

The Brookeville Times

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LEAF COLLECTION

To save money this fiscal year, the Vacuum Leaf Collection will not be available. Rather than raking your leaves to the curb for vacuuming, you will now bag your leaves and take them to the curb for collection on Tuesday's scheduled recycling pickup in November. Please place leaves, grass, brush, and other yard trimmings in large paper yard trim bags and place curbside by 7:00am, next to your recycle bins. The total weight of the bag must be **45 pounds** or less.

The Town of Brookeville encourages you to use alternative methods for getting rid of leaves to save collection and disposal costs and to help the environment. Some alternatives are to mulch your leaves or to compost them.

Get FREE paper yardwaste bags (while supplies last) from the Town Clerk.

Meeting Scheduled with County Council President

The Brookeville Town Commissioners, along with State Delegate Karen Montgomery, will meet with Montgomery County Council President Phil Andrews November 18th. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Brookeville Bypass and other issues that are important to Brookeville specifically and to our area of Montgomery County in general.

The Brookeville Town Commissioners are committed to getting the Brookeville Bypass built by working with the County Council and State representatives.

Lyme Disease Survey

An informal on-line survey is being conducted to look at the number of people who live in Brookeville with Lyme Disease. If you have not done so already, please take a moment to answer the questions:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=Eo2zK75IBL043a7OeenVvg_3d_3d

The Lyme Disease Survey is completely anonymous and the information provided to us in this form will be kept confidential.

Green Tips

Home Energy Audits

Several residents in town are interested in obtaining Energy Audits for their homes. If other residents are interested in doing the same thing, a group could be formed to develop specifications for the audits and solicit competitive bids for them.

Energy audits consist of examining a home from a number of different aspects to determine ways the homeowner might reduce energy consumption. The auditor will check for air leaks using an air pressure test, locate areas of weak or missing insulation using a thermal camera, inspect windows and doors to determine insulating value, make recommendations about the efficiency of heating and cooling systems, evaluate water use and check other areas to determine where improvements might be made.

Some auditors will provide a less extensive general assessment of possibilities for energy savings as well as provide an

assessment of solar potential to help homeowners determine if the installation of solar panels would be worthwhile. A less extensive, general assessment could cost about \$150.00. A complete energy audit might cost about \$350.00.

Once audits are complete, the group might continue to jointly obtain contractors to do the necessary weatherization work, to include solar panel installations on homes that are in good locations for them. Several communities in the Washington area have used this approach to obtain solar installations and have realized considerable cost savings as a result.

For more information about joining other Town Residents wishing to obtain audits contact Fred Teal, who is willing to serve as coordinator, at 9 North Street in Brookeville, (301) 774-8151, or ftealjr@yahoo.com.

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 townofbrookville@comcast.net

Recycling Reminder

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



Make Plans to Attend the
Annual Town Holiday Party
SATURDAY DECEMBER 5, 2009
6:00pm – 10:00pm
BROOKEVILLE ACADEMY



Please bring your favorite dish to share.
R.S.V.P to Cate McDonald 301-570-4465 or townofbrookeville@comcast.net

STREET LIGHTS

If you notice a Pepco street light that is out, please look for a metal strip on the wooden pole that has the pole number and report the location of the street light to the Town Clerk. If the wooden pole does not have a pole number, please report the location of the street light.

The Town also operates several cast iron ornamental street lights and 3 wooden ornamental street lights. These ornamental street lights do not have pole numbers. If you notice an ornamental street light that is out, please report the location to the Town Clerk.

Date Change for November's Town Commissioners Meeting

The Brookeville Commissioners will meet Monday, November 23rd at 8:00pm instead of the regularly scheduled 2nd Monday of the Month.

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



Category 4 Typhoon captured by Commissioner President Michael Acierno during a recent trip to Taiwan.

Have an Item for The Brookeville Times?

Let us know!! We want to hear about happenings in the Town of Brookeville. You can submit articles/photos about places you've been, work you've done, new neighbors, weddings, birth announcements, anything of interest to you and your neighbors. Contact the Town Clerk at 301-570-4465 or townofbrookeville@comcast.net

Upcoming 2009 Dates

Planning Commission	3Nov 7:30pm
Commissioners Meeting	23Nov 8:00pm
Planning Commission	1Dec 7:30pm
Holiday Party	5Dec 6:00pm
Commissioners Meeting	14Dec 8:00pm

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

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