



The Riverdale Park *Town Crier*

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

Department of Public Works

5008 Queensbury Road
301-927-6381
7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Police Department

5004 Queensbury Road
301-927-4343
24-hours

Bates Trucking and Trash Collection

Bulk Trash Collection
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
301-773-2069

*Residents must contact Bates by 2 p.m. on Tuesday for a Wednesday pickup. Residents may request a bulk trash pickup online at www.batestrucking.com. Click on Customer Center and complete the

Veterans Day 2019

Please plan to join us on Monday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m. at the Veterans Monument on Lafayette Avenue for a ceremony recognizing our veterans.

After the ceremony a luncheon will be held at Town Center Market, sponsored by Gepettos Catering.



Mark Your Calendars!

Get ready to start celebrating the Town's 100th Birthday!!



Get your holiday lights and decorations up by Saturday, December 7th for the Festival of Lights



Start thinking of your favorite holiday treat to include in the Baking Contest on Saturday, December 14th



Reserve the afternoon/evening of December 14th for the Town's annual Holiday Market and Festival of Lights at Town Center

We ♥ Town Life!

Council Actions

Legislative Meeting
October 7, 2019

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda items: - **Approved**

1. Fence Permit Request: 6-foot wood fence in backyard of 4702 Oliver Street (Ward 1)
2. Minutes: June 17, 2019 Work Session, July 1, 2019 Legislative Meeting and August 26, 2019 Work Session

Legislative Action Items:

1. Motion to adopt Resolution 2019-R-08 regarding Go Green Grant Program - **Adopted**
2. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-OR-07 correcting the codification of the provisions of Ordinance 2019-OR-03 - **Adopted**
3. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-OR-08 repealing Chapter 22- Clubs - **Adopted**
4. Introduction of Ordinance 2019-OR-09 regarding Noise Control - **Introduced**
5. Motion to authorize the establishment of a partnership to provide surplus computers to Sister City Ipala, Guatemala - **Approved**
6. Motion to authorize a letter of support for County Council Legislation - **Approved**

Fair Summary of Ordinance 2019-OR-09

This is to give notice that the Riverdale Park Town Council has introduced and intends to take action on Ordinance 2019-OR-09.

Ordinance 2019-OR-09 would revise Town laws relating to the control and regulation of excessive noise in the Town of Riverdale Park; provide for certain exemptions and waivers; provide enforcement and penalties for violations; and generally relate to the control of certain noise in the Town of Riverdale Park.

Ordinance 2019-OR-09 is available for inspection by the public at Town Hall during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RIVERDALE PARK TOWN COUNCIL

BY: JESSICA BARNES, TOWN CLERK

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The Town Crier is also available on the Town's
Website: www.riverdaleparkmd.gov

Submission deadline: 15th of each month

Mayor's Report

Mayor Alan K. Thompson

October weather has behaved more-or-less like it should, and that makes me happy! The farmers' market is full of crisp, sweet apples as the tomato crop wanes

Mary Donaldson

When my wife and I first moved to town more than 25 years ago, one of the first people to greet us was my neighbor Mary Donaldson, who lived a few blocks away from me on Sheridan street. As I got to know her more over the years, I learned that she was a hard-working, quiet woman with a firm commitment to public service and a strong moral compass. She served for over a decade as my Town Council representative, and when I decided to run for office I made sure that her signature was near the top of my petition to be on the ballot, so the other residents of Ward 2 would know that she supported me. Her focus during her time on the Council was in making town government work for the residents, and of taking care of all people in her ward – leadership through service. Mary was planning to celebrate her 90th birthday in December but passed away in late September. I will miss her, but I will join her many children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren in celebrating her birthday without her. I miss her.

Strong Towns

Twice this year (one of them in October) I have had the good fortune to attend presentations by Charles Marohn, who just released a new book called *Strong Towns: A Bottom-Up Revolution to Rebuild American Prosperity*. Mr. Marohn is an engineer and urban planner who, after a careful analysis of development patterns in the United States over the last century, has come up with a new (yet not new) philosophy of how “towns” can grow sustainably, by learning from the history of successful cities over millennia. While I can't summarize his ideas in this short article, they focus on growing incrementally and not by huge, financially demanding raze-and-build projects. Riverdale Park has been lucky to be hemmed in by

existing development in all directions, and to have infill development happen over decades (and to not be directly responsible for the sewer/water/electric maintenance that municipalities elsewhere must maintain). We could have dug ourselves into a mess with the Cafritz development, but I believe that the high-density mixed-use development there, while a bigger step than Mr. Marohn might have recommended, was consistent with his ideas of sustainable development. I'll be loaning the book I bought this month to the Town Manager and would be happy to discuss the Strong Towns approach with any of you. You can learn more about the ideas in the book at <https://www.strongtowns.org>.

Purple Line Construction

I typically only get a few weeks (at best) of advance notice on Purple Line activities, so it is best to sign up for announcements directly from <https://www.purplelinemd.com/construction/>. Purple Line construction continues to make a lot of progress, including the laying of the first sections of track in Lanham. Closer to home, River Road closures (and the regular closing of the rightmost southbound lane of Kenilworth Avenue) continue. The roundabout at the intersection of Haig/University Research Court and River Road is still there as I write this, but only because. If you have immediate questions or concerns about construction, you can call the project help line 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 240-424-5325 or send e-mail to outreach@pltlc.com.

Bits and Pieces

I have a grab-bag of small items to report here! (1) Our historic town center has new Capital Bikeshare bikes and (2) new owners for Dumm's Pizza – Debby and Fernando Gonzalez, who have been serving 250 Texas BBQ at the farmers' market for the last year or so. Look for their delicious barbecue in addition to the usual Dumm's menu! (3) The Ambassador from Belgium attended the Belgian Fall Festival at the Riversdale House Museum in October, and I had the pleasure of presenting him the Key to the Town (and eating some delicious Belgian fried potatoes – frites). (4)

The Kaiser-Permanente Foundation is sponsoring a place-based initiative to help create a healthier community in “Greater Riverdale” – fill out the on-line survey at <https://ckarcdc.force.com/s/> to provide your input on issues that should be addressed. I’ll be writing more about this initiative in December! (5) Details are still being worked out, but I expect that we will have teachers visiting from our sister city Ipala, Guatemala, in late November/early December.

Contact Me

If you have any questions or comments about any aspect of Town government, please contact me by e-mail (akthompson@riverdaleparkmd.gov) or phone (301-237-0632). I also monitor accounts on Facebook, Twitter, 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 with an associated commute (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!

Look for me here again in December, as we prepare for winter and the heart of the holiday season! I wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving!

Ward 2 Report

Council Member Aaron Faulx

Riverdale Park Events

On Saturday, October 15th, Mara and I were able to attend both the Belgian Fest being hosted at Riversdale House Museum and Octoberfest being held at Riverdale Park Station. It was the kind of day that we dreamed about when we moved to Riverdale Park 6 years ago. Both events were spectacular. Getting to meet the Belgian ambassador to the United States, Dirk Wouters, was profoundly impactful. He was markedly happy to be in our town and genuinely moved by our presentation of a “key to the city” on the steps of Riversdale. The frites were also quite delicious. To

then be able to walk up to Riverdale Park Station and listen to live music with friends was the perfect finish to our entirely RP day! Riverdale Park is growing and changing right before our eyes. When we first moved to the town, we hoped that someday we would be able to walk to events, restaurants, and other businesses within our own town. These hopes are now a reality. Our reality is that we couldn’t be happier about the decision to set our roots right here in Riverdale Park. We love town life!

Public Art

The Town Manager updated me on our proposed mural project for the Lafayette Avenue Underpass recently. He assured me that we will be soliciting public input within the next few months. We have budgeted \$25,000 dollars for the project and will look towards having a plan in place by the time the weather starts improving again. I am truly excited to start seeing projects like these across Riverdale Park but am reminded by staff that mural projects are very expensive. We will be looking to this mural project as an additional component of our Town’s Centennial Birthday Celebration. I can’t wait to see what a little creativity and paint can do to some of our spaces across town.

Centennial Celebration

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 13th. This is when we will be hosting our culminating event for Riverdale Park’s Centennial. While final event plans are still being worked out, it assuredly will be an occasion that you will want to be in attendance for. Mara and I have already invited our entire families down to help us celebrate our town’s 100th birthday. June 13th will also correspond with the 2nd annual Trolley Trail Day in order to bring as many people as possible into Riverdale Park on that day.

We have reached the point in planning where we are now splitting up into workgroups in order to specify exactly what it is that we will need to ensure these multiple events will be well coordinated, successful, and attended. The specific workgroups already identified are as follows;

Safety, Fundraising, Volunteer, Marketing,
Logistics, and Riverdale Park History

If you feel the desire to get involved or feel that you have a specific expertise or interest that could help in our planning, please don't hesitate to engage. The more ideas and engagement we have, the better this birthday party will be.

Contact

Don't hesitate to call, text, email, or tweet to me any comments, questions, or concerns. I can be reached at the following locations:

Call/Text: 860-970-7776

Email: afaulx@riverdaleparkmd.gov

Twitter: @RPMdWard2

Volunteers are Needed

As the holiday season approaches and the Town's Centennial Celebration nears, volunteers are needed more than ever! Please consider volunteering your time and expertise.

Volunteer opportunities are listed on the Town's website, www.riverdaleparkmd.gov. Student service hours are also available.

Riverdale Park Gives

Please consider donating to the Town's annual Toy Drive and Hats, Gloves, Socks Tree this holiday season.

New and unwrapped toys will be collected starting on November 18th through December 16th at Town Hall and Riverdale Park Police Department. Toys are distributed to families in Riverdale Park in partnership with the Toys for Tots program.

Starting in December the Hats, Gloves, and Socks Tree will be in the lobby of Town Hall. All hats, gloves, and socks will be donated directly to Riverdale Elementary School.

Leaves, Leaves, and more Leaves

The Town is offering **FREE** leaf collection bags to residents through January 10, 2020. Single and two-family homes are eligible for the **FREE** leaf bags. Residents need to show ID to receive their **FREE** leaf bags and there is a maximum of 10 bags per request. **FREE** leaf collection bags are available at Town Hall (Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

Please be sure to place bagged leaves at the curb for pick-up on Monday, Yard Waste collection day. Bagged leaves should be placed at the curb on Sunday evening or by 6:00 a.m. on Monday morning.

Help us to reduce costs of the annual leaf vacuuming program by utilizing the service provided by the Town's residential trash collection company!



Leaf Vacuuming Schedule

The 2019 Leaf Vacuuming Schedule will be:

Mondays and Thursdays: Residences north of 410/East West Highway

Tuesdays and Fridays: Residences south of 410/East West Highway

To make the process work as efficiently as possible, residents should adhere to the following:

- Rake leaves to the curb and pile leaves away from cars and storm drains as the leaf vacuum cannot reach around cars.
- Be sure to remove tree limbs, rocks, and other debris from leaves to be vacuumed. These items can damage equipment and cause delays.

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. 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 are 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/ho.../trash_concerns/index.php.



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

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, 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 the Neighborhood Services team:

Brad Goshen- bgoshen@riverdaleparkmd.gov or 301-927-6381 ext. 514

CJ Reading- creading@riverdaleparkmd.gov or 301-927-6381 ext. 508

We look forward to working with you!

Neighborhood Services Frequently Asked Questions

I want to build something on my property, do I need a Town building permit?

In most cases, yes. If you are planning to build a fence, driveway, garage, or anything that will require a building permit from Prince George's County, you will also need to obtain a building permit from the Town. To contact Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement, call (301) 883-5900 or visit <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1024/Permitting-Inspections-and-Enforcement>.

Town permits are also required for storage receptacles (PODS) and dumpsters. For more information regarding Town permits, please visit the Town's website at http://www.riverdaleparkmd.gov/our_town/development_services/permits_and_licenses.php. If you have additional questions, please contact Neighborhood Services at 301-927-6381.

I have a concern about a property in my neighborhood, what should I do?

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, under Town Code and TRP's Vision and Commitment Statements.

I have concerns regarding cars parked on my street, who should I call?








If you have concerns regarding parking in your neighborhood, please contact the Riverdale Park Police Department at 301-927-4343. If you have questions about permit parking, please email Tracey Perrin at tperrin@riverdaleparkmd.gov or call (301) 927-4343.



10 Tips for Driving Safely in Work Zones

- 🚧 EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED! Normal speed limits may be reduced, traffic lanes may be changed, and people may be working on or near the road.
- 🚧 SLOW DOWN! Speeding is one of the major causes of work zone crashes.
- 🚧 DON'T TAILGATE! KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE BETWEEN YOU AND THE CAR AHEAD OF YOU. The most common crash in a highway

work zone is the rear end collision, so leave two car lengths between you and the car in front of you. So, don't tailgate.

-  **KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE BETWEEN YOUR VEHICLE AND THE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS AND THEIR EQUIPMENT.**
-  **PAY ATTENTION TO THE SIGNS!** The warning signs are there to help you and other drivers move safely through the work zone. Observe the posted signs until you see the one that says you've left the work zone.
-  **OBEY ROAD CREW FLAGGERS!** The flagger knows what is best for moving traffic safely in the work zone. A flagger has the same authority as a regulatory sign, so you can be cited for disobeying his or her directions.
-  **STAY ALERT AND MINIMIZE DISTRACTIONS!** Dedicate your full attention to the roadway and avoid changing radio stations or using cell phones while driving in a work zone.
-  **KEEP UP WITH THE TRAFFIC FLOW.** Motorists can help maintain traffic flow and posted speeds by merging as soon as possible. Don't drive right up to the lane closure and then try barge in.
-  **SCHEDULE ENOUGH TIME TO DRIVE SAFELY AND CHECK RADIO, TV AND WEBSITES FOR TRAFFIC INFORMATION.** Expect delays and leave early so you can reach your destination on time.
-  **BE PATIENT AND STAY CALM.** Work zones aren't there to personally inconvenience you. Remember, the work zone crew members are working to improve the road and make your future drive better.

Connecticut Department of Transportation
<https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/Safety/Construction/10-Tips-for-Driving-Safely-in-Work-Zones>

CELEBRATE 100 YEARS

RIVERDALE PARK 2020

We will celebrate 100 years during 2020! This momentous occasion will be a whole/entire year of events and celebration. Participate in the many events being planned.

First off, submit year favorite recipes(s). That will be included in a 100th year cookbook—The Best of Riverdale Park.

Please submit your recipe(s) in the following format:

- Your Name
- Contact information: email or phone number
- Name of your recipe
- Ingredients
- Instructions for making the recipe
- Any special notes you care to add including how this recipe might be special to Riverdale Park.

Here is an example:

Marita A. Novicky
Maritanovicky@gmail.com
Genevieve's Key Lime Pie

Ingredients: one graham cracker crust shell; 1 tub of cool whip; one can sweetened milk; one-half cup key lime juice.

Instructions: combine/whisk lightly sweetened condensed milk and key lime juice with cool whip; pour into shell and cover with clear plastic lid for the shell; freeze for two-three hours.; and slice and enjoy. You can add shavings of chocolate to garnish the top. Use a potato peeler to shave a chocolate bar.

This was a pie my mother made often and would be waiting in the freezer when we visited her at Anna Maria Island, Florida.

Please submit your recipes to
maritanovicky@gmail.com

Annual Resource Fair and Senior Luncheon

Council Member Dannielle Glaros invites all seniors 60 or better in District 3 to her 5th Annual Resource Fair and Senior Luncheon

Tuesday, November 26

VFW Post 8950

9800 Good Luck Road, Lanham, MD 20706

11:00 am – 12:00 pm – All welcome!
Resource Fair, Free Health & Memory Screenings

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm – Reservation Required
Catered lunch; RSVP required by November 15 to
Wanda Brooks at 301-952-3060 or
WJBrooks@co.pg.md.us

Participants: Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland, PGC Department of Social Services, UMD Health Systems, PGC Register of Wills, M-NCPPC, PGC Health Department, Doctor's Community Hospital, Prince George's Community College, Patient First, Clear Captions, DPW&T, DOE and more!



Dumm's Pizza & Subs Joins 2Fifty Texas BBQ Family

Written By Alison Beckwith, Hyattsville Wire

Dumm's Pizza and Subs is joining the 2Fifty Texas BBQ family! After 30 years in business, the restaurant's owners have sold Dumm's to 2Fifty Texas BBQ, who will keep the beloved "Dumm's" name and serve a menu that honors the restaurant's original recipes. Transition is

already underway! As plans to add seating and parking. Read on for background and the official letter from 2Fifty Texas BBQ.

Riverdale Park's Dumm's Pizza Joining 2Fifty Texas BBQ Family

Earlier this month, we excitedly shared the news that 2Fifty Texas BBQ was setting up a brick and mortar restaurant in Riverdale Park, on the corner next to Dumm's Pizza & Subs. We write "excited" because (1) their BBQ is top notch; and (2) the owners – Debby and Fernando González – are local residents and just some of the nicest people you'll ever meet.

Pizza, BBQ & Beer

Between this news, the news about 2Fifty Texas BBQ moving to Dumm's Corner Store and the new non-smoking, outdoor seating at Town Center Market, there's going to be so much magic happening on this little slice of heaven in Riverdale Park.



Photo source: Dumm's Pizza & Subs

Enjoy more details in this letter from 2Fifty Texas BBQ owners, Debby & Fernando González: It was almost 30 years ago that Georgia and Mike Spiropoulos opened the doors of Dumm's Pizza and Subs at 4704 Riverdale Rd. Georgia's father, Pete Spiropoulos, had acquired the building the year before and it already housed the general store that would later become the Town Center Market.

Georgia and Mike were pioneers in establishing their restaurant at Riverdale Park in the early 90's when at this area of Prince George's County there were virtually no options to enjoy a menu of fresh and authentic homemade recipes. With the help of their staff, they have tended the customers of Dumm's Pizza and Subs with warmth and friendliness, becoming a long-time favorite restaurant within the community for decades. They feel very grateful to all their customers who, throughout the years, have entered through the same doors they opened almost 30-years ago.

Georgia and Mike have decided to undertake new and professional challenges, and after evaluating the proposal to purchase their business, have decided to sell it to us, MADRE USA CORP. Perhaps the best way to identify us as the new owners is by referring to us as 2Fifty Texas BBQ, our food stand that has been running for a year at the Farmers Market in Riverdale Park. We are residents of Hyattsville and as a family successfully accumulate almost 60-years of experience in the food and hospitality industry in El Salvador. We decided to bring our investment to the US, specifically to Prince George's County, with the guidance of the Economic Development Corporation and the persuasion of the Town of Riverdale Park. We are pleased to announce that with the acquisition of Dumm's Pizza and Subs, not only will it remain open to the public honoring the original recipes, but we will also add more seating capacity and gradually add our craft style BBQ to the existing menu, as the lease of the space adjacent at 4700 Riverdale Rd will allow us to do so.

The first step in this endeavor is the addition of a custom-made wood smoker and the subsequent opening of BBQ Sundays. Eventually, Dumm's Corner will become a location of approximately 2700 sq. ft. and 28 parking spaces, where customers will be able to enjoy an extensive menu of the long-time favorites of Dumm's Pizza & Subs, the 2Fifty craft barbeque, as well as a wide selection of local and national drinks.

This project stems from the will of the Sotiriou family to continue the business they started

decades ago and Fernando and Debby to continue their legacy as we add our own. Our goal is to continue investing in our community and Prince George's County, while creating more direct and indirect jobs. We also love town life.

Riverdale Park Station to Add Symbolic Streetcar



Written By Alison Beckwith

Illustration by Cafritz Enterprises

The streetcar is back in a big way along the Route 1 corridor — this time, as a symbol.

The last streetcar on the line from Washington to Branchville ran on Sept. 7, 1958, and for decades afterward it was a largely forgotten piece of local history.

But in recent years, the streetcar has made a comeback, as cities from Seattle to D.C. have used them to redevelop neglected areas of town and they've been glamorized as part of a turn-of-the-century bungalow aesthetic.

On the Route 1 corridor, that's coincided with a push to revitalize local communities and build on the area's rich history, making the streetcar a convenient symbol.

There's the Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail, home to a day-long celebration between Hyattsville, Riverdale Park and College Park; marked by new trail markers; and soon-to-be featured in an "ale trail" linking local breweries.

There's Hyattsville's Streetcar 82 Brewing Co., named for the streetcar line that ran through the area, and Mount Rainier's soon-to-open Pennyroyal Station, which will feature paintings of streetcars when it opens. But the biggest reminder will come when Riverdale Park Station finishes building long-planned apartment complexes on site. Developers' plans submitted to the county include adding a refurbished freestanding streetcar near the existing playground that would provide 450 square feet of space for a cafe or retail store. As with a refurbished plane on the property, the streetcar will "recall the use of such cars many years ago" and "provide an interesting and attractive amenity at an appropriate scale in this location," developers wrote in their application to the county.

Purple Line Construction Notices

Purple Line construction is well underway. Residents are encouraged to subscribe for updates via e-mail or text message. For the most accurate and up-to-date information, visit purplelinemd.com, find "Construction" and click on "Subscribe for Updates". The construction hotline is 240-424-5325.



COME GROW WITH US!

WE ❤️ TOWN LIFE!

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

- ✓ Check out the new Town website at www.riverdaleparkmd.gov
- ✓ Like the Town's Facebook page
- ✓ Read the Town Manager's *Status and Information Report*

JOIN THE 2020 CENSUS TEAM in Prince George's County

APPLY ONLINE!

2020census.gov/jobs

2020 Census jobs provide:
Starting at \$21.00
Flexible hours
Paid Weekly
Paid training

For more information or help applying, please call
1-855-JOB-2020

Federal Relay Service:
1-800-877-8339 TTY/ASCII
www.gsa.gov/fedrelay

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Register
for the ...

Living Well

Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

Take
Charge
of Your
Health!



October 30 - December 18, 2019

Meets Every Wednesday - 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

*This program consists of six (6) **FREE** classes Led by Trained Leaders*



CKAR Career Empowerment Center

6801 Kenilworth Avenue
Second Floor - Suite 203
Riverdale Park, MD 20737

You must register and attend by November 13th

Who should register?

People (along with their caregiver or relatives) who have arthritis, diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, or any other chronic condition that requires ongoing medication.

BENEFITS:

- ✓ Learn how to manage stress
- ✓ Improve your strength & endurance
- ✓ Create & practice action plans
- ✓ Develop a healthier lifestyle
- ✓ Learn how to be a partner with your health care team
- ✓ Receive a "*Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions*" textbook for completion of program

MUST REGISTER | SPACE IS LIMITED | SNACKS/LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

Disclaimer: In case of low participant attendance, the scheduled program may be cancelled.



HEALTH
DEPARTMENT
Prince George's County



For registration and more information - Call: 240-608-2527 or Email: mekeister@ckarcdc.org



November 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>All Meetings and events are held at Town Hall unless another location is indicated. Also, all meetings are open to the public so please plan to join us!</p>					1	2
					Boy Scouts 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Community Walk 9 a.m.
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Youth Entrepreneurs in Fine Art 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Legislative Meeting 8 p.m. Trash and Yard Waste Collection		Recycling Collection	Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	Veterans Day Ceremony 11 a.m. (Veterans Memorial)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Youth Entrepreneurs in Fine Art 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Veterans Day Town Hall & DPW Closed 		Recycling Collection	Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center) Chief's Community Advisory Committee (CCAC) 6 p.m.	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Youth Entrepreneurs in Fine Art 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Council Work Session 8:00 p.m. Trash and Yard Waste Collection		Recycling Collection	Farmer's Market 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. (Town Center)	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Youth Entrepreneurs in Fine Art 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Trash and Yard Waste Collection		Recycling Collection	Thanksgiving Town Hall and DPW Closed 	Town Hall and DPW Closed	