue to be the health of students and faculty and the state of the cafeteria.

The chief health concern continues to be air quality, especially with an increase in asthma cases and possible mold conditions. Air quality was tested in June and the results did not indicate that there was anything to be overly concerned about. The air will be tested again now that the building is closed up for the winter.

The condition of the roof and water damage sustained from leaking bathrooms were identified as priorities. The roof has already been identified by the Department of General Services (DGS) as a pressing need and may get done this winter in advance of the Phase I modernization. It is expected that a contract to stabilize the roof will be issued this year.

The school community also identified the desire to unite the school property with the neighboring recreation center. There are a variety of ways to do this, all of which will need to be studied and discussed with the greater community.

Planning for the phased modernization is about to begin in earnest. The School Improvement Team (SIT) will officially begin meeting in December. The Bruce-Monroe @ Park View SIT team is headed by teacher Kelley Padilla. The chief contact from DGS is Darrell Pressley.



(Sketch of The Avenue showing basic design of the green roof)

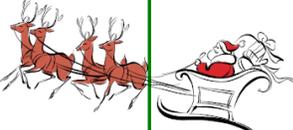
Park View Kids Zone December 2011



Park View Kids Zone

Park View Kids Zone seeks to create opportunities for children to learn, to be empowered, and to have fun. We provide a safe place for kids to learn, grow, and just be kids. Through one-on-one mentoring we create relationships that will help children to succeed in their education, life skills, and their community.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Check out our new website at Www.pvkz.org				1	2 <i>No School</i>	3 Fun Saturday 1 to 3pm <i>* Park View Rec Park</i>
4 	5	6 Teen Art Night 7 to 9pm <i>*Invitation only</i>	7	8 	9 Zoo Lights and Ice Skating !! 7 to 10pm <i>*National Zoo</i>	10 Santa's Workshop 1 to 3pm <i>*Bruce Monroe @ Park View</i>
11	12	13 Teen Art Night 7 to 9pm <i>*Invitation only</i>	14	15 PVKZ 2nd Anniversary Party 7 to 9pm <i>*3641 Warder St</i>	16 	17 Santa's Workshop 1 to 3pm <i>*Bruce Monroe @ Park View</i>
18	19 	20 Teen Art Night 7 to 9pm <i>*Invitation only</i>	21 	22 Caroling in Park View!! 7 to 9pm <i>*3641 Warder St</i> <i>Winter Break No School</i>	23 White House Holiday Tour 1 to 3pm <i>Winter Break No School</i>	24 Christmas Eve <i>*No Family Fun Saturday</i>
25 Christmas!! 	26 <i>Winter Break No School</i>	27 <i>*No Teen Art Night</i> <i>Winter Break No School</i>	28 <i>Winter Break No School</i>	29 <i>Winter Break No School</i>	30 <i>Winter Break No School</i>	31 New Years Eve <i>*No Family Fun Saturday</i>

Www.facebook.com/ParkViewKidsZone

PVKZ is completely volunteer and donation based non-profit through Greater DC Cares. PVKZ has gone through some changes due to not being able to use the Field House at Park View Rec Center any more. We are still in Park View and are committed to providing fun, educational and empowering activities for the kids of Park View. We operate our programs at several different locations throughout Park View. Please contact Mrs. Angela at 615-496-0834 or Ang.Strange@Gmail.Com for information and location of events or if you are interested in volunteering to help the kids of PVKZ. We are always eager to have neighbors volunteer or join us for our events!

(*) location of event

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The architect/engineering team has already been identified for the project, the architects being SORG. This group will create a complete set of plans for the entire modernization and those plans will be used in all three phases of the project. The project is scheduled to begin in spring 2012 and end in 2018.



UPDATE ON ANC/COMMUNITY PROTEST OF CLASS "A" LIQUOR APPLICATION

The Roll Call Hearing for ABRA application #087806 (King's Deli) was held on November 21, 2011. King's application is for a Class A license which, if approved, would allow them to sell beer, wine, and hard liquor for off-site consumption.

At the November 21st hearing, ANC 1A was recognized as a protestant with standing. In addition to the ANC, the community also filed a protest. For community members to do this they needed a group of at least five protestants. Between those that signed petitions, showed up at the hearing, or gave letters designating attendees to represent them, the community members were recognized as having standing with a group of 18, far above the five required.

The next step is for a scheduled mediation between

the protestants and the applicant. That is scheduled for Thursday, December 15th at 11:00 a.m. This will be followed by a status hearing on January 11, 2012 and finally a protest hearing on February 8, 2012.



PARK VIEW KIDS ZONE ANNOUNCEMENTS

For additional information on any of these programs, to volunteer, or to participate, please contact Mrs. Angela. Email and phone number included on the Kids Zone calendar on page 4.

Fun Saturday

Join the kids in the neighborhood on Saturday December 3rd from 1:00pm to 3:00pm on the outside grounds of Park View Rec for a big neighborhood game of kickball, waffle ball, capture the flag and other fun games! We would love for families to join us as we enjoy a day at the park! We provide snacks for all the kids who participate. We will start Fun Saturday's back up in January after the Holiday's.

Reading circle

Our Reading Circle program will continue in January. We will be meeting in the cafeteria at Bruce Monroe at Park View Elementary School on Wednesday's from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Children are paired up with an adult and the child spends an hour reading aloud to the adult.

This has been a very successful program and we've seen some great improvement with the children who have been participating. We are looking for tutors to help with this program!

Santa's Workshop

This will be Santa's Workshop's 3rd year in Park View! Join us on December 10th and 17th at Bruce Monroe at Park View from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. We will have holiday crafts, lots of holiday food and each child will get to "shop" in Santa's Workshop! Each year we set up a free store for the kids to shop for a present for their parents and we gift wrap it as if they were at a nice department store. We want the kids to have the opportunity to give a gift at Christmas and not just receive. We are in need of donations for this event. We need craft items, help with food, volunteers to help decorate and work on crafts with the kid. We are also in need of gift items for our store. If you would like more information on how you can help with this fun program or would like to attend please contact Mrs. Angela.

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Holiday Party

We invite you to join us for a celebration of our second year working with the youth in Park View on December 15th! Drop in between 7:00pm and 9:00pm at 3461 Warder St and meet some of the volunteers who make PVKZ happen. Have some holiday

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goodies as we celebrate another year and talk about what's to come. We'd love to see you there!

Christmas Caroling

Bundle up and join your neighbors as we spread Christmas Cheer through Park View on December 22nd from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. We will be Caroling through the neighborhood. Join us or open your doors to catch some holiday cheer!



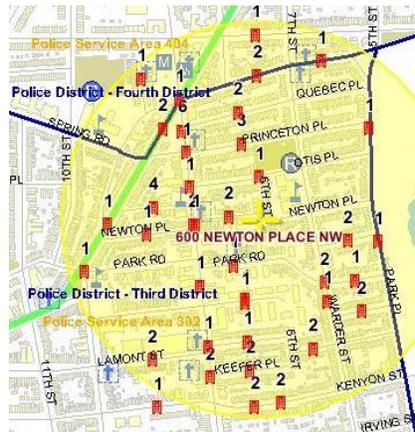
HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST

The Park View and Petworth communities are in the early stages of organizing a holiday lights competition. This project is in collaboration with the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH). While full details have yet to be worked out, the general idea is to

identify participating households. AFRH seniors will then tour the communities and vote on the decorations they like best. Look for more details to be posted on listservs, parkviewdc.wordpress.com, or contact Kent Boese.



CRIME REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 10/22/11-11/22/11



In comparing crime for the past month with the same period last year, total crime

was up 70%. A year ago there were 37 reported crimes within 1,500 feet of the intersection of 6th Street and Newton Place, NW, compared to 63 this year.

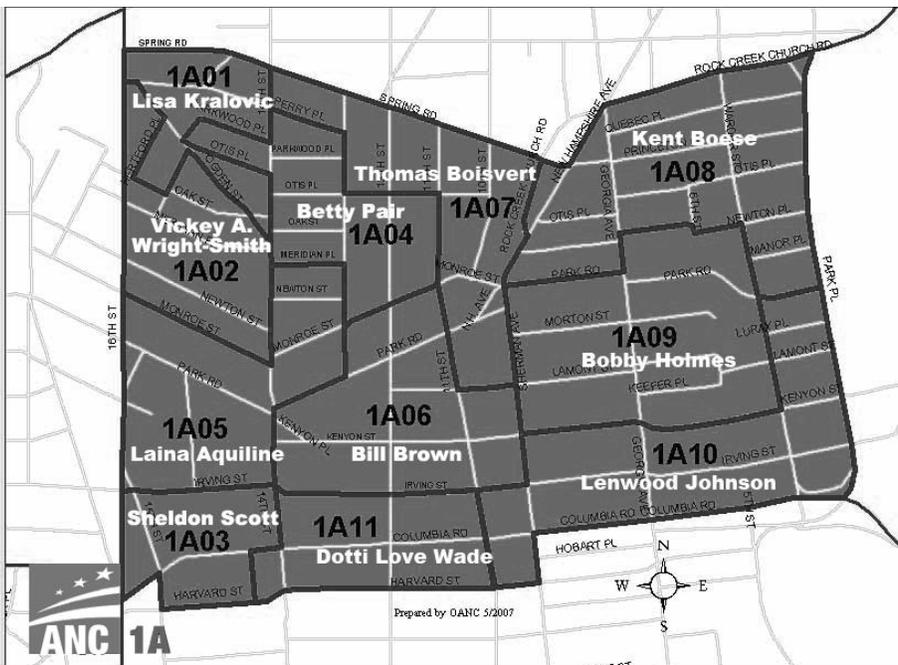
The spike in crime this period is attributed to thefts, thefts from autos, and stolen autos. Of the 63 incidents, 55 were property crimes and 8 were violent in nature.

The reported crimes were:

- Sex Abuse 0 (-100%)
- Robbery Excl. Gun ... 8 (+60%)
- Assault w/ Dangerous Wpn Excl. Gun 0 (-100%)
- Assault w/ Gun 0 (-100%)
- Theft 15 (+88%)
- Theft from Auto..... 34 (+162%)
- Stolen Auto..... 6 (+500%)

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

ANC 1A Single Member Districts and Commissioners





Purveyors Of Rolling Cuisine

For the duration to the football season, the Porc Mobile (Purveyors of Rolling Cuisine) will be a regular Sunday feature at the Blue Banana, providing BBQ, gourmet sausages, and seasonal vegetarian specialties.



Blue Banana
3632 Georgia Avenue