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MAY 2018

NEWS



Maryland Day 2018 - photo taken on McKeldin Mall.

MARYLAND DAY!

Saturday, April 29 marked the University of Maryland's 20th annual Maryland Day! Maryland Day is the University's annual open house, to which the public can come and explore what students are working on, learning and contributing to our community.

The event holds hundreds of events and festivities across campus that the whole family can enjoy. This year, attendees enjoyed participating in scientific experiments like making their own ice cream with liquid nitrogen, hands-on learning at the insect



zoo, tasting a sample of the delicious ice cream the Maryland Dairy creates, rocking out in a bucket drum band and testing their balance via log rolling.

The City's booth on McKeldin Mall featured button making courtesy of the College Park Arts Exchange, animal tips and information from the City's Animal Control Officer, and tons of information about the City.



We hope everyone had a great time at this College Park staple!

For videos and pictures from this year's event, please visit the City's Facebook page (@collegeparkmd).

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COLLEGE PARK CITY FC

The College Park City FC (Football Club) is officially undefeated!

In a friendly soccer match, members of the City Council, City staff and family/friends played against the University of Maryland's Student Government Association and their mascot, Ralph.

The City won the game 4 to 0 with Carranza, Chelton (City Economic Development Coordinator), Christie (City Department of Public Works) and Gomez scoring goals for the City. The City's secret weapons, Councilmember John Rigg's two sons and our Public Works staff, are what really gave us the edge to

win. The SGA gave some really close calls with their attempts on goal that were narrowly avoided.

It was an excellent game, with some real talent on the field. Congratulations to all who played, especially to those SGA members graduating this year.

We look forward to future (victorious) games and wearing the City Football Club emblem!



CELEBRATING ARBOR DAY

On Wednesday, April 25, the City celebrated Arbor Day at Paint Branch Elementary School with several second grade classes.

After a few words from Principal Rogers, Mayor Pro Tem Monroe Dennis read the City's Proclamation for Arbor Day. Forest Ranger Horace Henry of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Forest Service then presented the Mayor Pro Tem and the City with the 2017 Tree City USA Award. As part of the celebration, students from Ms. Baker's, Ms. Liu's, Ms. Tang's and Ms. Roman's classes performed a Tree Planting Song in Chinese and recited the poem "Let's Plant A Tree" by Aileen Fisher.

The students then planted three European Hornbeam trees under guidance of the City's Assistant Director of Public Works, Brenda Alexander and City Forester Dr. John Lea-Cox.



A NEW CONNECTION

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on April 5 to celebrate the opening of the sidewalk/multi-use path at Albion Road and Baltimore Avenue.

The new path provides a safe connection from the City to Riverdale Park (and to Whole Foods, restaurants and retailers nearby) along Baltimore Avenue. Surrounding the new path are two of the original pillars that once marked the entrance to the former MacAlpine House, which was built in 1863 by Charles Baltimore Calvert. You can still see the engravings "MacAlpine" and "Calvert" on the two pillars.

During the ceremony, City Engineer Steve Halpern was presented a proclamation from the Prince George's County Council by Council Chair Dannielle Glaros for his hard work and dedication to the project. Congrats Steve!



GET YOUR GARDEN READY WITH SMARTLEAF® COMPOST!

Spring is here, which means time to begin planting!

SMARTLEAF® screened compost and wood mulch is available for sale at the Department of Public Works. SMARTLEAF® compost is \$28.00 per cubic yard while wood mulch is \$12.00 per cubic yard. Material may be picked up at the Department located at 9217 51st Avenue, Monday through Friday, 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Prices include tax.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY MBIKE!

mBike is celebrating it's second birthday on May 4!

When the City first launched mBike in May 2016, there were only fourteen stations, 33 monthly riders and 856 monthly rides. Today, there are 23 stations, 1,759 monthly riders and counting, and over 4,300 monthly rides. Since launch, mBike has had more than 61,100 total trips!

If you haven't already, check out mBike when going to and from work, restaurants, Metro and more in College Park and University Park. Plus, we're celebrating mBike's birthday all month long with a " mBikeSpringFling " two hour free ride code!

Enjoy the beautiful weather by bicycling to where you need or want to go with mBike. For more information, including a map of stations, visit <http://www.zagster.com/mbike>.



Bring your open-bed pickup truck or trailer during the hours listed above and material can be loaded onto your vehicle. Trucks with a four-foot bed can hold half cubic yard, a six-foot bed can hold one cubic yard, and an eight-foot bed can hold two cubic yards.

Don't have a truck? Bring a shovel and your own containers (bins, buckets, bags, etc.) and be prepared to load your containers yourself. We sell in 1/4 cubic yard increments.

- 1/2 cubic yard is approximately 20 five gallon buckets
- 1/4 cubic yard is approximately 10 five-gallon buckets; or 3 paper yard waste bags filled half full

Deliveries are available for a fee - we deliver to City residents for only \$20! For more information click [here](#) to visit our web page, or call us at 240-487-3590 or email jmccaslin@collegeparkmd.gov.

A GOLDEN PROGRAM

The University of Maryland is back in session, which means opportunities for seniors to take classes there too.

The Golden Identification Card Program at the University of Maryland College Park allows eligible senior citizens to take advantage of a wide variety of courses at the University and receive certain other benefits. This Golden ID Card will not only provide access to a maximum of three courses a semester (on a space available basis), but access to the



University's libraries, certain other non-academic services and the Golden ID Student Association. The Golden ID Student Association provides cultural and social events, course recommendations and peer advising.

To be eligible to participate in the program, you must be aged 60 years or older, a legal resident of Maryland, and be retired (not working for more than 20 hours per week). The tuition is waived, however students are charged part-time undergraduate student fees (minus the health, student activities and athletic fees).

To learn more about the Golden ID Student Program, visit the first floor of the Mitchell Building, call 301-314-8219 to speak with Addie Beatty, the coordinator for the Golden ID program or visit <http://registrar.umd.edu/current/registration/golden-id.html>.

DOG WALKING AT THE LAKE

Lake Artemesia is truly a College Park gem. Many families flock here to enjoy the scenery and get some exercise (which often includes walking the dog). When walking your four-footed family members in public park areas like Lake Artemesia, please keep the following things in mind:

- Bring water - dogs cannot sweat like humans do, so they need cool water to help keep their body temperatures down.
- Please clean up after your pet. Bring baggies to the Lake, as M-NCPPC does not currently supply them. Cleaning up animal waste is not only courteous, but it is the law.
- Keep your pets on a leash - many dogs may be trained to walk without a leash, but not all are well mannered. Ensuring that your dog is on a leash will not only allow for human intervention if unwanted dog contact occurs, but will also keep your canine companion from bothering native wildlife found along the lake shore, such as this Midland Painted Turtle (pictured right). It is also a M-NCPPC, City, and County regulation.
- Wetlands breed mosquitoes which carry heartworm. An active heartworm infection in a dog is fatal when left untreated. Ask your veterinarian about

heartworm testing and prevention.

- Hot asphalt paths can become painful to paws. If you place your hand on the surface for 10 seconds and it's too hot for you, it's too hot for your dog. Keep to grassy or unpaved areas and take short rests in shaded areas along the path.
- Be conscious of your pet's overall heat tolerance. If your dog becomes lethargic or has a drastic aversion to exercise, he or she may need a break.



photos courtesy of City ACO Cooper

UPCOMING EVENTS



BIKE TO WORK DAY

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 6:30 A.M. TO 8:30 A.M.
CITY HALL
4500 KNOX ROAD

Get out your bicycles, because on Friday May 18, the City of College Park invites you to celebrate bicycling as a clean, fun, and healthy way to get to work!

Take a break at the City Hall pit stop on your way to work for food, beverages, fun, and prizes. Register now, it's free! Be one of the first 20,000 to register region-wide and receive a free T-shirt.

For more information or to register, please [click here](#).

FARMERS MARKETS

HOLLYWOOD FARMERS MARKET
SATURDAYS 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
SUNDAYS 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Fresh produce, wonderful crafts, local vendors, great food - visit our two Farmers Markets every weekend!

Come to our Hollywood Farmers Market in the Hollywood Shopping Center (near MOM's) every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and our Downtown College Park Farmers Market by City Hall every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.!



5TH ANNUAL COLLEGE PARK 5K

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 8:00 A.M. TO 9:00 A.M.
CITY HALL
4500 KNOX ROAD

Runners will make their way around a five-kilometer (3.1 mile) course around downtown College Park, Calvert Hills, and Old Town, starting and ending at City Hall. This race welcomes participants of all ages and abilities and will feature a special start for runners with strollers, walkers, and families. Free parking is available at the Downtown College Park Garage.

For more information or to register, please [click here](#).

A promotional poster for Bike to Work Day 2018. The background is a stylized city skyline in shades of yellow and orange. A teal bicycle is the central focus, positioned on the right side. Text on the poster includes: "BIKE TO WORK DAY 2018 FRIDAY MAY 18" in large blue letters; "Pre-register by May 11 for Free T-shirt* and Bike Raffles! FREE FOOD, BEVERAGES and GIVEAWAYS at all locations." in black text; "Register free at BIKETOWORKMETRODC.ORG 800.745.7433" in white text on a dark green background; "Visit biketoworkmetrodc.org for pit stop locations & times. *T-Shirts available at pit stops to first 20,000 who register. Over 100 pit stops throughout D.C., Maryland, and Virginia!" in small white text; and a logo for "bike to work day 2018" with a silhouette of a person on a bicycle.

THIRD THIRSTY THURSDAY WEDNESDAY (JUST THIS MONTH)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM
\$12/ADVANCE, \$15/DOOR

Join the City and University community every third Thursday (of most months) for 3rd Thirsty Thursday! Eat, drink and have laughs with colleagues and neighbors!

This month's event will be held at the College Park Aviation Museum as part of their Windsock Arms Happy Hour May Mashup Edition with Preservation Maryland on Wednesday, May 16. Appetizers and drinks (including a special Red Phoenix cocktail) will be served by Geppetto Catering. Limited walk-in space, reserve by May 14! This event is for ages 21 & over only. People may RSVP with me directly by calling 301-864-5316 or e-mailing Chelsea.Dorman@pgparks.com

Events are held throughout the City! Please check our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/collegetparkmd) regularly for updated locations for each month!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY OFFICES CLOSED ON MEMORIAL DAY

All City Offices will be closed Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day. Refuse and recycling will occur one day later than normal during this holiday week:

- Monday collections will occur Tuesday, May 29
- Tuesday collections will occur Wednesday, May 30
- Wednesday collections will occur Thursday, May 31

Special collections for brush and bulky items will only be scheduled for Friday, June 1, of this holiday week. You must call 240-487-3590 or email publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov to schedule a pickup before setting your items out on the curb.

JACK PERRY AWARD

In February 2013, the College Park City Council established an award in recognition of Councilman John Edward “Jack” Perry.

Councilman Perry served on the College Park City Council from 1979 to 1983 and from 1989 to 2011, for a total of 26 years. From the time he moved to College Park’s Berwyn neighborhood in 1969, until his death in 2012, Jack was deeply committed to serving his community, which he demonstrated by spending many hours working to improve the quality of life for all who lived and worked in College Park. Through the years, he volunteered on numerous associations, boards, coalitions, task forces and committees at the neighborhood, city, county and state levels. This Award will recognize a member of the community who emulates Councilman Jack Perry’s legacy of public service.



Eligibility: To be eligible for the award, a person must be at least 18 years of age and a registered voter or legal resident of College Park.

Criteria: The Jack Perry award will recognize a College Park resident who has participated to an extraordinary degree in neighborhood, civic, or municipal affairs within the City in a manner that improves public spaces, fosters community cohesion, eradicates blight, informs discussion of

public issues, provides leadership, and/or furthers the best interests of the City as a whole.

Nominations: From May 15 to July 15 each year, any resident, neighborhood association or organization in the City may submit a nomination for the Jack Perry Award. Nominations may be submitted in writing to: City of College Park, City Clerk, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD, 20740, or by e-mail to jsmiller@collegeparkmd.gov. All nominations will be reviewed by a Committee that includes a member of the Perry family. This non-monetary award will be presented by the City Council in the Fall.

CITY AFTER-HOURS HOTLINE

Did you know that the City has an After Hours Hotline that residents can call? For issues with noise, downed trees and more, residents can call 240-487-3588 to report any non-emergency issues. For all emergencies, please continue to call 9-1-1.

CITY TREE CANOPY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (TCEP)

Beginning in 2017, City of College Park property owners can apply for reimbursement of up to \$150.00 annually for approved tree(s) planted on their residential lot.

Now is a great time to plan for the future by planting trees. Trees provide many benefits such as reduction of cooling and heating costs, interception of rain water, increasing property values and improving air quality.

The completed application should be sent to balexander@collegeparkmd.gov for review and approval. [Click here](#) for a link to the guidelines and the application.

Why plant trees on your property?

- Trees provide many benefits for homeowners, including interception of rain water and reduction of storm water runoff, reducing residential cooling & heating costs, carbon sequestration, and increasing property values (just to name a few).
- There are several programs available to residents to provide funding for tree planting on private property. Now is a good time to begin planning for the spring planting season!
- [Click here](#) to learn more about the Prince George’s County Rain Check Rebate Program and for an application.
- [Maryland DNR Tree Coupon](#) is also available.

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BACKYARD COMPOST BINS ARE AVAILABLE NOW!

Backyard compost bins are available now for only \$20.00 for City residents, \$40 for non-residents.

A compost bin is on display in the lobby of the Department of Public Works located at 9217 51st Ave. Start making your own "black gold" compost for all your gardening needs!

Purchase and pick-up at the Department Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information or to arrange a delivery, call 240-487-3590 or email publicworks@collegetparkmd.gov.

Size: 33" high x 31" wide, large capacity – 11 cubic feet with convenient 12"x16" offset, front access door.

WEEKLY YARD TRIM COLLECTION REMINDERS

Yard trim (grass, flowers, leaves, soft plants, and weeds) will be picked up on your regularly scheduled collection day. Brush and logs should not be mixed in with soft (vegetative) yard trim as these two types of materials are processed independently of each other. Collected yard trim is processed into compost; trash should be separated out of the yard trim material and disposed of in the refuse cart.

Use paper yard trim bags, reusable containers or yard waste carts (available for \$25 at the Department of Public Works) and place at the curb by 7:00 am on your regular collection day. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.

Please note that containers must display a City yard waste sticker; free stickers are available to residents at all City buildings.

CONTROLLING MOSQUITOES

Warm spring days can cause larvae to come alive, producing active mosquitoes. The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) will begin applying mosquito larvicide control products in known breeding areas to prevent development of larvae into biting adult mosquitoes.

West Nile and Zika virus are both transmitted by mosquitoes. To help control the mosquito population in your community, remember to tip anything that holds water on a weekly basis (birdbaths, old tires, plastic children's toys, tarps, pet dishes etc.)

Request for Exemption from Adult Mosquito Control Services

Any resident who wishes to have his/her property excluded from adult mosquito control pesticide applications by truck-mounted ultra low volume (ULV) sprayers must fill out this form annually. [Click here](http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Documents/Exemption%202018.pdf) or visit <http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Documents/Exemption%202018.pdf> for the application.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FAIR SUMMARY ORDINANCE 18-CR-02

Charter Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, to repeal and re-enact City of College Park Charter Sections, thereby Amending Section C2-1 Corporate Limits, §C3-1 Elected City Officers, §C3-3 Oath of Office, §C3-4 Compensation, §C3-6 Vacancies, §C3-7 Assumption of Duties, §C4-4 Other Election Officials, §C6-1 General Provisions, §C6-2 Quorum, §C7-9 Refuse Collection and Disposal Service, §C8-2 Passage, §C9-2, Bonds, §C9-3 City Manager, §C10-3 City Council Action on Budget, §C10-4, Form of Budget Appropriation and Revenue Ordinance, §C10-5, Amendments to Budget After Adoption, §C10-8 Submission of Capital Improvement Program; Contents, §C11-4, Special Assessments, §C11-5 Special Taxing Districts, §C13-3 Establishment of Agency, and §C13-4 Initiation of Project, to clarify that the Mayor and Council are the Legislative Body of the City and that the Legislative Powers of the City are exercised by the Mayor and Council, to clarify Quorum and Voting Requirements, to clarify the Voting Rights of the Mayor, and to make conforming changes.

This Charter Resolution was introduced on April 10, 2018 and a Public Hearing was held on April 24, 2018. The Charter Resolution was adopted on April 24, 2018 and will become effective on June 13, 2018 unless petitioned to referendum in accordance with §4-304 of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland by June 3, 2018.

Copies of this Charter Resolution may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, call 240-487-3501, or visit www.collegetparkmd.gov.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE 18-O-03
MAY 8, 2018
7:30 P.M.**

An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2019 General Fund, Capital Projects Fund and Debt Service Fund Budgets of The City of College Park

Copies of Ordinance 18-O-03 and the FY 2019 Proposed Budget are available at City Hall, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, or by calling 240-487-3501, or visit www.collegeparkmd.gov.

All Public Hearings will be held in the 2nd floor Council Chambers at City Hall, 4500 Knox Road, College Park. Parking passes will be available from the front window. All interested parties will have the opportunity to be heard.

If you are unable to appear in person, you may submit written comment prior to the Public Hearing. In order to be received by the Council as part of the record, the comment must include the specific topic to which it relates and the full name and address of the person submitting the comment. Written comment should be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing to cpmc@collegeparkmd.gov.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact the City Clerk's Office and describe the assistance that is necessary.

MUNICIPAL SCENE

TWO OPTIONS TO STAY IN TOUCH!

EMAIL:

Sign up for "College Park Connected" at www.collegeparkmd.gov/cpconnect. Choose the "General Interest" category to receive the Municipal Scene directly to your inbox every month.

MAIL:

Did you know that College Park residents can receive the Municipal Scene through the mail? Please submit your name and address to the City Clerk's office to get on our mailing list. Contact us at 240-487-3501, or send an email to broberts@collegeparkmd.gov.

DIRECTORY

City of College Park Main Number.....240-487-3500
City Hall, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740
Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8am-6pm

City Hall Departments

Administration.....240-487-3501
City FAX Number301-699-8029
Finance.....240-487-3509
Human Resources.....240-487-3533
Parking Enforcement Division240-487-3520
Planning/Economic Development240-487-3538

Housing Authority

(Attick Towers) 9014 R.I. Ave.301-345-3600

Public Services: 4601A Calvert Rd..... 240-487-3570

Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Public Safety and Recreation. Parking Enforcement is at City Hall.

24 Hour Hotline..... 240-487-3588

For Urgent Code Enforcement, Noise Control, Animal Control Issues.

Public Works: 9217 51st Ave.....240-487-3590

Trash Collection, Recycling and Special Pick-ups.

Senior Program..... 301-345-8100

Youth and Family Services

4912 Nantucket Rd.....240-487-3550

Drop-In Recreation Center 301-345-4425

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Patrick L. Wojahn
5015 Lackawanna Street.....240-988-7763

Councilmember Fazlul Kabir (District 1)
9817 53rd Avenue301-659-6295

Councilmember Kate Kennedy (District 1)
9730 51st Avenue.....202-400-1501

Councilmember P. J. Brennan (District 2)
4500 Knox Road202-288-5569

Councilmember Monroe S. Dennis (District 2)
8117 51st Avenue.....301-474-6270

Councilmember Robert W. Day (District 3)
7410 Baylor Avenue.....301-741-1962

Councilmember John Rigg (District 3)
6809 Dartmouth Avenue443-646-3503

Councilmember Denise C. Mitchell (District 4)
4500 Knox Road301-852-8126

Councilmember Dustyn Kujawa (District 4)
9238 Limestone Place240-620-2105

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY: FIRE-AMBULANCE-POLICE.....911

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE SERVICES

P.G. County Police (Hyattsville Station)301-699-2630

P.G. County Police (Non-Emergency) 301-352-1200

P.G. County Park Police (M-NCPPC)..301-459-9088

State Police (College Park Barrack).....301-345-3101

University of Maryland Police.....301-405-3555

College Park Community Center 301-441-2647
5051 Pierce Avenue, College Park

PEPCO - Power Outages, Lines Down...1-877-737-2662

WSSC: Water Mains301-206-4002

Prince George's County Storm Drains.....301-499-8523