

Next FCCA General Meeting to Cover Permitting Issues—within and outside of the Historic District—and we'll hold the Annual Election on Wednesday, November 18 at 7 PM

In addition to voting on the FCCA Board of Directors, the November 18th membership meeting will feature a representative from DDOT discussing the new Visitor Parking Pass pilot program. There will also be a presentation on “permitting issues” for home improvements and how they differ between homes in the Foxhall Historic District and those outside.

Nominations for the 2010 FCCA Board

The FCCA Board of Directors will be elected at our November 18th General meeting. All current FCCA Board members have agreed to stand for re-election, including our new Newsletter Editor, Cheryl Tlam. Please see the list on page 2.

But there's room for more! The Board would also like to have a broader representation from the various neighborhoods within the FCCA area, particularly areas west of Foxhall Road and south of MacArthur.

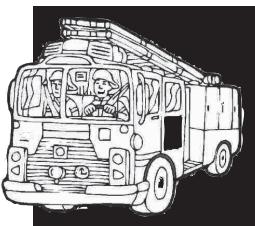
Directors serve a one-year term, must be a member of the FCCA and live within the FCCA geographic area. The Board meets once a month, usually the last Sunday. Each Director assumes responsibility for an area of interest, such as police liaison, school liaison, traffic concerns, development, etc. The Board as a whole sets the agenda for the membership meetings and acts in lieu of the membership when issues arise that require immediate action.

If you are interested in serving on the FCCA Board of Directors or know of someone who would be, please contact Bob Avery, Board President, at 338-3834 for more information.



9th Annual Holiday Dinners for the Fire Fighters

MARYANN GRIFFIN



If you can believe it, it's that time of the year again! As a way of saying thanks for always being

there for us, folks from the Foxhall area have prepared home-cooked holiday meals during December for the fire fighters of Engine Company 29 for the past eight years.

Preparing and serving the meals is a great family activity, and fun for the kids who can “hang out” on the fire trucks. If you are new to the neighborhood, this is a great way to meet your neighbors!

Dates and coordinators for the dinners are:
Sat. Dec 5: Mari Bailey;
Sun. Dec 6: Margo Eule and Chris Anninos;
Sat. Dec 12: Ray Quianzon;
Sat. Dec 18: MaryAnn Griffin.

If you can pitch in by helping to make a dish or dessert, or by contributing decorations or beverages, please e-mail me and let me know which of these dates you are available so that we can put teams together. Contact me at magriffmail@yahoo.com

**Newsletter
of the Foxhall
Community
Citizens
Association**



CALENDAR

November FCCA Meeting and Election of 2010 FCCA Board

Wednesday, Nov 18 at 7 PM
Hardy Rec Center
If you need a ride, call Bob Avery at 338-3834.

December Firehouse Dinners

December 5, 6, 12 and 18

Lab School BZA Meeting

December 8 at 6 PM

GDS School BZA Meeting

December TBD
Contact Peter van Allen for details by email.

Holiday Home Decorating Contest

Deck the Halls! See Page 5.

General FCCA Contact

If you can figure out which board person is appropriate for your issue or concern, please call or email them directly. If you can't, call or email Bob Avery.

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Newsletter Submissions

Please send items for the next newsletter—preferably written, digital, and short and sweet so they don't have to be cut to size, revised much, or transcribed—to the editor at tlam.foster@gmail.com by December 31 for the January edition.

Notices of community interest are posted free for FCCA members!

More People Needed to Participate in BZA Meetings with Local Schools

Our local private schools—and there are now 11 of them!, though Lab, Georgetown University, and GDS have the most immediate impacts on most of us—are required to hold meetings with the community on a quarterly basis to help ensure that they are following the stipulations put in place by the city for things like neighborhood impacts, numbers of students and faculty, and how their drop-off and pick-up arrangements impact their neighborhoods. It is best if those most affected by individual schools participate. If you are interested in attending the meetings, which typically are held in the early evening at the schools in question, please just go, or contact Peter van Allen for information.

Newsletter Deliverers Needed

We need volunteers to deliver three FCCA newsletter routes:

- Volta and P Streets;
- Q St below MacArthur and Greene Pl; and
- Charleston Terrace and Kenmore. Each of these routes takes about 40 minutes to deliver just six times a year and it's good exercise! If you are willing to volunteer email Bob Avery at ravery@starpower.net. If you can usually do it but are hesitant due to your travel schedule, go ahead and volunteer because we have "rovers" who can cover for you as needed.

Report on October BZA Meeting with GDS

About half a dozen FCCA members met with Rahel Rosner, GDS' new Director of Finance and Operations. Ms. Rosner told us about several environmental initiatives the school is undertaking to reduce rainwater runoff and other programs. The FCCA's primary issues were traffic and parking, particularly parking by parents in the surrounding neighborhoods and walking kids onto campus (which is not permitted), and with parents dropping children off away from school property, leaving the children to walk the rest of the way to campus to avoid parents having to wait in the car queue (which is also not permitted.) A productive conversation produced verbal commitments to ameliorate the abuses. The FCCA and GDS will meet again in December to discuss progress.

Anyone wishing to participate or make the FCCA aware of issues of concern: Please contact Peter van Allen and the issue will be discussed.

Sidewalk Maintenance

The Foxhall area is very much a walking community – parents taking children to Hardy Rec Center, medical students and University employees going up to Georgetown, mail deliverers, dog walkers, joggers, and people going to the bus stop or their cars.

Leaves left on sidewalks become very slippery, untrimmed plants become tripping hazards, and low-hanging branches smack pedestrians in the face.

Now that most of the leaves have dropped – and with winter fast approaching – please be sure that your sidewalks, steps, and walkways are clear of all debris. It is your responsibility, be you owner or renter, and the pedestrians thank you!

Annual Halloween Party a Chilling Success

CAITLIN MACKENZIE

Imagine a dark and cloudy afternoon with torrential rain driving more than sixty fairies, princesses, witches, gypsies, bats, ghouls, superheroes, firemen, furry friends, sweet peas and their chaperones into the gloom of the 2009 Foxhall Fright...what happened next?, you ask: With great cheer the Palisades Community Band led a small parade which grew to quite a throng to the Hardy Recreation Center. Knowing that rain can't dim the festivities, partygoers than enjoyed pumpkin, cookie and mask decorating, a ghost hunt, great live music, incredible hotdogs cooked fresh on the grill and a great spread of food provided by neighbors. Special thanks goes out to the FCCA for funding the purchase of

decorations, drinks and treats and to Friends of Hardy for the hotdogs; to neighbor Palisades Community Band members Noel (trombone & vocals), Guy (base guitar), Bernie and David (Clarinet), Fawn (keyboard), Gabe and Frank (saxophone); and to neighbors Emmett, Raymond, Brooke and David Buchanan, Ingrid Bush and David Coulon, Chris Feller, and Rodney Brown with the DC Recreation Department who volunteered with set-up and clean-up of the event. Thank you to Council member Mary Cheh, Judy Hubbard, Assistant Director of Constituent Services, and FCCA Board Members Bob Avery, David Buchanan, Anne Haas and Hulit Taylor for attending, and to all of our neighbors and friends who supported this fun event and brought food for all to enjoy.



Halloween Decor Winners

MALLORY LAWSON

Occasional showers didn't dampen the resolve of our intrepid Halloween Decorating Committee, and there were lots of lit and decorated houses from which to choose. The 2009 FCCA Halloween Decor Competition winners:

Best Jack-o'-lantern: Susan May and Roger Teller at 1701 Surrey Lane created an innovative huge pumpkin cage that had a raven inside. This is their second year to win this honor. There were many wonderful and original jack-o'-lanterns this year, but this one was truly worthy of a prize.

Most Kid Friendly: It was hard to compete with the Greene Place block party (for their 30 kids) and their families. Co-chairs Janet Carter, Sarah Tama and Stacy Wooters were able to have one end of the street officially closed off so the little spooks could enjoy a moon bounce, games, full blown Halloween spirit, and dinner for all the families. In spite of the drizzle, a good time was clearly had by all.

Scariest: Vicki and Elliott Crooke at 4485 Q Street didn't miss a beat with an enormous bat over the doorway, oodles of graves, flashing skeletons, spider webs, fog, carved pumpkins, you name it. They were certainly in the spirit this year.

Best Overall: Nancy Collins and Richard Wathen and their children at 4566 Indian Rock Terrace, who went all out with tons of orange lights, gargoyles, illuminated eye balls, graves, an enormous bat, a three foot high jack-o'-lantern—you get the picture. Their house looked festive, fun, scary, and kid friendly—all at the same time.

Congratulations to all the winners! Each year Halloween becomes a bigger event in the US and that seems to be true for the FCCA area as well. Hopefully next year, everyone will get in the spirit!

And THANK YOU to Marji Bayers, Sara Paulson, and Karen Polk who joined me to tromp around in the rain and give up part of their Halloween evening. Well done!

Holiday Decorating: Get Out the Holly and Mistletoe!

The FCCA area becomes quite magical during the holidays, and we're hoping everyone will put up lights and their Holiday best to transform the neighborhood into a Season of Wonder. The categories for the Holiday Decorating Competition are:

- **Most Historically Authentic (natural materials, simple designs, appropriate for the Historic District)**
- **Most Festive (lots of lights, cheerful)**
- **Most Kid Friendly (use those goofy blow-up decorations, Disneyesque)**
- **Most Artistic (think outside the box)**
- **Best Overall (all of the above)**

If any of you would like to join in the judging (the area is huge), please contact Mallory Lawson at (202)337-2805 or email her at MalloryLawsonASID@msn.com. We'll go out the evening of December 23rd.

Foxhall Architect's Work to be on Logan Circle House Tour

Foxhall Village resident Darrel Rippeteau received the DC American Institute of Architects' "John Wiebenson Award for Architecture in the Public Interest" October 23, 2009. Mr. Rippeteau's mixed-use arts, architecture and residential building at 1530 14th Street NW will be on the Logan Circle House tour December 6, 2009.

Congratulations to Ballerina Gloria Cardamo, aka "Clara", on her Role in The Nutcracker!

Congratulations to 10-year-old Greenwich Parkway resident, Gloria Candamo, who dances the lead role of Clara in the Nutcracker! The Ballet Performance Company's production of this Christmas classic will be performed at AU's Greenberg Theatre (Wisconsin Avenue at Van Ness.) The production will run December 11 to 13, 2009.

Theft from Autos

Once again, vehicles within the FCCA area are being broken into. Items stolen recently include iPods, computers, GPS devices (even GPS mounting devices), a video camera and clothing – and most of these items were left in plain view.

Thieves even target cars that have empty GPS mounting devices left on their windshield, which are a clear sign that the device itself may have been left in the glove compartment or under the seat!

The Police Department reminds us to lock cars and remove all items from clear view when leaving a car unattended.

Remember, thefts tend to increase during the holiday season. Please take sensible precautions and call the police if you notice suspicious activity.

Visitor Parking Pass Pilot Project

In July, DDOT launched a one-year pilot project in the Foxhall area for visitor parking. Each Foxhall area household is eligible for one Visitor Parking Pass (VPP) which you should have received in the mail. The VPP allows visitor parking for periods longer than two hours within the resident's ANC boundaries during restricted daytime parking hours and is not tied to any particular vehicle or visitor. The Visitor Parking Pass displays the resident's ANC and a unique ID number. It can only be used in the Foxhall area ANC and only by one car at a time.

Residents should remember that the Visitor Parking Pass does not provide an exemption to the Registration of Out-of-State Automobiles (ROSA) requirement that vehicles must be registered in the District within 30 days of residency. Nor is it a replacement of the regular Ward 3 RPP which can be used to park anywhere in Ward 3.

If you did not receive your pass or have any questions please call Damon Harvey of DDOT at (202) 671-0493 or email at damon.harvey@dc.gov.

DC's First Green Alley!

MARY ROLLEFSON

The Foxhall/Palisades neighborhood will be the site of the first green alley in DC. The Friends of Hardy, Inc. has been awarded a grant from the DC Department of Transportation to green the narrow asphalt alley between Q Place and Q Street NW (near the tennis courts), converting it to a public green space and walkway. The green alley will serve two purposes: to mitigate the harmful effects of the stormwater that surges through the alley in heavy rains; and to enhance its use as a pedestrian walkway and neighborhood greenway.

The alley, because of the topography of the neighborhood, is a major conduit of stormwater. Approximately 4.4 acres of homes, lawns and streets (see map below), drain into the alley, bringing thousands of cubic feet of stormwater during heavy rains. The torrential rains of the past year and a half have dramatically degraded the alley, eroding the asphalt, deepening the potholes and carrying pollutants into storm drains, the Potomac River and, eventually, the Chesapeake Bay.

The alley, because of its location, is also a major pedestrian walkway for tens of children and adults en route to neighborhood schools, bus stops, and the amenities of the Hardy Recreation Center, immediately across from the alley on Q Street. As the alley has deteriorated it has become a hazardous walkway and an eyesore to the neighborhood.

Concerned with the rapid deterioration of the alley, a group of neighbors joined with the Friends of Hardy, Inc. to develop a solution. In partnership with staff in DC offices of stormwater management and watershed protection, the George Washington University Sustainable Landscape Design program, and others, the group developed a plan that mitigates the stormwater

problem, improves pedestrian access and safety and turns a neighborhood dead space into an asset.

The plan for the Q Street Alley builds on the concept of green alleys, enhancing the concept with rain gardens and a pedestrian walkway. The plan includes a base of engineered soils, with swales and rain gardens to absorb rain water and allow it to infiltrate slowly into the ground water. An ADA-compliant walkway of permeable pavers will run the length of the alley from Q Place to Q Street, gently curving past small pocket gardens planted with native trees, shrubs and perennials.

The Q Street Alley is too narrow for fire trucks and garbage collection, but the side alley, coming from 45th Street, will remain open to vehicles and the intersection of the two alleys will have permeable pavers to provide access for fire trucks and emergency and public utility vehicles.

The green alley will remain a public space, a natural landscape that supports wildlife and enhances the aesthetic and environmental quality of the neighborhood. As the first green alley in DC, it will serve as a model of sustainable solutions to the stormwater problems that increasingly threaten the health of our local waterways and the Chesapeake Bay.

Casey Trees has expressed interest in supporting a tree planting and neighborhood volunteers will be recruited to help with planting and maintenance.

The grant was awarded two weeks ago and the project schedule has not been determined. Mary Rollefson is available to meet with interested groups to discuss plans for the alley and will be holding neighborhood meetings in the coming months. She can be contacted at maryrollefson@starpower.net.

Who You Gonna Call?

See also www.foxhall.org

City-Wide Call Center

To request [free bulk trash pickups](#), report dumping in alleys, rat problems, the DMV, and a host of other issues, call 311.

DC Animal Shelter 576-6664

Police and Fire Departments

Emergencies Only 911

Non-emergencies 311

Suspicious activities 311

PEPCO

Power Outages 877-737-2662

Street Lights Out 269-0855

Washington Gas 624-6049

Abuse of Hardy Field

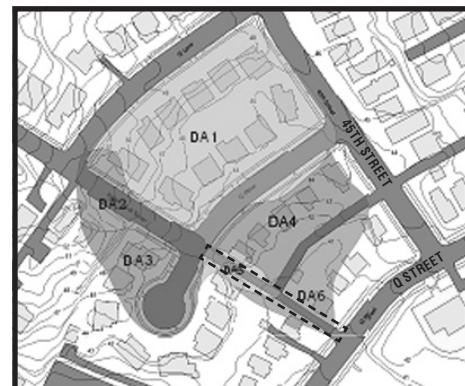
Use of the field by any group requires a permit. "Rogue teams" playing without DC Parks and Rec permits, and use of the field following heavy rainfall by any group are not allowed. Any misuse of the field should be reported immediately to the Urban Rangers at 311.

Illegally Parked Cars

Report cars obstructing sidewalks or displaying suspicious guest parking permits by calling 311.

Note: D.C. law requires people who live in the city for more than 30 days to register their cars with the D.C.

Department of Motor Vehicles or face a \$100 ticket every day. This applies to cars parked on private property as well as on streets.



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proportion of resident
members of any other
WDC community
association?**

A big thank you to each of our 208 2009 members!

**All of our organization's volunteers are truly gratified at the support
consistently shown by our community members.**

