

HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE

newsletter DECEMBER 2021

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS

December 14 @ 7:00 pm via ZOOM.

HHVCA's by-laws require Board of Director elections every two years. Accordingly, we will hold the next election at the December meeting. At this time, nominees for the Board positions are:

President: Leo Milanowski

Vice President: Ryan Battle

Treasurer: Ted Godbout

General Director: Jen Hanks

Secretary: Candidate needed

Additional nominees will be accepted up until the election. Job duties and responsibilities are listed in HHVCA's bylaws that can be found on the website (HHVCA.org). Or you can contact one of the current directors for info.

We will also review and vote on the proposed budget for 2022.

UPDATE: TRAFFIC SAFETY IN HHV

In the September newsletter, we announced the formation of a citizen's team to identify and pursue improved safety measures on our neighborhood streets. As we move back to normalcy, traffic volume is increasing; speeding remains a persistent problem; and aggressive driving is on the rise. *Clearly something needs to be done.*

HHVCA Vice President Ryan Battle is leading this team. In late September, the team sent a letter to Supervisor Storck, state leaders and county officials requesting help in developing remedies. The letter cited the two accidents at Bainbridge and Shenandoah, and speeding as factors requiring immediate attention, especially in view of the number of school bus stops in our neighborhood (to view the letter, go to HHVCA's website under the heading Pedestrian/Traffic Safety Initiative).

Since then discussions with Supervisor Storck's and Senator Surovell's, as well as VDOT representatives have produced the following results:
(1) VDOT completed a survey of the

Shenandoah/Bainbridge intersection and concluded it did not meet the criteria to install a 4-way stop due to insufficient sight lines and traffic volume.

(2) Traffic-calming measures (e.g., speed bumps, lane narrowing, etc.) could be pursued but a traffic study would be required to determine if it qualifies. And where speed bumps might be installed, agreement would be required from families living on that street.

The success of our next steps depends on your involvement as community members. Please join Ryan and the team to develop and pursue prevention/mitigation solutions with state and local decision makers.

All of the potential solutions have their pros and cons, and any changes pursued — stop signs, traffic calming, speed limit reduction or increased enforcement — will require participation and consensus of the entire neighborhood or they won't be implemented. ■

The Newsletter of the Hollin Hall Village Citizens' Association (HHVCA) with information for Association Members and Residents of our Pleasant Little Community

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www.hhvca.org

See the new features and check back regularly to see what else has been added. If you haven't been getting emails from us, you may not be on our list. To get on the list, send us an email with your name and address. We don't share your info.

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COMMUNITY ACTS OF SERVICE

I'm sure you've said to yourself "you know what we should do in HHV....".

It's clear that Hollin Hall folks have great ideas and want to continually improve our neighborhood's way of life. How we can collect those ideas and more importantly bring them to life. HHVCA has a plan!

We are starting a program called **Community Acts of Service** to identify and complete projects that best serve the interests of our neighborhood. We will collect ideas pertaining to all aspects of HHV life (social, environmental, charitable, etc.) and put together groups of neighbors who will work to accomplish the task.

So please send us your ideas! No idea is out of bounds. And of course, we'll need volunteers, both project leads and workers. We'd like to open it up to all ages, for students to satisfy their community-service requirements.

Projects will start in March, so please send us ideas by Jan. 15, 2022. [www.hhvca.org/contact us](http://www.hhvca.org/contact-us) ■

BOARD OF DIRECTOR AND COMMITTEE VACANCIES

We are entering 2022 with some key gaps in pursuing HHVCA's mission. In addition to the Board Secretary, Public Safety, and Transportation positions, we do not have a Budget Committee Chair or a Communications Committee Chair. These vacancies reduce our ability to be fully involved in issues, proposals and decisions affecting everyday life in HHV.

Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. Filling the vacancies preserves our seat at the table on issues important to our neighborhood. If you are interested, please contact Leo Milanowski to get a detailed view of what it entails.)

And if a leadership role isn't your thing but the committee's work appeals to you, join any of HHVCA's committees to keep things moving in the right direction. There are a wide range of interests requiring attention, including county budgets, education, environment, planning and zoning, safety and transportation. ■

SANTA IS COMING

Santa will be making his way to HHV on Dec. 23 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM, and has promised to visit every street in the neighborhood. He'll be starting at the Senior Center and end up on Karl Road, before traveling off to gather up the gifts to be delivered the next day.

Be sure to have your kids step outside to waive to Santa! ■



many thanks FOR A JOB WELL DONE

We want to send out our sincere thanks to **Carrie DePoto** who is leaving the Board's Secretary position at the end of the year. Carrie has been an integral part of the Board activities for the past several years and we will miss her involvement and insight as we move forward. She's not leaving HHV, so she'll still be involved in the neighborhood and HHVCA. Thanks Carrie!

HHVCA is also losing the excellent services of our Public Safety Committee Chair, **Leslie Atkinson**, and our Transportation Committee chair **Gary Drane**. It is the HHVCA Committee chairs who accomplish the hard work in supporting HHV's interest. Both Leslie and Gary have excelled in their Committee roles; they leave hard shoes to fill. They're not leaving HHV either and will continue to support neighborhood activities. Thanks Leslie and Gary for your service! ■

HOLIDAY COAT DRIVE

Our friend and neighbor **Margaret Keagle** is holding her annual coat drive again this year. She will collect coats of all sizes and for all ages through Dec. 31 and donate them to George Mason University's Mason and Partners (MAP) Interprofessional Clinics serving the uninsured and refugee community in Fairfax and Prince William counties. The coats can be new or used and clean. Margaret can pick up the coats at your home. Please contact her at 571-332-2564 or Margaret.Keagle@LongandFoster.com to help with this worthy cause. ■

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IS MY FAVORITE
FOUR LETTER WORD

2021 was a crazy year...but Buyers still want to purchase homes in Hollin Hall Village.

I sold 8 homes in our little village this year.. and I can do the same for you!

Call me for a consultation.

I'll bring the hot chocolate. And donuts...

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