

# The Hillandale Bulletin

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## November General Meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Hillandale Citizens Association will be held on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 PM til 9 PM at the CHI Centers building located at 10501 New Hampshire Ave. Aside from our usual business, the meeting will feature an experienced home inspector who will talk about the common environmental hazards that can be found in our older Hillandale homes. Stephen Boie of A to Z Inspection Services will explore the hazards of radon, lead, asbestos and mold, and then take your questions on the topic. We think it will be a great opportunity to learn something new about your older home. Make sure to invite a neighbor to come along with you.

## Garden Awards

Our Hillandale Garden Awards Committee judges have been combing the neighborhood this month and have come up with four selections for this fall's awards. They are listed below in no special order.

10428 Rodney Rd. Best fall colors  
1617 Oaklawn Ct. Hidden gem  
1605 Overlook Dr. Neat and trim  
10325 Parkman Rd. Best Halloween display

This summer a few prior recommendations were misplaced due to a hard disk crash. If you were overlooked or want to recommend a home for a future award, you can do so by sending an email to [ross@rosssutton.com](mailto:ross@rosssutton.com)

## Membership

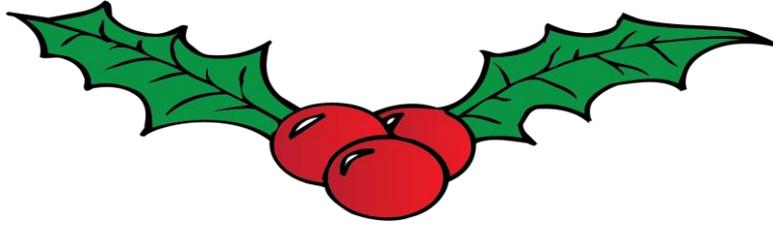
Don't miss your last chance to update your listing in the Hillandale directory. Keep an eye out in December for a letter from the HCA detailing how your listing in the Hillandale directory will look. This is the last opportunity to make changes for the 2017 Directory. We attempt to list all households in the directory but only paid members receive a printed copy.

## New Speed Caution Signs.

HCA has started an initiative to have dozens of lawn signs printed and placed on our streets to help raise awareness and concerns over speeding and pedestrian safety. After exploring various solutions, the HCA decided that the caution signs were the best solution for Hillandale. The focus will be on heavily traveled streets. The first street to receive these signs is Cresthaven Drive. Once signs are placed on a street, they remain there for a couple of weeks and then will be replaced on another street where traffic volume is high. We work directly with homeowners and only place signs at houses where the homeowner has given us permission. Our plan is to work with residents and place these signs along stretches of our streets and then periodically rotate these signs to raise awareness throughout the community. The signs will serve as a reminder that we live in a residential community and are all responsible for the safety of our residents.

## Hillandale Park Pavilion

After a bit of a delay the new picnic pavilion in Hillandale Park is now open for business. The pavilion located near the tot lot at the rear of the park is a replacement for the old park community building that was demolished last year. The pavilion represents another step in the slow but on-going renovation of the park and features picnic tables and a grill. In addition, we would like to remind you that if you have not tried out the new Hillandale Loop Trail that runs through the woods located in the rear of the park, then you are missing out. The trail head is located just behind the tot lot at the edge of the woods. It is a great place for a hike. The trail is well marked and with the fall colors at their peak, well worth a visit. The terrain is hilly but otherwise a suitable walk for all ages.



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# **Reserve the date!**

## **Hillandale's Annual Holiday Party**

**Sunday, December 4, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**At the CHI Centers building**

**Located at: 10501 New Hampshire Ave.**

**All Hillandale residents are welcome to attend the annual Hillandale Holiday Party. This is a pot luck event and we invite you to bring your favorite dish or dessert to share with all. The HCA will provide some items (turkey and barbecue) but we are looking for other main courses, salads or side dishes as well as desserts.**

A craft project will be provided to entertain the children while parents have a chance to catch up with neighbors. And, that famous North Pole visitor has been invited and is expected to arrive with great fanfare and lights flashing. Make sure that your little ones are ready! Volunteers are needed to help with planning, the set-up, monitoring the children activities, working on the serving line, and clean up.

To help out, please contact Andrew Harris at: [programs@hillandale-md.org](mailto:programs@hillandale-md.org)