

WHAT'S *New*

IN THE METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

A weekly update for residents, visitors, and workers in the District of Columbia



Friday, October 6, 2011

SENIOR CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY CONTINUES TO SERVE COMMUNITY

Members of the Sr. Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association (SCPAAA) received information from the Strategic Services Bureau on MPD's new Citizen Volunteer Corps, an auxiliary program designed to utilize the expertise of members of the community who are interested in assisting with the daily operations of the police department. The seniors also heard from representatives from Human Resources, Forensics and Fingerprint Analysis Branch, as well as Community Outreach on descriptions of other volunteer opportunities around the department. Members of the SCPAAA have completed, at least, ten days of training in public safety, emergency preparedness and community service through a joint program by the DC Office on Aging MPD. They operate on the principle that, while they may be retired, they are not tired, and would love the opportunity to continue to make significant contributions within their communities.



» Learn more about MPD's Senior Citizen Police Academy at:
<http://www.mpd.dc.gov/scpa>

VARIOUS STREET CLOSURES FOR WEEKEND EVENTS

The Metropolitan Police Department wishes to inform the public and members of the media about several planned events that will affect traffic around the city this weekend and during the week. There are many street closures associated with these events.

TASTE OF DC

The following roadways will be closed to vehicular traffic beginning at 8 PM on Friday, October 7 and are scheduled to reopen at 3 am on Tuesday, October 11:

- » Pennsylvania Avenue, NW will be closed from 9th Street to 14th Street
- » 10th Street, NW will be closed from E Street to Constitution Avenue
- » 11th Street, NW will be closed from E Street to Pennsylvania Avenue
- » 12th Street, NW will be closed from E Street to Constitution Avenue
- » 13th Street, NW will be closed from E Street to Pennsylvania Avenue

» For more information about the Taste of DC, please visit the event's website at:
www.thetasteofdc.org

27th ANNUAL ARMY MILER

This event is scheduled for Sunday, October 9th, 2011. The proceeding streets will be intermittently closed along the race route beginning approximately at 7:30 AM and should reopen by 12:00 PM.

The race route is to originate along Washington Boulevard (Route 27) in Arlington,

To learn more about this event, visit:
<http://www.armymiler.com>

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Virginia and progress across the Arlington Memorial Bridge into the District of Columbia. Once in the District of Columbia, runners are to take the following route, prior to its conclusion in Arlington, Virginia:

- » Crossing the Arlington Memorial Bridge around Lincoln Circle to Henry Bacon Drive
- » East on Constitution Avenue, NW
- » North on 19th Street, NW
- » West on Virginia Avenue, NW
- » South on Rock Creek Parkway, NW to Ohio Drive, SW
- » East on Independence Avenue, SW (runners will take the Westbound side)
- » Northeast on Maryland Avenue, SW
- » South on 1st Street, NW (crossing Peace Circle and Garfield Circle)
- » West on Independence Avenue, SW (runners will stay on the left side)
- » South on 14th Street, NW to Interstate 395

FESTA ITALIANA

This event is scheduled for Sunday, October 9, 2011 from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM. The following streets will be closed:

- » 3rd Street will be closed at G street NW with no southbound traffic on 3rd Street.
- » F Street will be closed at 4th Street NW with no traffic on F Street.
- » 3rd Street between 1-395 Ramp and G Street NW with no traffic North on 3rd Street.

US ARMY CONVENTION

This event is scheduled for Monday, October 10 through Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at the Washington Convention Center. The following streets will be closed starting at 6:30 AM on October 10 through 11 PM on October 12:

- » L Street between 7th and 9th Streets NW.

The above streets will be closed to motorists. Parking restrictions will be in effect and parking will not be permitted. Due to the extremely heavy pedestrian crowds associated with these events, motorists are encouraged to exercise extreme caution when traveling in these areas. In addition, those wishing to attend these events are encouraged to use public transportation.

» Learn more about DC's Festa Italiana at:
<http://www.fieridc.org/festaitaliana>

» Get more information on AUSA's Army Convention at:
<http://www.ausa.org/meetings/2011/annual/Pages/annual1010-12.aspx>

NEWS & NOTES

Also Noteworthy

Join the MPD Reserve Corps. The MPD Reserve Corps, a volunteer policing program is seeking new members. Applications are now being accepted at <http://dcpolice.jobs>.

Report Crimes Against Children through the CyberTipline. The CyberTipline is a Congressionally-mandated means for reporting crimes against children. Report crimes 24-hours a day, 7 days a week by calling 1-800-843-5678 or reporting crimes online at <http://www.cybertipline.com>.

Preventing terrorism is everybody's

business. If you SEE something, SAY something. Call the MPD at (202) 727-9099 to report suspicious activity that has already occurred. Call 911 to report in-progress threats or emergencies. Learn how you can help fight terrorism at <http://mpdc.dc.gov/operationTIPP>.

MPD Celebrates 150 Years. The Metropolitan Police Department turned 150 on August 6. Look for a special decal on most marked vehicles to highlight and celebrate this landmark in the agency's history. In addition, many of our uniformed officers have chosen to honor the sesquicentennial by wearing a commemorative badge through September 30, 2011.

In honor of the milestone, additional

information about the Department's history is being added to our website, including the biographies of every Chief of Police since 1861, a history of the badge, and more each week. Special banners highlighting the anniversary are also being displayed at MPD Headquarters and other facilities.

To see the special section, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov/150th.



DATA BOX

Homicides	as of 10/7/11
2011: 84	
2010: 100	
% Change: -16.0%	
Closure Rate: 94.0% (79 closures)	
Firearm Recoveries	as of 10/3/11
September: 176	
October: 2	
2011 Total: 1,453	
Traffic Fatalities	as of 10/7/11
2011: 29	
2010: 20	
% Change: 45.0%	

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