# South Manor Neighborhood Association

Plymouth Congregational Church

President Ron Austin

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## **MEETING INFORMATION**

- > SMNA is hosting the Wednesday, July 28 meeting of the Kennedy Street Task Force. (6:30pm to 8:30pm at Plymouth Congregation Church)
- Next general meeting of SMNA is Wednesday, October 6th at 6:30 p.m. at Plymouth Congregational Church (5301 N Capitol St NE). Questions? Call **Ron Austin** (202-340-8551) or email him (raustin@sprint.blackberry.net).

## **QUICK CALENDAR**

#### **POLITICAL FORUM**

Save the date for a political forum between candidates for DC Mayor and DC Council Chair on **Wednesday**, **July 21**, **2010**, at **6:30 p.m**. at the Takoma Park Baptist Church at the corner of Piney Branch and Aspen Street, NW.

## FT. SLOCUM OUTDOOR GROUPS

#### Walking

Wed. July 21 at 7:00 am Thur. July 22 at 7:30 pm Wed. July 28 at 7:00 am Thur. July 29 at 7:30 pm

### **Cycling**

Sun. July 25 at 7am Sun. Aug 1 at 7am

### **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

Tuesday August 3
4-7 pm
Field #3 of Takoma
Community Center

#### **SMNA FAMILY FUN DAY**

Saturday, Sept 18

### **Topic of the Month**

## **Kennedy Street Revitalization**

"The Kennedy Street Revitalization Plan is a redevelopment strategy and framework for future development along the corridor from Georgia Avenue to North Capital Street, NE. The study area boundaries include the neighborhoods of Brightwood and South Manor Park, all within Ward 4"

 $\hbox{-} \textit{Kennedy Street Revitalization Summary, Washington DC Office of Planning}$ 

The next Kennedy Street Task Force meeting will be hosted by the South Manor Neighborhood Association and held on Wednesday, July 28, 2010 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Plymouth Congregation Church.

The Kennedy Street Revitalization Plan presents major goals for the neighborhood that aim to improve economic vitality in the area: ensuring a safe neighborhood; creating special places that are welcoming and pedestrian friendly; and encouraging new housing and economic development.

At the July 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Task Force will continue discussing the Framework Agenda Plan for Kennedy Street. A copy of the Framework Agenda Plan for Kennedy Street can be found on the South Manor Neighborhood Association website at

### http://neighborhoodlink.com/South\_Manor\_Neighborhood\_Association/home

The community-based Vision for Kennedy Street that emerged from previous planning process identified five major themes that ultimately shaped the plan. These included:

- 1. Ensuring a clean and safe neighborhood
- 2. Creating special places that are welcoming and pedestrian-friendly
- 3. Supporting existing residents and businesses while encouraging new economic development and housing
- 4. Encouraging mobility and connectivity
- Identifying opportunities for collaboration and partnering in support of the plan's implementation

## **Fitness and Health**

## Ft. Slocum Outdoor Activity Groups

### Do you need a walking buddy?

Have you been trying to swim regularly but you can't find a partner?

Is your sister, brother, spouse, or friend's lack of enthusiasm for fitness an obstacle for a little more exercise in your life?

Or are you just trying to get out of the house, socialize, and do something other than eating or drinking 1,000 calories?

The South Manor Association has a solution that we are sure you will enjoy. Members of the SMNA have organized regularly occurring **free** opportunities for you to walk, cycle, and swim with other fitness oriented people form your neighborhood. Fitness and community go together, so your neighborhood association is providing more ways for community members to enjoy our neighborhood and our neighbors while also burning a few calories and working those lungs and hearts. Why struggle to work out alone when you have neighbors who can keep you company and help motivate you.

## About the Walks and Bike Rides

Walks and bike rides start at the shelter in Ft. Slocum Park (Kansas and Madison, NW) and routes are determined based on the desires of those who show up. More specific information can be found on the South Manor Neighborhood Association web site.

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We make accommodations for the faster and slower of us. You will always have a partner. We can ride distances of 40 miles and more, or we can do less strenuous casual tours. We can walk at a leisurely pace for conversation or we can speed walk for calorie burn. We are as flexible as you are willing.

#### **Other Activities**

We can also plan swimming activities at the Tacoma Aquatics Center and kayaking trips to the Potomac River if desired.

## Walking Group

Meets every **Thursday** 

6:45 pm at the shelter in Ft. Slocum (Kansas and Madison, NW)

## Additional Morning Walk Times

Wednesday, July 21 at 7am Wednesday, July 28 at 7am Wednesday, August 4 at 7am Wednesday, August 11 at 7am



## **Cycling Group**

Meets every **Sunday**7am at the gazebo in Ft. Slocum
Contact DuWayne for more info at
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