

BROYHILL PARK NEWS

October
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The Broyhill Park Civic Association Newsletter

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HALLOWEEN PARADE IS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

Woodley Pool

Gather at 10 a.m., Parade at 10:30 a.m.

Make Fall the Time to Commit to Your Neighborhood

As the leaves change in our beautiful Broyhill Park, I hope you will take the time to think about the changes in our neighborhood.

Change can bring opportunity. Susan Perkins, president of our association, decided to make a change in her life by moving to the Roanoke area. We thank her for her years of service to the association as dues coordinator and then president. Her change gave me the opportunity to take over as association president, and I am grateful to the board for their confidence in me.

Many others have left our neighborhood, and what once was a white, middle-class neighborhood of nuclear families is now more diverse. We are now a neighborhood of retirees, multigenerational families, numerous ethnic groups, immigrants, home-based businesses and even daycare centers. As you walk our streets, you're as likely to hear Vietnamese, Spanish and other languages as you are English.

For many, these changes mean they have new opportunities. For others, these changes are unsettling. For most of us, it's something in between. Regardless of how we feel, this is our neighborhood NOW, and we must work together to keep Broyhill Park a great place to live.

Another change in the past that I think we can all agree has NOT been for the best is the lagging participation in this civic association. Residents are not paying dues, events have been cancelled

because of lack of funds, meetings are not well-attended, and a handful of volunteers are doing the work of what should be a dozen or more people.

We need you to commit to working with this association. We need volunteers for Neighborhood Watch, to help keep us safe. We need people to help with the tree committee, to keep our neighborhood beautiful. We need someone to help with this newsletter, to sell ads, write articles, even distribute it. We need a vice president, a secretary, and a community relations liaison to keep this association going. We need people to help us reach out to our new Spanish- and Vietnamese-speaking neighbors, to get these new residents involved in all aspects of our association.

If you care about this community, please help us keep this association going. **You can help by just paying your \$10 dues!** We use this money for events that bring us together as a community. And please consider volunteering for a committee, attending an event or meeting, or just coming to a Board meeting.

Make a change this fall: Commit to Your Association.

Vicky Dobbin, President
president@broyhillpark.org

Volunteers Need to Help the Tree Committee Plant This Fall

The Broyhill Park Tree Committee will be planting tree seedlings again in the fall, tentatively in October. We are in the process of getting another VDOT permit to plant the remaining blocks of Camp Alger Avenue from Brandy Court to Graham Road. We have also applied for a permit to plant along Dye Drive.

welcome any scout troops, church groups, or school classes that would like to participate in this community service project.

The Tree Committee is working under the guidance of Fairfax ReLeaf, which provides the seedlings and encourages planting of native species.

If anyone is interested in joining the Tree Committee, please call 703-641-0729. We

Neighborhood Watch Notes

By Bob Evinger, Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

Please keep your doors locked if you are outside doing yard work. We live in a different world today. Many people are walking through the area that we don't know. They will sneak into the house and steal whatever before you realize it, and they are gone with your valuables. Especially true if a stranger comes up and engages you in a conversation. His/her accomplice is just waiting for the opportunity to enter the house and rob you.

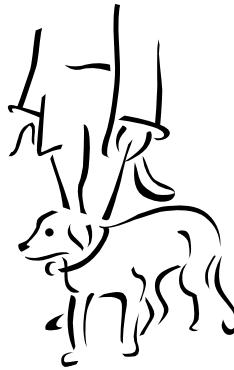
K-9 Krawl 5K

Saturday, Oct. 20

Time: Check-in at 8:30 a.m.

Walk begins at 9 a.m.

Place: Fairfax County Government Center (parking lot C)



This FREE walk is a great way for you and your canine companion to support for victims and pets of violence during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

For more information about this event and to sign-up, please call 703-814-7009

Upcoming Broyhill Park Events

Halloween Parade: Saturday, October 27, 10 a.m., Woodley Pool

Board Meeting and Holiday Party, Thursday, Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m., Walnut Hill/Alan Leis Center on Camp Alger Avenue – All Ages Welcome! Bring the kids or grandkids to meet Santa!

Broyhill Park Christmas Decoration Contest, December (Judges needed!)

Broyhill Park Board of Directors

Position	Name	Phone	e-mail address
President	Vicky Dobbin	(703) 855-3223	president@broyhillpark.org
Treasurer	Mary Van Winjgaarden	(703) 207-7227	
Dues	Amy Pototsky	(703) 207-0280	dues@broyhillpark.org

Key vacant positions: Secretary, Vice President, Community Relations, Newsletter Editor

Other Broyhill Park board members: Michele Depasse, Jackie Dilley, Bob Evinger, Pat Goff, Chico Rivera, Mary Rodgers, and Janet and Ken Sims

Graham Road United Methodist Church

2929 Graham Road
Falls Church, VA 22042
703-573-4444

- Adult Sunday School Classes - Sun. 9:45 am
- Children's Sunday School - Sun. 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship - Sun. 11:00 am
- Hymn Sing - Third Sunday each month
- Junior Church for Children ages 3-8 - Sun. 11:00 am
- Children's Chime Choir - Sun. 11:00 am
- Youth Group - Sun. 6:30 pm
- ESL Classes - Sat. 10:00 am - Noon
- Pizza & Praise - First Friday each month - 6:30 pm
- Puppet Ministry and Liturgical Drama - Periodically



*Reaching out to God's children by sharing
the message of Jesus Christ
through love, teaching and service*

Iglesia Shalom
 Miercoles: 7:30 pm (En Hogares)
 Sabados: 7:00 pm (Alabanza y adoracion)
 Domingos: 10:00 am (Escuela Dominical)

Falls Church High School Helps ESOL Students Earn Diplomas

The Fairfax County Public Schools Transitional ESOL High Schools prepare beginning-level ESOL students 18 years and older to earn a high school diploma. Students can register at **Falls Church High School** Room 116, or call 703-573-2064 or 703-207-4037 for more information.

Las Transitional ESOL High Schools de las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Fairfax les preparan a los hablantes de otros idiomas que son mayores de 18 años a ganar su diploma de high school. Los alumnos pueden inscribirse acudiendo al Salón 116 de **Falls Church High School**, o llamar al 703-573-2064 o 703-207-4037 para más detalles.

Support Broyhill Park

**Advertise in this
newsletter and on our
website!**

- \$80 full page**
- \$40 half page**
- \$20 quarter page**
- \$10 business card**

**Event Sponsors
Also Needed**

**For more information or to place
your ad, contact Vicky Dobbin at
(703) 855-3223 or
president@broyhillpark.org**

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All Ages Welcome! Bring the kids or grandkids to meet Santa!
(Volunteers needed to help coordinate this event.)

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Over 750 homes in Fairfax County, Virginia

The 2007-08 Membership Drive

The Broyhill Park Civic Association is beginning the 2007-08 dues drive. Cost is only \$10 for one year. You can fill out the form below, and mail it with a check (payable to Broyhill Park Civic Association) to:

Amy Pototsky, 3227 Alice Court, Falls Church, VA 22042

or you can bring your check or money to the next civic association meeting.

100% of your dues go to the community. Activities include the Neighborhood Watch patrol, the Halloween Parade, the Easter Egg Hunt, the newsletter and delivery, Community Yard Sale, Community Holiday Party, and maintenance of our Broyhill Park Triangle area.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Please add my name to the Broyhill Park e-mail list to receive the e-newsletter and frequent updates about community events.

(my e-mail address is: _____)

Note: all e-mails are confidential and are in no way made public or shared with ANY outside person or group.

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