

**Town Hall  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland**



**Board of Town Commissioners**

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**THE TOWN HALL IS OPEN WEEKDAYS**

Monday–Friday: **9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

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Town of Upper Marlboro  
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## TOWN ELECTIONS

On January 9th, the Town will elect 3 residents to a two-year term as the Board of Town Commissioners.

If you are interested on being on the ballot, the deadline to enter your name is December 12th.

Elections will be held from 1–8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The deadline to register to vote is December 9th.

If you're interested in volunteering, please give us a call. There is compensation for the three persons who are appointed to the Board of Supervisors of Elections.

## Welcome to *Landings* . . .

A monthly newsletter from the Town of Upper Marlboro



## Do Your Part to Keep Town Taxes Low

Residents of the Town of Upper Marlboro enjoy the lowest municipal tax rate in the county, and we need your help to keep it that way. We can keep unnecessary costs down, as long as citizen's actively participate in the County's Recycling Program and take a more proactive approach to individual waste reduction.

Every Thursday, the County picks up our recycling for a set fee. Whether the total haul is one-hundred pounds or one-hundred-thousand pounds, the Town pays the same rate each month. Not so, however, with your household trash. That goes to the landfill where the fee is based on weight. At present, more than half of the 320 housing units in town are sending recyclables to the landfill, increasing the Town's direct costs, since technically, it has to pay twice for the disposal of these misguided items.

There are other ways citizens can help the town spend your tax dollars wisely. On Mondays, yard waste is picked up by our Public Works Department and taken to a recycling center at a rate of \$25 per ton. If you don't separate out the yard waste from the residential and/or bulk trash, the Town will pay nearly double to take it to the landfill, where the rate is \$59 per ton.

So please, separate your refuse thoughtfully, so we are not forced to pass the extra costs on to you.

### TRASH TIPS . . .

- The County picks up recycling on Thursdays.
- Our Town Public Works crew picks up BULK trash and YARD WASTE on Mondays (except holidays).
- Contractor picks up RESIDENTIAL trash on Mondays.
- Place all items out at curb BY 7:00 A.M.
- Clearly separate your Residential Trash from your Bulk Trash and Yard Waste piles (2–3 feet apart)
- DO NOT MIX bulk, regular and/or yard waste in the same container. IT WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.
- Regular, Bulk or Yard Waste items placed in recycling bins WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.
- If using non see-through bags, please identify the contents if it is not obvious what kind of refuse it is.

We thank those of you that are already implementing these practices, and, we strongly encourage everyone else to join the effort. Every residence in Town has now been issued a blue recycle bin (at no direct cost to the homeowner). If you do not have one, please call the County's Waste Management Group at: 301-952-7630.

### Residential Trash collection occurs once a week on Monday

If **New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day** or **Christmas Day** fall on a Monday, residential trash will be picked up the next day (weather permitting).

Residential trash **will be picked up on all other holidays** that may fall on a Monday (for example: Presidents' Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's Birthday, etc.).

## IN MEMORIAM

**D**ortha Mae "Dottie" Welch, age 80, of Upper Marlboro, Maryland passed away July 23, 2011 in Annapolis, MD. Dottie was born April 18, 1931 in Toledo, OH to George H. and Dortha (Bailey) Rife. She moved to Wayson's Corner, MD after graduating high school and worked at a family owned general store in Upper Marlboro, MD, where she met William Sunderland Welch, Jr. They were married August 13, 1949 and lived in Upper Marlboro where they raised their family.



Dottie began her career with the office of the Prince George's County Clerk of the Circuit Court on December 5, 1949. She rose to Chief Liaison to the Clerk of the Court, retiring March 1, 1993. Dottie was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Upper Marlboro, and, volunteered her services as the Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Elections for the Town of Upper Marlboro for many years. She was an avid football fan, especially of the Ohio State Buckeyes, but her greatest joy was being with her family.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy in Dottie's name may be made to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 752, Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678.

## WAR OF 1812 BICENTENNIAL UPDATE



**H**istoric Riverdale Mansion was the site of a military encampment to celebrate the Battle of Bladensburg. Several town residents attended the August 13th encampment that included food, music, and a military demonstration. This event is just one of several major programs to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the War of 1812 and the Battle of Bladensburg.

The Town was recently asked by County Executive Rushern Baker to sit on the newly formed County Commission on the War of 1812. The Town is very optimistic about and the opportunities the appointment will bring.



See an exclusive preview of the PBS documentary  
**"The War of 1812"**  
at the  
Landmark Harbor East Cinema, Baltimore  
**Monday, September 26, 2011**

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Film begins at 7:00 p.m.  
*advance tickets online or at box office \$15 (\$20 at door)*

With stunning reenactments, evocative animation, and the incisive commentary of key experts, **The War of 1812** presents the conflict that forged the destiny of a continent. (the movie will be on national TV on October 10 on PBS)

For more information about the film, please visit:  
<http://www.pbs.org/wned/war-of-1812/>



## POLICE REPORT JULY 2011

Town Citations: 120 • State Citations: 18

### In-Town Incidents:

- 1 Theft From Auto
- 2 Larceny
- 3 Breaking & Entering  
(1 residential-2 business)
- 1 Warrant Service

- 1 Vehicle Impound

### Out-of-Town Incidents:

- 2 Robbery
- 3 Stolen Vehicle
- 4 Burglary
- 5 Larceny

## The Town has a new police cruiser!



The 2011 Dodge Charger looks different than the other cruisers because of the new graphic detailing.



## POLICE REPORT AUGUST 2011

Town Citations: 133 • State Citations: 17

### In-Town Incidents:

- 1 Theft
- 3 Burglary
- 1 Auto Theft
- 1 Vehicle Impound
- 1 Assault
- 1 Warrant Service

### Out-of-Town Incidents:

- 1 Assault
- 3 Burglary
- 10 Larceny
- 1 Rape
- 1 Robbery

All in-Town incidents occurred in the downtown area and not in the residential areas, unless indicated by ( ).

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

**TOWN MEETING:** Tuesday, September 13th, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

**DISTRICT 9 COMMUNITY FORUM:** Councilmember Mel Franklin; Tuesday, September 22nd, 7-9:00 p.m. at Surrattsville High School in Clinton.

**FALL FESTIVAL:** Sunday, September 24th, 2-7:00 p.m. Trinity Church. Bake Sale, Ham/Oyster Dinner, Antiques.

**WORK SESSION:** Tuesday, September 27th, 9:15 a.m. at Town Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

**1814 BRITISH INVASION BUS TOUR:** Saturday, October 1st, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Call Darnall's Chance Museum for information & reservations at 301-952-8010.

**TOWN OFFICES CLOSED:** Monday, October 10, in observance of Columbus Day (Town Hall offices will reopen on Tuesday, October 11th at 9:00 a.m.).

**TRASH PICK-UP FOR COLUMBUS DAY:** Residential trash WILL BE PICKED UP ON MONDAY OCTOBER 10th. Bulk AND Yard Waste trash will be picked up on Tuesday, October 11th.

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