

# The Riverdale Park Town Crier

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#### Town Hall

5008 Queensbury Road 301-927-6381

#### **Department of Public Works**

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#### **Police Department**

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## **Bates Trucking and Trash Collection**

Bulk Trash Collection BY APPOINTMENT ONLY 301-773-2069

Residents must call by 2 p.m. Tuesday for Wednesday pickup





## Riverdale Park Arts Council ArtsFest 2015: Call for Vendors

By Samuel Williams

The Riverdale Park Arts Council (RPAC) is seeking vendors for the 2015 ArtsFest to be held on Sunday, May 3 from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at 4650 Queensbury Road (at the MARC station). The cost per vendor is \$40.

However, if you are currently a RPAC member the cost is \$30. You can locate and print a copy of the a vendor application (see Artist Application) by going to the RPAC website and download a version: <a href="http://www.rpartscouncil.org/artists-application.html">http://www.rpartscouncil.org/artists-application.html</a>

Or you can submit your vendor application by printing a copy of the Artist Application PDF attachment provided.

Mail your application with a check or money order to:

Attn: RPAC Vendor Committee

Hyattsville Community Development Corporation

4312 Hamilton Street

Hyattsville, MD 20781

To make a credit card payment, call Stuart Eisenberg @ Hyattsville Community Development Corporation (301) 683-8267. However, if you are interested in upgrading your business exposure at the ArtsFest 2015, also see attached our "Gold" and "Silver" sponsorship packages. NOTE: The deadline for applications is March 27, 2015.

If you have any questions, feel free to call RPAC President Samuel Williams at (909) 380-4231 or *scribenoir@gmail.com*.

#### **Council Actions**

By Waverly Pollitt

## Legislative Meeting December 1, 2014

#### **Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve consent agenda items: - Approved

- 1. Closing of Town Center from 2:00 a.m. on May 3, 2015, until 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 2015, to support the Arts Fest
- 2. Minutes from the November 3, 2014 Legislative Meeting

#### **Legislative Action Items:**

- 1. Motion regarding Building Permit Application for 5802 Taylor Road to include curb cut (Ward 3)
- 2. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2014-OR-09 regarding fences-Adopted

#### **Unfinished Business:**

1. Motion to direct the Mayor to write a letter to the 22nd delegation to establish the Town's legislative priorities- **Approved** 

## Legislative Meeting January 5, 2015

#### **Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve consent agenda items: - Approved

- 1. Minutes from December 1, 2014 Legislative Meeting
- 2. Resolution 2015-R-01 regarding time and place of election
- 3. Resolution 2015-R-02 authorization for paper ballots
- 4. Resolution 2015-R-04 to establish a candidate filing deadline

#### **Legislative Action Items:**

1. Resolution 2015-R-03 to establish a candidate filing fee

#### Code's Corner

By Colleen C. Ferguson

The Town of Riverdale Park Town Code Chapter 50, requires that all storage PODS and construction dumpsters display a valid town permit while on residential property and/ or town street. Violation of this code carries a fine of one hundred dollars.

#### Town of Riverdale Park

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#### Town Hall

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Mayor Vernon Archer, 240-832-2257 varcher@riverdaleparkmd.gov

Council Members

**Ward 1**–Jonathan W. Ebbeler, Chair, Econ Development, 404-626-2082 jebbeler@riverdaleparkmd.gov

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Ward 5 – Raymond Rivas Chair, Community Affairs, 301-625-9435

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David Morris, **Police Chief** 

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Information - 301-927-0356

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It is the policy of the Town of Riverdale Park, pursuant to the provision of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and The Americans with Disabilities Act, to prohibit discrimination against qualified persons with disabilities in any aspect of employment within the government.

It is also the policy of the Town of Riverdale Park to disallow discrimination in fair housing based on race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, disabilities, and/or age.

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**§50-16 Dumpsters and Storage Receptacles on Residential Property.** [Added 6-4-12, effective 11-5-12] No dumpster or other receptacle for the temporary storage or transport of construction or other debris, or for the temporary storage of household or other items, greater in size than three cubic yards, shall be placed on residential property without a permit issued by the Town. Permits shall expire not later than 90 days after issuance, and shall be subject to such further conditions as the Town Administrator may require. The cost of a permit is twenty-five dollars (\$25). A permit may be extended for up to an

additional 90 days in any twelve-month period by the Town Administrator upon payment of a twenty-five dollar \$25 extension fee, and thereafter by the Town Administrator for up to an additional 90 days in the same period upon good cause shown and payment of an additional twenty-five dollar \$25 extension fee. Any further extension within the same period may be authorized only by the Town Council for a period of up to an additional 90 days upon a showing of exceptional circumstance and payment of an additional twenty-five dollar \$25 extension fee

POD/dumpster permits can be obtained at Riverdale Park Town Hall, 5008 Queensbury Road, Riverdale Park, MD.



## Mayor's Report

By Mayor Vernon Archer

#### Saving Money on Lighting in Town

Town government is always looking for new and innovative ways to save money and whenever possible to reduce energy use and the pollution that usually goes along with it. We are well along in one such effort that we all see regularly and I want to tell you about it. This project is to convert the towns lights, both street lights and building lights, from conventional lights to light-emitting diodes (LED) lighting.

LED lighting is more efficient, durable, and versatile than conventional lighting such as incandescent, compact fluorescent and halogen lighting systems. The useful life of LED lighting products is defined differently than that of other conventional light sources. This is because LEDs typically do not "burn out" or fail with a life expectancy of 11 to 15 years. Additionally LEDs produce two to three times more light per watt, delivering anywhere from 30% to 70% in annual electricity savings.

As an example, the Department of Public Works is in the process of replacing 150-watt halogen streetlights with 80-watt LED lights with no loss in light output or lumens. A significant part of the project is converting the decorative black-metal poles to LEDs. The entire conversion will be done over three years, with savings from the initial program in electrical spending being reinvested in subsequent years conversion of more LED street lights. It should also be noted that after the initial installation the expected longer life of the lights will also save the town on operational cost to maintain them.

Our government buildings are also being retrofitted to LED lights. We have recently converted the Police Department and Public Works facilities lights through a PEPCO grant at no cost to the town. This grant program sponsored by PEPCO was mainly setup to help small businesses upgrade their lights so any of your small business owners should look into it too!

#### **Riverdale Residents Take Part in Community Policing**

The idea of community policing can take on more than a single meaning, but I certainly have always expected that the closer the connections between our residents and the police the safer our community will be for all of us. Most of the initiatives are focused on the police and its professional staff, but there are also some programs that enable residents to become much better informed about what policing entails in our town, county, and state.

One such program is Prince George's County Police Department's Citizens' Police Academy. I am pleased to recognize and commend Riverdale Park residents Lori Holzberger, Miranda Holzberger, Taylor Calavetinos, Bruce Wernek, and RPPD Communications Manager Lani Lindsey on their successful completion and graduation from this program. They committed themselves to weekly meetings for 12 weeks. The Academy allows our community participants to become familiar with both county and municipal law enforcement. Participants gain exposure to officer related training such as investigative procedures, conflict management, crime scene investigations, internal affairs investigations, less lethal weapons, judgment enhancement training, and much more.

I want to echo Police Chief David Morris when he told me "This community program is more important than ever as law enforcement and communities continue to work together building and maintaining trust and communication between the police and the community." If you are interested in participating in an upcoming Academy class, please contact Chief Morris at 301-927-4343 or email awendland@riverdaleparkmd.gov for information.

#### **Riversdale Events**

#### Black History Month at Riversdale: The Plummers' Kitchen

In February, Riversdale House Museum explores how enslaved workers, including Riversdale's Plummer family, would have eaten. Join the Riversdale Kitchen Guild for their monthly Seasonal Selections program on Sunday, February 22, 2015, from noon to 3:30 pm in the dependency kitchen at Riversdale House Museum. Watch as they recreate early-to-mid 19th century traditional African-American foods. Participants will be able to view these dishes being made on the open hearth by costumed interpreters using period cookware. Seasonality of garden produce will also be discussed in reference to Plummer's profit-generating produce sales.

Riversdale, completed in 1807, was home to Rosalie and George Calvert, descendant of the fifth Lord Baltimore. The Calverts owned several slaves, including Adam Plummer. Plummer arrived at Riversdale as a child. Upon George's death, ownership of the estate and slaves passed to his son, Charles Benedict. His new master allowed Plummer to keep the profits from produce he grew on a part of the estate. Eventually, Plummer married an enslaved woman, Emily Saunders, from Three Sisters Plantation in Lanham, MD. Plummer continued to live at Riversdale apart from his wife. However, after Maryland abolished slavery, Adam Plummer, reunited with his wife and family, remained at Riversdale as a paid overseer.

Regular admission fees apply and include a tour of the house. \$3/adults, \$2/seniors, \$1/students 5-18, FREE ages 4 & under. No reservations necessary.

For more information or to register, call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544; email Riversdale@pgparks.com; or visit our website: history.pgparks.com.

Riversdale House Museum, a National Historic Landmark, is located at 4811 Riverdale Road, in Riverdale Park, Maryland. This facility is owned and operated by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning.

## **Ward and Committee Reports**

### **Ward Two Report**

By Council Member Alan Thompson akthompson@riverdaleparkmd.gov

#### **M Square Covenants**

At both the December and January Town Council meetings I discussed covenants on the commercial properties north of Tuckerman Street in Ward 2 (the "M Square" area). Covenants, for those who don't know, are legal documents that restrict the use of property and are attached to the title of the property, and as such remain in effect when the property is sold. Over the last 30 to 40 years, many covenants (about a dozen) have been set up in this area, and have generally reinforced the current Transit District Development Plan (TDDP) to produce the office park that is up there now.

With new ideas on the table for development in that area, the covenants have become a problem. The sort of development that the revised TDDP envisions, with mixed commercial and residential uses, pedestrian friendly streetscapes, etc., cannot be completed with the current covenants in place. In the interest of seeing the revised TDDP proposal succeed (the Town has been extremely involved in the revision of the TDDP), I have been reviewing, in cooperation with the Town Attorney and property owners, all of the covenants for which the Town is an involved party.

After my review, I have concluded that if (and only if) the revised TDDP as currently proposed is passed, the good parts of the covenants (including building materials, restrictions on uses of property, etc.) will be preserved. I have also concluded that the covenants are at this time mostly serving to discourage development – having to compare a building plan with a dozen sometimesinconsistent covenants and planning guidelines are expensive, time consuming, and (having

tried to work with property owners on building plans in the past) frustrating.

Because of these conclusions, my plan moving forward is to develop a plan with the other parties involved with covenants to terminate all of them, and move forward with the plan **after** the current version of the revised TDDP (possibly with minor amendments) has been adopted by the District Council. This process will take some time, and will require the action of the Town Council as a whole, so if you are interested/concerned watch this newsletter and the Town's email lists to stay informed (feel free to attend Town Council meetings as well!).

#### **Proposed Baltimore Avenue 7-11 Store**

On December 3 the Riverdale Park Mixed-Use Town Center (MUTC) Local Design Review Committee voted to recommend denial of an application to put a 7-11 at the southeast corner of Sheridan Street and Baltimore Avenue (Route 1). The applicant has multiple options going forward, including circumventing the MUTC process by putting the project through the special permit process with the County. Stay tuned!

#### Farmers' Market

The Farmers' Market is open every Thursdays from 3pm to 7pm indoors (!) at 6204 Rhode Island Avenue. If you haven't been to visit since it re-opened indoors, you should come! One room has tables and live music; the vendors are in an adjacent room. It has such a nice community feel, and it's really great to be able to buy all our favorite things throughout the winter. Recent markets have included radishes, cilantro, beans, butternut squash, spaghetti squash, white potatoes, sweet potatoes, rabe, turnips, chard, jams and jellies, apples, pastured meats, Riverdale special roaster chickens, fresh small batch roasted coffees, goat gelato, fried goat cheese curds, artisan aged and raw milk goat cheeses.

I'd like to close my report by thanking volunteers and the Town Staff (in all departments) for making the many activities of the Town during the holiday season successful. I know from working with everyone that it took a lot of hard work to make it all happen, and I appreciate the effort! I really enjoyed celebrating the holidays with my neighbors and friends; this is made possible by the hard work of a lot of people. Thank you, all!

## **Public Works Report**

By Leonard Addison

Saturday Drop Off – The next scheduled dates for 2015 for drop off of bulk trash on the third Saturday of each month, from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM, are: February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20. July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21 and December 19

<u>Holiday Trash Collection</u> – Regular trash will <u>not</u> be collected on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> because of President's day, but will resume on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

Office Closings – Town offices will be closed Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> for the holiday.

Leaf Vacuuming Service - The Town's leaf vacuuming service ended on January 17<sup>th</sup>. All vard waste should be in brown paper bags or in containers marked "yard waste," in order for it to be collected weekly on Wednesdays. Yard waste will no longer be collected in plastic bags. For additional information please call 311 or If you have followed the 301-883-5810. instructions for yard waste collection and your yard waste is not collected, please call the Department of Public Works at 301-864-1803 on the same date that the collection was missed. If the office is closed when you call, please leave your name, telephone and address.

<u>Snow Emergency Conditions</u> — Snow emergency conditions shall be considered in effect within the Town of Riverdale Park whenever a snow emergency is declared in effect in Prince George's County by the Prince

George's County Executive, the Maryland State Highway Administration or the Maryland State Police.

#### Laws that apply:

- During any period in which a snow emergency condition exists and a snow emergency is in effect, it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on any part of any street designated as a snow emergency street, provided that signs have been erected on that street giving notice that such street is a designated snow emergency street.
- During any period in which a snow emergency condition is in effect, it shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on the <u>odd-numbered side of any public street</u> in the Town of Riverdale Park regardless of whether such street has been designated a snow emergency street. Streets with parking restricted on one side are exempt from this section.
- Any vehicle parked in violation of the snow emergency provisions of the section may be removed and impounded by or under the direction of any duly-authorized police officer. The owner of said vehicle, in addition to any towing or impound fee, shall be liable for a fine of \$250.

<u>Snow and Ice Removal</u> – As we enter into the snow season, please note that Public Works crews will be plowing and salting Town streets and parking lots to clear snow and ice. As in the past, we will treat our streets in the following method:

**Primary Streets** - i.e., Riverdale Road Taylor Road Lafayette Avenue, Queensbury Road, etc.

**Secondary Streets** – i.e., DuPont Circle, Cleveland Avenue, Rhode Island Avenue, Quesada Road, Beale, 49<sup>th</sup> and 48<sup>th</sup> Avenues., Silk Tree Drive, etc.

**Residential Streets** – i.e., Oliver St., Madison St., Rittenhouse St., 47<sup>th</sup> Ave., Somerset Rd., Sora Ln., etc.

Please note: our major roadways, (Rt. 201, Rt. 1, Rt. 410, Good Luck Road), will be treated by the State and County.

Residents of our Town should note that they will be responsible for doing their part by keeping the walkway in front of their property

cleaned of snow and ice after each event.

## What Residents Can Do?

 Whenever possible, move parked cars off the street so that snowplows can remove the snow



from the street from curb to curb.

- If off-street parking is not available, park on the even side of the street (violators will be subject to having their vehicles impounded and fined \$250 - 64-10(b)(c)).
- Be patient during any snow emergency as crews work around the clock to clear the streets.
- Clear sidewalks in front of residence and refrain from depositing snow back on to the roadway (this can potentially cause an accident).

<u>Prince George's County Information</u> – To expedite requests for services provided by Prince George's County's, residents should utilize their information number, **which is 311.** Using that number will enable residents to address county related concerns such as questions, complaints, animal control requests, or other service needs for which the county is responsible.

**Animal Control** – The Department of Environmental Resources Management Division handles all calls related to animal control in your community. Please contact them if there are animals in a trap, sick, any cruelty to animals, animal spaying or neutering, dangerous animals, animal carcasses, or other animal related issues in your neighborhood, please call Animal the Management Division at 301-780-7200. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 11:30 am - 7:30 pm, and Saturday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Closed Sundays and Thursdays.

The public can view animals on Monday, Tuesday and Friday 12:00 noon – 6:00 pm and on Saturday from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Closed Sundays and Thursdays. The office is located at 3750 Brown Station Road, Upper Marlboro 20772.

## How to Prevent Becoming a Victim of Crime

By Kevin Caulfield President, Madison Hill HOA

I want to start by wishing all a Happy New Year and for all a Happy and Healthy, Wealthy and Wise 2015.

The purpose of this article is to advise people on how to close up some of the loopholes in their private lives that may enable potential criminals the opportunity to penetrate.

Remember, a fort with weak cornerstones is no fort at all and a castle built on sand will come crumbling down in no time. Naivety is a thing of the past and society should rather be acquiring skills in risk management, strategic living and be seeking wisdom above all else. It is not the intent of this article to raise fear amongst its readers, but to rather serve as a practical preventative survival methodology.

1. Keep life in perspective. One can elevate one thing (often an unimportant thing) over what matters in life in no time. This could be money, a relationship, an asset, a job or a person. Conduct a priority check on a regular basis to ensure you have life in perspective and that nothing that you value has become out of sync in relation to the rest of life. This could place you at a risk of becoming a victim of crime. Potential criminals often study their victims and view areas where the victim is highly emotionally

- invested as a possible weak link for penetration.
- Protect your vulnerability. Vulnerability is beneficial as it keeps you connected with your 'humanness'. In current society, vulnerability should be run through a sieve of wisdom before being expressed. The reasons for this suggestion ties in with the point mentioned above.
- 3. Carefully chose the company you keep. It has been said that 'bad company corrupts good character'. This is true. People also judge you on the company you keep. Often however, the seemingly most innocent person can turn out to be the most vicious at heart when provoked. This is therefore not a foolproof methodology, but one should keep a smaller circle of close friends whose actions and lifestyle you have observed in a variety of circumstances as opposed to exposing yourself to a large community of people without applying good judgment.
- 4. Avoid allowing strangers into your home or closed living space. Communes and buddy-living are fast becoming a thing of the past. Bachelor apartments are in for those who prefer to go solo and families are even fast reducing their living space. This simple living concept is supported by those encouraging the prevention of crime. The reason for suggesting this is that you can easily invite a vicious criminal into your home or onto your property without being aware of it. Don't pick up strangers and invite them into your home. Don't easily go home with strangers either.
- 5. Spend a little extra money on home security. This depends on the area you live in. Some areas are more prone to crime than others and therefore this needs to be placed into perspective. Comply with your Insurance Companies' minimum security requirements. Insurance Companies have a large database of losses per area that are made available to them. The better Companies make security suggestions to their clients based on loss history specific to

- the area they reside in. Although not foolproof, precautionary measures are recommended for a reason. Try and have a little more security fitted than your neighbors. The reason for this is their house may seem more attractive to an opportunist potential thief or armed robber at crunch time.
- 6. Be cautious with dangerous objects in your home. Although a vicious murder can be committed with an item like a garden spade, one should be careful and responsible when it comes to your living environment. Keeping dangerous objects, like firearms safely locked away according to the legislation of your country when not in use.
- 7. Don't be careless with valuables. Keep valuables like expensive jewelry under lock and key when not in use.
- Be skeptical of your home-assistants. Some countries promote having maids, home-assistants, au-pairs etc. Try and use a reputable agency to locate these people. Check their credentials and references. Many thefts and armed robberies, once investigated, point straight to the home-assistant.
- 9. Take advantage of neighborhood watch. countries have neighbor-hood watches or resort to protecting their communities by fencing off certain residential streets and appointing a guard to man a boom gate entrance point for these areas. All these things are not foolproof, but serve as deterrents. Thieves will often rather bother the suburb next door that doesn't have these little inconveniences.
- 10. Avoid walking alone at night or in potentially unsafe areas. In some countries, this is still safe, but in most, this is viewed as a high risk and due precaution should be exercised. There is an element of safety in numbers and to deny this is foolishness.
- 11. Break routine as much as possible. Suspecting criminals watch for routine in a potential victim's lifestyle. The more

information they have about the victim, the better. Try to not arrive at home or leave for work at exactly the same time every day. Control freaks who live by strict agendas, time frames and strict routines are at risk of being victims of crime. Being overly controlling of your environment is not going to protect you from this possible risk. Everything in balance is the key.

- 12. Build a reputation of integrity. Ensure you keep your life clean and pure at all times. Live above reproach. This way, nobody will be able to blackmail you, be successful in bribing you to protect in Avoid false senses of security. Communal or town-house living is promoted as the safest living option, but this is not always the case. The traffic into and out of the property is somewhat controlled, but living in your own house (if possible) where you have better control over the traffic in and out of it is probably the safer option.
- 13. Avoid false senses of security. Communal or town-house living is promoted as the safest living option, but this is not always the case. The traffic into and out of the property is somewhat controlled, but living in your own house (if possible) where you have better control over the traffic in and out of it is probably the safer option.
- 14. Don't easily entrust your personal possessions to another. Don't leave your assets at a person's home if you can avoid it. Don't be quick to borrow items to a person, even to a friend. If you are prepared to do that, consider getting it back a treat. This is also a sure way to damage a friendship, rather than build it.
- 15. Be aware of petty theft opportunities. The basics like holding tightly on to your handbag in public places, being aware of potential pickpockets, not flashing cash in public or not leaving your cellphone or handbag on the car seat next to you or in public view whilst driving always apply.

Crime is a pandemic that is fast taking over the world. With the recession in the world's economy; fraud, corruption, theft, falsehood and violent crime is rampant. In realizing that hurt people hurt others, one should understand that the chances of one becoming a victim of crime are no longer a mere possibility, but a reality. Education is power and power will give you a fighting chance to combat crime at it very core and lessen the odds of you becoming a victim of crime.

#### **Local Organizations**

**Lion's Club Meeting:** Every Fourth Wednesday. Contact President Patrick J. Prangley at (240) 882-4993.

Northern County Soccer Alliance: Contact NCSA@soccer.net or (301) 577-3559.

Riverdale Park Boys Scouts Troop 252:
Contact: Scoutmaster Boh Killen at (301) 4

Contact: Scoutmaster Bob Killen at (301) 483-8455.

**Madison Hill Homeowners Association:** For information, call (301) 583-8857 or www.madisonhill.biz.

**Riversdale Historical Society:** Riversdale Mansion. Contact (301) 864-0420.

**Riverdale Park Farmer's Market:** Contact Jim Coleman at (301) 586-5973.

Riverdale Boys & Girls Club: E-

mail riverdaleboysgirlsclub@yahoo.com (301) 277-KIDS.

**Riverdale Park Business Association:** Contact Bruce Wernek at 240-684-0795 for meeting site.

Riverdale Park Arts Council: Contact Jeffrey Yorke at (301) 502-1243 or yorkedial@gmail.com

The Historical Association of Riverdale Park (HARP):

Website: www.riverdaleparkhistory.org E-mail: harp@riverdaleparkhistory.org

