

The Brookeville Times

June 2008



Special Town Meeting
With



Montgomery County Councilmember Michael Knapp
Monday, June 9th at 7:00pm

The Town Commissioners invite all residents to a special Town Meeting June 9, 2008. Councilmember Mike Knapp will be there to personally hear the Town's concerns related to infrastructure repair cost, Brookeville Bypass, and the Green Initiatives. The meeting will be held on the 2nd Floor of the Brookeville Academy. Come and help Councilmember Knapp personally understand the issues that affect you and the Town of Brookeville.

Resident Directory

The Town of Brookeville Resident Directory is available for pickup. There is one copy available per household. Directories will be on hand for pickup starting 6:00pm Monday, June 9th prior to the Town Meeting and Saturday, June 28th from 10:00am – 12noon at the Brookeville Academy.



Thank you to Commissioner Farquhar and Andrea Scanlon for all their hard work publishing the Resident Directory.

Heritage Days

The Brookeville Schoolhouse will be open Saturday, June 28th from 12noon – 4:00pm as part of Montgomery County's 11th Annual Heritage Days. The Brookeville Schoolhouse will be one of 42 historic site open to the public the weekend of June 28 & 29.
www.heritagemontgomery.org



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A Greener Brookeville

A Citizens Energy Commission is in the process of forming. The committee will look at ways to advise the Commissioners and educate residents on environmental issues.



How Green would you like the Town of Brookeville to be? Do you feel that the Town should become a model of Energy Efficiency and Environmental Friendliness? The Town Commissioners invite each resident to contact them with their thoughts for a Greener Brookeville.



Brookeville Capital Days Celebrations

The Bicentennial celebration of Brookeville's Incorporation is planned for August 24, 2008. Brookeville was formally incorporated as a Town in 1808. Commissioner Katherine Farquhar is heading up the Incorporation Committee and the first meeting was held April 22, 2008. Residents that attended were full of exciting ideas including a Historical House tour, performances by local area musicians and many other fun filled events. This Bicentennial celebration along with the next five Brookeville Capital Days will lead up to the August 26, 2014 commemoration of President James Madison refuge in Brookeville. Townspeople interested in helping with planning for the 24th are asked to contact Commissioner Katherine Farquhar at kwfarq@cs.com or 301.633.1122.

All resident should save the August 24, 2008 for the festivities.

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Election Results

The results are in and Michael Acierno was re-elected to another two year term May 13, 2008.



Call for Volunteers

The Montgomery County Board of Elections needs about 4,000 volunteer election judges to staff almost 250 precincts during the November general election. Judges are essential to the success of every election - they ensure that citizens can vote, that those votes are cast in a free and fair election, and that votes are protected until counted.



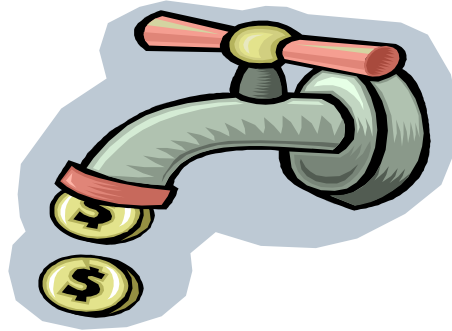
To serve, a judge attends training (3 hours for most judges), helps set up the polling place the night before the election, and serves on Election Day. Most judges work at their precincts from early in the morning to the closing of the polls, but some serve only from 6 to about 11 p.m. Most judges receive a stipend of \$180.

Judges work in bipartisan teams, generally with their neighbors in their own neighborhoods. This is a real, sometimes demanding "roll up your sleeves" job, but judges report feeling grateful to have participated so deeply in the democratic process and satisfied knowing they were essential to a successful election.

We expect a heavy turnout in the November elections and need more judges than currently on our roster. We are, therefore, asking for your help. The first step in serving as a judge is to visit the Montgomery County Board of Elections website at www.777vote.org to download a 2008 Election Judge Questionnaire. You may also call us on 240-777-8533 to request an application be mailed to you. Mail your completed and signed questionnaire to the address above or fax it to us on 240-777-8578. Thank you for your interest and help.

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Montgomery, Prince George's County Councils Approve WSSC Budget for Fiscal Year 2009

\$913.7 Million Budget Targets Increasing Operational Costs

LAUREL, MD, May 8: In a joint session, the Montgomery and Prince George's County Councils voted this afternoon to approve a \$913.7 million budget for Fiscal Year 2009 that addresses WSSC's increasing operational costs. The budget calls for an 8.0% rate increase to pay for escalating prices for necessities such as power, chemicals and fuel, as well as the replacement of 27 miles of water mains and 51 miles of sewer mains.

The rate increase will add approximately \$3.75 per month or \$11.25 per quarter to the average residential customer's bill.

"We understand these are tough economic times and that this budget will affect our customers," said Teresa D. Daniell, WSSC Interim General Manager. "The budget passed today will allow us to keep up with the rising costs of energy and other operating expenses."

The new budget and rates will take effect on July 1, 2008.

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Upcoming 2008 Dates

Commissioner Meeting	June 9
Independence Day	July 4
Commissioner Meeting	July 14
Town Anniversary	Aug 24

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