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# Mark Your Calendars

Town Picnic & Post Bicentennial Celebration September 21, 2014 at 4:00 pm Brookeville Academy

Reflecting on the Experience: Being U.S. Capital for a Day, 2014 September 22 from 7-9 pm Brookeville Academy Refreshments served

Planning Commission Meeting October 6, 7:30 pm

**Commissioners Meeting** October 13, 7:00 pm

Holiday Party December 6, 6:00 pm

#### Announcements

- Town Picnic & Post Bicentennial Celebration: The Annual Town Picnic will be held at the Academy on Sunday September 21. All are Welcome! Bring a dish to share, everything else will be provided!
- Brookeville Bicentennial Nominated for State Award. The Montgomery County Department of Tourism has nominated our event for two statewide awards: The Maryland Tourism Council award Best Heritage Tourism Event and the Maryland Tourism Summit's Best Event. More to come.
- Fifteen Star Flags: Star-Spangled Banners. If town residents would like to purchase Star-Spangled Banners (15-star US flags) they are available at: <u>http://www.fwhaxel.com/</u> for \$20 plus shipping. Buy now before the price goes up in 2015.
- Links to Bicentennial Celebration Photos: http://www.matthewdagostino.com/gallery/Capitol-fora-Day/G0000YmbjeJY1K6o/u=U0000DLpiRF0FW04

#### http://24theroad.zenfolio.com/p947975620

- Light Hauling: Debbie Wagner can do light hauling to transfer station. She will take metal items for no charge. <u>dwagner0602@gmail.com</u>
- D&D Picking: D&D Picking has late summer produce! 301-774-2509

### SEPTEMBER 2014

#### Brookeville War of 1812 Bicentennial Celebration

Brookeville never looked better than on the Bicentennial of Madison's sojourn as a refugee at 209 Market Street. Thanks to the coordinated efforts of volunteers, town officers, staff, residents the events celebrating the anniversary on Labor Day weekend were a huge success.

Two hundred years ago the town of Brookeville was flooded with refugees, cavalrymen, President Madison and his escort and other officials of the government. Brookeville responded with hospitality, shelter and safety.

On Labor Day weekend Brookeville recreated those events offering hospitality and great food to all comers. There were living historians encamped around town, more than a hundred reenactors in period dress, a donkey cart, wagons and coaches, and dozens of volunteers working behind the scenes. The Academy was turned into a School Room with Store and Post Office. With traffic stopped the scene was complete.

Resident Don Moore (who does the estimates for the Smithsonian National Zoo) estimated that 10,000 visitors came to Brookeville for the festivities which agreed with Park Police estimates of up to 10,500. Visitors, residents, living historians, police, boy scouts, volunteers and bus drivers alike agreed that it was a huge success.

## **Town Picnic**

The town will hold its annual picnic on September 21 at 4:00 pm. There will be a flag lowering ceremony at 4:30. The fifteen star flag which will be preserved for display at the Academy. Honorary citations will be presented by State Senator Karen Montgomery to those who made significant contributions to the bicentennial events and there will be recognition of several residents.

The town will be providing hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, beverages, condiments and dessert from Rita's. <u>Please</u> bring a dish to share.



Dragoons on Market St.



Chris, Andrea, Kyle and Meghan Scanlon



Ft. McHenry Fife and Drum Corps Star Spangled Banner ceremony

Reflecting on the Experience: Being U.S. Capital for a Day, 2014 September 22 from 7-9 pm Brookeville Academy

Residents are invited to a gathering at the Academy to discuss their experiences, reflect on bicentennial events and share lessons learned from participating in the festivities. This will be an engaging and memorable meeting. Please join you neighbors for this evening.

This evening is the Town's first opportunity to reflect with our partners on the 2014 Bicentennial Experience. We hosted over 10,000 visitors and by all accounts, this was a landmark experience in Brookeville's History. It took a village.....

What happened for you during this event? What did you experience and learn? What would you like the Town to know?

Please join us for this evening to share and to hear what others are thinking.

In our conversations, we will look back on the planning and execution of the Event.

Are there learnings and suggestions for our event partners and/or for the town? And we will consider Brookeville's Tomorrows.

What have we learned or seen that are messages for Brookeville's future, post-Bicentennial and ... soon with the gift of a By-Pass?

## **Reminder from Town Commissioners**

Meetings are scheduled the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Academy. Minutes of previous Commissioner meetings are posted on the town website. While we reserve time for esident input we have routing business to complete at each meeting. If you want to raise a concern or topic at a Monday meeting we encourage you to let us know in advance so that we can give you a time block near the start of the meeting. Thank you for understanding our need to manage the town's time and be responsive while addressing Brookeville's town business.

## Things Witnessed at the Bicentennial

Anonymous

Coming back from Europe early to be here, coming back twice on Sat and again on Sun just to see everything, being thankful for a golf cart ride, declining a golf cart ride just to be able to walk in the street, children free to bike, scooter and run in the street, old high school classmates reunited in the crowd, people from far, people from right nearby, people who drive by everyday but have never stopped, 1994 Bicentennial attendees back for more, residents greeting residents, residents bringing former residents back to visit, music in the street, pardon, please, thank you and good day, spruced up homes, smiling faces, cameras everywhere, people popping in - just to see if

they could help, wool suits in August, entire families dressed in period attire, a man with bare feet and an axe, sharing stories, learning about archeology, experiencing history, politicians, books, cider selling out, a town transformed, hats of all sizes, chairs on the lawn, people sitting on the curb, community groups taking part, Montgomery Coounty police lieutenant saying "those historians are a rowdy crowd"....

#### Brookeville Bypass Update August 5, 2014 Partnering Meeting Debbie Wagner

The bypass construction is funded and the alignment is set. There is a Memorandum of Agreement with the Maryland Historical Trust. SHA will erect signs explaining the importance of Newlin Mill and the Oakley Cabin trail.

They realized that there was another stream in the Reddy Branch system (there are three that come together to make Reddy Branch as it is in town) which was close to the bypass route. This was previously known, and 1200' was included in the Army Corps permit which expired a few years ago, so renewal of the permit with stream impact is expected. There was discussion of the feasibility of moving the stream, or of pipe, since the alignment cannot be changed without impacting two houses and a steep slope. The stream morphology studies on the east side of the bypass have begun, and the west will be started soon. A new attendee was from the county parks department. She reminded SHA that a park permit is required since the entire

project is on park land. There was discussion about whether a roundabout is actually needed at the south end of the bypass. It may be feasible to have the the traffic flow from Olney going onto the bypass, and a spur with a stop sign into town instead of a roundabout.

The last discussion was road surface. When the other aspects of road design and engineering are done, another new attendee does a cost analysis since the paving cost is expected to exceed \$3M. Concrete is more expensive initially, but lasts longer than asphalt.



Children who receive investment income are subject to special tax rules that affect how parents must report a child's investment income. Some parents can include their child's investment income on their tax return, while other children may have to file their own tax return. If a child cannot file his or her own tax return for any reason, such as age, the child's parent or guardian is responsible for filing a return on the child's behalf.

Here's what you need to know about tax liability and your child's investment income.

- 1. Investment income normally includes interest, dividends, capital gains and other unearned income, such as from a trust.
- Special rules apply if your child's total investment income in 2014 is more than \$2,000 (same as 2013). The parent's tax rate may apply to part of that income instead of the child's tax rate.
- If your child's total interest and dividend income is less than \$10,000 (same as 2013), then you may be able to include the income on your tax return. If you make this choice, the child does not file a return. Instead, you file Form 8814, Parents'

Election to Report Child's Interest and Dividends, with your tax return.

4. If your child received investment income of \$10,000 or more in 2014 (same as 2013), then he or she will be required to file Form 8615, Tax for Certain Children Who Have Investment Income of More Than \$2,000, with the child's federal tax return for tax year 2014.

Starting in 2013, a child whose tax is figured on Form 8615, Tax for Certain Children Who Have Unearned Income, may be subject to the Net Investment Income Tax. NIIT is a 3.8 percent tax on the lesser of either net investment income or the excess of the child's modified adjusted gross income that is over a threshold amount.

#### Inn at Brookeville Farms Expansion Proposal

The Inn at Brookeville Farms is considering expanding their operations to include construction of overnight cottages on their property <u>outside</u> the Brookeville town limits. As soon as they have a complete plan the town will be notified and we will schedule a presentation for residents. Town approval is not legally required as they are not required to have town permission for rezoning. Our opinions as neighbors will be invited at the hearings.

# **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

# **Olney Farmers and Artists Market**

The 2014 season is in its final weeks before moving to the Sandy Spring Museum for its winter location. Sundays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

MedStar Montgomery Medical Center Thrift Shop at the corner of Prince Phillip and Rt. 108.

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