



Pond Clean-Up & Food Drive

Saturday — September 10, 2016
12 noon — 3:00 p.m.

The Town is once again participating in Maryland's "Day to Serve" Program which is all about giving back through community service and volunteering.

The Town will be hosting 2 EVENTS . . .

Schoolhouse Pond Clean-Up

Working in partnership with MNCPP Natural and Historical Resources Division, the Park Rangers will provide kayaks, gloves, trash sticks and bags—we just need to provide the PEOPLE POWER! Schoolhouse Pond is a Town Icon— used by many of our residents as well as those who work at the CAB, Courthouse and local businesses. So let's show our community pride and lend a hand to keep this pond looking great!

Marlboro Food Bank Drive

Trinity Episcopal Church houses the Marlboro Food Bank, which is supported by Trinity and seven other area churches. Every month food is collected, sorted, bagged and distributed to our neighbors in need. If you don't want to get dirty at the pond, or your schedule doesn't permit the time, we will be taking donations for the Food Bank by going door-to-door in Town—or you can drop off your donation at the Pond drop-off site, or directly to Trinity Church.

— UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY —

Let's show everyone our community spirit!

ON THE AGENDA

At the September Town Meeting the Board will introduce Ordinance 2016-03: Residential Property Standards (see page 5 for details). It is based on the results of a survey conducted earlier this year on Social Media which asked for residents to submit their priorities and concerns on the subject. It will modify and replace old Ordinance 88-1, and is intended to improve the Town's Code Enforcement efforts in a non-invasive fashion. The Board feels that a draconian approach to keeping our neighborhoods pleasant and attractive would be counterculture to the freedom and quality of life that have been a part of living in the Town for many years.

With downtown revitalization projects underway to improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow, the Board is also looking to pass Resolution 2016-09: Town Position on Water Street Bus Stop. The Town of Upper

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TOWN HALL

14211 School Lane
Upper Marlboro
Maryland 20772



THE BOARD OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS

President James Storey
Commissioner Nancy Clagett; Commissioner Linda Pennoyer

OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday: 9 am – 5 pm

CONTACT TOWN HALL

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Trinity Episcopal Church



Saturday, September 24th

8 am to 1:00 pm

14515 Church Street

(just up the street from 7-11 & Bank of America in downtown Upper Marlboro)

Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

~In case of rain, sale will be in Parish Hall~

Foods items for sale:

*Fried Fish Sandwiches
Hamburgers & Hot Dogs
Water, Soda & Chips*

Reserve in advance

\$15.00 per space

Contact Bev G. – 301-627-2636

On the Agenda
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Marlboro is gravely concerned with the unsafe condition that exists with the current location of the Bus Stop on the east side of Water Street, adjacent to the convenience store at Church Street. Both pedestrians and moving traffic alike have blind-spots to other vehicles passing the busses as they load and unload passengers. This location has been the scene of many hazardous and unsafe situations according to our Public Safety personnel and they feel that it is only a matter of time before a fatality occurs if the same conditions continue to exist. As the Sustainable Communities Program moves ahead with ADA sidewalk retrofits and Main & Water Streets intersection improvements, the Town has requested one or more meetings with the State Highway Administration to discuss design and construction coordination to address improving traffic-flow issues, as well as, the bus stop's possible relocation .

The Board will also have before them several bids for a contract renewal for Single-Stream Recycling.

Our Community United Against Domestic Violence



"Domestic Violence Has No Place in Our Community"

Please Join
The Prince George's County Office of the Sheriff

for the
3rd Annual
Maryland "Purple Light Nights" Lighting Ceremony

Raising Awareness and a Unified Voice Against Domestic Violence

Monday, October 3, 2016
7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
at the Family Justice Center
14757 Main Street
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

R.S.V.P: Sheriffinfo@co.pg.md.us

Pick Up Your FREE Purple Light Bulb @ 6:30 p.m.

A request for bids was forwarded by the Board in response to residents requests for better service.

Also up for a vote will be an amendment to the Administrative Procedures for the Town Investment Program. These changes will update a listing of current financial institutions, and, enable a better rate

of return on interest by an adjustment to requirements for total cash asset distributions.

Construction proposals for the Elm Street Repaving & Sidewalk Project obtained by RDA Engineering, Inc. will also be before the Board for a vote.

— James Storey/President



Report 2016 AUGUST

Town Citations: 163 • State Citations: 37

<u>In-Town Incidents:</u>	<u>Out-of-Town Incidents:</u>
1 Vehicle Impound	1 Burglary
1 Property Damage	8 Larceny
6 Larceny	1 Assault
1 Warrant Service	1 Robbery

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

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT August 2016

The violations addressed by Code Enforcement in the month of August are listed below:

- Residential High Grass / Weeds — 4**
- Commercial High Grass / Weeds — 2**
- Trash / Litter — 3**
- Refuse Collection Issues — 2**

The Town encourages all residents to read draft Ordinance 2016-03 'Residential Property Standards' and provide input to the Town. Call the Town Office 301-627-6905, or visit the Town website for more information.

17th Annual Gingerbread House Contest & Show



Contestants needed for this year's Gingerbread Show!

2016 Show Dates: November 25-27 & December 2-4 & 9-11

Adult Division: Individual adult, age 17 years & up

Child Division: Individual child, age 8-16 years

Family Division: Group of 3-7 individuals of any age
(1 adult/1 child minimum)

Adult Division Prizes

1st Place Adult Division - \$100

2nd Place Adult Division - \$75

3rd Place Adult Division - \$50

Child & Family Division Prizes

1st Place Child Division - \$75

2nd Place Child Division - \$50

3rd Place Child Division - \$25

Ribbons will be awarded for 1st place, 2nd place & 3rd place in all three divisions.

All entries are eligible for The Viewer's Choice Awards which will be awarded to one adult entry, one child entry, and one family entry. The winners will be selected by viewer voting and each winning entry will receive \$200!



Contact Town Hall for more details and Entry Form (301) 627-6905

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY STANDARDS

ORDINANCE 2016-03

In an effort to preserve the property values and quality of life for our residents, the Town is currently drafting Ordinance 2016-03: “Residential Property Standards”. This Ordinance will apply to the upkeep of residential-zoned properties within the Town’s corporate



boundaries. Though the first draft cannot be made public until its introduction at the September Town Meeting, we still want input from residents on what standards should be addressed by this ordinance. Residents can submit

their ideas to the Town Hall during regular weekday office hours (*if after-hours, please deposit in black box located at the front door*), or, send by email to:

Info@UpperMarlboroMD.gov.

A preliminary draft of the ordinance was discussed by the Board at their August 23rd Work Session, and has also been reviewed by the Town Attorney. The first draft will be introduced at the September Town Meeting. Following the meeting, it will be posted on the Town Website for several weeks so that residents can give input before it comes up for a final vote at the Board’s October Town Meeting. Copies will also be available at the Town Office.



Ordinance 2016-03 will address the below topics:

- High Grass/weeds (over 10 inches in height)
- Litter and garbage
- Exterior Storage (household items, building waste & materials, motor vehicle parts, etc.)
- Junked/ abandoned/ untagged, or otherwise, non-roadworthy vehicles
- Vacant/Foreclosed properties
- Repeat Offenders
- Rental Properties (ensuring they are properly licensed with the County as required)
- Parking surface requirements (gravel, asphalt, concrete, brick, etc.)
- Accessory structure upkeep (fences, sheds, retaining walls, etc.).



It’s a New Look for CountyClick311

A new & improved CountyClick311 system is now available for use. Below are a few things you should know:

- ♦ **Go online and create an account** - a new user account will make it more convenient to view the status of your service request online (this feature is optional because we understand that you may want to remain anonymous when submitting requests).
- ♦ **If you have an existing County Click311 account, you still must sign-up:** Create a new username and password for the new system.
- ♦ **Download the new mobile application:** App is available from the App Store or Google Play starting on August 16th.
- ♦ **Important note:** If you have service requests opened prior to August 16th and are inquiring about a status update, you will need to call 311. You will not be able to search or view the status online. Our helpful representatives can provide you with an update over the phone.

Some of the new CountyClick311 features are:

- **Improved access by email and the web**
- **Simplified service request reporting**
- **Status information about your service requests**
- **Easier to use, and updated information about government services.**

For better service 24-hours a day, please download the new app to your mobile device and/or go online to create an account.

CountyClick311...
Easy. Convenient. Accessible.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

POTTIES, PRIVIES & PRACTICAL MATTERS:

18th CENTURY HYGINE EXHIBIT: Darnall's Chance House Museum Fridays & Saturdays Sept 2nd through October 14th. Learn the ways that 18th Century Americans practiced personal grooming & hygiene, exhibit is FREE.

COUNTY FAIR: Thursday Sept 8– Sunday Sept 11 at the Equestrian Center. The oldest running fair in Maryland returns to The Show Place Arena at the Prince George's Equestrian Center! Bring the entire family out for a day of fun, food and entertainment. Adults: \$6 (13 & up); Children \$5 (ages 6-12); <5 Free

TOWN CERT MEETING: Saturday, Sept 10 starting at 10:30 a.m. The Town Community Emergency Reponses Team will hold elections for officers at their next monthly meeting. All are welcome, no experience necessary. Meetings are held at the Town Hall.

DAY TO SERVE: Saturday Sept 10 12-3p.m. at the School House Pond– Pond Cleanup.

TOWN MEETING: Tuesday September 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. On the agenda: Introduction of Ordinance 2016-03 Residential Property Standards. Meeting is open to public participation.

MARYLAND HORSE & PONY SHOW: Wednesday-Sunday, September 14-18, 2016, 8 am The Equestrian

Center is proud to host the A-rated five-day Maryland Horse & Pony Show. All ages are welcome, FREE! Call 301-952-7900; TTY 301-952-7998 for more information. The Show Place Arena 14900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

COMMUNITY YARD SALE: Saturday Sept 24 8a.m.-1 p.m. at Trinity Church. Spaces available for \$15. Contact Trinity's office to sign up (301) 627-2636. Fish sandwiches, hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks for sale. In case of rain, sale will be in the parish hall.

WORK SESSION: Tuesday, Sept 27, 9:15 a.m. at the Town Hall. The meeting agenda consists of current business items up for Board discussion. Work Sessions are open to the public, however, public participation is at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners.

CERT TRAIN EMERGENCY CLASS: Passenger Train Emergency Response (PTER) class. It will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (EDT) at the Prince George's Public Safety Complex- 7915 Anchor St., Landover, Md 20785. If you are interested in attending and joining the Upper Marlboro CERT Team call the Town Hall.



PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
MEMORIAL LIBRARY SYSTEM

UPPER MARLBORO BRANCH LIBRARY:

14730 Main Street • (301) 627-9330

ADULT CREATIVE COLORING: Saturday, Sept 17 from 11:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. Will provide coloring sheets, crayons, colored pencils and markers as tools to promotes creativity, encourage relaxation and provide an outlet to have fun. Adults Ages 18+

TRUE BOOK CRIME DISCUSSION: Monday Sept 19 12pm-1p.m. Read & discuss a True Crime book, call branch for book selection (301) 627-9330

READY 2 READ STOREYTIME: Monday, July 18, 12:00 noon– 12:30 p.m. Walk around outside together while discussing favorite books. +18

STEM FOR FAMILIES: Wednesday, Sept 21, 2016 All Day Long. Join us as we explore science, technology, engineering and math. Drop in for hands-on experiments and activities. Ages 5-12 with Adult.

THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Archiving & Event Planning Session

Saturday, September 17 at 10 a.m.

Residents of the Town and surrounding area are encouraged to bring items of historical interest (such as letters, drawings & photos) to be scanned for the Town's Archives. Contributors will receive a copy of the scans free of charge. Visit the TUMHC on their website at: www.tumhc.com/

The TUMHC is always looking for new members and volunteers to help out with events, research and archiving our Town's rich history—**And, you do not have to be a researcher or a historian to join in on the fun!**