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Town Council News

Next meeting: Monday, September 12, 2005; 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room.
The public is invited to attend.

Actions at the August Council meeting include:

Mimi Styles appointed to the Historic Preservation Commission for a 3-year term.

A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

has been called by the Mayor for Wednesday, August 31, 2005, 7:30 p.m., McCathran Hall to discuss and consider appropriations to pursue purchase of the property designated as the Legacy Open Space Field for incorporation as parkland into Washington Grove. Explanatory material will be available at the Town Office after August 24th. Questions may be directed to John Compton (240-432-5700), Shelley Winkler or David Stopak (301-330-6446), or Bob Booher (301-963-3935).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Washington Grove Town Council will hold another public hearing on Monday, Sept. 12, 2005, 7:30 p.m., in McCathran Hall, 300 Grove Avenue, Washington Grove, Maryland. The purpose of the hearing will be to take final public comment regarding the proposed ordinance concerning Charitable, Religious & Educational uses within Residential Zones. Copies of the revised ordinance will be available in the Town Office, 300 Grove Ave., Washington Grove, Maryland after September 1st.

Planning Commission News

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 7, 2005; 7:30 p.m. Council Room.
The public is invited to attend.

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. The permit fee is \$10.00, payable to the Town of Washington Grove. Interior renovations, which involve electrical, plumbing, or load-bearing changes, generally require a County permit. A shed requires a County permit as well. The Town must first sign off all applications for County-required building permits. The Historic Preservation Commission will review most permits as well.

Building permits were issued for the following:

None

Historic Preservation News

Next meeting: Sept. 20, 2005, 7:30 p.m. Council Room.
Meetings are open to the public.

Outstanding Renovation Award

And the winner is... Mimi Styles, 301 1st Ave! Congratulations to Mimi Styles who was awarded a plaque and certificate for the Outstanding Renovation of 2005. Her understanding of the historic nature of her cottage and of its role in the historic character of Washington Grove is expressed in her sensitive and imaginative addition/renovation that preserves and

enhances the value of what we all hold in common. Way to go, Mimi!

Contemplating a Renovation?

What if you had a knowledgeable design team with a real willingness to help you early in your planning process at no cost? Guess what? You do----it's the Historic Preservation Commission! The HPC is an excellent resource to help you with your plans. For more information call Bob Booher at 301-963-3935. The HPC meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Come early, come often!!

Neighborhood Watch News

Report Crimes & Suspicious Activity!

Mont. Co. Police non-emergency: 301-279-8000

Town Office: 301-926-2256

Betsy Klinger: 301-977-3517

Keith Gillis/Leigh Partington: 301-208-1437

Incident Report:

July 10th: Daylily Lane, items taken from porch.

July 19th: Man knocking on doors along Chestnut Road. Asking for money using a concocted story. White male; 5'10"; grubby appearance.

July 24th: Daylily La, car broken into; item taken.

Beware of Phone Scams

A company calling itself "The National Verification Bureau" has been calling people and asking for verification of banking information. Don't let the fact that they actually give you a call back number fool you. The "800" number that they give is a car dealership in Texas. DO NOT give your banking information to these people!

Recreation Committee News

Next meeting: Sept. 28, 2005, 7:30 p.m. Council Room.

The public is invited to attend.

Music Together Classes in Town

The Recreation Committee will sponsor music classes for children ages 0-5 years old. The classes will be held on Tuesday mornings 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. for 10 weeks. Grove residents will get early enrollment and reduced tuition at \$121.00. Twins go for the price of one child! Siblings under 8 months are free. Siblings over 8 months will get a reduced price. The cost includes a professionally produced CD and cassette, a corresponding illustrated songbook, and parent education materials and events.

Terri Winkler teaches "Music Together" (www.musictogether.com), a program for kids aged 0-5 years based on the premise that all children are musical and have the same innate ability to learn music as language. Music Together believes that music ability is as much a basic life skill as walking and talking and that all children can learn to sing in tune, keep a beat, and participate with pleasure and confidence in the music of their culture.

The program nurtures a child's natural enthusiasm for music and movement as we sing, dance, chant, and play instruments in an informal setting that will enrich their musical environment and guide them toward a lifetime of music making enjoyment. Please contact Sarinah Kalb ASAP at 301-330-9359 or sarinahk@verizon.net if you would like enrollment information or have questions.

Film Society Starts 6th Series

The Washington Grove Film Society's Sixth Series begins in October with a great program of films. They are:

Bride and Prejudice (Oct. 16)
The Story of the Weeping Camel (Nov. 6)
His Girl Friday (Jan. 8)
Twilight Samurai (Feb. 12)
Hans Christian Andersen (March 5, FREE FAMILY FILM)
Monsieur Ibrahim (March 19)

Send your \$20 check (for full subscription series) to Birgit Henninger, Box 355. Make your checks payable to the Town of Washington Grove. Tickets at the door will cost \$7.00. This year, if you miss a film, you can use the ticket to bring a guest to a subsequent film.

Get caught in the trap!

The Mousetrap Concert Series starts its 7th season on October 9, 2005 at 3:00 p.m.. Brochures with detailed information will be in the mail soon!

Maple Lake News

Next meeting: Thursday, Sept. 1, 2005; 7:30 p.m. Council Room.
The public is invited to attend.

Although the swimming season is coming to an end, there is still planning to do for our precious resource. Come share your thoughts with the committee or, better yet, join this dedicated bunch. "New blood" is always welcome!!

Woman's Club News

Next meeting: August 20; 11:30 a.m. @ Clyde's.

Brunch at Clyde's at Tower Oaks

Saturday, August 20, 2005 11:30 a.m.. Come wish Bev Freeman well as she starts anew at Asbury. Call Ann London 301-590-1012 for more details.

Annual Potluck Dinner

Thursday, September 15th; 6:30 p.m. at The Woman's Club. Bring a favorite dish to share with friends and neighbors. This year we'll have live music to enjoy by area artist Lea Morris (www.thisislea.com). It'll be an evening to remember so mark your calendar now!

E-mail Updates Needed

If you have changed your e-mail address in the last year or so, chances are that you may have missed some important correspondence from the Town Office. Please send updated e-mail addresses to: washgrove@comcast.net or try it the old-fashioned way; 301-926-2256.

Bulk Trash Pickups Scheduled

Two bulk trash collections are scheduled for the fall. The dates are September 17, 2005 and October 22, 2005. Collection may include furniture, appliances (not those with freon), rugs, large toys, small auto parts etc... Materials MAY NOT include construction by-products, large auto parts, or tires. Please place items "curbside" by 7:00 a.m..

Clerk's Corner

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Did you know that one ton of paper made from recycled newspaper saves enough energy to power a TV for 31 hours?

Did you know that it is STILL illegal to make right turns from McCauley St. on to Washington Grove Lane & left turns from WG Lane on to McCauley St., even for Grove residents?