



A Publication of News and Events



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After hours water/sewer emergency contact 410-476-7462

OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Wed, Thur
8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Fri 8 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Credit card payments accepted

Notary, Copy & Fax service available for small fee.

Council Meeting
Wed. October 4th 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission
Tue. October 10th 7:00 p.m.

The office is closed
Monday, October 9th
Columbus Day

Fri. Oct 27th Bulk Trash

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 Tuesday 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 Volunteer Fire Company News
Soup Day-Monday, October 23rd 5 p.m. until
Cup of Hot Soup, ham biscuit, dessert for \$6.00 donation
Carry outs available as are call ahead orders 410-924-1764 Lou

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY Tuesday, October 31st

Parents be sure to bring your little ones by the fire house for "treats" while making the rounds trick or treating. Snack donations in advance appreciated.

Shopping for Christmas.

The fire company will be hosting the 2017 Holiday Craft Show featuring over 30 tables of locally handcrafted items for your holiday shopping. From duck calls and fishing lures to handcrafted wood items and holiday decorations there will be something for everyone. **Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be available.** Please support your local Fire Company and Vendors on Saturday, November 18th from 9 am—3 pm.

President Ben Diefenderfer, Chief Nick Newnam
410-476-3535 non-emergency number



Trappe Police Department Future Uncertain

In September the Council of Trappe took public comment regarding the desire and/or need for a town police department even if it means a future increase in taxes. The Council shared the expense associated with a full-time dedicated town officer, and listened as residents talked about crime & existing police coverage from other agencies. Talbot County Sheriff Joe Gamble candidly discussed calls for service & options available from his staff. The Council will continue deliberation on the matter at the October 4th meeting.



News from the Trappe Community Outreach Team:

We've applied for a grant again this year to help bring activities to our community. We will also occasionally need help to offset the costs so that everyone can participate in these events. Feel free to join us each month as we plan ways to support our community, and have some fun. Contact Flo Adams 410-463-1319 or the Town Office for the next meeting date. And now a message from the Talbot County Smoking Cessation Program:

*Kids-do you know why animals don't smoke?
Giraffe: my neck is about 6 feet long. That is one long sore throat! Tobacco can cause cancer of the mouth & throat.
Elephant: I have the largest brain of any land animal! The nicotine in tobacco changes your brain. It can cause addiction.
Tobacco free is the way to be.*

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, November 19th
4 p.m.

Musical program by King's Ambassadors followed by lighting of the outdoor community Christmas tree. A FREE light supper will follow the program. Trappe United Methodist Church.



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TRICK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 31
6-8 PM

TURN PORCH LIGHT ON TO PARTICIPATE

FREE NARCAN TRAINING

Thursday, October 5th

St Paul's Parish hall-Main Street.

Time-6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. For more info. call Flo at 410-463-1319 or the town office at 410-443-0087.

Sponsored by the Community Outreach Group.

Talbot County Health Dept Prevention Services

Presents

“WRITTEN OFF”

A film based on the book “What I Couldn't Tell You” by Matthew Edwards and Jane Funk, and chronicles the life of Matthew as he struggled with addiction to opioid drugs. It is our hope that parents & other concerned community members will continue to become aware of the stigma & shame of addiction & find ways to intervene.

The film is about 70 minutes and FREE Narcan training will be offered immediately after the film to attendees who wish to be trained.

Trappe Volunteer Fire Department

Tuesday, November 7th

6-8 p.m.



Scotts United Methodist Church- Rev. Dartanyon L. Hines, Pastor, announces:

Appreciation Banquet, Saturday, Oct 21st Honoring members of the church. Trappe Fire Hall 3 p.m. Donation of \$25 requested. Call church office for tickets 410-476-3980.

Saturday, October 28th-**Nace Hopkins Cruising Exhibition** 11 am-4 pm Old Trappe

Ballfield behind Veterans Park. Benefits Nace Hopkins Scholarship Fund. Contact James Miller

410-924-9207 or Charles Boulden 410-330-3318. Saturday, November 4th- **Nace's Day 150th**

Anniversary Celebration & Parade.-Morning service at 10 a.m. Parade line up at 11:30 a.m. Parade registration due by October 20th. Questions—Robin Watson 410-829-4790



TOWN OF TRAPPE, INC.

SPECIAL BULK TRASH PICKUP REQUEST

Pick up date: Friday October 27, 2017

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 by 3 days before the scheduled pickup.

_ 1	Basic pickup fee (under 3 cu. yards – about a pickup truck load)	\$ <u>10.00</u>
_____	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)

TOTAL \$ _____

PAYMENT & FORM DUE BY **TUESDAY, October 24th**
410-443-0087

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.

Water Disconnection Policy Reminder

The Town office has received quite a few questions lately regarding the Town's water disconnection policy so we thought it would be beneficial to everyone to send out a reminder. The Town's policy became effective on January 1, 2017 and is as follows:

1. Water/sewer bills are mailed out monthly with a due date for the following month.
2. If payment is not received in the office on or before the due date, a 2% late fee will be assessed.
3. If payment is not received before 10 days after the due date, a disconnect notice is issued. Each disconnect notice is mailed to every homeowner and is also posted on the front door of each rental property.
4. The disconnect notice will give the owner and/or tenant an additional 10 days to pay their bill in full to avoid disconnection.
5. If payment is not received in full by the close of the 10th day following the issuance of the disconnect notice, the water will be disconnected the following business day at 8:00 am and a \$35.00 disconnect fee will be assessed to the account immediately. An account is considered disconnected when the address is given to the water department for disconnection, and NOT when the water is physically disconnected. So in other words – if the water department receives notice at 8:15 am to disconnect your water and you come into the office to pay before they actually get to your property to disconnect the water, you will still be required to pay the \$35.00 disconnection fee.
6. To have your water reconnected, the entire past due bill along with a \$35.00 disconnection fee and a \$35.00 reconnection fee must be received by the Town office. The Town office is the only place that payments will be accepted – **the water department employees WILL NOT accept payment.**
7. Payment must be received in the Town office prior to 3:00 pm in order to have your water reconnected the same day.
8. Water will be reconnected at the convenience of the water department, which means it may take a couple of hours before they are able to reconnect. However, all paid properties will be reconnected before the water department leaves for the day.
9. The Town is no longer able to accept late payments arrangements, payment plans or postdated checks in order to avoid disconnection. **NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!**
10. The Town accepts cash, money order, checks and credit cards (with a small convenience fee). You may pay over the phone with your credit card if you would like to do so and there is a slot in the Town office door to put payments into if the office is not open.

PLEASE NOTE - Contacting the on-call water department personnel after hours WILL NOT result in your water being turned back on that day/evening. You will need to wait until the Town office opens the next business day at 8:00 am to pay your bill and then your water will be reconnected. The after-hours phone is for emergencies only and this does not classify as an emergency.

If you do not receive a water bill you may contact the Town office around the first of each month to obtain your amount due and the due date.

If you have any questions regarding this policy or your water bill please do not hesitate to contact us 410-443-0087.