



eing a volunteer in your hometown can be a very rewarding experience, and there is a wide array of different activities one can get involved in.

Some great ideas for Town events and programs have also been suggested by residents in recent years that we would like to see happen, but unfortunately, we lack the personnel to successfully implement and oversee them.

So, please keep your eye on our Newsletter, Website, and/or Facebook postings to see what volunteer opportunities are available. Consider getting involved with the following . . .

Lection Day in the Town is Monday, January 8, 2018—and in the fall, we will be appointing a three-person Board of Supervisors of Elections (includes compensation.)

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# 13TH ANNUAL CRIME VICTIMS' FUND RUN/WALK

RUN or WALK the 5K or 10K at Watkins Park on Saturday, April 15

All proceeds from the race go to the **Maryland Crime Victims' Fund** which supports victims of crime and their families, providing emergency resources for those with no means to pay for the cost of victimization. Registration is \$25/person for runners & walkers, \$15/person for teams of five or more (fees waived for school athletic teams)

For more information and/or to register, please click HERE.



# ON THE AGENDA



The April Board of Commissioners Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday the 11th, at the Town Hall. At present, the *tentative* agenda has the Board delivering updates on both the Town Hall Addition & Renovation Project, and, the Elm Street Repaving & Sidewalk Improvements Project. The Board will also be discussing plans for our Annual Memorial Day Ceremony, and is seeking resident input to help out.

There will also be a presentation/discussion of the current pa-

rameters that will define our Fiscal Year 2018 Budget—scheduled to be officially introduced at the following Regular Monthly Town Meeting on May 9th.

Please note: Our Regular June Town Meeting has been moved up a week to allow the proper period of time required by our Charter to pass the FY18 Budget Ordinance. Meeting schedules and agendas are posted and updated on the Homepage of our website. There will also be an Extra Work Session in April (partially closed.)

# Town Hall Upper Marlboro, Maryland



### **Board of Town Commissioners**

Jim Storey – *President* Linda Pennoyer, Nancy C. Clagett

#### **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

using hand-counted paper ballots. Three (3) resident \*\* candidates are elected as Commissioners for two-year terms. One of the three elected becomes the President  $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Board (who acts as "Mayor" and Chief Executive Officer), and one appointed Treasurer. **Deadline** to register as a candidate is Monday, December 11, **2017** (Commissioners receive compensation.) 1

Trinity Church is always in need of volunteers for stocking of the **Marlboro Food Bank** each month (next opportunity is April 13–15), and, the preparation ★ of 1,000 sandwiches for "Martha's Table" on the 4th Sunday of each EVEN month (next opportunity is April 23). For more information, call:301-627-2636. 1

Below, are **Annual Events** planned for this year:

- ★ Memorial Day Ceremony
- ★ Pond Clean-Up Day
- ★ Town Hall-iday Party

And these **Annual Events** we need help to bring back:

- ★ Marlborough Day Festival
- Town-Wide Yard Sale

# MEMORIAL DAY **CEREMONY**

**—SAVE THE DATE—** 

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# Monday, May 29

10:00 a.m. at TOWN HALL

ome hear guest speakers share their stories of their tours of duty in the military. We will also have music, food & beverages. Join us as we honor those who served and are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces.



# PUBLIC WORKS CORNER

The Town staffs a 4-person Public Works Department whose crew ensures: Both Residential Yard Waste & Bulk Trash collections; Maintenance and repair of Town-owned streets, signs & parking lots; Groundskeeping & Landscaping of Town property; and, Snow & Ice Removal of Town-owned streets & parking lots.

# Refuse Pick-Up Schedule

#### MONDAYS:

Residential TRASH (by Burch Trash Service, Inc.)

#### MONDAYS:

YARD WASTE & BULK TRASH (by Town Public Works)

# **THURSDAYS:**

Residential RECYCLING (by Burch Trash Service, Inc.)

Please set out all trash/recycling/ bulk trash & yard waste by 7:00 a.m. to ensure pickup. Please clearly separate the Residential trash from the Yard Waste and the Bulk items—if co-mingled, the items will not be picked up!

NO TRASH IN RECYCLE BINS

# **Acceptable Recycling Items**

Plastic Bottles #1-7 &Lids

**Coat Hangers** 

Glass Bottles & Jars

Aluminum & bimetal cans. foil wrap & trays

Cardboard & Paper Board

Phone Books, Magazines, Junk Mail & Books

**Empty Aerosol Cans** 

Plastic wide-mouth containers & lids

#### NO PLASTIC BAGS

(bundle & drop @ grocery store)



#### TOWN FLAT BED TRUCK USAGE

The Public Works Department offers the use of the Flatbed Truck at no charge to residents with bulk items too numerous for regular yard waste or bulk trash pick-up. The truck is parked in the homeowners driveway on Friday afternoon and picked back up on Monday morning. Call the Town Hall for additional information.

Debris created as a result of contracted work may not be disposed of using Town services



# CELEBRATE EARTH MONTH

make our planet cleaner and greener. You can start by picking up litter anytime you're outside. Whether it's your trash or not, picking it up and taking it to the right bin will help keep our environment clean and safe. Don't forget to volunteer to clean and improve your local watersheds. Two events happening this month include the 29th annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup on Saturday, April 8 along the shoreline of the Potomac River at Hard Bargain Farm. Contact the Cleanup Coordinator for more information at

potomaccleanup@fergusonfoundation.org or be a hero of the Anacostia and volunteer for the Anacostia Watershed Society's 2017 Earth Day Cleanup and Celebration at various locations throughout the County, Visit www.anacostiaws.org/earthday2017/ volunteer.php to register.

# **Seen the New Town Cable Channel 19?**

As we move closer to broadcast capability with the new Town Hall Addition, we have just updated our Cable Access Channel 19 with the addition of **sound** and **videos!** Presently, you can view a terrific video on the history of our Courthouse. And coming soon . . . the Town has been working to create it's own feature video to wow our visitors and guests!

# **Did You Get Our Recent Mailing?**



We hope you have, and have taken some time out of your busy schedules to consider what

you and your family would do in case of an emergency. Please chat with your neighbors—spread the word, and

let us know how we can best stay in touch. It is very important that we can identify those households with special needs. Your information is confidential.

# **Brown Bag It!**

Since January 1, 2014 Residen-

tial Curbside Yard Waste Collection changed. YARD WASTE IS NO LONGER BEING ACCEPTED IN PLASTIC BAGS. Residents

will need to place loose yard



waste in large bio-degradable *PAPER* yard waste bags. These bags are available at most local home improvement stores, garden centers and grocery stores. Bags of grass and leaves should **not exceed 35 pounds** (no dirt or sod). Larger debris like tree branches & sticks should be bundled & tied into 4-ft lengths also should not exceed 35 lbs.



Town Citations: 151 State Citations: 5

#### In-Town Incidents:

- 7 Identify Theft
- 1 Vehicle Impound
- 1 Larceny
- 1 Vandalism
- 1 Embezzlement
- 1 Miscellaneous Incident
- 1 Criminal Warrant Service

### Out-of-Town Incidents:

- 1 Citizen Robbery
- 1 Burglary
- 4 Larceny
- 3 Stolen Vehicle

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

# Town Police

Offer House Checks . . .

...for Town residents who are on vacation or away for the weekend.

Just register a <u>House Check form</u> at Town Hall and our police will stop by your house periodically while you're away to make sure it's safe and secure. Town Hall Office hours are

Monday- Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. except holidays.

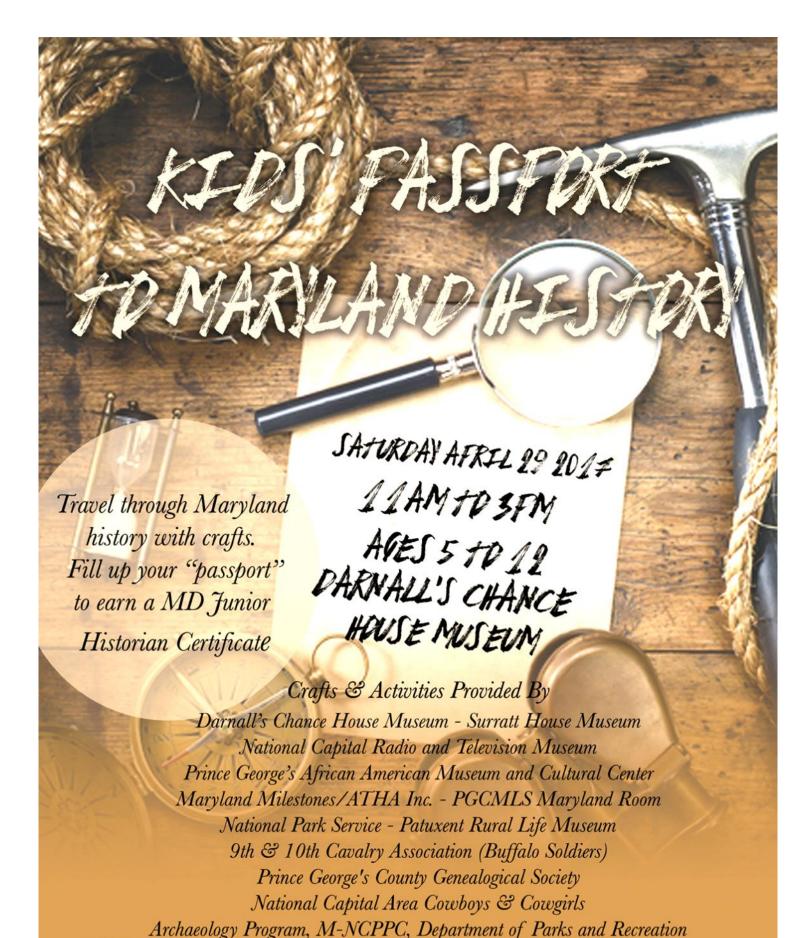
# CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Notices issued to residential properties during the month of March 2017

Accessory Structure (fencing & Sign frame) — 1

Trash/Litter — 2

Permits Issued- 0











# Madness

# A Source Reduction Event

Learn to reduce water usage, prevent soil erosion and reduce the use of herbicides in your home gardens by applying mulch.

# THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

is giving away

# **FREE MULCH**

to County citizens, residents and employees

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#### **SOURCE REDUCTION TIPS**

Use mulch to suppress weed growth and provide nutrients.

Grass Cycle: Use a mulching mower to finely shred your mowed grass and leave it on the lawn.

Start a backyard compost pile.

# SATURDAY 223

8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Prince George's County Organics Composting Facility

6550 S.E. Crain Highway,

Upper Marlboro

(From Crain Highway, proceed on Maude Savoy Brown Road and follow the signs to the Visitors Center)

For more information, please call County Click 3-1-1



The quality of the mulch is good.

The mulch is primarily derived from the Christmas trees collected after the holiday that have been shredded at our facility. However, the mulch may contain foreign debris, such as small pieces of plastic. Anyone who decides to participate in the giveaway must willingly accept the mulch "as is."

A skid loader is available to load mulch into pickup trucks, or residents may bring their own containers and tools.

This event is restricted to non-commercial vehicles, 3/4 ton maximum weight.

# **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**

# **CREATIVE COLORING FOR ADULTS:**

Saturday, April 8th, 11:00 a.m.—12 noon. Upper Marlboro Branch Library- This program will provide coloring sheets, crayons, colored pencils and markers as tools to promotes creativity, encourage relaxation and provide an outlet to have fun. Call: (301) 627-9330 for more information.

**CERT TEAM MEETING:** Saturday, April 8th, 9:30am-10:30am at Town Hall. All are welcome, no experience necessary.

LIBERTY GIRLS: AN AMERICAN GIRL BOOK CLUB: Saturday April 8th, 10:30 a.m.—Noon, Darnall's Chance House Museum Girls ages 7-13 are invited to join our new revolutionary book club! Each week we will discuss a different Felicity book from the American Girl series with a Prince George's County librarian, make a colonial craft, and enjoy period refreshments. Last session includes a book discussion, tea party, and dancing! Membership fee includes book discussions, colonial crafts, refreshments, and a Liberty Girls book bag full of fun and useful accessories for young readers. Contact: 301-952-8010.

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES WORKGROUP MEETING: Tuesday, April 11th, 8:00 a.m. at Town Hall. Meeting is open to public participation.

**TOWN MEETING:** Tuesday, April 11th, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Meeting is open to public participation.

TOWN HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING PLANNING & ARCHIVING SESSION: Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Hall. Visitors are welcome and encouraged to bring items of historical significance to be scanned for the Town Archives. Meeting is open to the public.

# **MOUNTED GAMES ACROSS AMERICA:**

Saturday & Sunday, April 16–17 (8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.) *MGAA* is a non-profit association with the goal of educating equestrians about mounted games through clinics, seminars, competitions and exchanges. For more info, call (301) 952-7900, or visit: <a href="mailto:showplacearena.com">showplacearena.com</a>

**BARNYARD EGGSTRAVAGANZA:** Monday April 17th 10:00 AM Search for Easter eggs in a barnyard-themed egg hunt. This family-friendly event also in-

cludes games, petting zoo, and spring crafts for the kids (while supplies last). Bring your own basket. No reservations required. Cost: Residents: \$3; Non-residents: \$5 All ages welcomed. Darnall's Chance House Museum 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Drive Contact: 301-952-8010; TTY: 301-699-2544

<u>"EXTRA" BOARD WORK SESSION</u>: Wednesday, April 19th starting at 9:15 a.m. at Town Hall. Sealed bids for Town Hall Addition & Renovation Project will be opened and the FY18 Budget discussed. Work Sessions are open to the public, however, public participation is at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners.

**BOARD WORK SESSION:** Tuesday, April 25th starting at 9:15 a.m. at 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.

## **KID'S PASSPORT TO MARYLAND HISTORY:**

Saturday April 29th 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Join us at Darnall's Chance for the Prince George's County Memorial Library System's "Kid's Passport to Maryland History", to travel through Maryland history! Fill up your "passport" with crafts and activities for school—aged children, and become a Junior Maryland Historian! For more info, call: (301) 952-8010 (see flyer page 5)

# **GIRL SCOUT DAY AT DARNALL'S CHANCE:**

Saturday, May 6th, 12 noon—4:00 p.m. Brownies and Juniors can earn 5 badges all in one day! Try your hand at archery, make a basket, tour the museum, learn how herbs were used in the 18th Century and make your own lavender sachet and more! Space is limited. Cost: \$20/girl scout (includes all badges); FREE for leaders & chaperons. Contact: 301-952-8010.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Tuesday, May 9th 1:00–6:30 pm. at Trinity Church .Call: 1-800-REDCROSS to schedule your donation time.

FREE MOTHER'S DAY TOURS: Sunday, May 14th 12 p.m.—4 p.m. at Darnall's Chance House Museum. Complimentary tours of the museum for mothers and grandmothers when accompanied by paying child or grandchild. No reservations necessary, FREE! 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Drive. For more information, call: 301-952-8010; TTY 301-699-2544.