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NEWS



Mayor Wojahn (imid-right, in black) with Greenbelt Mayor Jordan (middle, in yellow and blue) with the bicycling convoy about to embark on their journey to Freedom Square in D.C.

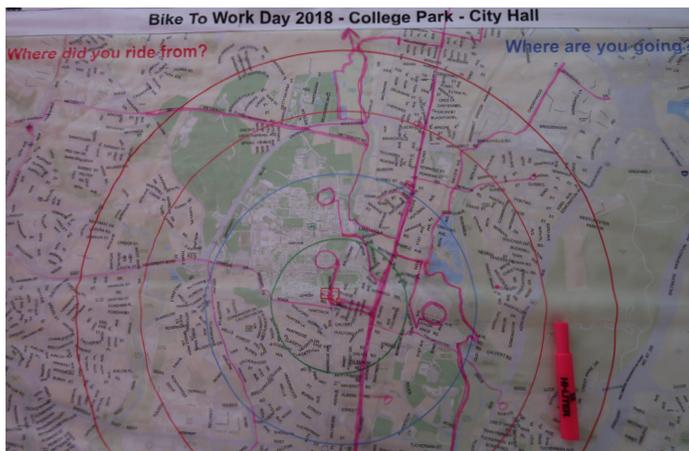
BIKE TO WORK DAY!

Rain certainly didn't stop us or the many biking visitors we had at Bike to Work Day 2018! About 150 people registered for the City's Pit Stop at City Hall for Bike to Work Day on Friday, May 18. Those who braved the rain were greeted with some free swag, food to fuel their journeys and plenty of comradery.

Mayor Jordan of City of Greenbelt Government stopped by with the Greenbelt convoy. The convoy then joined Mayor Patrick Wojahn and the College Park convoy on their trip to Freedom Square in D.C.

and Fishnet, Nando's PERi-PERi and Bagel Place of College Park for helping to fuel them as well!

Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA) came and provided lots of information for our bicyclists and Terpride made the area very cozy!



Thanks to College Park Bicycles and Proteus Bicycles for helping out riders ith quick looks and mini tune-ups

#DidYouKnow
that the City of College Park has miles of biking trails connecting us to other parts of our region? As you can see from the map on the left (which riders used to mark their journeys), you can get to a lot of places on your bike from the City!

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Photo by Peggy Higgins

IF I WERE MAYOR, I WOULD...

Congratulations to the winners of this year's "If I Were Mayor" essay contest! Every year, the Maryland Municipal League and the Maryland Mayor's Association hold a contest for 4th graders to write an essay about what they would do if there were Mayor. Students have written about doing things like enacting accessibility measures, engaging community residents in community service and public safety events, or improving the environment including through cleanups or plantings.

This year, Paint Branch Elementary, Hollywood Elementary, Holy Redeemer School, Friends Community School and Al-Huda School all had 4th grade classes participate in the contest. Fahey James of Ms. Harrington's class at Holy Redeemer School was the District 9 (Prince George's County) Winner! Sarah Collins (also from the same class as

Fahey), Alusine Fadiga of Ms. Naghmanah's class at Al-Huda School and Iain Knighton of Ms. Belkengren's class at Paint Branch elementary were all District 9 Semi-Finalists!

On top of our District Winner and Semi-Finalists, there were five schools winners: Jawad Hejazi (Al-Huda School), Seneca Oerhle (Friends Community School), Autumn Grimes (Hollywood Elementary School), Sarah Collins (Holy Redeemer School) and Yailiana Zelaya (Paint Branch Elementary).

These outstanding essayists read and presented their award winning work during the Mayor and Council Meeting on May 22 (pictured above) and received certificates (and banged the gavel!). Congratulations!!

FREE CONCERT FOR CITY SENIORS

The National Orchestral Institute + Festival presents The Adelphi Quartet on Wednesday, June 20 at 11:30 a.m. at the Clarice for City Seniors. Join NOI's returning string quartet in residence for an afternoon of music and conversation.

The Adelphi Quartet is comprised of primarily New York based Sphinx musicians. The Sphinx Organization dedicates itself to transforming lives through the power of diversity in the arts. These talented musicians will showcase their expertise in a free, hour long performance followed by a complimentary lunch with the artists.

City Seniors: please RSVP by June 13th to the City's Seniors Program at 301.345.8100.



If you are a City of College Park senior resident and wish for transportation, more information, or to RSVP, contact the City's Seniors Program at 301.345.8100 by Wednesday, June 13th.

BREAKING & ENTERING PREVENTION TIPS

Summer means summer vacations and a potential for burglars to strike. Help protect your home and property with these tips:

1. Use timers to switch lights on and off at random, cancel newspapers and put a hold on your mail deliveries while away on vacation.
2. Walk around your home, inside and out, to figure out the weakest link in your security.
3. Install keyed window locks, deadbolts on doors, and toughened glass in windows and doors.
4. Be wary about who you allow into your home and how much information you give about your belongings and schedule. Don't leave valuables in view of inside or from outside the house.
5. Consider motion-activated lights, even on the street outside your home.
6. Neighborhood Watch, Video Surveillance, No Parking and No Outlet signs can be effective deterrents against home burglary as can a dog.
7. Don't leave things like lawn mowers and bikes unattended outside; lock them up.
8. Don't hide a key - burglars know all those "secret" places
9. Avoid mentioning travel plans online.
10. Keep a record of valuable personal property: ex. serial numbers and pictures.
11. Most burglaries occur in the mornings.
12. Keep doors, windows and garages locked when not home.

PIZZA BOXES TO GO...

In May, the City's Department of Public Works, with funding from a UMD Sustainable Grant, installed square pizza box receptacles at two locations downtown. The first location is outside of Blaze Pizza and the second is at the south entrance to UMD at Route 1 and Lehigh Road across from Potbelly's.

University of Maryland student Jonathan Glaser initiated the program with the City after noticing that in the evenings, (especially during weekends) pizza boxes were overflowing out of recycling receptacles and onto the sidewalk because they didn't fit the round receptacles. The City discussed with him various options and came up with these square receptacles with pizza box signage. Now that they are installed, the City will maintain and service the pizza box receptacles.

Kudos to Jonathan for noticing a problem and doing whatever he could to help solve it!



SMARTLEAF COMPOST AND WOOD MULCH ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

Does your garden need a little tender loving care? Maybe it's time to replenish your tired soil with compost! Do your flower beds dry out too quickly, or are you tired of pulling weeds? Wood mulch helps conserve soil moisture and inhibit weed growth.

Both products are available for pickup or delivery. 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 of Public Works located at 9217 51st Avenue, Monday through Friday,



8:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Deliveries may also be arranged for an additional fee, please call 240-487-3590.

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

For more information, click [here](#) to visit our site.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FATHER'S DAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL

SUNDAY, JUNE 17
2:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

DUVALL FIELD
9100 RHODE ISLAND AVE

Join us as we celebrate Father's Day with an Ice Cream Social!

We'll be at Duvall Field (9100 Rhode Island Ave) from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Sunday, June 17, 2018.

For more information or to RSVP, contact the City's Department of Public Services at 240.487.3570 or publicservices@collegeparkmd.gov.

For the Facebook Event Page, [click here](#).

Please make sure to RSVP (or to mark "going in the Facebook event page) to help determine ice cream amounts (we will distribute until it runs out).

Sponsored by the City's Recreation Board.



FREE PET MICROCHIP CLINICS

SATURDAY, JUNE 2
HOLLYWOOD FARMERS MARKET

SUNDAY, JUNE 17
DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET



City of College Park Animal Control, in cooperation with the City's Animal Welfare Committee, will be offering two free microchip clinics for City residents' pets at the Hollywood Farmers Market on Saturday, June 2 and at the Downtown Farmer's Market (by City Hall) on Sunday, June 17.

Microchipping is a quick and pretty painless procedure that can help return pets to their families if lost. We encourage residents to bring their furry family members to participate in this free program!

Owners must have dogs properly leashed and cats and ferrets must be restrained in a carrier or on a leash. Proof of College Park residency is required.

Non-residents are welcome to take advantage of the clinic with a low cost microchip for only \$20 each.

ALL YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT ASIAN TIGER MOSQUITOES:

A HANDS-ON WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY MDA

THURSDAY, JUNE 28
10:00 A.M. TO NOON

CITY HALL, 2ND FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mosquito Control staff from the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) will be presenting a workshop in City Hall (4500 Knox Road) about the Asian tiger mosquito (pictured on the right), an imported container-breeding mosquito. It is the #1 pest species in much of Maryland and is very difficult to control due to its habits and habitats.

Participants will learn about: general mosquito life cycle with examples under a microscope; mosquito habitat and habits; in-depth exploration of containers used by Asian tiger mosquitoes and much more.



There will be time at the end for questions.

RSVP is required! Please RSVP by June 22 to Stormy Keyes at stormy.keys@maryland.gov with your name and affiliation. Please specify in your email that you are RSVPing to the June 28 College Park mosquito workshop.

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.!



THIRD THIRSTY THURSDAY

THURSDAY, JUNE 21 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
THE CLARICE

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 Clarice on the University of Maryland's campus.

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

FREE SUMMER PARKING

From May 26 through August 19, 2018, the Downtown College Park Garage and the City Hall Lot will offer free parking Monday through Friday after 5pm and all-day on Saturdays and Sundays.

There are some new restaurants and businesses in the Downtown area (and more coming), you may find a new favorite hangout! So try a new restaurant or visit a new store during these free parking summer weekends and nights in Downtown College Park!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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@collegetparkmd.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@collegetparkmd.gov for review and approval. [Click here](#) for a link to the guidelines and the application.

YARD WASTE CARTS ARE AVAILABLE NOW!

Beige 65-gallon yard waste carts are available for residents to purchase for \$25.00 while supplies last.

The yard waste cart can be used for either “soft yard waste” or “woody yard waste.” The two products are collected on separate days and processed into different products.

This sturdy cart has wheels and a lift-bar for easy collection. Using the new yard waste cart can save time and money – single use paper lawn bags become expensive over time and can tear or fall apart when wet.

Call the Department of Public Works 240-487-3590 to arrange payment and coordinate pick-up or delivery.

HELP WATERWAYS STAY CLEAN BY KEEPING GRASS CLIPPINGS OFF THE STREET

As you take care of your lawn this season, do not sweep or blow grass and leaves into the street. Lawn clippings and debris that are left in the street wash into storm drains and storm sewers, potentially clogging them, which may result in flooding. Debris that washes into storm sewers is transported through local waterways and eventually to the Chesapeake Bay, threatening aquatic life and drinking water quality.

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Instead, you can leave the cut grass on the lawn to recycle the nutrients; or start a compost pile in your backyard. You may also place clippings in paper bags or reusable containers for weekly curbside pickup on the same day as your trash and recycling collection.

MOSQUITO CONTROL

The City of College Park cooperates with the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) to identify and control mosquito populations. Larviciding treatments are made by MDA personnel to known areas of standing water to control mosquito larva that will prevent development into adult mosquitoes. Spraying to control adult mosquitoes begins in early June and runs through September. Wednesday night is the designated day when spraying for adult mosquitoes may occur in College Park. MDA doesn't spray individual properties; they treat neighborhoods that meet certain thresholds.

MDA has initiated a new mosquito complaint procedure; go to the following link and provide your information <http://www.doit.state.md.us/selectsurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=740KI54#>.

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 for the application.

For permanent areas of standing water (ponds, rain barrels, etc.), mosquito "torpedos" can be used to target and kill mosquito larvae. You can stop by Public Works Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. to obtain a mosquito torpedo.

Please read over these tips to rid your community of mosquito breeding sites where water accumulates and remains for several days.

- Clean rain gutters to allow water to flow freely.
- Remove old tires or drill drainage holes in tires used for playground equipment.
- Store plastic wading pools inside or turn them upside down when not in use.
- Turn over or remove clay pots and plastic containers.
- Dispose of all empty beverage containers, plastic wrappers, discarded toys, etc.
- Check for trapped water in plastic or canvas tarps used to cover boats, pools, etc. Arrange the tarp to drain the water.
- Pump out bilges in boats. Turn canoes and small boats upside down for storage.
- Replace water in bird baths at least twice a week.
- Remove pet food and water dishes that are not

being used.

- Flush livestock water troughs twice a week.
- Flush water in the bottom of plant holders twice a week.
- Fix dripping outside water faucets.
- Turn wheelbarrows upside down when stored outside.
- Check around construction sites or do-it-yourself improvements to ensure that proper backfilling and grading prevent drainage problems.
- Check ornamental ponds, tree holes and water-holding low areas for mosquito larvae. Mosquito Torpedos are available at Public Works to help with this.
- If ditches do not flow and contain stagnant water for one week or longer, they can produce large numbers of mosquitoes. Report such conditions to a Mosquito Control Office. Do not attempt to clear these ditches because they may be protected by wetland regulations.

Contact the Mosquito Control Section of the Maryland Department of Agriculture for additional assistance and advice. For more information [click here](#) to visit their website or call them at 410-841-5870.

BRUSH & LOG COLLECTION

Woody material (brush, sticks, branches, shrubs, trees, bamboo and logs) are collected on Thursday and Friday by appointment.

Please email publicworks@collegetparkmd.gov or call 240-487-3590 to schedule an appointment. Bundle and tie items with string (do not use wire or put in plastic bags).

Bundles should be less than 5 feet long and weigh less than 75 pounds.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FAIR SUMMARY

ORDINANCE 18-O-03

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

The Ordinance was introduced on April 24, 2018 and a Public Hearing was held on May 8, 2018. The Ordinance was then adopted on May 22, 2018 and

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will become effective on July 1, 2018.

ORDINANCE 18-O-04

An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Property located at 9814 47th Place, College Park, Maryland, for a public purpose

The Ordinance was introduced on May 8, 2018 and a Public Hearing was held on May 22, 2018. The Ordinance was then adopted on May 22, 2018 and will become effective on June 12, 2018.

ORDINANCE 18-O-05

An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, Maryland, Amending Chapter 125 "Housing Regulations" by Repealing and Reenacting Article I, §125-1, "Definitions" and §125-8, "Responsibilities of Owners and Occupants"; and Chapter 157, "Property Maintenance", Article §157-2, "Definitions; Word Usage" and §157-5 "Responsibilities of Owners and Occupants" to Authorize Maintenance of Naturalized or Native Managed Landscapes

The Ordinance was introduced on May 8, 2018 and a Public Hearing was held on May 22, 2018. The Ordinance was then adopted on May 22, 2018 and will become effective on June 12, 2018.

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

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 Number.....301-699-8029
Finance.....240-487-3509
Human Resources.....240-487-3533
Parking Enforcement Division.....240-487-3520
Planning/Economic Development.....240-487-3538

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 Avenue.....301-659-6295

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

Councilmember P. J. Brennan (District 2)
4500 Knox Road.....202-288-5569

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 Avenue.....443-646-3503

Councilmember Denise C. Mitchell (District 4)
4500 Knox Road.....301-852-8126

Councilmember Dustyn Kujawa (District 4)
9238 Limestone Place.....240-620-2105

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 Mains.....301-206-4002

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