



Washington Grove Town Bulletin

January 17, 2001

Council Notes

Next meeting: Monday, February 12, 7:30 p.m., M^cCathran Hall. The public is welcome.
January Council actions included:

- Consensus to remove speed hump in front of 125 Washington Grove Lane. Exploring options to retain effective speed reduction.
- Endorsed policy that "Use of Maple Lake is at Your Own Risk"

Planning Commission

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 6, 7:30 p.m., M^cCathran Hall. The public is welcome to attend. The agenda may include a discussion of possible uses for the Cator property, the 2-acre residentially zoned tract located between Railroad Street and the railroad tracks.

Building Permits Issued

- none to report

Washington Grove Film Society Presents . .

The Thief of Baghdad

Sunday, February 4

6:00 p.m.

Free!

A film for the whole family

M^cCathran Hall

First come first serve! Popcorn!

Please note that *Whiskey Galore* will be shown on March 11 (second Sunday)

Summer in the Parks 2001

The Town's summer program for children ages 4-11 will begin July 2 and run through July 27. This relaxed program of creative projects, sports, nature activities, and fun at the lake meets at M^cCathran Hall. The program runs from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. A planning meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 1, in the M^cCathran Hall Council Room. Questions call Karen Kelly at 301-987-9529.

Town Office Closed

January 25 thru February 5

Yoga Class Begins

Wednesday, February 7

An introductory beginning level yoga class will be offered free of charge at M^cCathran Hall from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. the first three Wednesdays in February beginning on February 7. If there were interest in continuing the class beyond this period there would be fees. Classes will include both a Hatha (poses) portion, as well as a relaxation portion. The instructor is Town resident Terry Strother. She is certified in Integral Yoga, prenatal and postpartum yoga, infant massage and therapeutic yoga. Prior to her move to Washington Grove, she taught Hatha classes for a number of years at the Integral Yoga Institute in New York City, as well as yoga and relaxation techniques to heart and cancer patients through a local hospital program. Come spend a relaxing evening. Be sure to wear comfortable clothing and bring padding or mats for the floor.

Town Information

Office/Clerk-Treasurer

Phone: 301-926-2256

Fax: 301-926-0111

Email: washgrove@erols.com

Web: www.washgrov.sailorsite.net

Mail: P.O. Box 216
Washington Grove, MD 20880-0216

Town Hall: Center Street & Chestnut Road
Washington Grove

Office Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed Wednesday mornings

M^cCathran Hall Scheduler Jenny Long
301-869-3824

Maintenance 301-963-5850

Street Light Czar Vicki Earhart
301-208-9442

Building Permits John M^cClelland
301-963-3328

County Animal Control 301-279-1066

Questions About Snow and Ice Removal?

Call Councilor Nick Suzich at 301-869-9638 or e-mail nsuzich@erols.com

Mousetrap Concert Series

SCHOLARS OF LONDON, vocal ensemble
Sunday, January 21, 3:00 p.m., M^cCathran Hall

Deadline for Bulletin

Monday, February 12

Woman's Club Outreach Project

Donations Sought for Stepping Stones Shelter

The Woman's Club of Washington Grove is collecting items to support the Stepping Stones Shelter in Rockville. Stepping Stones provides emergency housing to men, women, and children. Their philosophy is one of self-help, returning families to a posture of self-sufficiency once they leave the shelter. Donations of paper products, toiletries of all kinds, disposable diapers, cleaning supplies, blankets and children's clothing in good condition are needed. Please bring donations (or financial contributions!) to the January 18 Woman's Club meeting, or contact Barb Leng at 301-670-9443.

Woman's Clubhouse Available in All Seasons!!

Planning a surprise birthday bash, family reunion, holiday gathering, graduation party, wedding reception, business meeting . . . consider the charming wooded setting, spacious main room, screened porch, kitchen and restroom facilities of the Woman's Club House. For information or reservations call Kitty Vogan at 301-840-9416. Heat and air conditioning.

Building Permits

If you are going to erect a building or structure (including fences), make structural alterations to, or move any existing building or other structure, you must first obtain a building permit from the Washington Grove Planning Commission. The Town zoning ordinance governs setbacks, lot coverage, and height. Applications are available at the Town Office at 301-926-2256. Please allow at least 10 days for review by the Commission. Call John M^cClelland at 301-963-3328 if you have questions about zoning code requirements. Interior renovations, which involve electrical, plumbing, or load-bearing changes, generally require a County permit. The Town must first sign off all applications for County-required building permits.

FUNDRAISER FOR MOUSETRAP SERIES

This is the second year of a unique and memorable music series in our own Town Hall. The caliber of the artists has been extraordinary for a small town series. In order to expand this series, we are selling \$15.00 raffle tickets for an original oil painting donated by Alexander Anufriev--a Grove artist-in-residence. Sasha is a well-known international artist whose paintings are on display and sold in galleries in Washington, Boston, New York as well as in Europe. Call Kathie Evans for more info (301-869-7816).

Woman's Club Meeting

Thursday, January 18

WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION
Woman's Clubhouse, 7:30 p.m.

Bring a new, little-used or antique item for auction. Proceeds to benefit The Woman's Club.

Woman's Club Meeting

Thursday, February 15

WATER AEROBICS CLASS AT ATHLETIC EXPRESS

Meet at Kathi Higdon's to carpool at 7:00 p.m. Class begins at 7:45 p.m. (\$7.50 for non-members). Whirlpool, steam room and sauna available. Towels, shampoo, hair dryers provided. Athletic Express is located at 700 Russell Avenue, Gaithersburg.

Dear Residents of Washington Grove,

We, the children's service club of Washington Grove, appreciate your contributions to the Lord's Table. In all, from your donations and ours we have collected 44 tubes of toothpaste and 67 brushes. We would all like to thank you very much for your help in making smiles and happy holidays for some of the people who can't afford to buy their own materials. We thought of collecting candy (like candy canes) but we decided one thing they would really appreciate that they can't afford, is toothbrushes and toothpaste so that their teeth are properly taken care of. Well, basically.

Thank you very much, Jane Adair Klinger, Molly Debelius, Madeline Kelso Brasunas, Violet Cavicchi, Emily M^cCathran, Dylan Hodges, Emily French, Joel Shapiro.

Call 'N' Ride

Montgomery County sponsors this transportation service for elderly and disabled persons with limited income. Those who are eligible may purchase taxicab and wheelchair van transportation for a portion of the normal cost. The transportation is a curb-to-curb service, and trips may be made for any purpose. For a copy of the application and for program information, please call 240-777-5806.

Planning a Career in Government or Public Service?

Scholarships available.

Montgomery Chapter of the Maryland Municipal League is offering two \$1,500 college scholarships to students involved in community service and who plan a career in government or public service. Must have good scholastic standing (at least average grades). Deadline for application is April 12, 2001. For information or application call the Town Office at 301-926-2256.

Mixed Paper Recycling

Acceptable Items:

- Newspapers
- Magazines/Catalogs
- Corrugated cardboard
- Cereal and other boxes
- Telephone books
- Computer and office paper
- Newspaper inserts
- Unwanted mail
- Paperback books
- All other clean and dry paper

Acceptable materials can be combined together and placed in paper bags and/or small cardboard boxes. Flatten all empty boxes. Once boxes are flat they should be tied with twine in a bundle not larger than 3 feet by 3 feet and not thicker than 6 inches in height for each bundle. Separate mixed paper from regular trash, or wait until regular trash has been collected before putting mixed paper at the curb.

Unacceptable Items:

- Packing material such as styrofoam or plastic
- Food soiled paper such as plastic or wax coated liners, pizza boxes
- Wax paper, carbon paper, hard-backed books, beverage containers like milk or juice cartons
- Paper or cardboard contaminated with paint, chemicals, kitty litter, water or anything else
- Foil gift wrap, paper towels, napkins or tissues

Questions about recycling may be directed to Recycling Guru Carol Uhlendorf at 301-926-1933.

Recycling Tips

- *Metal Cookie Tins* - Take to Solid Waste Transfer Station for drop off in metals recycling.
- *Plastics* -- Note that cooking oil and peanut butter containers are not suitable for recycling.
- *Computers* -- County plans to have daily drop off program in place early spring 2001.
- *Website* -- check www.MCRecycles.org for a wealth of recycling information.

Historic Preservation Study Group

January 24

The "HiP" Study Group has been formed to identify, evaluate and recommend approaches for historic preservation in Town. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the M^cCathran Hall Council Room.

Hall Checkers Meeting

Monday, January 29

Please come to a meeting in the M^cCathran Hall Council Room at 7:30 p.m. to help set up a plan for checking on the Hall after events. Questions? Call Hall Scheduler Jenny Long at 301-869-3824.

Lake Committee

Wednesday, February 14
M^cCathran Hall Council Room, 7:30 p.m. Y'all come!

save wednesday, march 7 recreation committee needs your help! brainstorming bash!

If you enjoy planning fun events for friends and family we need your help

- special children's program, music weekend, talent show
- new ideas
- M^cCathran Hall Council Room - 7:30 p.m.
- refreshments

Hall Windows Refurbishment Nearly Complete

A contract with Heritage Builders to refurbish the windows in M^cCathran Hall is almost complete. The contract called for all plastic and broken panes to be replaced with glass panes, to repair damaged woodwork and for windows and doors in the main hall to be painted and cleaned inside and out. When all else is complete, window hardware will be installed. Town Councilors Darrell Anderson and Allen Winter have monitored the contract on the Town's behalf.

Fire Department Memorabilia Sought

If you would like to donate old items connected with the Gaithersburg-Washington Volunteer Fire Department, volunteers are setting up a museum in the old fire station on East Diamond Avenue. Call Ken Fisher at 301-948-0660.

NOTICE

Washington Grove Residents
Please put this notice with State Income Tax Info

City, Town or Taxing Area -- Washington Grove -- **1612**

Concern has grown in recent years, that the Town is not receiving its fair share of the State income tax revenue. Many residents, as well as non-residents, use a Washington Grove post office box making it difficult to tell whether the person lives in Washington Grove. It is critical that Town residents fill in Washington Grove -- **1612** in the appropriate box on their State income tax form. If someone else prepares your tax forms, please include this notice with your tax information. If you file electronically, please be sure you select Washington Grove under City, Town or Taxing Area. This does not increase your taxes, but does help ensure that the Town receives its proper share of local income tax revenue.

Even though the code for Washington Grove -- **1612** -- is not included with the State income tax form, officials insist that this code helps to properly attribute taxes. This code is assigned to

Washington Grove by the Maryland State Comptroller's Office, and it means dollars to our community. But you are the key to those dollars, so please put the code in the assigned box on the front of your Maryland income tax return. This revenue helps to pay for many local government services. Thanks for your help. Questions? Call Clerk-Treasurer Mary Challstrom at 301-926-2256.