

"Can Do Spirit" Lauded By State & County Officials



On June 14, 2017, the Town took major steps toward the future as it broke ground to expand the Town Hall and make renovations to the existing structure. County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III and EDC President and CEO Jim Coleman were among notable



dignitaries who joined the Board of Town Commissioners (President Jim Storey; Commissioner Nancy Clagett; and, Commissioner Linda Pennoyer) for the ground-breaking ceremony. Mr. Coleman served as the guest speaker for this momentous occasion and spoke about the rich history of the Town and the plans for its bright future. He said, "Today we are witnessing a

renaissance in Upper Marlboro. The Town . . . is becoming the 'New Shining City Upon A Hill', just like the one President Ronald Reagan spoke about in his farewell speech..." said Coleman. "This project will

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TOWN HALL

14211 School Lane
Upper Marlboro
Maryland 20772



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Above (left to right): Past Board President, Steve Sonnett; current Board President Jim Storey; Architect Nicola Hain; Delegate Joseph F. Vallario, Jr.; Senator Douglas J.J. Peters; Commissioner Nancy Clagett; Senator Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.; County Executive Rushern L. Baker III; Delegate Marvin E. Holmes, Jr.; PGC/Economic Development Corporation CEO Jim Coleman (keynote speaker); Commissioner Linda Pennoyer; resident Todd Sonnett, Upper Marlboro CERT Team Leader Wanda Leonard; and, Kevin J. Best, Esq., MPA.

Below, a delicious spread was provided for the late-afternoon event.



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bring new energy to the residents and businesses of Upper Marlboro by providing them with suitable space to conduct their business. I congratulate Board President Storey and the Commissioners for their years of hard work that have led to today's historical groundbreaking. This new facility will create a new 'Shine' for this Shining City Upon a Hill."

President Storey credits the leadership of former Board President Steve Sonnett as well as the vision and tenacity of the Town to control its own destiny with the birth of this project.

"Our Town leadership has pointed us in the right direction and we have been following through with that vision in order to serve the community better," said Storey. "Our old facility is well-used and well-loved,

but it is outdated. The new facility will provide us with something for the community as well as the employees and will ultimately enhance the services we provide to our residents. Special thanks to Jim Coleman for coming out to inspire our next steps."



Get to Know Your Neighbors



Help build Stronger
and safer
communities



Come Join Your Neighbors for the 34th Anniversary Celebration of "National Night Out"

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

Marlborough Village Shopping Center

Music

**5010 Brown Station Road
Upper Marlboro, Maryland**

6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Bring your lawn chairs and the whole family

Co-sponsored CSA 23 Leadership Council
Prince George's County Police Department District II

Owners of Marlborough Village Shopping Center



No Rain Date

For more Information call 301-390- 2100 or
email CSA23LC@gmail.com

TOWN PROJECTS UPDATE

Town Hall Addition & Renovation Project:

With the Groundbreaking ceremony over, construction has begun at Town Hall. The old-pool area was excavated and prepped for the concrete foundation and footers to be poured, to be followed by the walls being framed and roof constructed. Staff expect to move into the new addition during Fall 2017 so that the current office space can be renovated and the meeting room expanded.



Pedestrian & Vehicular Safety Improvements:

The Town has been working closely with the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) and the County Department of Public Works & Transportation (DPW&T) to address 3 main projects:

- 1) **Main Street CAB/Courthouse Crosswalk:** Installation of new pedestrian crosswalk signage, with plans to install a “bump-out” crosswalk in Fall 2017 to better protect pedestrians.
- 2) **Water Street Bus Stop & Crosswalk:** The Bus stop has been removed by DPW&T, and SHA will be installing a new crosswalk closer to Judge

es Drive sometime during the Fall of 2017.

- 3) **Main, Water & Elm Street’s Intersection:** Re-design the intersection to ADA standards & outfit signal light to include updated/timed pedestrian crossing signs. This project is still in the design phase due to it being a complicated intersection.

Elm Street Repaving & Upgrades Project:

This project was originally initiated in response to resident’s complaints about the lack of curb height and other safety hazards connected to the sidewalk on Elm Street. To accommodate for safer passage of vehicles and pedestrians alike, the Town worked with Pepco to move two of its utility poles back several feet (at no cost to the Town) to allow the Town to slightly expand the road from 8-foot travel lanes to 10-foot lanes, and

install an ADA compliant 5-foot wide sidewalk. These improvements are vital to make this main artery to and from the Downtown area safer for all. Once complete Town Public Works will install new and updated traffic signs.



Town Bestows Gift of Appreciation To Planning Department Employee

On June 14, 2017, our Town’s Sustainable Communities Workgroup Chair and past-president Steve Sonnett (along with Commissioner Nancy Clagett and Town Clerk David Williams) presented Christina Pompa with an engraved Keepsake Box adorned with the Maryland State Flag, for all the exemplary work she has done on behalf of the Town.

During the “All-Staff” meeting of the Maryland National Capitol Park & Planning Commission at the County Administration Building, Mr. Sonnett delivered words of praise for the Planning Department employee, recounting Christina’s successful ventures over the last 3 years in assisting the Town to obtain and implement several State grant programs that have successfully kick-started many Downtown Revitalization projects.



Ms. Pompa was quite surprised as our presentation was kept off the agenda. This “All-Staff” meeting was also the 90th Anniversary Celebration of the Commission, which was founded in 1927 to provide long-range planning and park acquisition and development.

ON THE AGENDA

Our regular monthly Town meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, July 11th at 7:30 p.m. Besides the reports to be delivered by Commissioners, Staff members and Town Committees, the top two Business line items on the agenda are updates on our ongoing construction projects. Project Manager Fran McLellan of McLellan & Co., Inc. will give an update, and answer any questions, on the Town Hall Addition



& Renovation Project, and, Project Manager Ben Robertson of RDA Engineering will be doing the same for the Elm Street Repaving & Improvements Project.

The Board will also have before them for approval a Special Event Application for the 12th Annual Cruzin' Main Street Car, Truck & Bike Show which is scheduled for August 26th (rain date August 27th). Time is allotted for public comment at the end of the agenda.



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Code Enforcement Report June 2017

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

- 12 — High Grass Courtesy Notification
- 4 — High Grass Violation
- 9 — Refuse Collection Issues
- 2 — Permit Violations/Issues
- 5 — Trash/Litter
- 1 — Property Identification
- 2 — Miscellaneous Issues



Trash Tips

When placing your refuse out at the curb for collection

Please clearly separate the Bulk Trash pile from the Yard Waste and Household Trash piles.

This helps our pick-up crews avoid missed collections.

CANS & BAGS with mixed content WILL NOT BE PICKED-UP



JUNE 2017

Town Citations: 68 • State Citations: 12

TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED FROM RESIDENTS FOR SERVICE : 51

In-Town Incidents:

- 1 Impounded Vehicle
- 2 Vandalisms
- 4 Trespassing
- 2 Misc. Incidents

Out-of-Town Incidents:

- 12 Larceny

*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 away for the week-end or on vacation. Just fill out a House Check form 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, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (except holidays).



Here's the Scoop Ice Cream Social

Darnall's Chance House Museum

Saturday, July 15, 2017

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Join Darnall's Chance and the Town of Upper Marlboro Historical Committee in celebrating ice cream's colonial roots and National Ice Cream Month. Enjoy **FREE** ice cream sundaes while supplies last, lawn games, and more! A lactose-free option will be available.



Did you know?? The first time ice cream was recorded as being served in America occurred in Maryland in 1774 when Governor Thomas Bladen served it to his dinner guests.

Darnall's Chance House Museum
14800 Governor Oden Bowie Drive
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772
301-952-8010

history.pgparcs.com



Museum facility of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Natural and Historical Resources Division. The Department of Parks and Recreation encourages and supports the participation of individuals with disabilities. Register at least a minimum of two weeks in advance of the program start date to request and receive a disability accommodation. PPC-PR-NHRD-017

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

UM CERT MEETING: Saturday, July 8 starting at 9:00 a.m. The Town Community Emergency Responses Team will hold elections for officers at their next monthly meeting. All are welcome, no experience necessary. Meetings are held at the Town Hall.

TOWN MEETING: Tuesday July 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Meeting is open to the public.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING — EVENTS PLANNING SESSION & MONTHLY ARCHIVING SESSION: Saturday, July 15, starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Hall. Visitors welcome and encouraged to bring items of historical significance to be scanned for the Town Archives. 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 don't have to be a researcher or a historian to join in on the fun!—meeting is open to the public, visitors welcome!

HISTORICAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Saturday July 15 6-8 p.m. **FREE!** Come on over to Darnall's Chance and make yourself a sundae to celebrate ice cream's colonial roots. Enjoy live music, participate in lawn games, and more! Program is co-sponsored by the Town of Upper Marlboro Historical Committee. **Darnall's Chance House Museum** 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Dr. 301-952-8010; TTY 301-699-2544.



BEST HORSE SERIES: Saturday, July 15 & Sunday, July 16, 2017. Start-time 8:00 a.m. at the Prince George's Equestrian Center. FREE for spectators. The Show Place Arena: 14900 Pennsylvania Avenue. Call: 301-952-7900; TTY 301-952-7998.

SOUTHERN MARYLAND QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION: Wednesday thru Sunday, July 19–23, 2017. Start-time 8:00 a.m. at the Prince George's Equestrian Center. The SMQHA is bringing their Horse Show to the Prince George's Equestrian Center for five fantastic days of competition. FREE for spectators. The Show Place Arena: 14900 Pennsylvania Ave. Call: 301-952-7900; TTY 301-952-7998.

"I SPY" at DARNALL'S CHANCE: Wednesdays & Thursdays, July 26–August 17. 11 am–2 pm. Come discover the spying techniques Washington's Continental Army used to send secret messages and how they fooled the British Army with ruses and other tricks. Hands-on activities. No reservation required. Free. 6-13. Darnall's Chance House Museum 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Dr. 301-952-8010;

WORK SESSION: (*Date Change!*) **FRIDAY**—July 28, starting at 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.

33RD ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: Tuesday, August 1 from 6-8:30 pm. Bring your lawn chairs and the whole family! Co-sponsored CSA 23 Leadership Council, Prince George's County Police Department District II, and Owners of Marlborough Village Shopping Center. Including the Upper Marlboro Police Department, Greater Upper Marlboro CERT Team, Prince George's County Police, and the Marlboro Volunteer Fire Department. (*see ad page 2*).

UPPER MARLBORO BRANCH LIBRARY:

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SUMMER SIP AND PAINT: Wednesday July 12 from 2 p.m.—3 p.m. Do you enjoy being outside? Are you creative? Join us as we use recycled cardboard as canvas and nature as our theme. Ages 5-12 yrs

TRUE CRIME BOOK DISCUSSION : Monday July 17 from 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. Read and discuss a True Crime book. Call branch for current book selection. Adults 18+

BUILD A TERRARIUM: Saturday July 22, 2-3pm. Bring a little outdoors indoor. Make your own miniature world using sand, rocks, moss and more. Call branch to register, Adults 18+



TRINITY CHURCH FISH FRY

July 21 • FRIDAY • 4 –7:00 p.m.

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EAT IN OR TAKE OUT!

Fried Whiting or Tilapia, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Bread, Drink & Dessert. Cost: \$10 Adults, \$8 Seniors \$5 Children (11 and under) Call: 301-627-2636 or email: trinityec@verizon.net for more information