

Brookeville Times

Town of Brookeville, MD
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September

"The breezes taste
 Of apple peel.
 The air is full
 Of smells to feel-
 Ripe fruit, old footballs,
 Burning brush,
 New books, erasers,
 Chalk, and such.
 The bee, his hive,
 Well-honeyed hum,
 And Mother cuts
 Chrysanthemums.
 Like plates washed clean
 With suds, the days
 Are polished with
 A morning haze."
 - John Updike



News

Annual Town Picnic

The Annual Town Picnic was held at the Brookeville Academy on Sunday August 25th. The event was well attended but many were missed and we hope to see you next year. The weather was perfect, as were the burgers and hotdogs served up by grill and zoo master Don Moore who took time off from panda watch for the occasion. Everyone brought side dishes with the season's best offerings. Dessert which was mistaken for appetizers by many was an ample tub of mango gelato from Rita's and a mix of cookies. All was delicious.

Thanks to a growing and welcome under 10 set and Chris Haris an energetic soccer match took place on the lawn while Noah Booz and his band Whew provided the music. They were joined by resident Chuck Sterling on his harmonica for the blues classic Hideaway.

Thanks to all who helped to set up and clean up! Special thanks to Andrea Scanlon who made everything happen.

Mark Your Calendars

Commissioners Meeting
 September 9 at 8 pm

Planning Commission
 September 3 at 7:30 pm

James and Dolley Madison Supper
 October 27 at 5 pm
 See Save the Date on last page

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

Brookeville Featured on Metro Connection

Metro Connection is a weekly radio show on WAMU covering current events, culture and personalities in D.C., Maryland and Virginia. Rebecca Sheir visited Brookeville and interviewed Sandy Heilor, Karen Montgomery and Miche Booz about the town and the 2014 Celebration. The piece will be aired on WAMU 88.5 FM on Friday, Sept. 6, at 1:00 and Saturday morning, Sept 7 at 7:00 AM.

2014 Celebration Planning Update

There will be presentations from clothing experts describing "What to Wear on August, 30-31, 2014". The first will be at the Orndorff Hall on Sept. 7 at 2:00 on men's and boys' clothing-- Quakers and non-Quakers. The speaker will be Ross Kimmel, formerly the director of living history programs for Maryland state parks and a specialist in fashions and tailoring for 1814. The corresponding "expert's talk" for women's, girls' and babies' clothing will take place on October 19. There will be sample fabrics and hard-to-find patterns at both events. More information will follow. Cookies at both! All are welcome.

These events are important for people who are planning to make costumes and a good idea for potential participants to see what they should look like. The town needs to fill the roles of people who were in Brookeville in August, 1814. The War of 1812 Commission will be able to subsidize many of the costumes.

Announcements

- ✚ James and Dolley Madison are Coming to Brookeville on October 27, 2013. Please invite your friends to join the town for this event. If you need save-the-date cards (or invitations) to mail or if you have a place to display the cards, just call or email Sandy Heiler (240-205-2387) or sheiler07@gmail.com, and she'll get them to you. See "Save the Date" on last page.
- ✚ The 2014 Planning Commission needs volunteers for next year's event.
 - Bruce Evans is looking for people to play the characters who were here welcoming refugees in 1814.
 - Sandy Heiler is looking for people who can sew costumes.
- ✚ The town is in the process of revising and updating the Town Directory for publication this fall and may be contacting residents for updates. Please send any updates to the clerk's email.

Gardening Tips for September

From the Garden Calendar for the Greater Washington Area produced by Brookside Gardens
Contributes by Suzanne Friis

Indoor Gardening

Houseplants that have summered outdoors should be brought inside once night temperatures fall to 55 degrees. Check for insects, remove debris and prune if needed. Repotting is best done in the spring. It is common for some leaves to drop or yellow as the plants adjust to the lower light and dryer conditions indoors.

A white or tan crust on top of the soil suggests an accumulation of fertilizer salts. Repot these plants in fresh soil and occasionally flush the soil with water to remove the salts.

Lawn Care

Fertilize bluegrass, fescue and ryegrass lawns with 10-6-4 fertilizer according to package directions. Repeat in October and November. Because the fertilizer can contaminate our water supply, use with restraint or resist unless necessary.

Fall is an excellent time to lime lawns because the lime has time to penetrate into the soil before spring growth begins. Our soils are naturally acidic. Lime raises the pH in the soil, making it better for lawn growth. However, do not apply lime more often than every 3-5 years. It is best to have a soil test to determine the amount of lime needed (accomplished through the Extension Service at the Agricultural Farm Park on Muncaster Rd.). Use calcitic or pelletized lime. Use dolomitic lime if a soil test indicates magnesium levels are low.

The best time to thatch lawns is in late summer/early fall. Thatch buildup increases disease susceptibility, reduces tolerance to drought, cold and heat and impairs the movement of air, water and fertilizer to the roots.

Vegetable and Small Fruits

Plant spinach, broccoli, lettuce and other "cool-season" plants for fall harvest. Prolong harvest by mulching in November with straw or

other light-weight materials. Dig up and pot chives and parsley for growing indoors. Place in a sunny window. Harvest carrots before they become overly mature and split. Harvest figs when fully ripe. They will change color and begin to droop when ready. Harvest onions when half or more of the tops fall over. Store in a mesh bag in a well-ventilated area.

Herbaceous Plants

Plant daffodils in September as they need a long season for root development before the ground freezes. Plant tulips and Dutch iris in November so they are not fooled by our sometimes warm fall months and start to emerge. Other "minor" bulbs, such as crocus, anemones, grape hyacinth and winter aconite, can be planted when purchased. Note that deer love tulips but will not eat daffodils. Daffodils repeat blooming for many years, as do other bulbs, but tulips diminish in size and quality each successive spring. The earliest blooming tulips are best for repeat blooming.

Plant spring-flowering bulbs at a depth 3 times their diameter. Water in the fall to insure good root development. Do not be alarmed if daffodil leaves emerge in late fall or winter. The flowering will not be affected.

The leaves of grape hyacinth and spring starflower will appear in the fall. This is normal. The flowers appear in the spring.

Plant perennials and groundcovers through mid-October.

Replace spent annuals with ornamental cabbage and kale for fall garden color.

Set out pansy plants. They will survive the winter and bloom both now and in the spring. Cover with netting to protect them from the deer.

Cut ornamental grasses for dried indoor bouquets.

Divide and transplant lily-of-the-valley now, replanting the crowns just below soil level spacing three inches apart. Divide every 3-4 years.

Divide and transplant perennials now if needed. Cut back the top growth by half and keep well watered throughout the fall.

New planting beds can be prepared now for next spring. Leaving the soil in a "rough-tilled"

condition allows winter's freezing and thawing to break up our clay soils.

Trees and Shrubs

Do not fertilize trees and shrubs now. Fertilization will stimulate new growth that will not be hardy enough by winter to withstand freezing temperatures.

Many deciduous trees and shrubs can be planted and transplanted in the fall. Container grown plants purchased from the nursery can be planted any time. However, those best planted in the spring include baldcypress, beech, birch, dogwood, fringetree, goldenrain-tree, hemlock, hickory hornbeam, magnolia, willow oak, willow and yellowwood. Keep all new plantings well watered throughout the fall.

Small trees and shrubs can be transplanted in the fall although it is best to wait until the leaves have fallen. Larger trees and shrubs can be prepared for spring transplanting by severing the roots thus encouraging "feeder" roots to develop. To do this, drive a spade deep around the dripline (the point right below the outermost branches). Transplant the following spring by digging 6 inches outside the dripline. Replant before new growth emerges in the spring.

Do not prune forsythia, azalea or other early-spring flowering trees and shrubs or you will remove next spring's flower buds.

Continue maintaining roses but do not fertilize now. Order new roses for November planting.

Miscellaneous

Lilies Still Needed:

If you have excess orange lily plants, the town needs them for planting on the hillside at the east end of Market Street. If you can wait until September to dig them up, the landscaper will use them to replace the weeds growing there currently. The weeds cannot be removed yet because of the threat of erosion if they're not replaced by something and September is the best time for planting. Let the clerk know if you have lily plants to donate.

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President James and Mrs. Dolley Madison

invite you to join them for libations and supper,
with an authentic menu based on Dolley Madison's suppers,

5 p.m., Sunday, October 27, 2013

at The Inn at Brookeville Farms

19501 Georgia Avenue ♦ Brookeville, Maryland 20833

A Silent Auction of Treats to Delight

Period dress is appropriate but not required.

- ❑ \$1813 Patron, includes Table for 8 and subsidy for student interns
- ❑ \$1000 per Table for 8 ❑ \$125 per Individual Seat

Payment by check payable to Town of Brookeville (please note Madison Supper)
5 High Street ♦ Brookeville, Maryland 20833 or by **PayPal**

Purchase of a table entitles you to name your table to honor a prominent citizen of 1813. Select from names suggested on our website or one of your own choosing. Please specify your choice in a note with your check or through the website.

Fully enjoy this unique and historically authentic event by being a sponsor.

EXCLUSIVE BENEFITS OF SPONSORSHIP INCLUDE:

- ♦ Pre-supper Meet-and-Greet Reception with the Madisons and other dignitaries at 4 p.m. at the Brookeville White House, featuring the Madisons' favorite beverages
 - ♦ Table for 8 and associated naming rights
- ♦ Your name or organization's logo featured prominently in event program, promotional materials and signage
- ♦ Additional privileges commensurate with level of sponsorship, including priority seating

❑ **\$5000 Red Ribbon Sponsor**

❑ **\$3500 White Ribbon Sponsor**

❑ **\$2500 Blue Ribbon Sponsor**



All proceeds from the Madison Supper and Silent Auction benefit the Town of Brookeville's War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemorations, August 30-31, 2014.

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