



# The Riverdale Park *Town Crier*

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### **Town Hall**

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301-927-6381

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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301-927-6381

7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

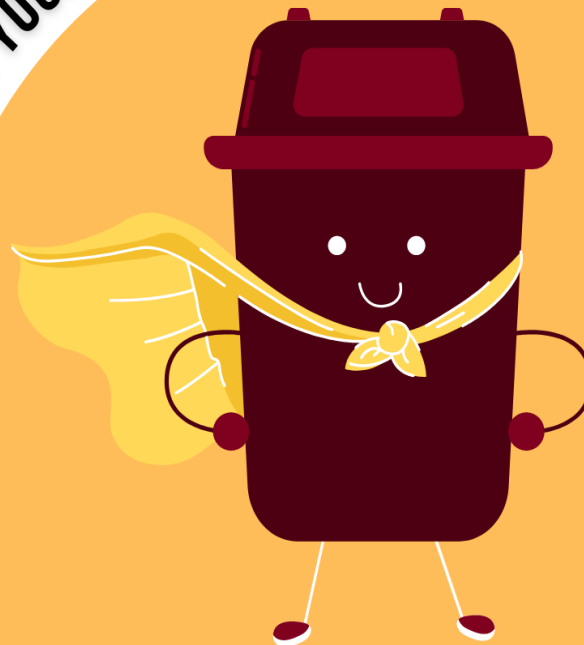
### **Police Department**

5004 Queensbury Road

301-927-4343

24-hours

HOLD ON TO YOUR HATS, A NEW TRASH HAULER IS COMING SOON!



**NEW  
SERVICE**

**Starting  
AUGUST  
23rd**

New **Burgundy** trash can delivery: August 19th & 20th

**Green** trash can pick-up: August 19th - 21st

**MORE INFORMATION TO COME**

**STAY TUNED!**

RIVERDALE PARK

# Council Actions

## May 24, 2021 Special Legislative Meeting

### Legislative Action Items

1. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-OR-05 regarding FY2022 Operating and CIP Budget and Tax Rates - **Adopted**
2. Motion to authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement for a one-time purchase and upfitting of one police vehicle through Hertrich Fleet Service, Inc. and Front Line Mobile Tech - **Approved**
3. Motion to approve donation of reusable masks to the Town's Sister City – Ipala Guatemala - **Approved**

## May 25, 2021 Closed Meeting

1. Motion to authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with Bates Trucking to settle existing contractual disputes under the six terms discussed during the Closed Meeting - **Approved**

## June 7, 2021 Legislative Meeting

### Consent Agenda

1. Motion to approve consent agenda items: **Approved**
2. Fence Permit Request: 6-foot cedar picket fence in the backyard of 5408 Taylor Road
3. Fence Permit Request: 6-foot wooden privacy fence in the backyard of 4808 Somerset Road
4. Minutes: May 4, 2021 Public Hearing; May 3, 2021 Legislative Meeting; April 26, 2021 Special Legislative Meeting; January 25, 2021 Work Session

### Legislative Action Items

1. Motion to authorize the Town Manager to sign a contract and subsequent documents to participate in the Ford Credit Municipal Lease/Purchase Finance Program through Hertrich Fleet Service, Inc. and upfit vehicles with Front Line Mobile Tech - **Approved**
2. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-05 extending sunset of Farmers Market Dollars Program - **Adopted**
3. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-06 extending sunset of Business Growth Grant Program - **Adopted**
4. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-07 extending sunset of Business Improvement Grant Program - **Adopted**
5. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-08 extending sunset of Resident-Restaurant-Town Partnership Program - **Adopted**
6. Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-R-09 extending sunset of Emergency Repair Grant Program - **Adopted**
7. Motion to authorize residential permit fees to be waived until December 31, 2021 - **Adopted**

## Town of Riverdale Park

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Cable Channels: 10 and 71

### Mayor

Alan K. Thompson, 202-527-0309  
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### Council Members

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The Town Crier is also available on the Town's  
Website: [www.riverdaleparkmd.gov](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov)

**Submission deadline: 15th of each month**

Send submissions to:  
[towncrier@riverdaleparkmd.gov](mailto:towncrier@riverdaleparkmd.gov)

# Mayor's Report

Mayor Alan K. Thompson



The Mayor and Council were sworn-in on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> by the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Summer is HERE! The lettuce is bolting, and soon there will be local vine-ripe tomatoes.... and hordes of mosquitos. I have bid farewell to my many new cicada friends, and hope to meet new ones in 2038.

## COVID-19 – Pandemic

Almost everything having to do with COVID is getting even better than last month, which was already pretty good. As I write this, Governor Hogan has just announced that he will end the state of emergency on July 1, so if you are reading this on paper it's been lifted! When he did it, though, he implored everyone to get vaccinated, and I encourage you to do it as well (as I have been since the day the vaccines were approved).

The reason to do so is that the vaccines are safe, and the pandemic is definitely *not* over. In the United Kingdom (UK), they are entering a new wave (cases up by more than a factor of two in two weeks – 7,600 per day today, 3,100 per day two weeks ago – and 90% of the new diagnoses are the “delta” variant, which is *much* more contagious than the “alpha” variant, previously called B.1.1.7).

The infections in the UK are mostly happening to unvaccinated, or incompletely vaccinated, people. Even the delta variant is mild for fully vaccinated people. The serious cases and deaths are among the

unvaccinated, and the “delta” variant appears to produce more hospitalizations than the “alpha” variant. If current trends continue, the delta variant will dominate infections in the United States by August. The virus is becoming worse – please get vaccinated as quickly as possible, for your own sake and that of your family.

Our zip code, 20737, is behind the state and the county in vaccination rate – less than 37% fully vaccinated as of June 9<sup>th</sup>, versus 42% for the county, and over 51% for the state). We need to catch up.

The Town has hosted a vaccine clinic in Town Hall, and we are working hard to schedule vaccination clinics at the Farmers Market in July and August (and possibly September). Please contact me if you are having difficulty finding or getting to a vaccination site.

## COVID-19 – Recovery

It wasn't clear what would happen last month, but the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) seems to be real, and the town will be receiving a lot of federal dollars to assist in recovery from the pandemic. We have a few years to spend it, and (as discussed above) the pandemic is not yet over, so the council and town staff are proceeding carefully in deciding how to spend the new money.

While the details are still a little uncertain, I believe we will move quickly on spending money to help out residents and businesses hurt by the pandemic, including rent, mortgage, and utility relief to prevent evictions and foreclosures. After that, I hope that we will focus on improving resiliency, on making us able to weather future challenges, whether viral, climate-related, or economic. I hope you will join us in considering how best to do this by contacting me, your town council representative, or attending meetings.

## Town Hall Renovations

For many years we have been planning for renovations to Town Hall, and we are finally starting them! These renovations will improve the layout of staff offices in town hall and the police department, ensure access to the building and restrooms for persons with disabilities, and add windows and doors

to the outside from the council chambers, for lighting and making it obvious when we are meeting! We scaled back plans a few years ago, and will be starting construction during the summer, which should be complete by the end of the calendar year.

### Trash Pickup

As I mentioned last month, on April 17 the town council voted to terminate the contract with the existing vendor and switch to a new vendor. We anticipate having a smooth transition to the new vendor as we wind down the old contract, which will happen on August 21 (the last regular pickup will be August 19; Bates will collect their bins no later than 5:00 pm on August 21st).

### Contact Me

If you have any questions or comments about any aspect of Town government, please contact me by e-mail ([akthompson@riverdaleparkmd.gov](mailto:akthompson@riverdaleparkmd.gov)) or phone (202-527-0309 – my new town mobile number!). I also monitor accounts on Facebook, Twitter (most often), and Instagram. I will get back to you as quickly as I can, but please remember that while I love being Mayor, I have a full-time job during the day (as do the other members of the Town Council), and it may take me a little while to get back to you. If you leave me a voice mail (and please do if I don't answer!) I'd be grateful if you could let me know what times are good for me to call you back. Thanks!

I'll be back here in September, when summer will be slipping away and fall approaching. I hope that we will be moving more and more back to normal, and I can spend more time talking about the Purple Line, new businesses opening up, and town events. Take care and stay safe until then!

## Town Office Extensions

- General Inquiries (301) 927-6381: ext. 500, 503
- Assistance in Spanish: ext. 500, 503
- Town Provided Services (Public Works): ext. 500, 503
- Permits and Licensing: ext. 500, 503
- Neighborhood Code-related Concerns: ext. 508, 514
- Business and Economic Development: ext. 509

- Accounts Payable: ext. 500
- Human Resources: ext. 507
- Town Clerk: ext. 505
- Police Department (Non-emergency): ext. 560

## New Trash Hauler

The Town's new trash hauler is set to begin service in Town on Monday, August 23, 2021. New burgundy trash cans will be delivered to residents by the new vendor on August 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. The green trash cans will be picked up August 19<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Residents who are unable to deliver their trash container to the curb may request assistance by calling (301) 927-6381 (extension 500 or 503) to speak with a Town staff member. Additional information regarding trash, yard waste, and bulk trash procedures and schedules will be posted across the Town's website, social media, and the cable channel. Stay tuned!

## Stay up-to-date with all of the happenings in Town

- ✓ Visit the Town's website for updates:  
*[www.riverdaleparkmd.gov](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov)*
- ✓ Check out what the Council is working on:  
*[http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov/government/meeting\\_agendas\\_and\\_minutes.php](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov/government/meeting_agendas_and_minutes.php)*
- ✓ Read the Town Manager's Status and Information Report:  
*[http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov/government/town\\_administration/status\\_and\\_information\\_reports.php](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov/government/town_administration/status_and_information_reports.php)*
- ✓ Follow the Town's Social Media accounts:
  - Facebook:  
*<https://www.facebook.com/RiverdaleParkMD/>*
  - Instagram:  
*[https://www.instagram.com/riverdaleparkmd\\_gov/?hl=en](https://www.instagram.com/riverdaleparkmd_gov/?hl=en)*
  - Twitter: *[https://twitter.com/Riverdale\\_Park](https://twitter.com/Riverdale_Park)*

- Youtube:  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeaNS8-6xwTyPJculj7vuCQ/videos?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeaNS8-6xwTyPJculj7vuCQ/videos?view_as=subscriber)

## Upcoming Virtual Meetings

### Legislative Meeting: July 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85120804016?pwd=TU5tVONxNmMk1L0dpOGdYRVlOM0NlZz09>

Or call: 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 851-2080-4016

Passcode: 845601

### Council Work Session: August 30, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84219435825?pwd=VjJqV2dhcnRaazRpUEd4NkdKQWlRZz09>

Or call: 301-715-8592

Meeting ID: 842-1943-5825

Passcode: 192495

## 2021 Dates to Remember

- July 12, 2021: Legislative Meeting
- July 14, 2021: Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee (Green Team) Meeting
- August 19-20: Burgundy Trash Cans Delivered
- August 19-21: Green Trash Cans Collected
- August 30, 2021: Council Work Session

Spraying will take place after dark on **Tuesdays** and may continue until midnight or later. Spraying will commence as soon as it is dark. As a precaution, it is advised that residents stay inside their homes and close their windows while the spray truck is in the vicinity, bring in any pets, and remain in the home for 20-30 minutes after the spray truck has passed by. If there are people outside when the truck passes by, no spray will be released, and the truck will not make another pass down that street.

The spray schedule will rotate every 3 weeks meaning that Riverdale Park may not be sprayed each week. The frequency of spraying will be determined by surveillance data collected and complaints received. In order to determine if your community will be sprayed on its scheduled spray night, please contact 301-422-5080 between 2-4 p.m. that day. Any unscheduled sprayings will be announced on the Maryland Department of Agriculture's webpage [www.mda.maryland.gov](http://www.mda.maryland.gov) or on Twitter @MdAgMosquito and @MdAgDept.

For more information regarding the Department of Agriculture's Mosquito Control Program, visit [http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito\\_control.aspx](http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control.aspx).

As a reminder, to reduce the presence of mosquitos, residents must keep their property free of mosquitos breeding containers, stagnant water, bird baths, wading pools, pet watering dishes, tin cans, old tires, clogged gutters or flowerpots. Other water holding containers should be stored upside down.

To file a complaint about mosquitos, contact the Maryland Department of Agriculture at 301-422-5080 or file a complaint online via the MDA website (listed above).

## Mosquito Control Program



The Town will once again participate in the Maryland Department of Agriculture's Mosquito Control Program. Spray season began at the end of May and is anticipated to end in mid-September.

## Help Control the Mosquito Population

By Sarah Batto, Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee

Mosquito Season is Here! Besides being annoying, some mosquitoes in our area have been found to carry dangerous diseases so it is important to do your part to help control the mosquito population. Asian



Tiger Mosquitoes (a newer invasive species found in our area) will typically not travel much farther than your and your neighbors' yards, so your actions will directly affect your own health. The average amount of time it takes eggs in water to develop into mosquitos in warm weather is one week, so the sooner you take action, the better! Here are some environmentally-friendly ways to repel or lower the mosquito population in your area:

- **Remove Stagnant Water:** Do not allow standing water in your yard. Even a teaspoon-size of water can breed mosquitoes. (Check pots, trash cans and their lids, furniture, rain barrels, tarps, pet bowls, children's toys, kiddie pools, empty bottles or other trash, clogged gutters or drains, bird baths, etc. for pooling water)
- **Check Water Features:** If you do have a water feature that does not have moving or well-aerated water, such as a bird bath, uncovered rain barrel, or pond with unmoving water even on the edges, you may throw in a mosquito dunk (<https://www.summitchemical.com/mosquito/mosquito-dunks/>) or mosquito bits that contain *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* (Bti), a naturally occurring soil bacteria that kills any mosquito larvae that end up in the water and is safe to use in rain barrels and around pets, wildlife, and swimming pools, although regular chlorine maintenance of pools is sufficient.
- **Check Rain Barrels and Gutter Spouts:** If you have a rain barrel, check that it has a screen with 1/16 inch holes or a double layer of window screen material to prevent mosquitoes from flying in/out, or cover the opening with pantyhose for a short-term fix. Also, if your downspout end or gutter tubing is not covered as well, mosquitoes can also fly into downspouts with standing water and require such coverings. Wrap corrugated gutter tubing with pantyhose if it has standing water in the rippled tubing. For short-term fixes, add mosquito dunks, mentioned above, every 30 days, or pour enough cooking oil weekly to maintain a 1/8 inch of oil on the top of the water.
- **Keep Natural Predators and Yards Tidy:** Encourage natural predators, such as birds and bats with bat-houses and birdhouses. Mosquitoes also like high grasses and dense foliage.
- **Mosquito Traps:** If you are willing to pay a little money for mosquito traps, a scientist studying

mosquitos, developed the Biogents GAT mosquito trap that targets trapping the local Asian Tiger Mosquitos. Additionally, studies about insect "zapper" or light traps show they are not found to significantly attract mosquitos nor prevent bites and are found to kill other beneficial insects as well as can attract insects closer. Ultrasonic or sound mosquito repellants also are not scientifically proven. Misting chemicals are not regulated or approved by the EPA and applying pesticides can be harmful to beneficial insects, have short-term effects, and in some cases have contributed to mosquito resistance to pesticides.

- **Be Unattractive:** A few tips to repel mosquitos are: Wear light-colored clothing and cover up bare skin, if possible. Avoid scented hygiene products and perfume. Citronella candles are moderately effective in the immediate area around the candle, not your entire yard. Stay cool and clean. If you have a fan, moving air can help because mosquitoes are attracted to the CO2 we breathe out, our body heat, and our natural odors, like sweat. Varying results have been found from planting mosquito-repelling plants. The only botanically derived insect-repellent ingredient the CDC recommends is Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus/PMD, which has been registered with the EPA and undergone efficacy testing. Natural insect repellents, like essential oils, need to be reapplied more frequently than more commercial repellents. See the Environmental Working Group and the EPA for more information on testing of how long bug repellents last and which is right for you (<https://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-repellent-right-you> and <https://www.ewg.org/consumer-guides/ewgs-2018-guide-bug-repellents>)

Visit the *American Mosquito Control Association* for more info:

<https://www.mosquito.org/page/faq>

## Neighborhood Services

If you have concerns regarding a property in your neighborhood, please contact Neighborhood Services. One of the primary duties of the Neighborhood Services team is to educate residents about the Town's community standards. In most cases residents simply do not know that they are not

meeting the Town's community standards as defined in the Town Code. In some cases, another community partner such as Prince George's County, may be needed to address your concerns. Information about the Town's community standards can be found on the Town's website, [www.riverdaleparkmd.gov](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov), under Town Code and TRP's Vision and Commitment Statements.

If you have any questions regarding property maintenance or the application of Town codes, please contact:

**Brad Goshen- [bgoshen@riverdaleparkmd.gov](mailto:bgoshen@riverdaleparkmd.gov) or 301-927-6381 ext. 514**

## Emergency Repairs Grant Available

The Town is soliciting grant applications from homeowners and businessowners. This grant program is designed to assist with emergency repairs in homes and businesses that would otherwise not be addressed.

Successful applicants can be reimbursed for up to \$2,000 after work has been completed and paid for. An "emergency repair" is defined as a situation that is life-threatening or one that prohibits someone from living in decent, safe, and sanitary conditions or is needed for the safe and continual operation of a business. For more information, please visit [http://www.riverdaleparkmd.info/residents/emergency\\_repair\\_grant.php](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.info/residents/emergency_repair_grant.php) or contact Development Services Director Ryan Chelton at [dchelton@riverdaleparkmd.gov](mailto:dchelton@riverdaleparkmd.gov) or 301-927-6381 ext. 509.

## Collection Reminders

### Residential Trash

Residential trash should be placed in durable, leak proof bags before it is placed in cans. Be sure that the can's lid is tightly closed to keep rainwater out- this will help to reduce spillage. Excess trash should be placed beside your container.

Trash cans should be curbside by **6:00 a.m.** on **Mondays and Thursdays** or the night before collection.

### Yard Waste

Do NOT mix yard waste with household trash. Yard waste must be placed in paper bags or in reusable bins marked as yard waste.



Branches and limbs need to be bundled with rope or string (do not use wire), additionally all branches, limbs, and bundles must be:

- less than 4 feet long,
- less than 3 inches in diameter
- weigh less than 60 pounds

Yard Waste should be curbside by **6:00 a.m.** on **Mondays** or the night before collection.

### Bulk Trash

Bulk trash collection is **by appointment only** on **Wednesdays**. Residents must schedule their collection by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday by calling 301-773-2069 or by completing a Request Service form online at [www.batestrucking.com](http://www.batestrucking.com). The Request Service form can be found on Customer Center tab at the top right corner of the Bates website.

Please note that bulk trash collection is limited to three (3) items per week.

### Recycling

Recycling bins should be curbside by **6:00 a.m.** on **Wednesdays**. As a reminder, **NO PLASTIC BAGS PERMITTED**.

Curbside recycling is provided by Prince George's County Department of the Environment. Please call 311 or 301-883-4748, if you have any questions or concerns.

### Reporting Concerns

In partnership with Bates Trucking and Trash Services, the Town has launched a dedicated Trash Concerns app. The Trash Concerns app can be used to order a new trash can, report missed collections, and any other



trash related concerns. Visit  
[http://www.riverdaleparkmd.info/home/trash\\_concerns/index.php](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.info/home/trash_concerns/index.php).

You can also call 301-927-6381 (extension 500 or 503) to speak with a Town staff member.

## Purple Line Construction Notices

Residents are encouraged to subscribe for updates via e-mail or text message. For the most accurate and up-to-date information, visit [www.purplelinemd.com](http://www.purplelinemd.com), find "Construction" and click on "Subscribe for Updates." The construction hotline is 240-424-5325.

## Collecting feedback regarding the Waggertail Dog Park at Riverdale Community Park

By Jillian M. Molina

Waggertail Dog Park goes may be familiar with recurring ponding and drainage issues within the small and large dog park areas of the Riverdale Community Park. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) is collecting feedback as they look into what can be done to improve the dog park conditions and the tennis courts at Somerset Road and 51st. To review the discussion surrounding M-NCPPC and the Waggertail Dog Park, reference the May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Work Session and Special Legislative Meeting, which can be found on the Riverdale Park town website. Comments can be directed to Laura Connelly at [laura.connelly@pgparks.com](mailto:laura.connelly@pgparks.com)

To stay up to date on Waggertail Dog Park news, follow *Friends of Waggertail Dog Park* on Facebook [link: <https://www.facebook.com/waggertail>] and join the *WaggerTail Dog Park Google Group*! [link: <https://groups.google.com/g/waggertail-dogpark>]



## Prince George's County COVID-19 Vaccination Information

COVID-19 vaccines are free for all residents who live and work in Prince George's County regardless of insurance coverage or immigration status.

Information provided during pre-registration will NOT be used by the federal, state or local government for any civil or criminal prosecution or enforcement, including, but not limited to, immigration enforcement. Your information will be private and protected. Providers and vaccination sites collect certain information from individuals receiving the vaccine to monitor how many people are receiving the vaccine and to ensure dose matching and appropriate timing for the second dose.

Complete the COVID-19 Pre-Registration Form to get on the vaccination wait-list. As appointments become available, individuals who complete and submit a pre-registration form and are eligible will receive an email from the Health Department with a link and instructions on how to make a vaccine appointment. COVID-19 vaccines are offered by appointment only. You only need to pre-register once.

**<https://covid19vaccination.princegeorgescountymd.gov/>**

The County is currently vaccinating individuals 16 and older who live or work in the County. You will receive an email with your appointment details from the Health Department or one of our vaccination partners as appointments become available. When you go to your appointment, please make sure that you bring your ID and/or proof of employment documentation. If you need to reschedule your appointment or you have already received your vaccination and want to cancel, you can email the Health Department at [COVIDVax@co.pg.md.us](mailto:COVIDVax@co.pg.md.us)



The Health Department is also collaborating with hospitals, pharmacies, and other partners throughout the county to provide vaccinations to eligible residents from our pre-registration list. You may hear from one of them with appointment opportunities as well. We encourage you to explore all available resources.

In addition, the State of Maryland's vaccination sites are open to individuals 16 and older statewide. To access these sites, you must pre-register with the State (separate from the County Health Department's pre-registration system) by visiting [covidvax.maryland.gov](https://covidvax.maryland.gov), or calling 1-855-634-6829. You can also text "MDREADY" to 898-211, and you will receive text notifications on your smartphone regarding updates about Six Flags and the State's other mass vaccination sites.

## Riversdale House Museum Events

### July 9: Clarinet for Kids with The UMD Clarinet Quartet

To register by July 8:

<https://tinyurl.com/PicnicPodJuly9>

*Ever wanted to try to play the clarinet? Come listen to some great clarinet quartet transcriptions and visit the "learn to play" area to see instruments featuring everything from the contrabass clarinet to the piccolo clarinet up close!*

### August 13: Picnics and Polka with The Polka Terps

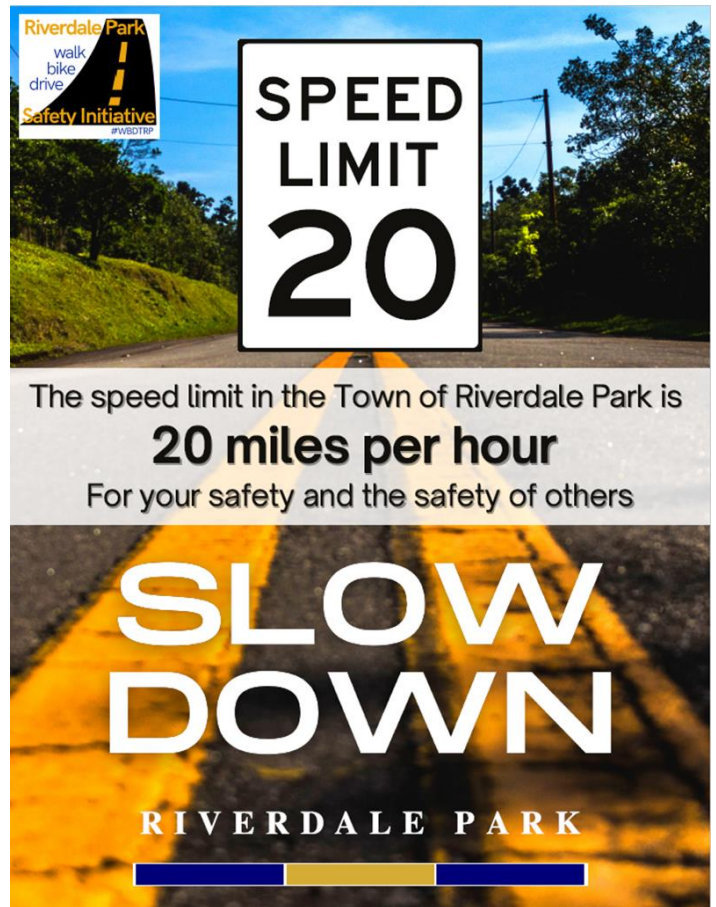
To register by August 12:

<https://tinyurl.com/PicnicPodAugust13>

*The Polka Terps are back to ride again! Bring your dancing shoes and learn to dance the polka while hearing some of the most traditional songs from Oktoberfest.*

For more information, call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544; email [Riversdale@pgparks.com](mailto:Riversdale@pgparks.com); or visit our website at [history.pgparks.com](https://history.pgparks.com).

Riversdale House Museum, a National Historic Landmark, is owned and operated by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation. It is located at 4811 Riverdale Road, in Riverdale Park, Maryland.





# INTERESTED IN COMPOSTING?

## Apply for the Residential Compost Pilot Program!

### HELP RIVERDALE PARK ADVANCE ITS COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

In exchange for using the compost bin in your yard to compost food and other organic waste, and participating in monthly surveys, the Town will provide participating households with a free compost bin.

Participants will be selected on a first-come-first-serve basis. The Town will be testing several types of compost bins, and participants will be assigned a model for use. The Riverdale Park Green Team will provide background materials and will be available to help participants.

The Green Team will also hold optional group discussions.

Applications will be accepted starting July 12.

If you are interested in participating, please submit an application available at: [www.riverdaleparkmd.gov](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov), to the Town by:

MAILING IT TO:  
TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK  
5008 QUEENSBURY ROAD  
RIVERDALE PARK, MD 20737

OR EMAILING IT TO:  
[DEVELOPMENT@RIVERDALEPARKMD.GOV](mailto:DEVELOPMENT@RIVERDALEPARKMD.GOV)



## ACCESSORY STRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM

**Repair or Replace** your old fence, shed, or detached garage with a grant from the  
**Town of Riverdale Park!**

This matching grant program aids Town residents seeking to demolish, improve, repair, and /or replace accessory structures on their property, which includes, fences, detached garages, sheds, and certain walls.

Applications available at  
[www.riverdaleparkmd.gov](http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov)

For more information, please call 301-927-6381  
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## PROGRAMA DE AYUDA ECONÓMICA PARA ESTRUCTURAS DE ACCESORIA

**¡Repare o reemplace** su cerco viejo, cobertizo o garaje separado con una beca de la  
**Ciudad de Riverdale Park!**

Este programa de subsidios complementarios ayuda a los residentes de la ciudad que buscan demoler, mejorar, reparar y / o reemplazar estructuras accesorias en su propiedad, que incluyen cercos, garajes independientes, cobertizos y ciertas paredes.

Aplicaciones disponibles en  
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MAKING ART AND MUSIC ACCESSIBLE TO OUR COMMUNITY

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June 30 - Polka Terps

July 7 - Hart Guonjian-Pettit Jazz Duo

July 14 - Natonya Duo

July 21 - UMD Clarinet Quartet

July 28 - Carol Anne Bosco and Friends

August 4 - Worcester Brass

August 11 - Duo De Jazz

August 18 - UMD Woodwind Trio

August 25 - Greek Night with David Drosinos

September 1 - Gekker & Small Jazz Duo

September 8 - Arco Unconducted Orchestra

September 15 - Salon Trio

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STARTING IN JUNE  
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Amazing Music, Great  
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**GIVEAWAYS**



**Riverdale Park Farmer's Market**  
6220 Rhode Island Ave, Riverdale, MD 20737



**Thursday, 7/15/2021 (3-7pm)**  
No appointment – Sin cita



**NO Photo ID or insurance required**  
NO necesita ID o seguro médico



**HAPPY  
4TH  
OF JULY**



Wishing you a safe and  
wonderful 4th of July  
Weekend!


All offices will be open on Monday. Contact  
[info@batestrucking.com](mailto:info@batestrucking.com) or 301-773-2069  
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**WE ARE WORKING ON MONDAY!**

There WILL PROVIDE SERVICES on Monday, July 5th.  
**BULK TRASH SERVICES WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE WEEK.**  
YARD WASTE collections will be UNINTERRUPTED.



# July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, public meetings are being held via Zoom.</p> <p>If you have any questions about how to participate in a public meeting or need assistance, please contact the Town Clerk at 301-927-6381 (extension 505).</p>				<p>1</p> <p><b>Trash Collection</b></p> <p>Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>Town Hall &amp; DPW Services Closed</b></p>  <p><b>Yard Waste Suspended</b></p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p><b>Recycling Collection</b></p>	<p>8</p> <p><b>Trash Collection</b></p> <p>Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Trash and Yard Waste Collection</b></p> <p><b>Legislative Meeting 7 p.m.</b></p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p><b>Recycling Collection</b></p>	<p>15</p> <p><b>Trash Collection</b></p> <p><b>COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic at the Farmer's Market</b> 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>Bulk Trash Drop Off 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.</b></p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>Trash and Yard Waste Collection</b></p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p><b>Recycling Collection</b></p>	<p>22</p> <p><b>Trash Collection</b></p> <p>Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p><b>Trash and Yard Waste Collection</b></p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p><b>Recycling Collection</b></p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>Trash Collection</b></p> <p>Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>

# August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Trash and Yard Waste Collection	3	4 Recycling Collection	5 Trash Collection  Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)	6	7
8	9 Trash and Yard Waste Collection	10	11 Recycling Collection	12 Trash Collection  Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)	13	14
15	16 Trash and Yard Waste Collection	17	18 Recycling Collection	19 Trash Collection  Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)	20	21 Bulk Trash Drop Off 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
22	23 Council Work Session & Special Legislative Meeting 7 p.m.  Trash and Yard Waste Collection	24	25 Recycling Collection	26 Trash Collection  Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)	27	28
29	30 Trash and Yard Waste Collection  Council Work Session 7 p.m.	31				