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March 2013
HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

"It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade."

Charles Dickens

News and Announcements

No More Mortgage - As of March 15th the mortgage for the Academy Renovation is paid off! Many thanks go out to our current and former Town Officers! Their stewardship has made this historic resource a valuable asset for the town and its residents.

Spring Forward! - Day light Savings Time Change
Remember to set you clocks ahead an hour on Sunday March 10th

Vegetable Gardens - Natalie Davis at 13 North St. is looking for other town residents who might be interested in a DC company providing vegetable garden installation and garden care. In order to receive regular garden care bi- weekly or monthly, they require at least two or three homes to service in the neighborhood.

Check them out!

<http://www.loveandcarrots.com/>

2014 Commemoration Planning Meeting

Would you like to learn more about what the town is planning for the 2014 commemoration events? Would you like to help with the planning? A town meeting will be held on March 18 at 7:30 pm in the Brookeville Academy to learn about all the exciting events being planned. Please plan to attend! Some people may even show up dressed in costume but you didn't hear it here.

Brookeville Academy Resident Rentals

Did you know that as a town resident you can rent the academy for \$125? If you are interested in renting, please contact Andrea Scanlon academy@townofbrookevillemd.org
Please keep in mind that this discounted rate is only for the resident who rents the academy. This rate is not available for non-residing family members or friends.

March Gardening Tips

Excerpted from the Garden Calendar for the Greater Washington Area produced by Brookside Gardens

Indoors:

- Repot houseplants that are pot-bound, using a pot just one size larger. Do this before new growth starts.
- Begin fertilizing houseplants when new growth starts following package directions. Continue fertilizing monthly through October.

Outdoors

- Apply pre-emergent crabgrass “killers” before the forsythia blossoms fade (typically before April 15). These products prevent the crabgrass seed from germinating. Non-chemical products are available. Do not apply these at the same time you plant grass seed as their germination will be prevented as well.
- Clean out flowerbeds, removing leaves, debris and winter weeds. Cut perennials and grasses back to the ground. Divide perennials if needed.
- Mulch after clean-up is completed to retain soil moisture throughout the season.
- Prune trees and shrubs before or just as new growth begins. Do not prune azaleas or other spring-flowering shrubs as you will remove the flower buds. Prune these after flowering. Do not prune maples, birches or dogwoods now as they “bleed” as the sap rises. Prune these in summer or fall.
- March begins the planting season. Plant when the soil is dry enough to work. To test, squeeze a small amount of soil in your hand. If the clump is sticky, it is too wet. To improve heavy clay soil, incorporate compost, rotted leaves, or sphagnum peat moss into the top 6-8” of soil.
- Plant asparagus, rhubarb, onions, cabbage, brussel sprouts, broccoli, peas, cauliflower, potatoes, strawberries, blueberries, grapes, and brambles mid-March through mid-

- April. Plant lettuce, spinach, radishes, chives and turnips at the end of March. To prevent the build-up of diseases, do not plant cabbage, broccoli and brussel sprouts in the same place each year or plant bramble berries where tomatoes, eggplant or potatoes previously grew.
- Most trees, shrubs and perennials can be planted beginning in March. Plant bare-root roses, trees, shrubs and berries now. Container-grown plants can be planted throughout spring.
- Protect pansies, tulips or other deer-favorite plants with netting.

Salem UMC Book Discussion 2013 Schedule

Meetings 7:30 pm

Upstairs Classroom in Salem Community Hall

All Are Invited!

Tuesday, March 12 *The Last Report of the Miracles at Little No Horse* by Louise Erdrich - Fiction

Spanning nearly a century, Erdrich weaves the strange and compelling story of Father Damien Modeste, a beloved reservation priest who has hidden his true identity as a woman beneath his cassock.

Tuesday, April 9 *The Faith Club* by Priscilla Warner, Suzanne Oliver and Ranya Idliby – Non-Fiction

Three mothers from three faiths—Islam, Christianity, and Judaism—got together to write a picture book for their children that would highlight the connections between their religions. After just a few meetings, however, it became clear that the women themselves needed an honest and open environment where they could admit—and discuss—their concerns, stereotypes, and misunderstandings about one another. After hours of soul-searching about the issues that divided them, Ranya, Suzanne, and Priscilla grew

close enough to discover and explore what united them.

Thursday, May 2 *The End of the Affair* by Graham Greene – Fiction

The story revolves around a doomed love affair that takes place in 1940s war-torn London. Maurice Bendrix, a successful writer, falls for Sarah Miles, the wife of a dreary civil servant with whom he has struck up a business relationship. Sarah calls the relationship off without warning or explanation and we later learn Sarah's side of the story via her journal which has fallen into Bendrix's hands. Her diary entries provide a glimpse into her view of the affair and reveals a surprising element to Sarah's character, namely her relationship with God, and the reasons why she gave up Bendrix all those years ago.

Thursday, June 6 *Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death and Hope in a Mumbai*

Undercity by Katherine Boo - Non-fiction
Katherine Boo spent three years among the residents of the Annawadi slum, a sprawling, cockeyed settlement of more than 300 tin-roof huts and shacks in the shadow of Mumbai's International Airport. From within this "sumpy plug of slum" Boo unearths stories both tragic and poignant--about residents' efforts to raise families, earn a living, or simply survive.

Thursday, Sept. 5 *Unfamiliar Fishes* by Sarah Vowell - Non-Fiction

"Unfamiliar Fishes" is a whiplash study of the Americanization of Hawaii and the events leading to its annexation, retracing the impact of New England missionaries who began arriving in the early 1800s to remake the island paradise into a version of New England. Its scintillating cast includes dour missionaries, genital-worshipping heathens, Teddy Roosevelt, incestuous royalty, a nutty Mormon, a much-too-merry monarch, President Obama, sugar barons, an imprisoned queen and Vowell herself, in a kind of 50th-state variety show.

Thursday, Oct. 3 *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver - Fiction

Set in a small town in Tennessee, about a young woman who happens upon a forested valley filled with silent red fire, and whose attempt to share the wonder and find an explanation throws her into a spiraling confrontation with her family, her church, her town, her continent, and finally the world at large.

Salem UMC Community Events

Free and Open to All

Saturday March 9

Family Movie Night - 6:30 to 8 pm

Disney's animated "Home on the Range"
Rated PG

Sunday March 31

Easter Breakfast - 7:30 am

Easter Egg Hunt - 9:30 am

2013 Pre-School Story Time listings thru June 2013

March 27 - "Easter Stories"

April 24 - "Dogs and Cats"

May 22 - "Silly Stories"

All Story Times are held at 10 am

All programs are held in the Salem Community Hall (formerly Orndorff Hall)
Enter from the back of the building.

For more information contact
Rev. Janet Craswell at
301-774-7774 or
youth@salemunitedmethodist.org

Please send announcements, contributions and suggestions for the newsletter to clerk@townofbrookevillmd.org

Mark Your Calendars

Commissioners Meeting

March 11, 2013

8:00 pm

Planning Commissioners Meeting

March 5, 2013

7:30 pm

Town Meetings

Meeting for 2014 Commemoration Planning

March 18, 2013

7:30pm

Town Election

May 7, 2013

4 – 9pm

Annual Town Meeting

May 13, 2013

7:30pm

All meetings are held in the Brookeville Academy, 5 High Street

Babysitting/Pet Sitting

Need a babysitter or someone to watch your pets while you are away? The following residents are available

Ella Booz 301-774-8043
Age 14

Isabelle Johnson 301-325-7510
Age 14

If your child would like to be listed for future issues, please send name, age and parent's phone to
clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org

Please send announcements, contributions and suggestions for the newsletter to
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