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Upper Marlboro, Maryland**



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MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Monday, May 26th — 10:00 a.m.

Preparations are underway for the Town's Annual Memorial Day Ceremony. Come hear guest speakers share their stories of their tours of duty in the military. We will also have music and delicious food & beverages. Drop by and join us as we honor those who served and are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces.



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The 38th Annual Marlborough Day Festival

The War of 1812 Comes Back to Town



Saturday, May 10 • 11 am—5 pm

A Street Festival for all ages! Live music, dancers, clowns and magicians, moon bounce, library book sale, animal show, arts & crafts vendors, 1812 British encampment reenactors, “Blue Sky Puppets” sing-along show, and lots of great food!



Dr. William Beanes himself will make an appearance and the Town of Upper Marlboro Historical Committee will preside as Grand Marshall. For more information: Call (301) 952-9575, or visit online at: www.marlboroughday.org

The Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage

Hundreds of visitors came into Town on Saturday, April 26, anxious to tour the historic homes and sites featured as part of the popular annual tour event.



Besides Darnall's Chance House Museum and Dr. William and Sarah Beanes' gravesite, the last leg of the Prince George's County pilgrimage tour included five private homes in the Town; *Kingston* (built in 1735), *Content* (constructed in 1787), and the *Bunnell-Anderson*, *Turner*, and *Jarboe-Bowie* houses—all built or added on to by local carpenter, Reuben Bunnell.



April showers bring May floods

Torrential rains in the last few days of April caused the Western Branch to rise up on (the aptly named) Water Street on May 1st.

The Town of Upper Marlboro Historical Committee

Archiving Session — at Town Hall

Saturday, May 17 starting at 9:00 a.m.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

MARLBOROUGH DAY FESTIVAL: Saturday, May 10th, 11 a.m.–5:00 p.m. A Street Festival for all ages! Parade starts at 10:00 a.m. Live music, dances, clowns and magicians, moon bounce, library book sale, animal show, arts & crafts vendors, 1812 British reenactors, “Blue Sky Puppets” show, great food. For more info: Call (301) 952-9575, or visit online at: www.marlboroughday.org

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Tuesday, May 13th 3:00 –8:00 pm. Trinity Church 301-627-2636.

TOWN MEETING: Tuesday, May 13th, 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Meeting is open to public participation.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY: Monday, May 26th, 10:00 a.m. at Town Hall. Speakers, refreshments, music.

OFFICES CLOSED: Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th. Town offices will reopen on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE FOR MEMORIAL DAY: BULK trash & HOUSEHOLD trash & YARD waste will ALL be picked up on TUESDAY, May 27th.

WORK SESSION: Tuesday, May 27th, 9:15 a.m. at the Town Hall. Board discussions, meeting is open to public.



Graduation Time • Expect Traffic Delays

The Showplace Arena will be the stage for many graduation ceremonies in May and June.

MAY 2014

20	Crossland High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
21	Friendly High School – Graduation	10:30 am
21	Largo High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
21	PG Community College – Rehearsal	TBD
22	TBD	10:30 am
22	PG Community College – Graduation	7:00 pm
23	Oxon Hill High School – Graduation	10:30 am
23	Central High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
27	DuVal High School – Graduation	10:30 am
27	Fairmont Heights High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
28	Potomac High School – Graduation	10:30 am
28	Frederick Douglass HS – Graduation	3:30 pm
29	Surrattsville High School – Graduation	10:30 am
29	Forestville Military Academy – Graduation	3:30 pm
30	McDonough High School – Graduation	10:30 am
30	Lackey High School – Graduation	3:30 pm

JUNE 2014

2	La Plata High School – Graduation	10:30 am
2	Westlake High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
3	Thomas Stone High School – Graduation	10:30 am
3	Southern High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
4	Huntingtown High School – Graduation	2:30 pm
4	Patuxent High School – Graduation	7:30 pm
5	Calvert High School – Graduation	2:30 pm
5	Northern High School – Graduation	7:30 pm
6	Annapolis High School – Graduation	10:30 am
6	Broadneck High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
9	Old Mill High School – Graduation	10:30 am
9	South River High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
10	Glen Burnie High School – Graduation	10:30 am
10	Meade High School – Graduation	3:30 pm
11	Northeast High School – Graduation	10:30 am

Town Officials Host Informational Meeting

The Town would like to thank all the interested residents and business owner who came to the event at Trinity Church on April 14th. Guest speaker, Christina Pompa (pictured at left) delivered an informative overview of the Sustainable Communities program and how it could be utilized for improvements to the Town. The Town’s Historical Committee also presented a preview of this year’s Marlborough Day Festival and the MD House & Garden Pilgrimage. Delegate Marvin E. Holmes, Jr. (pictured right) and County Executive Municipal Liaison, Dr. Beatrice Tignor were also present.



On the Agenda—Next Town Meeting

The following items are on the proposed agenda for the Board of Commissioner’s monthly Town Meeting on Tuesday, **May 13** at Town Hall, starting at 7:30 pm. Please note that June’s Town Meeting will be held earlier than usual on **June 3** due to schedule conflicts.

A proposed budget of \$977,457 for Fiscal Year 2015 (FY2015) will be introduced. This budget represents a 6.3% increase over the FY2014 budget. Operational revenues are estimated to raise 4% while operational expenses to raise 1.9%. Budgeted capital programs will increase 21.6% while the draw from the reserve fund will increase 16%. Major capital expenditures are the addition to Town Hall, new pickup truck and improvements to the Town’s public works facility.

The Town received an unexpected \$2,800 grant from Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc. (ATHA/ Maryland Milestones) to help fund some of the Marlborough Day 1812-related activities. In order to properly account for this increase in funds, the Board, by Ordinance, will be amending the FY2014 budget.

The President will ask the Board to shift certain line item funds within the FY2014 Detailed Budget. There are two major shifts. The first will allow us to retire two computers running the Windows XP operating software that has now become a security risk. The second, is to update our website to increase security and add social media capability. We will also be adding the ability for readers to be e-mailed the monthly *Landings* newsletter to help save man-hours and resources for the Town.