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Upper Marlboro, Maryland**



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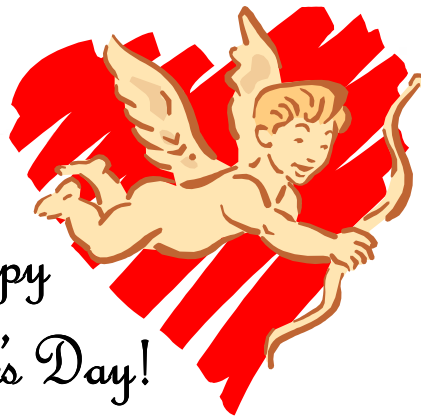
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Have
a Safe
and Happy
Valentine's Day!



Welcome to *Landings* . . .

A monthly newsletter from the Town of Upper Marlboro



The Town of Upper Marlboro
Historical Committee (TUMHC)
will hold TWO meetings
on Saturday, February 16th

**Regular
Quarterly Meeting**
9—10:30 a.m.

**Monthly
Archiving Session**
10:30 —11:30 a.m.

Both meetings are at the Town
Hall and are open to the public.

The TUMHC welcomes
guests and volunteers!

In Memoriam

Carl H. Lehmann

Carl Lehman (age 93) passed away on 23 Jan 2013. Born and raised in Baltimore, Carl spent over 40 years as a resident of Upper Marlboro, while practicing law in Baltimore. Carl was a decorated Sergeant during WW II serving with the 1st and 3rd Ranger Battalions, he received the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, POW Medal, The Combat Infantry Badge, and two Presidential Unit Citations. For the last several years, Carl offered his insights, and enthralled those present with recollections of his war experiences during our town Memorial Day services. As a member of the “greatest generation”, he will surely be missed.



Clockwise, from left: Ranger Carl Lehmann at Chiunzi Pass, Italy on Sept. 8, 1943; Top right: Captivating the crowd at the 2010 Memorial Day Ceremony at Town Hall; At right, Carl celebrates his 93rd birthday with his trademark cup of coffee.

New Public Works Manager Digs In

The Town welcomes our new Public Works Maintenance Manager, Demetrius Stevenson. Since he started work here on January 9th, he's hit-the-ground-running, working hard and doing a great job sprucing up the Town. Maybe you've noticed the skillful pruning job that was just done at Town Hall. Thanks Demetrius!



ON THE AGENDA

Business is just beginning to pick up speed again after the holiday slow down. We have five items on the tentative agenda for this meeting. Up for discussion and approval is a Town position letter to be sent to the Prince George's County Liquor Board. The liquor store now located in the Osborne Shopping Center on Route 301 south of Town, is seeking to transfer its license to the Villages of Marlborough Shopping Center west of Town.

The Town of Upper Marlboro Historical Committee will present its proposed By-Laws for approval by the Board. I'm sure they will also give us a report on their activities.

As you know, the Star Spangled Banner National Historic Trail weaves its way through our Town. William Beanes gravesite, Darnell's Chance and Trinity Church are now official sites on the trail. The National Park service is placing interpretative signage at each site. The Park Service has proposed entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Town, in which we would agree to clean and keep on eye on the interpretative sign at William Beanes grave for the Park Service, and generally promote, with them and others, the site and the Trail. There is no fiscal obligation on the Town's part and the MOU can be terminated at anytime on 30 days notice.

Since November of last year, the Town has been negotiating a renewal contract with the County for residential recycling services. We determined the County's original offer for renewal was not acceptable. We have reached an oral agreement on a new County contract but have not gotten the written contract as yet. The new contract will be short term, until October 31, 2013, and will not include a price increase. Certain other contract terms we found objectionable will also be modified. This short term contract with the County will give us some time to address this issue. Unlike many other jurisdictions, the Town does not have a separate charge for recycling service. The Town pays a "per household" price, no matter how much is recycled. Some people are good about recycling, and others appear not to recycle at all. Not recycling hurts the environment, and puts pressure on the price the town pays for household trash collection where the amount of trash picked-up does count.

After our failed attempt to put out a bid request for paving in Marlborough Towne last spring, it became clear that we need some professional help. I will propose at the Town meeting that up to \$2,500 be authorized for the hiring of a professional to put the bid package together, help us evaluate the bids, and insure the job is done correctly.

Hope to see you at the Town Meeting!

—Steve Sonnett, President



Report 2013 JANUARY

Town Citations: 114 • State Citations: 26

In-Town Incidents:

- 2 Theft
- 1 Vandalism
- 4 Vehicle Impound
- 1 Domestic Violence
- 1 Missing Person (runaway)

Out-of-Town Incidents:

- 3 Burglary
- 10 Larceny
- 2 Stolen Vehicle
- 2 Assault

All in-Town incidents were in the downtown area and not in the residential areas.

Go With the Snow

The Town is asking for your cooperation by not parking on the street when it snows. If you don't have the room to park your vehicle off-street, please park it on the **EVEN-NUMBERED** side of the street. Once you've seen that we have cleared the odd-numbered side of the street, then try to re-park your vehicle across the street, this will help us clear both sides of the street as soon as possible.

When shoveling out your vehicle, driveway or side walk, it is important not to put the snow into the street. Please keep it on your property—this will ensure proper snow removal and maximize street safety.

If you or someone you know in Town has special circumstances, such as: senior care, medical or life support equipment, please let us know so that we can be of better assistance in the event of extreme weather.

We will make every effort to keep you informed of events through the Town's website: uppermarlboromd.gov

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

IN THE MILITARY MOOD—USO inspired DANCE:

Saturday, February 9th, 4–8 pm. Swing to 1940's style big band music and view displays honoring black military service. \$12/person—\$20/couple. Watkins Park Community Center; 431 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774 – Call: 301-390-8390.

TOWN MEETING: Tuesday, February 12th, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

ENSLAVED WOMEN OF DARNALL'S CHANCE:

Friday, February 15th. History Tour focusing on African American women who lived and worked at Darnall's Chance, with special emphasis on the Bentley Family of Upper Marlborough. Reservations required for groups of seven. 14800 Gov.Oden Bowie Dr. Call: 301-952-8010.

TOWN HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING & ARCHIVING SESSION:

Saturday, February 16th, 9:00–11:30 a.m. at the Town Hall. Visitors welcome, meeting open to the public (*archiving session starts at 10:30 a.m.*)

TOWN OFFICES CLOSED: Monday, February 18th, in observance of Presidents' Day. Town Hall offices will reopen on Tuesday at 9 am.

TRASH WILL BE PICKED-UP ON MONDAY THE 18TH (PRESIDENTS' DAY):

Household trash ONLY. However, YARD WASTE & BULK TRASH will be picked up on Tuesday the 19th.

WORK SESSION: Tuesday, February 26th, 9:15 a.m. at Town Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

AT THE LIBRARY: The next meeting of the "Friends of the Upper Marlboro Library" is Thursday, March 21st, at 7:00 p.m. 14730 Main Street, call: 301-627-9330.