



A Publication of News and Events

Celebrating
22 YEARS

Eventually everything comes back to you. You get back what you give out. Nancy Reagan

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Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.443-0087.

•Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7 pm

•Planning Commission Meetings are held at least quarterly on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 pm Public Hearings, Public Workshops, Special Appeals Hearings, etc. are scheduled as needed. Check the website for updates www.trappemd.net or on FACEBOOK.



Trappe Police Department Chief George Ball was honored on Sunday, March 20th, as the State of Maryland, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) 2015 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. The award was presented by the Maryland VFW State Commander at the Harney VFW Post in Carroll County, with the National VFW Commander in attendance. Ball had been selected as the Talbot County and District 4 VFW 2015 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year earlier this year, and his name was submitted to the State. Ball will now be considered, representing the State of Maryland, as the National VFW 2015 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, who will be selected at a later date.

Easton VFW Post 5118 Commander Mike Johnson and Sr Vice Commander Kenley Timms attended the ceremony and are pictured with Ball in the photo above.



FROM THE TOWN CLERK

The town office hours are:

Mon, Tue, Wed and Thur 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Fri 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Closed in the afternoon

NEW PHONE NUMBERS Ph 410-443-0087 Fax 410-443-0562

www.trappemd.net

Wastewater Treatment Plant

Call town office number during business hours.

Emergency on call #410-476-7462

Water bills are to be paid by the due date either in person, by mail or via on line banking. Watch the due date-it varies each month. *Credit card payment* now offered for a small fee. Council and Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend. Faxing, copying, notary services are available at the town office during regular office hours for a small fee.

Water bills are due on April 25th. Next meter reading will be April 26-27th.

The town office accepts credit card payments.

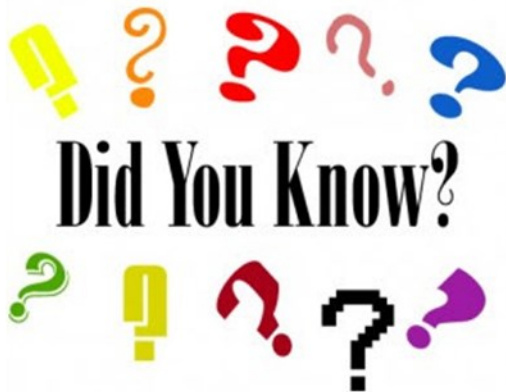
There is a service fee of \$3 to \$5 depending on the charge being paid for with the credit card.

Don't forget the town office & wwtp have new phone & fax numbers!

On Holidays and after hours the new phone system will connect you with the water treatment plant on call employee by pressing 1 FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY! Water shut-off for non-payment is NOT an emergency. Water will be turned on during normal business hours after payment is made at the office. Town staff do not accept payments anywhere but the town office.

DOG FLUSHES TOILET

Ok, so that didn't happen but don't you wish dogs could dispose of their waste as easily as humans? The Town Office has received **nu-merous** complaints about dog feces on the sidewalk, street, public parks and in yards that **don't** own animals. This is unhealthy and unsanitary. You are responsible for picking up after your dog. There is a law in town that requires all dogs to either be on a leash or under the owner's command when not on their own property. Therefore, some of you must be commanding your dog to poop in your neighbor's yard. Be a good neighbor-be a good citizen-clean it up-It's the LAW.



Did You Know?

The Town's new website has gone live! Please check us out at www.trappemd.net and let us know what you think. Please keep in mind that we are still making corrections here and there so bear with us but we are excited over the new layout and design. Also "like" us on Facebook to quickly get up to date information and learn about upcoming meetings and events. You can find us at
- Town of Trappe, Maryland.

RT 565 SIDEWALK UPDATE

In mid-March representatives of State Highway (SHA) came to Trappe to meet with Council, and Staff to discuss two draft designs for sidewalks along Rt 565.

The sidewalk is proposed from Home Run Baker Park to White Marsh Elementary School. The sidewalk construction will be paid for by SHA. The town will be responsible for obtaining additional right of way from property owners IF needed. The Planning Commission reviewed the designs, and has recommended that the "closed" sidewalk option be selected. The Council will discuss the plans & make a decision at the April 6th meeting. A concept plan is at the town office.

APRIL 2016

*When the time is ripe for certain things,
these things appear in different places in the manner
of violets coming to light in the early spring.*

Farkas Bolyai

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Siren test TUMC Tea & fashion show 2-4
6	4 <i>SOUP DAY</i> <i>TVFD 4 until?</i>	5	6 Council Meeting 7 pm	7	8 Report cards	9 TUMC country breakfast 7:30-10:00
10	11	12 <i>WMES</i> <i>Grandparents club mtg 1:30</i>	13	14	15 <i>Index items due</i>	16
WMES BOOK FAIR APRIL 11-15						
17	18	19	20 Planning Comm Mtg 7 pm	21	22	23 TUMC breakfast 7:30-10 Daddy & daughter dance WMES
24	25 	26 Pre-K & K registration <i>Pay bulk trash</i>	27	28	29 BULK TRASH DAY	30
		Read Water Meters				

Submit news item along with your water bill or send them to the Town Office or to *Index* editor, Ann Frock 410.443-0087 trappeindex@gmail.com
Priority is given to events within the Town of Trappe. The Town reserves the right to edit or refuse submissions for publication. It is preferred that items be typed or emailed please.

TALBOT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Please note: the **WMES School Improvement Team (SIT) Plan** is available online at www.tcps.k12.md.us/schools/white-marsh1 Paper copies available at the town office.

April 4 - last day to order yearbooks, WMES
April 8 - report cards issued
April 11-15 - Spring Book Fair, WMES
April 20, 7pm - Board of Education Meeting, Education Ctr
April 22-24 and April 29 and 30 - "Hello Dolly" Musical at EHS

April 23 - Daddy-Daughter Dance, WMES
April 26 - SCHOOL CLOSED, in-service day (no school for students)
April 26 - Pre-K and Kindergarten registration, **WMES 8am-4pm**
June 2nd-5th grade graduation 1:30 pm

Trappe LIONS

Hometown folks leading the way to a better tomorrow by helping to support our community today



The Trappe Lions Club will be having this year's first Chicken Bar-B-Que on Saturday, **April 2**, located at the traffic light on Route 50. All proceeds will be donated to an individual who is battling cancer.

Please come out and help our cause. Call 410-476-4309 to reserve dinners. **WE SERVE!!**

Talbot County Free Library tcfl.org 410-822-1626

Free & open to the public

Some require pre-registration. Please pre-register for all children's programs.



Activities include storytimes, play group, Valentine's crafts, Discover Your World (book, art & science for children), Meet the Bees, Family Unplugged Games, Family Movie April 16th *Sacred Planet* book talks, readings, memoir writing, Stich & Chat, and more.

Thursday, April 14, 6:30 p.m. ~ Three Episodes in Taxation in Nineteenth Century Maryland
Easton stamp collector Ron Leshar explores three episodes in the history of taxes in Maryland: the Supreme Court eliminated one, the people hated the second, and the third led Maryland to declare lotteries unconstitutional.

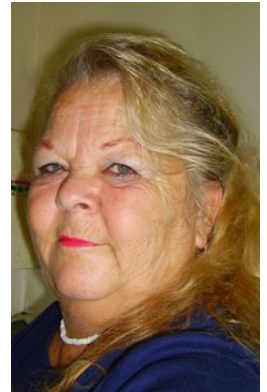
Monday, April 18, 6:30 p.m. ~ Book Discussion: *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande



"Building Our Future by Preserving Our Past"

Welcome Sharon Disney

The Rural Life Museum welcomes Sharon Disney as its newest Board member and new Corresponding Secretary. Sharon has been attending meetings and putting up the flags for some time now. We know she will be an even greater asset with her additional responsibilities.



Sharon, a Maryland native and a Trappe resident since 2009, attends Trappe United Methodist Church and is very helpful at the Country Church Breakfasts held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. She left her job at the Montgomery County Police Department in Traffic Control to drive a school bus so she could be home while her three children were growing up. Now she also has 7 grandchildren. While Sharon loves animals, enjoys hunting, fishing, Nascar, crocheting, cooking, growing vegetables and flowers, she has also found time to drive a school bus for Talbot County and instruct potential new bus drivers as a CDL Driver Trainer for our county. Please introduce yourself when you see her.

P.S. Yes, Sharon and Walt are distantly related.

Our Saturday hours will begin again on April 2nd from 1 to 4 and continue each Saturday until November. In the meantime, we are always happy to show off the museum by appointment. Please do come see us. We are glad to arrange a tour for you & your guests at any time. We will try to accommodate even last minute requests-410-476-3339, 476-4857, or 476-5408. Please visit our website-RuralLifeMuseum.org and like us on Facebook-Rural Life Museum Trappe, MD.

Consider reducing chemical fertilizer and pesticides on your lawn. Runoff from these additives causes pollution in our local waterways.



Trappe United Methodist Church Country Breakfast

2nd and 4th Saturdays each month
7:30 am till 10:00 am

Corner of Powell & Maple .

"A tasty place to eat"



BULK TRASH PICKUP FRIDAY, APRIL 29TH

TOWN OF TRAPPE BULK TRASH REGULATIONS

Large load (over 3 yd³), **over-size or over-weight item** – Call the Town Office at least one (1) week before the scheduled pickup for cost based on loading, hauling and disposal costs.

All materials to be collected must be **generated by the resident at that property**. Bulk trash will not be collected from businesses or other non-residential properties.

Cardboard boxes must be broken down and bundled (max 10 boxes per bundle)

Broken glass should be wrapped in paper and marked as broken glass.

Sharp objects must be placed in metal or hard plastic containers with lids

Leaves must be in tied bags or covered containers (not over eight bags per household). Wet leaves will not be collected.

Sticks must be tied in bundles not more than (3) feet long and not more than sixty (60) pounds.

Tree limbs must not be more than (3) feet long and not more than sixty (60) pounds.

Christmas trees only will be picked up in January. (A free service provided by The Rural Life Museum of Trappe Maryland, Inc.)

Boards, posts, etc. shall not be longer than 3 feet or more than 60 pounds.

Loader piles of vegetative bulk will NOT be picked up.

Rugs must be dry and rolled up and tied, or folded and tied.

No more than one (1) each, hot water heater, refrigerator, freezer, stove, or sofa per residence.

Refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners must have Freon gas removed.

Water-soaked debris will NOT be picked up.

Gas engine driven equipment must have all oil and gas removed before disposal.

Metal items must be separated from other debris and yard waste.

Other Prohibited items include antifreeze, asbestos, concrete, brick or masonry rubble, contractor's waste, dead animals, demolition debris, explosives and ammunition, hazardous materials, Items belonging to someone else, Items prohibited at the landfill, motor oil, paint cans with anything in them, propane tanks, soil and dirt, and tree stumps.

(Other restrictions may apply, check with the town office.)

Items placed for bulk pickup shall be placed near the street not more than four (4) days before a scheduled pickup date. Items shall not be placed on the sidewalk, in the gutter, or on the traveled portion of the street. Items that cannot be legally disposed of in the landfill will not be picked up. The trash hauling contractor may refuse any item(s) when in his judgment the item cannot be safely loaded, transported, and legally disposed of.

TOWN OF TRAPPE, INC.

SPECIAL BULK TRASH PICKUP REQUEST

Pick up date: Friday April 29, 2016

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Contact phone No.: _____

Please mail pickup request and payment to: Town of Trappe, Inc., PO Box 162, Trappe, MD 21673-0162, or drop off at the Trappe Town Office. Request must be received at least 3 days before the scheduled pickup. Questions call 410-443-0087.

 1 Basic pickup fee (under 3 cu. yards – about a pickup truck load) \$ 5.00

 Tires up to 15 in. without the rim \$3.00 each \$ _____

 Tires up to 15 in. on the rim \$6.00 each \$ _____

 Tires over 15 in. without the rim \$4.25 each \$ _____

 Tires over 15 in. on the rim \$8.50 each \$ _____

(Light truck and passenger car tires only – 4 tire limit)

FORM AND PAYMENT DUE BY TUESDAY, April 26th

TOTAL \$ _____



Business Forum for Trappe Business Owners – April 5

Paige Tilghman, director of the Talbot County Office of Economic Development (OED), invites the business owners of Trappe to a Business Forum on Tuesday, April 5 at 8:30 a.m. at the Trappe Town Office, 4011 Powell Avenue. OED would like to reestablish communications with the businesses of Trappe on a quarterly basis in order to discuss opportunities, collaborate and learn more about available resources that may benefit and support your businesses. **FREE** Please RSVP to Michelle Hall at 410-770-6811. Additionally, if you have thoughts or concerns, please email them to MHall@talbgov.org so we may add these items to the agenda.

8th Annual Talbot County Business Appreciation Breakfast

Friday, April 22

8:30-10:00 a.m.

The Elks Club

502 Dutchmans Lane, Easton, Maryland

Tickets are \$25.00. Please RSVP with Michele at mhall@talbgov.org or 410-770-6811 by April 18th

Saluting outstanding Talbot County Businesses including our own *Unicorn Bookshop!*



Easter Egg Hunt & Easter Bonnet Parade a hit with kids, pets and families on Sat March 25th. James Ruff, 17 months old, pictured above loved chasing eggs more than keeping them.



The Asmussen family pose for a picture with the Easter Bunny after the TUMC egg hunt. Special thanks to: Dairy Queen, Talbot Smokehouse, Trappe Family Restaurant, & Tricrown Kennels for donating prizes for the Easter Bonnet parade.



POLICE CHIEF'S CORNER

Recently a small pig was apprehended on Greenfield Avenue disrupting traffic. Fortunately, no people were injured, and the pig was remanded to the Talbot Humane Society. As a reminder agricultural animals are not permitted in town limits unless kept on agriculturally (AG) zoned property. It doesn't matter if it is kept as a pet or food source. This includes pigs, chickens, etc. Thank you for your cooperation.

For Police services, except an emergency, call the 24 hour dispatch number, 410-476-5005. In an **EMERGENCY, ALL 9-1-1**. For confidentiality call me 410-829-0613. As always if you see something say something-don't wait till the next day, or the weekend is over. See it now-report it now!

George Ball, Chief



BUSINESS COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Ads are not sponsored by the Town of Trappe, and content of ads are subject to review and rejection by the editors.

Greenfield Clock Shop
www.greenfieldclockshop.com

Antique and Vintage Clock Repair

Robert H. Crosswell
bobby@greenfieldclockshop.com

4180 Main Street
Trappe, MD 21673-1869
(410) 476-6167 (410) 463-2151

Salon Inspire
KIMBERLY HARDESTY
OWNER/STYLIST



29349 MAPLE AVE
TRAPPE, MD 21673

CALL FOR APPOINTMENT
410-476-6125

JIM DAWSON
410-476-3838

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marty@dotyplumbing.com

(410) 476-3900 (410) 476-3589 Fax

POP'S MARKET
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Mennonite Furniture
& Accessories

4093 Ocean Gateway
Trappe, MD 21673
Lauran Schwoninger

Attention
Trappe Business Owners
April 5th 8:30 a.m.
Business Forum
Town Office

**NATIONAL WORK ZONE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK
STARTS APRIL 10TH**

**Don't Be That Driver: Work on Safety.
Get Home Safely. Every Day.**

Wear orange on Wed April 13th in support of safety.