

RECYCLING MATTERS

Through the competitive bidding process, the Town has recently contracted with Bates Trucking for recycling services. One of the main reasons we have contracted directly with the hauler is the demand from our residents for better recycling service. This change has resulted in substantial savings over our previous contract with the County.

Our new contract with Bates stipulates that emptied recycle bins not be left in the street or in driveways, and that there be no litter left on the streets either. If you experience violations of these new contract provisions, please call the

Town Hall, or email the Town Clerk at: clerk@uppermarlboromd.gov. Note the violation and the address that it occurred at. **PICK-UP WILL STILL BE ON THURSDAYS.**

The County has agreed to sell us, at a very reasonable price, your current large blue recycle bins. Over time, the Town will brand those bins as Town property and assign the bin to your address. If you move, the bin must remain with the assigned address. If you prefer the older, smaller (yellow) recycle bin, please contact Town Hall and we will arrange to exchange your large blue bin with the older smaller bin.



Recycle Your Old Electronics

The Town has received several inquiries from residents as to why the Town does not pick-up their old stereos, TVs and computers with the Bulk Trash collection.

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... NEXT TUMHC MEETING DATE ...

Saturday, November 15 at 9:00 a.m.

Quarterly Meeting

The new slate of Board members for the next 2-year term to be announced

Residents of the Town and surrounding area are welcome to attend. The TUMHC is always looking for new members and volunteers to help out with events, research and archiving our Town's rich history.

You don't have to be a researcher or a historian to join in on the fun!

Visit their website at: www.tumhc.com/ where you can see photos, maps and documents from the Town's Archives.

Town Hall Upper Marlboro, Maryland



Board of Town Commissioners

Steve Sonnett – President
Larissa Ferrer, Jim Storey

Office Hours

Monday–Friday: 9 am – 5 pm

Contact Town Hall

(office) 301-627-6905

(fax) 301-627-2080

(e-mail) info@uppermarlboromd.gov

(cable channel) **Verizon 19**

OR VISIT US ONLINE AT:

www.uppermarlboromd.gov

Recycle . . . continued from other side

The simple answer is that since September 2000 the landfill does not accept these items when delivered by the Town. County/Town citizens are allowed to drop off their used and unwanted electronics at the **Electronics Recycling Acceptance Site** free of charge—(non-commercial vehicles only).

Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill

11611 White House Road Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Hours of Operation

Thurs., Fri. & Sat.- 8 am to 3:30 pm (closed Sundays)

“At Home Collection” for Senior Citizens and the Disabled

Residents who qualify for this service should dial 3-1-1 to schedule an appointment for the at home collection of their unwanted electronics equipment. To qualify, no one living in the home can be under 65 years of age or be physically able to transport the material to the County’s facility.

Acceptable Items

- CPUs
- Circuit Boards
- Mice
- Keyboards
- Computer Speakers
- Laptop Computers
- Printers
- Fax Machines
- Telephone System
- Copiers
- Scanners
- Main Frames
- Pagers
- Cell Phones
- Any individual PC CPU component parts
- Ink Jet and Toner Cartridges (from printers and fax machines)
- CD Players

- Radios/Stereos
- VCRs
- Wire
- Cable
- Surge Protectors
- Maximum of 5 monitors and/or televisions (non-console) per vehicle may be dropped off on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Unacceptable Items

- Software
- Stereo Speakers
- Boxes
- Appliances such as toasters and microwave ovens

Call 311 for more information , or visit:

www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/



Staples Free Technology Recycling

Bring your old office technology products to your local Staples store and they will responsibly and securely recycle them at no cost to you — any brand, any condition, even if you purchased it somewhere else. See below for accepted technology products.

Items accepted for free recycling*:

- Desktop and all-in-one computers
- Laptops, tablets, eReaders
- Monitors
- Desktop printers, copiers, scanners, faxes, multifunction devices
- Shredders
- UPS/battery backup devices (with or w/o included battery)
- Computer peripherals including mice, keyboards, modems, routers and computer speakers
- Small electronics including mobile phones, MP3 players/iPods, calculators, GPS devices, digital cameras, camcorders and cordless phones
- Digital projectors, CD/DVD/Blu-ray players, gaming devices, A/V receivers, video streaming devices, cable/satellite receivers
- External hard drives and small servers
- Rechargeable batteries (if 11 pounds or less)

Prohibited items not accepted for recycling:

- Televisions
- Floor model copiers and printers
- Appliances
- Large servers
- Large speakers or speaker systems
- Alkaline or lithium batteries (i.e., not rechargeable)
- Lamps/bulbs

*Limit 6 items per customer per day. All brands of items are accepted regardless of where purchased. Staples® Copy & Print Shops do not accept electronics for recycling, but all other U.S. Staples locations accept electronics for free recycling. We strive to ensure data security in the recycling process — while our recycling partner erases or destroys hard drives and memory-containing devices, we encourage our customers to erase all personal data from their devices before recycling them. For computers, you can try the free software programs DBAN or Eraser. For mobile phones, check your user manual to get directions on implementing a factory reset. Store management has the right to refuse to accept items that may pose a health or safety risk (e.g., broken monitors not packed in a box, laptops with damaged batteries, etc.)

ON THE AGENDA

The November Town Meeting has been moved to Monday the 10th since the Town offices will be closed on Tuesday the 11th in observance of the Veterans' Day holiday. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

The Fiscal Year 2014 audit has been finalized and filed with the State. The audit went smoothly resulting in a unqualified audit. The Board will be voting, as a formality, to accept the results of the audit. FY2014 ended with a \$276,676 operational surplus due largely to an unexpected increase in income tax revenues.

In 2012, the Board of Town Commissioners established a Historical Committee and appointed committee members for two-year terms which end this November. This active group has done great things to promote the Town and archive its history, so the Board will again appoint committee members for two-year terms ending in November 2016. If you are interest in joining, please contact Town Hall at 301-627-6905, or visit the Historical Committee's website at: www.tumhc.com.

After a review of our Police Department policies, the Board will be discussing, for adoption, revised secondary employment policies, the use of body cameras, and GPS tracking of Town police cruisers.

The Board will consider changing the direction of traffic on Pratt Street to one-way only, eastbound from Main Street to Judges Drive.

Under State law, all municipal funds must be either insured by FDIC, and/or, any funds in excess of the \$250,000 insurance limit must be collateralized. For some unknown reason, during the recession, the local banks said they would not collateralize. So, we have had to spread around our funds to banks as far away as Rockville and Annapolis. The government branch of the M&T Bank has now offered to enter into a collateralization agreement. The agreement is currently being reviewed by the Town's attorney and will be on the agenda for discussion and possible adoption.

The last business item of the agenda is a proclamation to declare November as "Municipal Government Works!" month in the Town. During this month, efforts will be made to educate and engage our citizens in their local government. During this meeting, we will have an open discussion of the current structure of our government: the good, the bad, and the various options for improvement. If you don't normally attend the monthly Town Meetings, please make a special effort to attend this one as we need this to be a community effort.



Report 2014 OCTOBER

Town Citations: 56 • State Citations: 116

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| Out-of-Town Incidents: | 1 Vehicle Impound |
| 2 Assault | 1 Littering / Dumping |
| 1 Burglary | 1 Recovered Property |
| 6 Larceny | 2 Suspicious Person |
| 1 Stolen Vehicle | 2 Theft |
| In-Town Incidents: | 1 Warrant Service |
| 1 Assault | 1 Recovered Stolen |
| 2 Found Property | Auto (motorcycle) |

*All in-Town incidents were in the downtown area and not in the residential areas—unless indicated with an**

It's Snowtime!

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 weather events through the Town's website: uppermarlboromd.gov

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

TOWN MEETING: RESCHEDULED DATE * Due to the Veterans' Day holiday, the monthly Town Meeting was moved to Monday, November 10th, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Meeting is open to public participation.

VETERANS' DAY: Tuesday, November 11th. Town offices will be closed and will reopen on Wednesday, November 12th at 9:00 am.

AT THE LIBRARY (UPPER MARLBORO BRANCH): "PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME"—Every Tuesday in November at 11:15 a.m. (except Veterans' Day, Nov. 11th) Call: 301-627-9330 for more information.

TRINITY CHURCH FISH FRY: Friday, November 14th, 4–7:00 p.m. Menu: Fried Whiting, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Bread, Drink & Dessert. Cost: \$9 Adults, \$8 Seniors & \$5 Children (5 to 12 yrs). Call: 301-627-2636 for more information.

CONTESTANTS NEEDED!!! for the GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST & SHOW: Darnall's Chance House Museum. 3 Divisions to choose from! (Family, Adult & Child). Hundreds in cash awards! Download entry form at: history.pg parks.com, or call 301-952-8010 for more info. **Registration deadline: Nov. 14.** \$5 per entry. **Entries due by Nov. 23.**

TOWN HISTORICAL COMMITTEE—(TUMHC) QUARTERLY MEETING: Saturday, November 15, at 9:00 a.m. Town Hall. Meeting is open to the public. Committee Member and Board Member appointments will be announced.

WORK SESSION: Tuesday, November 25, 9:15 a.m. at Town Hall. Board discussions. This meeting is open to the public.



TRINITY CHURCH FISH FRY

November 14 • FRIDAY • 4:00–7:00 p.m.

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Fried Whiting or Tilapia, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Bread, Drink & Dessert. Cost: \$9 Adults, \$8 Seniors \$5 Children (5-12 yrs) Call: 301-627-2636 or email: trinityec@verizon.net for more information.



Town Hall-*id*ay Party



Make plans now to gather around our holiday tree at Town Hall on **December 7th at 5:00 p.m.** for our annual holiday celebration. This event gets bigger and better every year, so make sure not to miss out on the fun! Bring the whole family to see Santa's arrival by police escort and the lighting of the tree at dusk. Inside, there will be **music** and **caroling** and plenty to **eat and drink**. And, Santa says he is bringing goodies for the kids.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST & SHOW: Friday–Sunday Nov. 28–30; Dec. 5–7; and Dec. 12–14. 12 noon–5:00 pm at Darnall's Chance House Museum, 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Dr. For a sweet treat, come and view an amazing display of edible gingerbread houses. No nibbling allowed! Visitors have the opportunity to vote for their favorite entries in the Viewer's Choice Award Competition. This year a NEW contestant category has been added—the "Family Division" now open to teams of 3–7 people! Fee: \$1/ person. Call 301-952-8010 for more info.

TOWN HALL-IDAY PARTY: Sunday, December 7th, 5:00–8:00 p.m. at Town Hall. Santa arrives for the Tree Lighting at dusk. Caroling with Santa, Great Food, Refreshments, Holiday Music & Fun!