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THE BROOKEVILLE BYPASS NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

In December 2008, the Montgomery County Council's Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee (T&E) recommended \$10 million in funding for design and land acquisition required for the Brookeville Bypass. Members of this Committee are Nancy Floreen, Chair; George Leventhal; Roger Berliner.

The County Council reconvenes September 5, 2009. It is time to send every member of the Montgomery County Council and our County Executive a letter in support of the Brookeville Bypass. Currently, the Brookeville Bypass is #4 on the County's priority list for transportation funding to the State and until the Bypass is moved to #1 on the priority list, the Bypass will not be allocated funds for construction.

Let the County Executive and the County Council know your views on the Bypass. Write a letter today, using your own words, and explain how traffic in Brookeville effects your everyday life and how building the Bypass will impact our Town. Please have the letter to the County Council by September 5, 2009.

It's time to press the County for immediate action.

Take time to get your flu vaccination

Everyone is encouraged to get the regular seasonal flu vaccine. This is the usual vaccine given each year; a seasonal vaccine will not protect you against H1N1. In addition to the seasonal flu vaccine there will be another vaccine for H1N1 flu. The H1N1 flu vaccine may not be available for everyone until December, so targeted groups will be vaccinated in October.

Vaccination – H1N1 - Available in mid to late October for the following target groups:

- Pregnant Women
- Household contacts and caregivers of children under 6 months old
- Health care workers and emergency services personnel with direct contact with patients and bodily fluids
- Children and young adults aged 6 months to 24 years
- People aged 25 to 64 with underlying medical conditions
- The rest of the population will be eligible for vaccination when sufficient vaccines are manufactured. It is currently anticipated that this will occur by December
- The H1N1 vaccine will probably require two shots administered three weeks apart.
- School Children will be targeted via school-based vaccination clinics.

Preventive Actions

• Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

■ Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

■ If you are sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.) Keep away from others as much as possible. This is to keep from making others sick.

■ While sick, limit contact with others to keep from infecting them



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REDUCE / REUSE / RECYCLE



Need a Recycle Bin?

We have a supply of 21 Gallon Curbside Recycling Bins available for Town Residents. If you need a new Recycle Bin please contact Cate McDonald, Town Clerk at 301.570.4465 or <u>townofbrookville@comcast.net</u>

Recycling Reminder

Thank you for placing your recycle bin curbside by 7:00am on Tuesdays

Composting

The Fall season is a great time to begin or continue composting. The Town offers compost bins to Town Residents, compliments of Montgomery County Division of Solid Waste Services. The compost bins come in tight rolls, secured with a cardboard wrapper, for transport. The rolls are about 3 feet long and 6 inches in diameter. They are easy to carry. Composting is a simple, natural, and nearly effortless method for "recycling" yard trimmings, such as leaves and grass, into a wonderful soil conditioner for lawns and gardens

Composting Wormshop, September 12

Learn about composting indoors with worms! We'll discuss how to successfully set up and maintain worm bins for turning your food scraps into "black gold" for your garden. Saturday, September 12, 2009, 2-4 p.m. Montgomery County Executive Office Building 101 Monroe St, Lobby Auditorium Rockville, MD 20850 To register: please contact Susanne Wiggins, <u>susanne.wiggins@montgomerycountymd.gov</u>, 240-777-6461

Electricity Usage Monitor

Ever wonder if your refrigerator is really running you into the poor house? Is your computer or TV silently sipping electricity when you are not using it? What is the lamp you just replaced with an energy-saving compact fluorescent lamp saving you? Now you can find out with the P3 Kill-a-Watt Meter--available on loan from the Town --and make energy efficiency changes to decrease your overall electricity use.

The Kill-a-Watt meter is a simple, easy-to-use version of the home utility meter. Rather than finding the energy use of your entire house, this meter reads the power demand, energy use and other handy statistics of appliances and electronics.

For more information, please contact Cate McDonald, Town Clerk at 301.570.4465 or townofbrookville@comcast.net

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The Town of Brookeville held its Annual Community Picnic August 23rd. The weather was beautiful and much fun was had listening to live music performed by Dave Peers, talk amongst neighbors, and plenty of food and drinks to be shared.

Thank you to all the Town Residents who brought a dish to share.

The Community Picnic was enjoyed by all and the Commissioners of Brookeville hope to see you at next year's Annual Picnic!

Church/Community Picnic Sunday, September 27, 3-6 pm

Salem United Methodist Church would like to invite all Brookeville residents to a Picnic. The festivities begin at 3:00 p.m. with grilled hot dogs and hamburgers being served from 5-6 pm. Beverages will also be available. Each person/family is encouraged to bring a salad or dessert. The event is sponsored by the United Methodist Men. For more information call Salem United Methodist Church at 301-774-7772. Preschool Story Time Free! All are Welcome.

Salem United Methodist Church, Orndorff Hall 10:00-11:00 am every fourth Wednesday Story, snacks and games! September 23rd theme is "Friends" October 28th theme is "Pumpkins"

For questions contact Janet Craswell at 301-774-7772

State Approved Cuts to Municipal Highway User Revenues

The cuts to local aid were part of the \$454 million in budget cuts approved by the Board of Public Works on August 26, 2009.

Fiscal 2010 HUR Allocation to Local Governments After Reductions per Board of Public Works (BPW)

	Share After	Share After
Jurisdiction	HB101	BPW Cuts
Brookeville	\$8,030	\$803

The highway user fund is distributed among the counties and towns based in part of population, but also on road miles. The HUR fund pays for snow removal and road repairs, among other things. The cuts to highway user funding will strain Brookeville's budget for road maintenance.

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Upcoming 2009 Dates

Planning Commission Commissioners Meeting Planning Commission Commissioners Meeting 1Sep 7:30pm 14Sep 8:00pm 6Oct 7:30pm 12Oct 8:00pm

All meetings are held at the Brookeville Academy and are open to the public.

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