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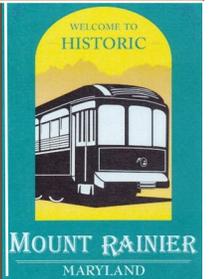
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*Mount Rainier — The City on the Move*

# The Message



## *We love Mount Rainier!*

Congratulation's to the winners of our 2015 Election!

Ward 1 – Tracy Loh

Ward 2 – Shivali Shah  
Bryan Knedler



**Teacher Appreciation**  
Hug a teacher Today!

Mark your Calendar!  
City Council Worksession  
May 19, 2015 at 7 pm

Listen LIVE:  
[www.mountrainiermd.org](http://www.mountrainiermd.org)

May is a great month to show your love for the City and we invite you to engage with us in three ways!

First, Each year we take the time to pause and celebrate our City with a day dedicated to our history, culture and diversity. That Day is this Saturday for Mount Rainier Day! The Day starts with a parade, continues with a melody of various bands, plenty of vendors displaying the great things they have to offer along with food and games for the kids. We hope that you take the opportunity to stop by and say “Hello” and participate with us as we celebrate over 100 years of Mount Rainier history.

Secondly, with our lives becoming increasingly busy with multi-tasking our Friends of Peace want you to dedicate the month of May towards peace and peaceful living. Inside you will read how you can strive towards inner peace each day.

Lastly, this month is also Bike Month and we invite you to take one day to travel by bike this

### **Mayor Malinda Miles**

month as we continue to strive towards our sustainability goals and objectives. Bike Month challenges each one of us to do our part to continue to reduce our carbon footprint. Not only is bike riding healthy for the environment but it encourages Healthy Eating, Active Living (HEAL) within the City.

We have many places where you can park your bike and are developing plans to incorporate more bike friendly enhancements. They will assist us towards keeping our streets pedestrian and bike friendly while linking the pathways through signage to other places in the area.

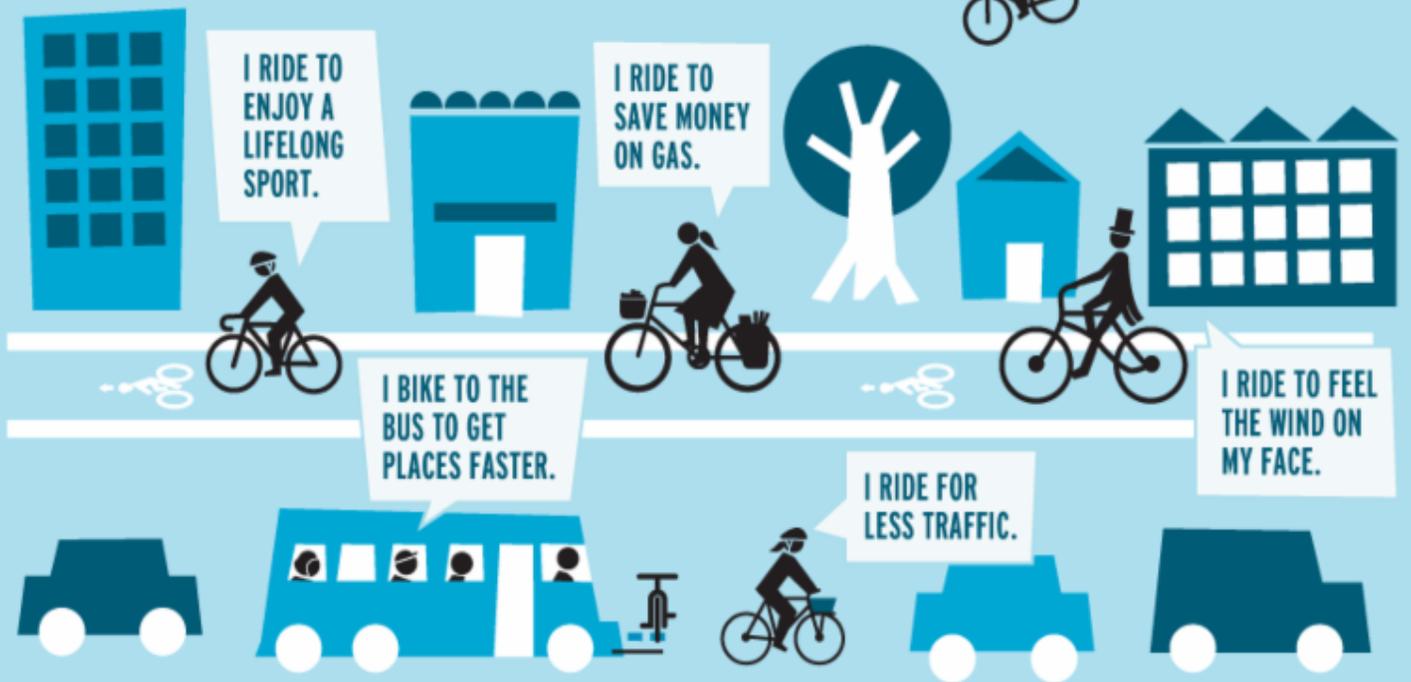
Our bike coop encourages you to stop by and take a look at bikes for sale, utilize the shop for your bike repairs, volunteer for community service hours and engage with others in creating bike groups that can travel together.

***Happy Mount Rainier Day!***

# MAY IS BIKE MONTH



With so many reasons to ride, what's yours?



#BIKEMONTH [BIKELEAGUE.ORG/BIKEMONTH](http://BIKELEAGUE.ORG/BIKEMONTH)



## *Shining Stars of Mount Rainier >>>*



We would like to salute the three third Grade students, teachers, principals and parents of Thomas Stone Elementary and Mount Rainier Elementary for visiting us!

Mount Rainier Resident, Nanna Invarsson won a Helen Hayes award (in the Helen category) for lead actress in a play ("The Amish Project" at Factory 449)!  
Mount Rainier Police Officer of the Year—First Class Michael V. Ferebee!

**Upcoming Events to Mark your Calendar**

**May 13, 2015**  
**Mount Rainier Business Association Meeting**  
 Mount Rainier Police Station  
 3249 Rhode Island Avenue  
 Mount Rainier, MD  
 8:30 am

**May 15, 2015**  
**Bike to Work Day**

**May 16, 2015**  
**Mount Rainier Day**  
 10am—6pm  
 Mount Rainier Day  
 Fun Day for the entire Family!  
 Parade, Vendors, Bands  
 Food and Face Painting

**May 18, 2015**  
**Tree Commission Meeting**  
 7:30 City Hall

**May 18, 2015**  
**Green Team Meeting**  
 City Hall  
 7pm

**May 19, 2015**  
**Mayor & City Council Work session**  
 City Hall  
 7 pm

**May 25, 2015**  
**Memorial Day**  
 Closed  
 No Trash Pick-Up

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**May is the Month of Peace**



Practice peaceful thinking the entire week!

**Seven Practices for Peace**

**SUNDAY: Being for Peace**

Take 5 minutes to meditate for peace

**MONDAY: Thinking for Peace**

Introduce the intention of peace in your thoughts.

**TUESDAY: Feeling for Peace**

This is the day to experience the emotion of peace. The emotions of peace are compassion, understanding and love.

**WEDNESDAY: Speaking for Peace**

Today, the purpose of speaking is to create happiness in the listener.

**THURSDAY: Acting for Peace**

Today is the day to help someone in need.

**FRIDAY: Creating for Peace**

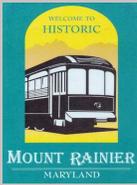
Today, come up with at least one creative idea to resolve a conflict, either in your personal life or your family circle or among friends.

**SATURDAY: Sharing for Peace**

**Brought to you by the Little Friends for Peace**



DATE	Trash / Recycle
May 1	Recycle Collection
May 4	Bulk Trash (appointment only) Yard Waste Collection
May 6	Regular Trash Collection
May 8	Recycle Collection
May 11	Yard Waste Collection
May 13	Regular Trash Collection
May 15	Recycle Collection
May 18	Bulk Trash (Appointment Only) Yard Waste Collection
May 20	Regular Trash Collection
May 22	Recycle Collection
May 25	Holiday — Closed
May 26	Yard Waste Collection
May 29	Recycle Collection
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*Celebrate with us! Saturday, May 16, 2015*



## **Mount Rainier Day— Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

### **What day is Mount Rainier Day?**

Mount Rainier Day will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

### **What is the Parade Route?**

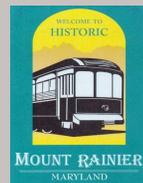
The Parade will begin at 10:00 am at 22nd and Varnum Street. The parade ends at 12:00 pm at the Brentwood Fire Station.

**Will the Call-A-Bus be available to take me to the Vendors/Activities?** The Call-A-Bus will be available for **FREE** all day at the following locations:

- 1 — Corner of Eastern/Varnum Streets
- 2 — Queens Chapel Road and 27th Street
- 3 — Queens Chapel Road and 31st Street
- 4 — Chillum Road near Buchanan Street

For additional information: Contact Ms. Lomax at 301.985.6585

# Mount Rainier Day Celebration



Saturday, May 16, 2015

10:00 am—6:00 pm

VENDOR  
Booths  
AVAILABLE

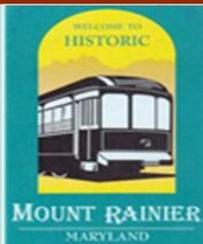


Face Painting

Gateway  
ARTS  
District

CELEBRATE  
Mount  
Rainier Day!

Let's  
Dance



Artists



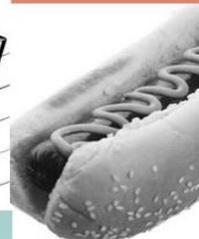
Food



Marching  
Bands



MUSIC



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TABLE or BAND  
301.985.6585

# the Message Newsletter

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coming soon >>>

Volunteer Mount Rainier!

The Buzz around the City

Deadline for the June

edition is May 22, 2015

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## Important Numbers

City Hall open: Mon.-Fri., 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Police Department admin. offices open 9:00 a.m. to 11 p.m.  
Public Works open 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

47th District Reps  
Senator Victor Ramirez  
301-858-3745

Del Will Campos  
Del Diana Fennell  
Del Jimmy Tarlou

PG Council Member  
Del Deni Taveras

Call-A-Bus 240-832-6559 and 301-985-6586  
(hours M-F, 9 am-2 pm)

City Code Enforcement Office  
301-985-6551

Alex Brown  
301-674-9175  
Ruth Sandy  
240-508-4187

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[mescott@mountrainierpd.org](mailto:mescott@mountrainierpd.org)  
301-985-6565 (non-emergency calls)  
301-985-6566 (non-emergency calls)  
301-985-6590 (administrative)  
911 - Emergency calls - 911

City Public Works 301-985-6583,  
Bulk Trash Appts. 301-985-6558

Child Abuse  
and Neglect Hotline  
301-699-8605

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301-516-7608 fax

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2445 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
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301-470-7534

County Animal Control  
301-780-7200

County Building Permits  
301-883-5784

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Rushern Baker  
301-952-4131

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Deni taveras  
301-952-4436

CSX railroad  
1-877-Tell CSX

Energy Assistance  
301-422-5110

Family Services  
301-699-2680

Fire Department  
301-985-5406 (non-emergency)  
911 (emergency)

Gateway CDC  
4102 Webster Street  
301-864-3860

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301-670-7350

Health Department  
301-386-0300

Library 301-864-8937  
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Sat. 10-5

Landlord-Tenant Commission  
800-487-6007

Mt. Rainier Nature/Rec Center  
4701 31st Place  
301-927-2163

M-National Capital  
Park and Planning, Park Permit Office  
301-699-2400

North Brentwood Comm. Ctr  
4012 Webster St.  
301-864-0756

Office of Handicapped Services  
TDD 301-627-3352

Park Police  
301-459-3232 (emergency)  
301-459-9088 (non-emergency)

Parks and Recreation  
301-699-2407

Pepco  
*Lights Out*  
1-877-737-2662  
(you must give the 10-digit phone number  
or 10-digit account number for location of outage)  
*Live Wire, Other Emergency*  
202-872-3432

P. G. Animal Control  
3750 Brown Station Road  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772  
(301) 780-7201

Post Office  
301-699-8856

Public Defender  
301-699-2760

Public Schools  
301-952-6000

State's Attorney  
301-952-3500

Washington Gas Light  
703-750-1000

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301-206-8000  
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