

# Brookeville Times



## **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**Monday, May 16, 2016**

**7:00PM**

**BROOKEVILLE ACADEMY**

**Refreshments served**

The Town Commissioners will host the **Annual Town Meeting.**

Agenda will be available on the Town website Sunday, May 15

Highlights of the meeting will include but not limited to:

- State of the Town
- Budget and Priorities for FY '16-'17
- Roadways

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

### **Mark Your Calendars**

All Events held at the Academy (unless otherwise noted)

Annual Town Meeting  
Monday, May 16  
7:00 pm – 9:00pm

Planning Commission Meeting  
Tuesday, June 7  
7:30 pm

Commissioners Meeting  
Monday, June 13  
7:00 pm

Heritage Days  
Saturday June 25  
12n – 4:00 pm

Town Picnic  
Sunday, September 11  
3:00pm – 7:00pm

## Brookeville ByPass Update

By: Commissioner Katherine Farquhar

**Please hold the afternoon (1:30-4:30) of Thursday, June 16th to attend the All-important "Mandatory Referral" hearing for the Rt. 97 Brookeville Bypass. Topics: Final Route for the ByPass & Conditions for the Construction**

Meeting Location:

Maryland National Capital Park and Planning  
Ground Floor Meeting Room  
8787 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20910

Further information on timing for the Brookeville ByPass will be available as the agenda is finalized. There is a County parking lot right behind the MNCPP building.

The Commissioners will receive and post on the Town Website the MNCPP "Staff Report" and agenda for June 16th. The Staff Report is prepared for the Planning Commission to give them background for the discussion, testimony, and eventual decisions/votes that they make. The staff's recommendations will address the ByPass route, the timing of construction, whether or not further study is required, and related information. Please watch for notice that the "Staff Report" is available, and read it before attending the meeting. [Letters are accepted, as well.](#)

This hearing is open to the public. We urge every household in Brookeville to send a member and consider writing a letter (particularly if you can't be there) reflecting your perspective.

The ByPass has been Brookeville's most important issue for decades. We are at the brink of the necessary final decisions

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before construction begins. The Town has never gotten so far in the process. When we see the "Staff Report" compiled by MNCPP senior staff, we will all know what concerns and recommendations they are putting forth. At present, we can only speculate.

While there can be numerous observers for this hearing (public attendance is very important), there will be time limits and other restrictions on how many people may speak, and for how long. This is a formal hearing (televised, recorded and transcribed), and the decorum is specified. If you aren't able to speak, consider that you let your presence speak, as the Quakers say, when describing the power of "witnessing".

Out of this meeting will come the MNCPP's final recommendation to SHA regarding what route the ByPass should take, and we will learn whether or not there will be a delay in the construction of the ByPass.



## Election Results

Commissioner Robert "Buck" Bartley was re-elected May 10, 2016. He will start serving another 2 year term starting June 2016.

The Commissioners will elect a new President of the Commission at the June 13th meeting.

The Town Commissioners would like to acknowledge Election Supervisor Marti Andress for her hard work and cookies for the voters!

## Heritage Days 2016

As part of Heritage Days 2016, the Brookeville Academy will be open on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 12noon – 4:00pm. Town Resident Sandy Heiler has put together an exciting afternoon:

*Visit the Brookeville Academy (circa 1810) and learn about the town's history and life in the early 1800s. Exhibit of artifacts uncovered by archaeologists at the Madison House and Thomas Mill sites. Walking tours of this "U.S. Capital for a Day" highlighting Brookeville during the War of 1812.*

For more information and to learn what sites will be open that weekend, please visit:

<http://www.heritagemontgomery.org/content/heritage-days-0>

## Ash Tree Removal

Sadly, the beloved Ash Tree at the Brookeville Academy needs to be removed. The Town consulted with several tree experts and it has been determined the Ash Tree has structural deterioration throughout the trunk and limbs. Now considered a safety hazard, the tree will be taken down.

Pogo Tree Experts was the lowest bidder and was awarded the contract. The tree will be removed the latter part of May, after an emergency HAWP is issued.

# Organic Lawn Care

The Town Commissioners approved a contract with A.I.R. Lawn Care for natural, organic lawn care at the Academy. A.I.R is a local Montgomery County company and was recommended by a Town Resident.

For more information, please visit: <http://contactair.today/ecofriendly-natural-organic-landscaping-lawncare-company/>

## Burning on Private Property

Open burning of material is prohibited in Montgomery County except under certain circumstances. In these cases, a permit is required from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and/or strict guidelines must be followed. Please refer to the link below for information about open burning in the County, including how to apply for a burn permit or file a complaint about illegal burning.

The following items may not be burned in the County at any time:

- Household trash
- Tires
- Construction debris
- Asphalt shingles and tar paper
- Leaves, lawn thatch, and garden trimmings
- Green brush and other fresh or dried plant life (except certain agricultural materials)

## News from Your Neighbors

### Light Hauling:

Debbie Wagner can do light hauling to thrift store, transfer station, wherever. She will take metal items for no charge.  
dwagnero602@gmail.com

### Recycle Market Packs:

If anyone has 4-packs, 6-packs, or 9-packs in good shape left over after planting their gardens, I'd like them (the plastic containers, not your plants!). dwagnero602@gmail.com

### Birth Announcement

Mike and Sara Oestreich and Big Sister Ella welcomed Holden Thor Oestreich. Born April 14, 2016. 8 pounds 6oz, 19.5 inches.

*Congratulations to the Oestreich Family!*

### New Neighbors

The Roy Family moved to Water Street this May.  
**Welcome to Brookeville!**

## 2016 Town Directory

The latest edition of the Town Directory is now available (1 per household). If you did not pick-up your copy yet, please contact the Town Clerk to obtain a copy.

# Community Events

## **Sandy Spring Museum's 35th Annual Strawberry Festival**

June 4, 2016 | 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

*A celebration of community!*

Sandy Spring Museum is thrilled to celebrate with friends, neighbors, visitors, and guests at this year's 35th Annual Strawberry Festival. The Sandy Spring Museum is a non-profit organization and this event is our biggest fundraiser of the year. This widely anticipated festival has now become a Sandy Spring tradition and part of the town's history, attracting thousands of people (approx. 6,000) who come to enjoy the small-town atmosphere, live music, fresh strawberries, handmade crafts, children's games, and more

## **Committee for Montgomery Annual Meeting**

Monday June 6, 2016 from 8:00am - 10:00am

The Universities at Shady Grove  
Building II, Conference Center  
9630 Gudelsky Drive  
Rockville, MD 20850

The State of the State Budget with Maryland Secretary of Budget and Management, David R. Brinkley and the Executive Director of the Maryland General Assembly Office of Legislative Services, Warren G. Deschenaux.

Contact : Barbara Henry

Committee for Montgomery 240-893-0048

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Suzanne Daley (2017)	301.260.1699
Katherine Farquhar (2017), President	240.753.2121

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

Chris Scanlon (2016), Chair	Miche Booz (2016)
Bruce Evans (2016)	Andy Spagnolo (2019)
Fred Teal (2016)	Stefan Syski (2019)
Debbie Wagner (2016)	

**Brookeville Board of Elections Supervisors:**

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

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**and Rentals**

Andrea Scanlon