



A Publication of News and Events



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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 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.

Mosquito Control Program

The Town of Trappe has again entered into the Mosquito Control Program through the Maryland Department of Agriculture. The Town has the possibility of a total of 11 sprays during the 2017 mosquito season.

If the Town is sprayed 11 times the cost of the program will be \$2,075.00. The Maryland Department of Agriculture offers individual properties the opportunity to exclude their property from the program if the property owner wishes to do so. If you are interested in excluding your property a Request for Exemption from Adult Mosquito Control Services form must be completed and returned to the Maryland Department of Agriculture before April 30th. This form is available at Town Hall and on Maryland Department of Agriculture website – http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control.aspx



Five File as Candidates for Town Council

The Town of Trappe will hold an election on May 9th for three open seats on the Council. Those that have filed to run by the deadline of March 21st are incumbents Norm Fegel and Don English; Walter Chase, Sr. and Yvonne Bartolomeo both of whom have served on the Council before, and first timer Nick Newnam. Each candidate has been invited to submit a photo and a brief bio to appear in the May issue of the INDEX. The winners will be elected to a four year term beginning with the June 7th meeting, and will serve with Tonya Pritchett and RD Diefenderfer who were elected in 2015. Voter registration is open until **April 3rd**.

The election will take place in the council meeting room at the town hall 4011 Powell Avenue between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Absentee ballots are available until **May 2nd** by contacting the town clerk, Erin Braband.



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410-443-0087 FAX 410-443-0562 www.trappemd.net

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. April 5th

Planning Commission
Tue. April 18th

Holiday Closure
Good Friday April 14th

Bulk Trash April 28th



Trappe Volunteer Fire Company
410-476-3535 Non-emergency
President Ben Diefenderfer
Chief Nick Newnam

Chicken BBQ starts in May

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE FAIR
JUNE 22nd, 23rd & 24th**

Volunteers and donations always appreciated.

Don't forget to check the batteries in your smoke detector

NACE'S PARK UPDATE

The newest park in Trappe is nearing completion. Final touches are being done, and landscaping is being planted. Irrigation has been installed to help maintain the landscaping during warm dry spells and a drinking fountain will be installed at a future point as the budget allows. Funding for this park was in the form of a grant from the State of Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources Community Parks & Playground program. These funds can only be used within incorporated towns to create new or refurbish existing parks. We are very grateful to have been a recipient of this competitive funding program. A dedication of the park will take place soon.

POLICE CHIEF'S CORNER



Construction work on Route 50 has been extended due to rain. Work should be completed by mid April. Please obey the posted reduced speed and use care when driving in the work zone. 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.

**Thanks,
George Ball, Chief**

BOARD VACANCY

Volunteers wanted to fill two alternate positions on the Town of Trappe Board of Appeals, and on the Election Board. The Board of Appeals meets on an as needed basis in the evening to hear requests for variances and special exceptions to the Zoning Ordinance. The Election Board maintains the voter log, administers the town elections, and occasionally holds forums. A vacancy also exists on the Planning Commission which meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m. This board reviews zoning, site plans and subdivisions.

Interested persons should submit a letter of interest/ qualifications to the Town Clerk, Erin Braband, via email clerk@trappemd.net or to the town office PO Box 162, Trappe. Positions will remain open until filled by appointment of the Town Council.

CALENDAR

- April 5th Public hearing 6:45 pm followed by Council meeting
- April 13th Talbot Co. Public Schools close 1/2 day for spring break thru April 23
- April 13th Pre-K and Kindergarten registration Talbot Co. Public Schools
- April 14th Office Closed-Good Friday NO SCHOOL
- April 15th Easter bonnet parade Veterans Park Main Street line up is at 11:00 a.m.
- April 15th Easter egg hunt for kids 10 yrs. and under Trappe United Methodist Church at noon after the parade. Bring a basket or bag to collect eggs.
- April 18th Planning Commission meeting scheduled
- April 21st Coloring contest submission deadline
- April 26th Water meter reading
- April 28th Bulk trash day. Registration & fee due by Tuesday, April 25th.
- April 29th Music in Veterans Park FREE *Frank Hastings* 4pm held at Trappe United Methodist Church if the weather is poor.



TOWN OF TRAPPE, INC.
SPECIAL BULK TRASH PICKUP REQUEST

Pick up date: Friday April 28, 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 by 3 days before the scheduled pickup.

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| 1 | Basic pickup fee (under 3 cu. yards – about a pickup truck load) | | \$ 10.00 |
| _____ | 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)

TOTAL \$ _____

PAYMENT & FORM DUE BY TUESDAY, April 25th

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.

News from the Trappe Community Outreach Team

We've been busy. About forty turned out for the community dinner with Chief George Ball, Talbot Sheriff Joe Gamble, Clay Stamp, Brian Lecates, Brian Michelichi of Talbot Emergency Services and Beth Williams Talbot Co. Health Dept. There was a genuine dialog about the addiction issue including contributions by two recovering addicts. As a community we all are part of the issue, and the outreach team looks forward to working with the Sheriff on his project Purple campaign coming in September. In other news-we were able to have the Council sign a proclamation naming March Smoking and Tobacco Cessation Month!! Help is available to kick the habit, and materials to make everyone aware of the dangers of e-cigarettes were distributed. A kids coloring contest open to those age 10 and under encouraging folks to be "Fresh & Clean—Smoke Free" has started. Stop by the town office to pick up the coloring sheet for your child. Entries must be returned by Friday, April 21st to the town office. A winner will be drawn **randomly** from all the entries submitted.

SPRING IS HERE.... April 15th *Easter Bonnet/costume parade* at 11 a.m. FREE!! All are welcome to join the parade with your fancy hat, new duds or Easter costume. The event begins at the gazebo in Veterans Park on Main Street and will end at Trappe United Methodist Church on Powell Avenue. Just follow the bunny! No rain date.

Easter Egg Hunt-Saturday, April 15th after the parade sponsored by Trappe United Methodist Church on Powell Avenue. Be sure to bring your wee one with a basket or bag to collect eggs; and don't forget your camera! The Easter bunny, courtesy of Danny McCracken, will be on hand for photos. Egg hunt is for children ten years of age and younger.

Mr. Frank Hastings will be back in Trappe performing on Saturday, April 29th at 4 p.m. in the gazebo at Veterans Park. The bad weather location is Trappe United Methodist Church.

MAY brings *free* family movie night-"**Strike Out Smoking**" with a baseball theme-check the town FACEBOOK page and website for details.

Spark in da Pan will return to the gazebo at Trappe Veterans Park on Saturday, June 3rd from 5-7 p.m. with a rain date of Saturday, June 10th.

Bay Country Chorus will perform at Trappe Veterans Park on Saturday, June 10th at 5 p.m.

Lots to do in our community-won't you come be a part of it? Flo Adams-Chair

Funding provided in part by the fundraising efforts of the Trappe Community Outreach Team, an all volunteer group, community donations and the Talbot County Smoking Cessation Grant program.

Faith Community News

St Paul's Episcopal Church

April 9th Palm Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.
April 13th Holy Thursday Service 7 p.m.
April 14th Good Friday Service 6:30 p.m.
April 16th Easter Service & egg hunt 9:30 a.m.

Trappe & Faith Chapel United Methodist Church

April 13th Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 p.m.
April 15th Children's Easter Egg Hunt noon
April 16th Easter sunrise service in the garden 7 a.m.
April 16th Easter Celebration Service Faith Chapel
8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. at Trappe

Happy Easter