



# The Message

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## REMINDER\*\* PUBLIC HEARING SEPTEMBER 11, 2007\*\* REMINDER

**THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUES: THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF A CORN BIN AT 3601 BUNKER HILL ROAD, AND THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES IN THE 3000 AND 3100 BLOCK OF PERRY STREET, AND THE 3800 BLOCK OF 31<sup>ST</sup> STREET, AND A PROPOSED RAISED CROSSWALK AT 32<sup>ND</sup> AND BUNKER HILL ROAD**

## METRO TO OFFER FREE BUS RIDES TO KIDS IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Who says there's no such thing as a free ride? Metro will offer just that to school-age children on weekdays between 2 and 7 p.m. in Prince George's County. The Metro Board approved the perk Thursday, July 26. It began on Monday, August 20, to coincide with the first day of the new school year. Middle- and high school-aged students will be asked to display a current school photo identification card to identify themselves as eligible for the free-ride program. Prince George's County is picking up the tab for the free rides program which will cost \$300,000 and will continue through the end of Metro's fiscal year, which concludes on June 30, 2008. Metrobus operates 82 routes in Prince George's County, Md. For more information see the following link [http://www.wmata.com/about/met\\_news/story.cfm?ID=1392](http://www.wmata.com/about/met_news/story.cfm?ID=1392).

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## JOE'S MOVEMENT EMPORIUM AND GATEWAY CDC SPONSOR SWEEPING THE AVENUE

This October, World Arts Focus/Joe's Movement Emporium is joining forces with the Gateway Community Development Corporation to spotlight environmental and arts activities in neighborhoods along the Prince George's County Gateway Arts District/ Route 1 Corridor.

The annual, month-long *Sweeping the Avenue* initiative is driven by the cooperative participation of residents, artists, businesses and organizations. From October 1 - October 27, 2007 events and activities will include community clean-up days, live performances by local area artists, and a focus on ways to make a green lifestyle more attainable. Major

collaborators and sponsors include artists of all disciplines, the M-NCPPC Arts and Cultural Heritage Division, the Housing Initiative Partnership (HIP), The Anacostia Watershed Society, Karibu Books, EYA, Prince George's County Office of the Executive, the Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources, and the City of Mount Rainier.

***Sweeping the Avenue*** will culminate in the ***Gateway EcoARTS Fest*** on **Saturday, October 20, 2007**. The day-long street festival will feature local retailers, artists, green vendors, and restaurants. A community stage will include performances by Rachel Cross, Jazz by Alvin Trask, West African dance and drumming featuring Farafina Kan, and North African belly dancing.

Nick Francis, Director of Gateway-CDC had this to say about the upcoming events, "The City of Mount Rainier is dedicated to including green principals in the development of the town's resources such as the HIP Artist Housing project---a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified housing project for artists. The ***Gateway EcoARTS Fest*** will showcase and celebrate ways this community integrates green living and green building for the benefit of the environment, as well as artists and residents throughout the arts district community."

The New Joe's Movement Emporium is the community performing arts center of World Arts Focus, a non-profit dedicated to the practice and preservation of world performing arts traditions. Located in Mount Rainier, MD, the new facility, houses three hardwood studios,

an Arts Education Center, and five Individual Arts Incubators. Joe's provides adult and youth classes in movement and music, community productions, summer camps, and workshops to the public.

**Sweeping the Avenue & Gateway EcoArts Fest 2007**

**Sweeping the Avenue Community Cleanup Day**  
Monday, October 1, 2007 / 3:00pm  
FREE

**Sweeping the Avenue Community Cleanup Day**  
Monday, October 8, 2007 / 3:00pm  
FREE

***Sweeping the Avenue along with Gorgeous Prince George's Day***  
***Bladensburg Waterfront Park***

Saturday, October 13, 2007  
4601 Annapolis Road  
Bladensburg, MD 20710  
FREE  
Enjoy live performances and food, spend some time along the Anacostia riverfront, and meet your local officials at Gorgeous Prince George's Day.

**Sweeping the Avenue Community Cleanup Day**  
Monday, October 15, 2007 / 3:00pm  
FREE

**Gateway EcoARTS Festival**  
Saturday, October 20, 2007/10:00am – 5:00pm  
Bunker Hill Road between 33<sup>rd</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup> Streets  
Mount Rainier, MD 20712  
FREE  
Celebrate the arts, beautify the community, and learn about how you can live a greener life at the Gateway EcoArts Festival! This street festival is the culmination of the month-long Sweeping the Avenue and will feature live performances, class demonstrations, community workshops on energy conservation, a bicycle clinic, a vendor marketplace, local food vendors and more... join us!

**Sweeping the Avenue Community Cleanup Day**  
Monday, October 22, 2007 / 3:00pm  
FREE

**Sweeping the Avenue "Touch a Truck" event for kids**  
Tuesday, October 23, 2007 / 9am-2pm  
Mt. Rainier Elementary School  
4011 32<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Mount Rainier, MD 20712  
FREE

**Sweeping the Avenue  
Riverfront Cleanup**

Saturday, October 27, 2007 /  
10:00am

Bladensburg Waterfront Park  
4601 Annapolis Road  
Bladensburg, MD 20710  
FREE

Anacostia River is a local treasure that must be preserved. Join Club Joe's and the Anacostia Watershed Society for cleanup and educational activities along the riverfront.

**Sweeping the Avenue  
Community Cleanup Day**

Monday, October 29, 2007 /  
3:00pm  
FREE

For a complete calendar of events please **Contact: Ayo Ngozi /**  
**[ayo@joesmovement.org](mailto:ayo@joesmovement.org)**

**LET'S DO MUSIC  
TOGETHER BEGINS  
SECOND YEAR**

Music education can never start too early! Music Together is an internationally recognized early childhood music program for families with infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and kindergarteners. In September, the Let's Do Music Together Center will be entering its second year of classes for the families of Prince George's County. The center offers 45 minute weekly classes which include singing, movement, and instrument play. Students receive CDs and songbooks with class material.

The Music Together program is based on the recognition that all children are musical. All children can learn to sing in tune, keep a beat, and participate with confidence in the music of their culture, provided that their early environment supports such

learning. By emphasizing actual music experiences rather than concepts about music, Music Together introduces children to the pleasures of making music instead of passively receiving it from CDs or TV.

Currently, there is space available at the Beltsville and Mt. Rainier locations. The semester covers ten consecutive weekly classes starting on September 20th (Thursdays) in Mt. Rainier and September 23rd (Sundays) in Beltsville - at 10 and 11am, respectively.

Please contact Jaime Fuller, Director of Let's Do Music Together to reserve space or for further information, including free demo classes, scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm – DC Woodridge Public Library  
Saturday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 and 2pm – Joe's Movement Emporium  
'Open House' in Mt. Rainier, MD  
Thursday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 and 11 am – Artmosphere Café in Mt. Rainier  
Sunday, Sept 16<sup>th</sup> at 10 and 11am – College Perk Coffee House  
Saturday, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 4-8pm – Hyattsville International Street Festival

Jaime can be reached at 240-988-7816 or 638-2341 or via email at [info@letsdomusicttogether.com](mailto:info@letsdomusicttogether.com). The website address is <http://www.letsdomusicttogether.com>.

**CALL 8-1-1 AND DIG SAFELY  
AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PEPSCO**

Safe digging just got easier with **8-1-1**. That's the new number to call before you dig on your property to be sure there aren't any underground utility lines where you plan to dig.

The new, national **8-1-1** number eliminates the confusion of multiple "Call Before You Dig" numbers because it is easy to use and doesn't change – no matter where you live.

When you call **8-1-1**, before starting a digging project, such as building a deck, a sunken patio or planting a tree, your call will be routed to a local Miss Utility center. The local center will then send out a professional within a few days who will mark where the buried utility lines are at the digging location. Once the underground lines have been marked, you will know their approximate location and can dig safely.

It is wise to know what's below before digging, because it protects you and your family from injury. If you hit an underground utility line while digging, you can harm yourself or those around you, disrupt service to an entire neighborhood and potentially be responsible for fines and repair costs.

## **PRESERVE OUR PLANET CORN COOPERATIVE, MOUNT RAINIER, MD**

The Mount Rainier City Council passed a resolution in support of a "Corn Grain Bin" in the area behind the Tool Shed, next to the new fire station.

### **What is a CGB and what is it used for?**

A Corn Grain Bin (**CGB**) is a small silo-like structure used to hold up to 20 tons of corn. This corn will be used by local residents who own corn stoves to heat their homes. By having a CGB, the members of Gateway communities Preserve Our Planet Corn Cooperative can purchase this corn in bulk which lowers the price considerably.

### **What is a "corn stove"?**

A corn stove burns corn as a fuel. Many corn stoves look similar to wood stoves or are inserts in a fireplace. The corn used looks like feed corn, not popcorn. This corn burns at a high temperature, has little to no smell and is the most efficient way to heat your home. With gas/oil prices rising, the use of corn stoves has grown. Many Mount Rainier households heat with corn and have led the effort to place a CGB here.

### **Why corn?**

Heating with corn:

- will provide city residents with an economical alternative to fossil fuels for home heating. A 2000 square foot home can be heated by about \$5 to \$6 of corn per day;
- supports a local Maryland farmer and the local economy;
- is environmentally friendly and reduces carbon dioxide emissions by up to 85%, helping to prevent global warming and associated natural disasters;
- offers local residents a concrete way to promote national security and international peace by reducing our nation's dependence, one household at a time, on non-renewable resources like oil and gas that are not readily available domestically.



### **What else should I know?**

Takoma Park had the first Corn Cooperative in the area, named the Save Our Sky (SOS) Corn Cooperative. We have the full support of the SOS group, as well as the Mt. Rainier City Council. One of our biggest priorities will be the cleanliness of the area. We will make sure that no corn is ever littered on the site. We will supply a broom, dustpans and shovels to clean up any accidental corn spillage and will use the same system as the SOS cooperative for self-policing the cleanliness of the site. There have **NEVER** been any problems associated with or attributed to the Takoma Park CGB. We plan to coordinate with the Gateway CDC to paint the CGB so it fits in with the neighborhood and the new Arts District. The SOS Corn Coop will be paying for the vast majority of the costs of setting up the CGB.

**For more information on the CGB or corn stoves in general, please do not hesitate to contact Jodi-beth McCain at (301) 864-1312 or [jbmccain@verizon.net](mailto:jbmccain@verizon.net).** Let her know if you would like to visit a local home heated by corn. You can also visit our website at <http://www.saveourssky.com>; or for information on corn stoves at <http://www.marylandcornstoves.com>

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, A MESSAGE FROM MICHAEL E. SCOTT, CHIEF OF POLICE

*Our 2006 National Night Out celebration was hot. Really hot! I remember thinking that it just couldn't get much hotter. I was wrong! Maybe it's just my memory fading, or just my imagination, but it must have been at least 20 degrees hotter this year!*

I was right about one thing though, people do come out and support Mount Rainier's NNO celebration! Hot, muggy, sticky it matters not – they're there dancing to a couple of great bands, eating great food, taking a demo ride on a Segway, and demonstrating that crime is not welcome in this community! Or for that matter, in the Town of Brentwood. This was the first year that Mount Rainier and Brentwood came together to jointly celebrate National Night Out and from all reports, it was a rousing success. It was particularly gratifying to witness the Maryland Municipal League present both Mount Rainier and Brentwood plaques and flags recognizing both towns as a "Banner City USA." This was the first time any city was so honored by MML!

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mayor Miles, Mayor Schmeidigen and the Councilmembers from both towns who attended and supported our joint NNO. I'd also like to thank our City Manager Jeannelle Wallace, and our Administrative Assistant Janis Lomax for lining up the entertainment; our intrepid public works staff who managed to get all our stuff put up and torn down on the hottest day of the year (literally the hottest day of the year); Ruth Sandy for cooking up the burgers and hotdogs; Fred Sissine and Michele Sust for organizing the book giveaway on behalf of the Friends of the Library; Bill Hopper of Segway of Annapolis for showing everyone that yes, it's really that easy and cool to ride a Segway; Tracey Rembert and the Brentwood Neighborhood Watch dog walkers; Larry Solomon of Thrifty Rental Car for providing the RV cooling station; and SGT Steve Malley, A/SGT Chris Backhaus, and OFC Crystal Goldring for pulling everything together and making it happen.

Here's hoping for 80 degrees, 40% humidity, and about a 10 mph NE breeze for National Night Out 2008.

### Citizen Responsibilities

As a resident of Mount Rainier, you have certain responsibilities. By being a responsible citizen you can reduce crime and help improve the overall quality of life in your neighborhood. How? By following some of the steps listed below. Remember it's your neighborhood and your responsibility to do the following:

**Report all suspicious activity to police:** You are the eyes and ears of the police department. You should report all suspicious activity in your neighborhood. If you witness a crime take place, it's your responsibility to report it. Unreported crime is a serious problem. By not reporting crime you are assuring that the criminal will not be arrested and that he/she will be allowed to commit another crime or prey upon another victim. If someone or something appears suspicious, call the police. An officer will respond and check the situation. All officers agree that they would rather show up, check a suspicious condition and determine everything is OK, then to arrive after the fact and find that a crime has taken place. To report suspicious conditions please call the MRPD Communications center at 301-985-6565/6566. If you have an emergency, or witness a crime in progress, please dial 911.

**If you witness a crime it's your responsibility to testify in court if needed:** In many cases police need the help of eyewitnesses to prosecute a criminal. If you witness a crime you should be willing to perform your civic duty by participating in the criminal justice system to help protect your neighborhood and family. Without the help of eyewitnesses many criminals are not prosecuted, thereby allowing them to continue their criminal activities.

**Make your neighborhood a better place to live:** By reporting broken streetlights, cleaning up park areas and vacant lots, and lobbying City and County government for better lighting in public places along with other improvements that help reduce crime and improve residents' quality of life. It's your responsibility to keep your property and neighborhood clean of debris, trash, weeds and animal waste.

**Your Children:** It's your responsibility as a parent to educate your children about personal, family and community values.

**Address numbers:** It's your responsibility to clearly mark your residence or business with the address number assigned to the property. A clearly marked address will assist emergency personnel in locating your residence or business without delay.

**Get involved in your community:** Help organize and/or participate in neighborhood cleanup activities, block and neighborhood watch activities and walks, and volunteer to serve on one of the many citywide committees.

Please take pride in our community and help us help you by being a responsible citizen of Mount Rainier. And remember:

***The best crime prevention tool is a good neighbor!***

**Selected Crimes – June & July 2007**

**June 2007 Part I Offenses**

**by Team Policing Area**

Date	Offense	Location	TPA
2-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
3-Jun-07	Vandalism	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
9-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
12-Jun-07	Theft < 500	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
14-Jun-07	Theft - Identity	3200 BL QUEENSTOWN DR	1A
15-Jun-07	Theft < 500	3300 BL CHILLUM RD	1A
17-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3200 BL QUEENSTOWN DR	1A
18-Jun-07	Theft - Identity	3200 BL QUEENSTOWN DR	1A
02-Jun-07	Assault - Aggravated	2900 BL ARUNDEL RD	1A
03-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	3200 BL QUEENSTOWN DR	1A
03-Jun-07	Vandalism	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
05-Jun-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	3200 BL CHILLUM RD	1A
06-Jun-07	Robbery - Commercial	2200 BL VARNUM ST	1A
06-Jun-07	Theft - From Auto	3100 BL ARUNDEL RD	1A
07-Jun-07	Theft < 500	3200 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
08-Jun-07	Robbery - Carjacking	BL RUSSELL AV	1A
09-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
10-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	2700 BL WEBSTER ST	1A
10-Jun-07	Theft < 500	3100 BL QUEENS CHAPEL RD	1A
13-Jun-07	Robbery - Citizen	BL UPSHUR ST	1A
14-Jun-07	B & E - Residential	3300 BL BUCHANAN ST	1A
15-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	2400 BL ARUNDEL RD	1A
19-Jun-07	Robbery - Citizen	4600 BL 29TH ST	1A
22-Jun-07	Robbery - Citizen	3300 BL CHILLUM RD	1A
25-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4100 BL 28TH ST	1A
26-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	3500 BL 37TH ST	1A

28-Jun-07	Robbery - Citizen	3300 BL	CHAUNCEY	PI	1A
28-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3300 BL	BUCHANAN	ST	1A
29-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4300 BL	28TH	PL	1A
9-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3100 BL	34TH	ST	1B
11-Jun-07	Theft < 500	3400 BL	PERRY	ST	1B
12-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	4200 BL	35TH	ST	1B
13-Jun-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	3400 BL	NEWTON	ST	1B
14-Jun-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	3400 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
16-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3800 BL	37TH	ST	1B
19-Jun-07	Theft < 500	3600 BL	PERRY	ST	1B
23-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	3200 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
09-Jun-07	Vandalism	3400 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
13-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4000 BL	36TH	ST	1B
21-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4000 BL	35TH	ST	1B
23-Jun-07	B & E - Commercial	4000 BL	36TH	ST	1B
27-Jun-07	Robbery - Citizen	3200 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
30-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3400 BL	NEWTON	ST	1B
11-Jun-07	Theft - From Auto	4300 BL	28TH	PL	2A
11-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	4700 BL	27TH	ST	2A
13-Jun-07	Theft - From Auto	4300 BL	28TH	PL	2A
15-Jun-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	4300 BL	28TH	PL	2A
15-Jun-07	Theft < 500	2700 BL	WEBSTER	ST	2A
19-Jun-07	Theft - From Auto	4200 BL	28TH	ST	2A
22-Jun-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	4200 BL	29TH	ST	2A
03-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4300 BL	RUSSELL	AV	2A
11-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4200 BL	KAYWOOD	DR	2A
30-Jun-07	Vandalism	4600 BL	27TH	ST	2A
12-Jun-07	Theft - Identity	3100 BL	VARNUM	ST	2B
16-Jun-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	3200 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	2B
17-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3400 BL	BUNKER HILL	RD	2B
19-Jun-07	Theft - From Auto	2900 BL	SHEPHERD	ST	2B
19-Jun-07	Theft - From Auto	3800 BL	32ND	ST	2B
27-Jun-07	Vandalism to Auto	3100 BL	SHEPHERD	ST	2B
09-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4700 BL	31ST	PI	2B
11-Jun-07	Stolen Vehicle	4200 BL	30TH	ST	2B
27-Jun-07	Assault - Aggravated	BL	EASTERN	AV	2B

**July 2007 Part I Offenses**  
by Team Policing Area

Date	Offense	Location			TPA
11-Jul-07	B & E - Residence	3300 BL	CHILLUM	RD	1A
29-Jul-07	Robbery - Citizen	3100 BL	31ST	ST	1A
25-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	2700 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
21-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	3300 BL	BUCHANAN	ST	1A
08-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	4300 BL	28TH	PI	1A

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08-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	4300 BL	28TH	PI	1A
08-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	3300 BL	CHAUNCEY	PI	1A
03-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	3200 BL	CHILLUM	RD	1A
26-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	2900 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
02-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	3100 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
03-Jul-07	Theft < 500	3600 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1A
20-Jul-07	Theft > 500	3200 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
19-Jul-07	Theft > 500	3200 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
28-Jul-07	Vandalism	3100 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
01-Jul-07	Vandalism	3000 BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
26-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	2700 BL	ALLISON	ST	1A
17-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	4700 BL	27TH	ST	1A
14-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	4700 BL	27TH	ST	1A
13-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3300 BL	CHAUNCEY	PI	1A
11-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3300 BL	BUCHANAN	ST	1A
06-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	4400 BL	29TH	PI	1A
29-Jul-07	Aggravated Assault	3700 BL	35TH	ST	1B
19-Jul-07	Aggravated Assault	3400 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
23-Jul-07	B & E - Residence	4100 BL	34TH	ST	1B
15-Jul-07	B & E - Residence	4200 BL	34TH	ST	1B
30-Jul-07	B & E - Storehouse	4600 BL	25TH	ST	1B
10-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	4500 BL	30TH	ST	1B
03-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	4600 BL	30TH	ST	1B
27-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	4100 BL	32ND	ST	1B
20-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	3400 BL	NEWTON	ST	1B
17-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	2800 BL	TAYLOR	AV	1B
01-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	3100 BL	SHEPHERD	ST	1B
29-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3300 BL	OTIS	ST	1B
08-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3400 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
08-Jul-07	B & E - Commercial	3100 BL	TAYLOR	ST	2A
22-Jul-07	Robbery - Citizen	4200 BL	RUSSELL	AV	2A
22-Jul-07	Robbery - Citizen	2400 BL	ARUNDEL	RD	2A
21-Jul-07	Robbery - Citizen	2700 BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
13-Jul-07	Robbery - Citizen	2700 BL	WEBSTER	ST	2A
25-Jul-07	Robbery - Commercial	2700 BL	ARUNDEL	RD	2A
22-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	4600 BL	29TH	ST	2A
15-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	2700 BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
15-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	2700 BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
08-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	2700 BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
27-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	4200 BL	KAYWOOD	DR	2A
18-Jul-07	Theft - Vehicle Tags	4200 BL	RUSSELL	AV	2A
25-Jul-07	Vandalism	4700 BL	31ST	PI	2A
02-Jul-07	Vandalism	4300 BL	28TH	PI	2A
27-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	4200 BL	RUSSELL	AV	2A
14-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	4200 BL	28TH	ST	2A
13-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	2700 BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
11-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	4310 BL	28TH	PI	2A

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09-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	2500 BL	ARUNDEL	RD	2A
08-Jul-07	Aggravated Assault	BL	34TH	ST	2B
04-Jul-07	Robbery - Citizen	3200 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	2B
30-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	4500 BL	EASTERN	AV	2B
20-Jul-07	Stolen Vehicle	3800 BL	31ST	ST	2B
06-Jul-07	Theft - From Auto	4200 BL	34TH	ST	2B
04-Jul-07	Theft > 500	4300 BL	KAYWOOD	DR	2B
11-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3800 BL	31ST	ST	2B
04-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3100 BL	TAYLOR	ST	2B
03-Jul-07	Vandalism to Auto	3300 BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	2B

**Mount Rainier  
Cable Television Department  
Message Article for September**

***MRTV Channel 71*  
Mount Rainier Cable Television  
Program Schedule**

Monday – Friday, 4pm (see Channel 71 Bulletin Program Guide)  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7pm-Live cablecast of City Council meeting  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7pm-Live cablecast of City Council Work Session  
Program subject to change without notice

***MRTV Channel 71 Update***

Be sure to watch....**On Air with the Mayor**, a 30 minute show with Mayor Malinda Miles. The Mayor brings high energy and excitement to a variety of subjects and events that are of interest to the City. Coming soon... **"News You Can Use"**. **MRTV News** will launch its first cablecast in late September. We'll bring you timely updates from all our city's department and services. Also, highlights from the business and community groups and a variety of special interest items.

The person who will be anchoring MRTV News is Mount Rainier resident, Sophia Thelusma. Sophia is a native of New Jersey. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from Trinity Collage in Washington, DC in May 2006. She is currently a full time immigration paralegal in Washington, DC. Sophia has always had a passion for TV and radio production since high school. She is excited to be an added addition to **MRTV's** production committee.

Come join the team. We are looking for volunteer producers to help with On Air with the Mayor, **MRTV News** and more. For more information email [MRTVChannel71@yahoo.com](mailto:MRTVChannel71@yahoo.com) or call Graciela Carbonell, Cable Department Director, at 301-985-6585, ext. 28 and leave a voice mail message.

**City Funds Summer Youth Programs**

The City of Mount Rainier once again showed its commitment of summer program activities. \$2,000 was provided to the Rock Creek Baptist Church, Peace Camp Programs, Joe's Movement Emporium and the Xtreme Teen Center for projects during the summer months. Rock Creek Baptist Church provided educational programs and lunch for Mount Rainier and Brentwood youth at Thomas Stone Elementary School.

The Peace Camp program is not only a summer program but operates year round. The focus is on training youth counselors to lead group discussions on alternatives to violent behavior and anger management. **For more information on this program contact Mary Park at [mjpeace@gmail.com](mailto:mjpeace@gmail.com).**

The Xtreme Center now operates on the upper level of the Tool Shed, 3601 Bunker Hill Road, Mount Rainier. The center had a late opening due to extensive interior and exterior renovations at the site. The center will be open on most Saturdays. **For more information, please contact the Center Coordinator, Ms Intisar Haamid at 301-864-3419.**

Joe's Movement Emporium hosts many activities for young children and teens, including Hip Hop, Hula Hoop, and other ethnic dance classes. Programs are on-going year round. For more information please contact the website at [www.joesmovement.org](http://www.joesmovement.org).

## **MOUNT RAINIER CALL-A-BUS**

The Mount Rainier Call-A-Bus offers curb to curb bus service to medical appointments, shopping centers, recreation centers, libraries, and beauty and barber shops. Services are also available for field trips, special outings, and after school special events. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 9: am to 3:30 pm. For reservations and additional information, call 301-985-6586.

## **HAZARDOUS AND BULK WASTE DISPOSAL**

County residents can take items to the county landfill for free on Sundays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You can take car tires and batteries, household hazardous wastes, old paint, old air conditioners and refrigerators, and old electronics like computers. The city will pick up some of these items for a fee during bulk trash days. The county facility is located at 3500 Brown Station Rd., near Upper Marlboro. Landfill entrance is located on White House Road near intersection of MD 202. (301) 883-5045.

## **Mayor and Council Meeting Schedule for September 2007**

**September 4, 2007** Regular meeting – discussion items include:

- Collective Bargaining Agreement
- Maryland State Retirement Resolution – First Reading/Vote

**September 11, 2007** – Pubic Hearing on corn Bin, and traffic calming devices for 3000 and 3100 block of Perry Street, 3800 31<sup>st</sup> Street, and raised crosswalk at 33<sup>rd</sup> and Bunker Hill Road

**September 18, 2007** Regular Council Work Session

The Mayor and Council approved a revised Police Services Agreement in July with the Town of Brentwood for increased police presence in the Town of Brentwood. This agreement will enable the City to hire one additional full time police officer through Town of Brentwood funds. This is in addition to the community police officer that is now being shared by the two jurisdictions which is funded through the County Executive's Office Livable Communities Grant. The Town of Brentwood approved the agreement at a meeting of the Mayor and Council in August. The City of Mount Rainier and the Town of Brentwood are pursuing a Livable Communities Initiative Grant through the County Executive's Office to provide additional funding.

**Listed hereunder is the scheduled pick up dates for trash in the City of Mt. Rainier, for September and October 2007.**

DATE	PARTICULARS	DATE	PARTICULARS
September 3	Labor Day (City Hall and Public Works Closed)	October 1	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558) Yard Waste Pick Up
September 4	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558) Yard Waste Pick Up	October 3	Regular Trash Pick Up
September 5	Regular Trash Pick Up	October 5	Recyclables Pick Up
September 7	Recyclables Pick Up	October 8	Columbus Day ( City Hall and Public Works Closed)
September 10	Yard Waste Pick Up	October 9	Yard Waste Pick Up
September 12	Regular Trash Pick Up	October 10	Regular Trash Pick Up
September 14	Recyclables Pick Up	October 12	Recyclables Pick Up
September 17	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558) Yard Waste Pick Up	October 15	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558) Yard Waste Pick Up
September 19	Regular Trash Pick Up	October 17	Regular Trash Pick Up
September 21	Recyclables Pick Up	October 19	Recyclables Pick Up
September 24	Yard Waste Pick Up	October 22	Yard Waste Pick Up
September 26	Regular Trash Pick Up	October 24	Regular Trash Pick Up
September 28	Recyclables Pick Up	October 26	Recyclables Pick Up
		October 29	Yard Waste Pick Up
		<b>October 31</b>	Regular Trash Pick Up

**Starting in December, the Winter Schedule begins: Yard Waste will be collected on the second Monday and by appointments only.**

***Please have all bulk trash and yard waste out by 7:00 am on the respective pick up day and all bulk trash appointments made before 12 noon on the Friday preceding pick up day***

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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 5:00 p.m. Public Works open 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

47th District Reps  
301-858-3745

Sen. Gwendolyn Britt

301-858-3326  
Del. Doyle Niemann

Del. Jolene Ivey

Del. Victor Ramirez

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

City Code Enforcement Office  
301-985-6551

City Hall  
301-985-6585; fax: 301-985-6595

**City Police Department**

Chief Michael E. Scott

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301-985-6565 (emergency calls)

301-985-6566 (nonemergency calls)

301-985-6590 (administrative)

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

Child Abuse  
and Neglect Hotline  
301-699-8605

Congressman Chris Van Hollen's  
Satellite Office:  
6475 New Hampshire Ave, Suite C-201  
Hyattsville MD 20783

301-891-6982 (voice)  
301-891-6985 (fax)

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Consumer Affairs  
301-470-7534

County Animal Control  
301-499-8301

County Building Permits  
301-883-5784

County Executive  
Jack Johnson  
301-952-4131

County Councilman  
Will Campos  
301-952-4436

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

Gazette Circulation  
301-670-7350

Health Department  
301-386-0300  
Library 301-864-8937  
Hours: M-W 10-6:30 (closed 2-2:30)  
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  
301-918-8111

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

Post Office  
301-864-5168

Public Defender  
301-699-2760

Public Schools  
301-952-6000

State's Attorney  
301-952-3500

Washington Gas Light  
703-750-2500

WSSC  
301-206-8000  
301-206-4002 (emergency)

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