

# Brookeville Times



## Marketing / Events Manager

The Town Commissioners interviewed our newest Town Resident, Brooke Curley, for the Marketing / Events Manager positions. Brooke comes with a wealth of events planning experience, a passion for marketing, and a strong commitment to serving her community. The Commissioners feel she is an ideal candidate for the position

## Inn at Brookeville has new Ownership

The new owners of The Inn at Brookeville, Philip Sardelis, his business partner, and lawyer came to the March 7, 2017, meeting of the Brookeville Planning Commission (BPC). While the Inn is located outside of the municipal boundaries of the Town, the Inn at Brookeville does own 4.3 acres of land adjacent to the cemetery, which is governed by the Town's zoning ordinances. The new owners are interested in making some changes to the business operations at the Inn and shared some concepts with the BPC. There are no formal plans at this time for redevelopment.

## INVITATION

The Kiniry family will be hosting a  
**Cocktail Party & Backyard Barbeque**  
 to honor Katherine Farquhar's outstanding service and  
 dedication to our town and its residents

Join us in celebrating Katherine on

**Saturday, May 6**

**4pm**

**318 Market Street**

Please bring a side dish, dessert or drink to share

If you plan on attending, please RSVP by  
 April 15th to [suzannamoreau@hotmail.com](mailto:suzannamoreau@hotmail.com)

## Mark Your Calendars

All Events held at the Academy  
 (unless otherwise noted)

### Commissioners Meeting

Monday, April 3, 2017

7:00 pm

*Please note the April Commissioners  
 the meeting will be held the 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Monday of the month.*

### Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

7:30 pm

### Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

7:30 pm

### Retirement Party for Katherine

Saturday, May 6, 2017

4 pm

318 Market St.

### Commissioners Meeting

Monday, May 8, 2017

7:00 pm

### Town Election

Tuesday, May 9

3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

### Annual Town Meeting

Monday, May 22

7:00 pm

### Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

7:30 pm

### Commissioners Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2017

7:00 pm

# Income Tax Forgiveness Bill Passes House and Senate

Source: Maryland Municipal League (MML)

SB 397 and HB 1433, forgiving 73 municipalities from having to repay misdirected income tax funds have passed!! **The night of March 15, by unanimous vote in the House, HB 1433 passed the third reader.** The House vote follows another unanimous vote in the Senate two weeks ago on an identical bill which means that cities and towns will NOT have to reimburse the state for income tax monies your municipality received in error from the Comptroller. Now it is up to the governor to sign the legislation.

The passage SB 397 and HB 1433 repeals the requirement for Brookeville to pay back \$274,029 in tax revenues that we were "overpaid" between 2010-2014 due to errors in calculations by the State Comptroller's office.

# ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

## Monday, May 22, 2017

7:00PM

BROOKEVILLE ACADEMY

The Town Commissioners will hold the Annual Town Meeting.

Highlights of the meeting will include but not limited to:

State of the Town  
Budget for FY 2017-2018  
Roadways

***All Town Residents are encouraged to attend the Annual Town Meeting***

## Town Election Tuesday, May 9, 2017

There will be an election on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, for two Town Commissioner, who will serve a two-year term beginning in June 2017. The Commissioner seats are currently held by Sue Daley and Jeff Johnson.

### **Town is Seeking Nominations for Town Commissioner**

The Town is now seeking nominations for the position of Town Commissioner. If you are interested in running for this position, please send a letter stating your interest in nomination to:

Marti Andress  
Supervisor of Elections  
301-204-7527  
Marti.Andress@verizon.net

### **Send your self-nomination to:**

Town of Brookeville  
Attn: Supervisor of Elections  
5 High Street  
Brookeville, MD 20833

*All Self – Nominations must be received on or before Monday, April 3, 2017*

### **How can I vote Absentee?**

You must request an Absentee Application no later than April 21, 2017.

**An informal written request** for an absentee ballot may be submitted to the Supervisor of Elections, but it must contain the following information:

1. Voter's name
2. Residence address
3. Address to which the ballot is to be mailed, if different from the residence address
4. Voter's Signature

# News from Your Neighbors

## Light Hauling:

Debbie Wagner can do light hauling to a thrift store or transfer station. She will take metal items for no charge. Debbie will also pick up any 4-packs, 6-packs, or 9-packs plastic plant pack left over after planting your gardens.

Contact Debbie at [dwagner0602@gmail.com](mailto:dwagner0602@gmail.com) or 301.233.7738

## Salem United Methodist Church

### Community Yard Sale

Salem United Methodist Church

Saturday, April 29, 2017

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Salem Community Hall

Fundraiser to support SUMC Appalachia Service

Project student mission

### ASP Benefit Concert

Salem United Methodist Church

The Kelltones, a Celtic music ensemble, and The

Encore Singers, together will perform

Sunday, April 30, 2017

6:30 PM

Freewill donations support SUMC Appalachia

Service Project student mission

## Town of Brookeville, MD

**Established 1794**

**Incorporated 1808**

The Town of Brookeville is one of 157 municipalities in Maryland. Municipalities are a city or town that has written its own charter (a set of laws) and can govern itself separately from the county. It is a formal government with legal authority to exist. The powers that municipalities and counties have are defined in the Maryland State Constitution. Citizens living in municipalities elect their own officials to pass ordinances (local rules), create a budget, and provide certain services and programs. Not all cities and towns have the same services. The citizens living in each municipality can choose the kinds of services they want to have.

Municipal government is often referred to as "the level of government closest to the people" because it is easier for citizens to let their officials know what they want in their city or town and to make changes in their government when they are not happy with it. Citizens who live in a municipality also reside in a county and can still vote in county elections.

What are some advantage to living in an incorporated Town?

- To have direct local control over finances—Town elected officials determine local revenue and expenditure needs and set the local tax rate and service charge levels
- To locally determine the variety and levels of services provided to the community.
- To make local government more accessible, accountable and responsive to citizen needs and desires because of smaller size and more direct access to local officials.
- To return a portion of income taxes paid to directly benefit community taxpayers as municipal governments receive a portion of the local piggyback income tax receipts generated from their taxpayers.
- To create direct access for the local community to various state shared revenues and state and federal grants.
- To foster a sense of community in an ill-defined place otherwise clearly identifiable only by a common zip code

(Source: Maryland Municipal League)

# Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program

Properties in Brookeville may be eligible for a Montgomery County historic preservation tax credit. If you did exterior repairs or improvements in 2016, the deadline to apply for the tax credit is April 1, 2017.

For more information, click: <http://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/historic/tax-credits/tax-credit-program/>

## Eligible Tax Credit Work

- Approved exterior storm windows, doors
- Chimney flue lining and repairs
- Exterior painting
- Exterior french drains and potentially other drainage issues if affecting structural integrity
- Gutter replacement
- One-time termite infestation treatment
- Repairing architectural trim or ornament
- Repairing roofs
- Replacing roofs in-kind
- Repairing windows
- Repairing and maintaining outbuildings such as barns and garages
- Repointing brick or stone foundations or chimneys (does not apply to walls that have never been pointed, i.e. dry-laid brick and stone walls)
- Restoring a documented feature such as a dormer or porch that was previously altered or removed
- Uncovering or repairing original siding
- Professional services (architects, color consultants, engineers)

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## Criteria for eligible work

Work eligible for the Tax Credit must meet all of the following criteria:

1. All proposed work is exterior in nature
2. All proposed work was performed by a licensed contractor
3. All proposed work must be certified by the Historic Preservation Commission as contributing to the restoration or preservation of sites listed on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation either individually or within an historic district:
  - a. Proposed work requiring a Historic Area Work Permit (HAWP) must have received prior Historic Preservation Commission approval; OR
  - b. Proposed work entailing ordinary maintenance must exceed \$1000 in expense and be subsequently certified as being consistent with the purposes of Chapter 24A, the County's historic preservation ordinance, at the time the HPC reviews the tax credit application.

For a HAWP, click:

[http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/historic/instructions/historic\\_area\\_work\\_permits.shtm](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/historic/instructions/historic_area_work_permits.shtm)

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**Town Commissioners:** [commissioners@townofbrookevillemd.org](mailto:commissioners@townofbrookevillemd.org)

Buck Bartley (2018)	301.252.2058
Suzanne Daley (2017), President	301.260.1699
Jeff Johnson (2017)	240.447.3592

**Brookeville Planning Commission:** [planning.commission@townofbrookevillemd.org](mailto:planning.commission@townofbrookevillemd.org)

Garrett Anderson (2020)	Chris Scanlon (2018)
Miche Booz (2018)	Andy Spagnolo, Chair (2019)
Harper Pryor (2020)	Stefan Syski (2019)
	Fred Teal (2017)

**Brookeville Board of Elections Supervisors:**

Marti Andress (2017), Chair  
Carmen Harding (2017)  
(Vacant), (2018) To be appointed by Commissioners

**Town Staff:**

**Town Clerk:** [clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org](mailto:clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org)  
Cate McDonald

**Treasurer:** [treasurer@townofbrookevillemd.org](mailto:treasurer@townofbrookevillemd.org)  
Susan Johnson

**Town Property Manager:** [academy@townofbrookevillemd.org](mailto:academy@townofbrookevillemd.org)  
Andrea Scanlon

All Commissioner and Planning Commission agendas are posted to the Town's website at least 24 hours before each meeting.  
Please note that agendas are subject to change until the time of convening.  
Official meeting minutes for Open Meetings are posted to the Town's website after approval.

## Brookeville ByPass Update

Maryland State Highway Administration, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the many other stakeholders are working diligently on the permitting process. April 24, 2017, is anticipated to begin the construction phase of the project with completion in 2019.