

THE HEIGHTS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Association will choose its Executive team at Oct. 6 meeting

At our October meeting we will elect our executive team (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) and vote on a resolution to renew our registration and license as a non-profit with the District's Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA).

After a time of inactivity, and with the help of concerned residents, the Association has resumed its mission of:

- Promoting the civic, economic and educational welfare of the 16th Street Neighborhood;
- Resumed regular monthly Association meetings;
- Added many new members to the Association's ListServ;
- Led the fight against the scourge of under-regulated Pop-Ups;
- Challenged our Councilmember and the police department to

bring tangible resources to the fight against crime;

- Reinvigorated our sense of community with the first community block party in several years.

It's a good start and now we are ready for the next step.

If you are interested in taking an active role in the selection of our leadership team and/or you would like to serve on the executive team, make plans to attend the October Association meeting.

WHEN: Oct. 6, 7:15 - 8:30 p.m.,

WHERE: Simpson-Hamline United Methodist Church (corner of 16th and Allison NW).

Hope to see you there, the Interim Executive Team

- Cecelia Waldeck, Chair & Secretary
- Elisa Irwin, Vice Chair
- Greg Phillips, Listserv Moderator

Who's Eligible to Vote

Any resident twenty-one years or older who resides in the confines of the 16th Street Neighborhood, defined as the community between Upshur Street NW and 16th Street NW on the South, Decatur Street NW on the North, 16th Street NW on the West and 14th Street NW on the East.

Who's Eligible to Run for Office

Any resident twenty-one years or older who resides in the confines of the 16th Street Neighborhood, as defined above. A resident's name must be placed into nomination for an office by an eligible resident (self-nominations allowed) and seconded by another eligible resident.

Voting Procedures

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NEIGHBORHOOD HALLOWEEN PARTY

Saturday, October 31, from 6 - 8 p.m., 1500 Block of Buchanan Street NW

The 16th Street Neighborhood Association is making plans to hold a community Halloween Party on Saturday, October 31. In light of the recent crime incidents, a community party can provide a safer option for the Halloween season. Stay tuned for more information and for the opportunity to donate or volunteer.

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Election Voting Procedures

Before the start of the meeting, each attendee will establish eligibility by signing in at the registration desk with their name and address. Eligible residents will then be given ballots for each executive office and the DCRA resolution. Beginning with the position of Chair, nominations will be taken from the floor.

- Each nomination requires a second from the floor. Once all nominations are in, the Association will present a slate of eligible candidates for that office.
- Each candidate will have an option to present their qualifications for the office, limited to two minutes. After all candidate statements, eligible voters will be asked to write in the name of their choice for the office in question and deposit their ballot in the ballot box.
- Ballots will be counted by two volunteers from amongst the eligible voters present and they will announce the winners. The winning candidates will serve in these roles until the next election at the 2016 Annual Meeting.
- The DCRA resolution will be presented for a YES or NO vote and the results announced by the vote counting team.

Please make plans to attend this very important meeting.

Contact Cecelia Wald for additional info at cwald4517@gmail.com

Crime Prevention Training

The Association & MPD will offer a special training class October 13

Make plans to attend the MPD community. More than 80% of crime in DC is preventable (Crime of Opportunity). Learn new ways to avoid becoming a victim of crime. This free training will be led by Samantha Nolan, a trainer with MPD's Neighborhood Watch Program. *Please contact Carrie at carriellenc@gmail.com for additional information.*

Events Calendar

- **9/25 - Assoc. Happy Hour**, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Red Derby, 3718 14th ST NW
- **10/6 - October Assoc. Mtg. Election of Executive Team**, 7:15 - 8:30 p.m., Simpson-Hamline Church, 16th & Allison ST NW
- **10/13 - Neighborhood Watch Crime Prevention Training**, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Simpson-Hamline Church, 16th & Allison ST NW
- **10/31 - Halloween Block Party**, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., 1500 Block of Buchanan

Contact Cecelia Wald for additional info at cwald4517@gmail.com

September Meeting Minutes

Over 85 residents turned out to hear Lt. Raul Figueras, who has day-to-day responsibility for PSA 404 (our neighborhood), address our community's concerns about crime and safety.

Lt. Figueras Reported:

- MPD has deployed more officers to PSA 404, including an overtime detail to increase police presence;
- Two survey units dedicated to driving through neighborhood streets/alleys;
- Two recent violent crimes have been closed, arrests in both cases;
- Important to call 911 to report all suspicious activity. 911 calls play a significant role in the allocation of police resources;
- Get to know you neighbors;
- Be aware of your surroundings as you walk the neighborhood
- Walk on well-lit, heavily traveled streets with a friend or group when possible.