



# The Message

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**PUBLIC HEARING  
SPEED HUMPS PETITION ON 37<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
Wednesday, November 5, 2008  
Council Chambers, Upper Level  
7:00 PM**

The Mayor and Council will take public comment on the Speed Hump Petition submitted by the residents of the 3700 and 3600 blocks of 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Mount Rainier, Maryland. The request for the traffic calming device is being requested to provide a safer environment for the children at the playground as well as to reduce speeding.

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council for Tuesday, November 4, 2008 has been rescheduled for Wednesday, November 5, 2008 due to the Presidential Election scheduled on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **HIP KIDS and their parents participate in 2008 Gorgeous Prince George's Day at Queens Manor Garden Apartments.**

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On Saturday October 18, HIP KIDS and their parents participated in Gorgeous Princes Georges Day, planting 5 Crape Myrtle. 5 Red Maple and 2 Holly trees 5 Blue Mist Spirea, 4 Virginia Sweet spire and 4 Cherry Laurel bushes and 250 Daffodil bulbs. On hand was a Community landscape architect showing the kids how to plant the trees, bushes and bulbs. He told them that the squirrels would have a huge party if they didn't plant the bulbs far enough down in the ground. Of course the kids thought that was funny. The kids really got into it even naming some of the shrubs they planted. Their Mothers and some Grandmothers got right down in the dirt with them making this a family affair.

After the planting some of the participants went to the County Executive Jack Johnson's picnic at Bladensburg Waterfront Park. The picnic was catered and they had grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, potato salad, baked beans, etc. In addition, the children and their families were provided with musical entertainment, Chick- Fil-a was there with their cow for pictures, and Parks and Recreation offered free pontoon boat rides.

## **FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR:**

The Mayor and Council discussed the situation with the portable restrooms in the two locations in the city's downtown and determined that it was in the best interest of the city to remove them. You may recall that this was a pilot program to address the need for restrooms in the city's downtown area for bus operators and bus passengers as well as pedestrians who frequent the businesses in this area on weekends. Having no anchor store or other public facility where persons can relieve themselves has been a problem for the city for many years. Unfortunately, the portable restrooms have not been a viable solution as users have not been considerate in terms of leaving the portable restrooms or the surroundings clean. In fact, there has been considerable odor and trash associated with the portable restrooms.

The city will continue to look at our options, which includes decorative fencing in the areas where the restrooms were located. It is felt that this is a more cost effective option which will enhance our downtown.

You have heard from Police Chief Michael E. Scott at recent council meetings discuss the frustration of our police department when citations (fines) are issued to violators and the cases either dismissed in court, or bench warrants are not issued.

**On November 19, 2008, the Mayor and Council will host a meeting at 7:00 pm at City Hall, One Municipal Place, Mount Rainier, MD** with County elected officials concerning the additional support which is needed from the District Court in Prince George's County to assist with the enforcement of civil citations issued by both the Mount Rainier Police Department and the Code Enforcement Division for public nuisance crimes (i.e., prostitution, open drinking, public urination) and property maintenance code violations. While the State's Attorney office has held two community meetings focusing on legal sanctions pertaining to code violations, it is apparent that municipalities require stronger legislation which will support the enforcement efforts of our police and code enforcement officers. In other words, the legislation must be so effective that it will require the judicial branch of the County and State government to strictly enforce with incarceration, fine or both the perpetrators of these nuisance crimes. This is an open public meeting, so please come and be prepared to participant in this important discussion.

## **Historian/Writer NEEDED!**

Mount Rainier needs it's on **historian** to write our history from 1975 to present, and for becoming the depository for our history. This will be an awesome task for someone inclined to capture the history of our coming or age municipality. It will be well worth the time and energy to see our history come alive on paper. If you have the time and skills to take on **this task or know someone who is, please contact Ms. Lomax or any member of the Mayor and Council with all necessary contact information so that we can discuss this project with you.**

## **100 Year Celebration Committee Members Needed (2010 Committee)**

If you live, work, or even pass through this great City and wish to be a part of this celebration, this is your invitation to be a part of the planning committee. To sign on to the Committee, email Ms. Janis Lomax [jlomax@mountrainiermd.org](mailto:jlomax@mountrainiermd.org) or call her at 301-985-6585. She will take your name, address, telephone number, email address, and begin setting up the Committee. The first meeting of the committee will be Saturday, September 27 10:30am Mount Rainier City Hall. We need to begin planning a grand celebration for 2010! Be a part of the action. Join this committee today.

## Report from Ward 1 – Jimmy Tarlau Important Local Election – Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup>

Many of you may be wondering what this article is all about. The Mayor and two of the Council members are not up for election until next May and the state legislature and County Council are elected in 2010. But I repeat that this year's election will be the most important for the residents of our City,

Every day, as a Councilman I receive new messages detailing new cuts in state and county funding. Thursday we received a note that the Community Legacy funding had been cut by 1/3 – from \$7 million to \$4.7 million. On the same day we were told that the Maryland Board of Public Works approved a growing deficit caused by the 'worldwide economic downturn.'

What I have learned from my 1 ½ years on City Council is that the city's revenue is largely used for city services. Money is used for police, trash pick-up, code enforcement, recycling and a few other services. But there is absolutely no money in our budget for any kind of capital improvements in our City. For the last few years we have received \$100,000 a year in Community Development Block Grants from the Federal Government for street improvements, but that money does not even scratch the surface in the physical improvements that are needed in our City and I am scare that even those grants may be cut back.

Our City's bridges are in disrepair; there are curbs and pavements that need to be repaired, and streets that have to be repaved. There is absolutely no money in the City budget for this and there is unlikely to be any money in the future. The property tax base in our City does not produce the revenue needed for the infrastructure improvements in our City.

We can only make major improvements in our city if we can get a share of the federal income tax base that produces a much greater stream of revenue than the property tax. We, in Mt. Rainier, need some of that money through federal and state grants. This will only be done when there are new policy makers in Washington who change the priorities of our government and shift money away from overseas interventions and back into investing in our own communities.

This is probably the most important election that I've ever voted in. Please make sure you vote and cross your fingers.



### MESSAGE FROM MICHAEL E. SCOTT, CHIEF OF POLICE

#### *Thanksgiving Safety Tips*



Most of us tend to ignore or forget what Thanksgiving is really all about.

Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks for all the blessings that we've been given; not just feasting on the fruits of the Earth or the fruits of holiday parades and football games brought to you in high definition! It is a day to gather with friends and loved ones and celebrate our blessings; a time to voice the love and respect felt for everyone and everything; and to thank God for the blessings and challenges He brings to our lives.

You might also want to offer a word of thanks to a 19<sup>th</sup> Century magazine editor, Sarah Josepha Hale. It was Sarah's editorials and letter writing campaign that almost singlehandedly prompted Congress to pass, and President Abraham Lincoln to sign into law, a bill making the last Thursday in November our national holiday of Thanksgiving. To learn more about Sarah and her voice in history go to:

<http://www.womenwriters.net/domesticgoddess/hale1.html>

With planning a little common sense, you can ensure that tragedy does not come between you and a festive holiday. Follow these safety reminders to help you and your loved ones have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

### ***Safety At Home***

- Keep your family and overnight guests safe with a working smoke detector on every level of the house, in every bedroom, and in the halls adjacent to the bedrooms. Test smoke detectors monthly and replace batteries at least twice a year.
- Overnight guests should be instructed on the fire escape plan and designated meeting place for your home.
- Have a fire extinguisher available not more than 10 feet from the stove, on the exit side of the room. A 2 ½ lb. class ABC multi-purpose dry chemical extinguisher is recommended. Know how to use your fire extinguisher.
- Start holiday cooking with a clean stove and oven.
- Keep the kitchen off-limits to young children and adults that are not helping with food preparation. You've heard the expression, "Too many cooks spoil the broth." Well, too many cooks cause kitchen mishaps!
- When cooking, do not wear clothing with loose sleeves or dangling jewelry. The clothing can catch on fire and the jewelry can catch on pot handles, causing spills and burns.
- Cook on the back burners when possible and turn pot handles in so they don't extend over the edge of the stove.
- Never leave cooking unattended. If you must leave the kitchen while cooking, turn off the stove or have someone else watch what is being cooked.
- Keep Thanksgiving decorations and kitchen clutter away from sources of direct heat.
- Candles are often part of holiday decorations. Candles should never be left burning when you are away from home, or after going to bed. Candles should be located where children will not be tempted to play with them, and where guests will not accidentally brush against them. The candleholder should be completely noncombustible and difficult to knock over. The candle should not have combustible decorations around it.
- If you allow smoking inside your home, provide guests with large, deep ashtrays and check them frequently. After guests leave, check inside and under upholstery and in trashcans for cigarette butts that may be smoldering.
- Keep an eye on guests who are drinking alcohol. If you feel they have had too much to drink, refuse to allow them to have additional alcohol. It's your house – you make the rules! When it's time for them to leave call them a cab or get a sober driver to take them home. If they don't heed your advice call the police. Don't let your friends drink and drive! Always celebrate responsibly! Be educated and make informed decisions after drinking and help your friends and loved ones make them too.

### ***Safety While Traveling:***

- Plan ahead to avoid a bumpy road.
- Allow extra time in your travel schedule. Bad traffic can often be avoided with a little preparation. The heaviest travel days are usually before and after Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Consider taking an extra day off so that you aren't stuck in the pack.
- Make sure cars are well equipped for travel. Breaking down in the dark, in bad weather or in the cold can crush the holiday spirit. It's a good idea to take the car in for a winter "check-up." A mechanic can inspect the antifreeze, battery, windshield wipers and other cold-weather components. Make sure that the tire pressure is at recommended levels, as tires can be hazardous in wet weather when they are not inflated properly.
- Think before you drive. The highways are a community. As much as we may want to think we are isolated in our steel and glass bubbles, driving is really a social interaction without words. To understand holiday driving conditions, think of the way people act outside of their cars in this time of year. Many are worried, preoccupied, hurried, distracted and all those states of mind that make them easily agitated and less careful. On the road, this means that everyone should be more vigilant than usual, give people more distance and be forgiving when someone does something rash or absent-minded. Avoid confrontations, and try not to let other drivers bring you out of the happy holiday zone.
- Ease on down the road. Don't think of driving as a chore. Consider traveling to be part of the vacation and try to find ways to enjoy the time you spend driving.
- Carry equipment for on-the-road emergencies. If traveling in bad weather or in snow country, prepare for problems by packing flares, blankets, a first-aid kit, flashlight, water and snacks. It's useful to have a shovel to dig out the wheels in case you get stuck, and a bag of kitty litter to pour under the wheels for traction. Also remember to pack the cell phone for emergencies, but be prudent about using it while driving in holiday traffic or in bad weather.

- Drive responsibly! Once you get on the road, drive carefully and at a speed appropriate to traffic conditions. It's the time of year when to-do lists can run long, and we all have places where we would much rather be than on the road, but a defensive approach pays off in the long run. Don't drink and drive. Be aware of your physical and legal limits and the potential dangers of intoxicated drivers who may have celebrated too much.
  - Bring sufficient money for gas, and plan to take extra emergency money for unexpected problems.
  - Call your parents/family members and let them know when you are leaving and when they should expect you to arrive. If you are delayed for any reason, let them know you'll be late.
  - If you should have car problems, pull as far off the roadway as possible, activate the emergency flashers, stay in your car, raise the hood and place a handkerchief or cloth out of the window to alert police that you need assistance.
  - Remember that road conditions can change quickly and without warning. Wet road surfaces can become very slick and cause your vehicle to hydroplane or slide. If the roads are wet, remember to reduce your speed.
  - Avoid aggressive drivers and aggressive driving. Don't follow too closely, and always try to leave a large safety cushion between your vehicle and vehicles around you.
  - Get plenty of rest before you travel and avoid distractions while driving. Talking on a cell phone, driving without sufficient rest and other distractions can greatly reduce your reaction time if you need to slow down or stop quickly.
  - Respect the speed limits and traffic laws, and leave your headlights on even in the daytime.
  - Make sure you and all of your passengers wear a seatbelt, and that children under the age of 16 are secured in an approved, properly installed child safety seat or seatbelt. For information about Maryland's child safety seat laws please visit the Maryland State Highway Administration's web site at: <http://www.sha.state.md.us/safety/oots/trafficsignalsandlaws/childpas.asp>

***HAVE A SAFE AND BLESSED THANKSGIVING!***

## September 2008 Selected Offenses by Team Policing Area

Date	Offense	Locations				TPA
9/8/2008	Robbery - Citizen	3324	BL	BUCHANAN	ST	1A
9/24/2008	Stolen Vehicle	4600	BL	30TH	ST	1A
9/10/2008	Stolen Vehicle	3214	BL	CHILLUM	RD	1A
9/23/2008	Theft - From Auto	3200	BL	QUEENSTOWN	DR	1A
9/16/2008	Theft - From Auto	3267	BL	QUEENSTOWN	DR	1A
9/25/2008	Vandalism	3303	BL	CHILLUM	RD	1A
9/10/2008	Vandalism	3318	BL	BUCHANAN	ST	1A
9/2/2008	Vandalism	3213	BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	1A
9/16/2008	Robbery - Citizen	3700	BL	35TH	ST	1B
9/13/2008	Robbery - Citizen	1	BL	MUNICIPAL	PL	1B
9/4/2008	Robbery - Citizen		BL	34TH	ST	1B
9/20/2008	Theft - Vehicle Tags	4213	BL	34TH	ST	1B
9/26/2008	B & E - Residential	2910	BL	TAYLOR	ST	2A
9/29/2008	Robbery - Citizen		BL	TAYLOR	ST	2A
9/23/2008	Robbery - Citizen	4300	BL	EASTERN	AV	2A
9/9/2008	Stolen Vehicle	4100	BL	28TH	ST	2A
9/7/2008	Stolen Vehicle	4001	BL	29TH	ST	2A

9/18/2008	Theft - Vehicle Tags	2700	BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
9/3/2008	Theft - Vehicle Tags	4200	BL	30TH	ST	2A
9/10/2008	Theft < 500	4224	BL	30TH	ST	2A
9/11/2008	Theft > 500	4203	BL	EASTERN	AV	2A
9/27/2008	Vandalism	2500	BL	ARUNDEL	RD	2A
9/17/2008	Vandalism to Auto	2905	BL	ALLISON	ST	2A
9/16/2008	Vandalism to Auto	4517	BL	29TH	ST	2A
9/3/2008	Aggravated Assault	3311	BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	2B
9/23/2008	Robbery - Citizen	3004	BL	BUNKER HILL	RD	2B
9/14/2008	Robbery - Commercial	4006	BL	34TH	ST	2B
9/6/2008	Stolen Vehicle	3809	BL	31ST	ST	2B
9/27/2008	Theft - From Auto	3316	BL	PERRY	ST	2B
9/26/2008	Theft - From Auto	4000	BL	34TH	ST	2B
9/24/2008	Theft < 500	3215	BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	2B
9/24/2008	Theft < 500	4005	BL	34TH	ST	2B
9/24/2008	Vandalism to Auto	4111	BL	29TH	ST	2B



**MRTV**

Mount Rainier Television

Comcast Channel 71      Verizon Channel 21

### **MRTV Program Schedule**

Monday – Friday, 4pm, (see *MRTV* Bulletin Program Schedule)

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7pm Live telecast of City Council Meetings

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each, 7pm Live telecast of City Council Work Sessions

Program schedule and shows subject to change without notice

*MRTV News* “*News You Can Use*”. ...we have to say goodbye to our news anchor Sophia Thelusma. Sophia is attending law school in Michigan. Thanks Sophia for doing a great job! We wish her all the best.. Taking over the role of *MRTV* News will be Robert Page. Robert “Bob” is a long time Production Assistant for *MRTV* and is looking forward to stepping into this new and challenging role

*On Air with the Mayor*... watch bulletin for date and time for the next show. Mayor Malinda Miles will have a call-in segment in her next live show in October.

#### **Shows to Watch**

*On Air with the Mayor*, *MRTV News* “*News You Can Use*”, and *CitiScape*

*MRTV* needs volunteer producers, on-camera talent, digital editors and production crews for all *MRTV* productions. We tape on selected Wednesdays and Saturdays. Call *MRTV* at 301-985-6585 ext. 28, leave a message or email us at [mrtvchannel71@yahoo.com](mailto:mrtvchannel71@yahoo.com) for details.

## **BROADCAST DIGITAL TV (DTV)**

On February 19, 2009, all broadcast TV stations will cease their analog broadcast transmissions and begin broadcasting exclusively in digital format. This change is known as the "Broadcast Digital TV (DTV) Transition." The FCC requires that all cable companies (Comcast and Verizon) inform their customers how the broadcast DTV transition will affect them. Customers should have received information in their monthly billing statement. Comcast has recently learned that customers in our jurisdiction did not initially receive the message in their statement and have taken corrective action by including the notices on each statement until March 2009. For those interested in DTV, information can be obtained by contacting Comcast or obtaining a copy at City Hall.

### **News from Little Friends for Peace MJ and Jerry Park, Co-directors**

Go With Peace:

There is no way to peace. Peace is the way. A.J. Muste

Peace groups have been meeting, discovering, imagining and exploring ways to go with Peace.

Peace for self: discovering the beauty within themselves]

Peace for us: exploring daily relationships, stressing cooperation, conflict resolution and communication

Peace for Everyone: encourage justice and the goal of peace within groups of diverse people.

Peace for the Planet: planetary care and appreciation

Little Friends for Peace offers programs during the school year for children, youth, teens at all different times of day, after school and on some evenings.

The Peace Kids have found their ways to find and make their peace from nature, to drama, to art, to writing and creating new inventions to help build a culture of peace.

Little Friends for Peace collaborated with Joe's Movement Emporium for Sweep the Avenue. The Peace Kids collected trash at the Peace Park and basketball court at 30th and Arundel Road and all along the creek.

Some of the Peace kids went to The Mt. Rainier City Council meeting on October 7th and made a little presentation: Thanking the City Council for their support of the Peace Camps Asking the City Council for support and help in getting a Peace Pole installed at the Peace Garden at 30th and Arundel Road.

Little Friends For Peace : proposed that May be declared a month of Peace and LFFP will help coordinate activities with churches, schools, scouts and individuals

The Peace Builders in Action group has been trying to help the needy and shut ins right here in Mt. Rainier.

If we have problems or disagreements along the way we hop on the peace train and talk it out and not fight it out.

Margaret Mead, peacemaker said: "Never believe that a few caring people can't change the world, For indeed, that's all who ever have.

Interested in times, places and details: send an e-mail: [mjpeace@gmail.com](mailto:mjpeace@gmail.com), call 240-838-4549, [www.lffp.org](http://www.lffp.org)

**Joe's Movement Emporium/World Arts Focus**  
**3309 Bunker Hill Road**  
**Mount Rainier, MD 20712**  
**301-699-1819**  
**www.joesmovement.org**

## CALENDAR LISTING OF EVENTS

**November 7** 3D Productions presents **Erasable Inc. in a Stand Up Comedy Show**. **Erasable Inc.** is a local comedy group from the University of Maryland, who produces comedy with on-the-spot suggestions from the audience. It is never the same show twice! To catch this improvisational comedy show, come to Joe's Movement Emporium, 3309 Bunker Hill Road, Mount Rainier, MD 20712 (301) 699-1819 on November 7, 2008 at 7:30pm. Tickets for this show are \$5. For more information on Erasable Inc., visit [www.studentorg.umd.edu/inc/improv/improv.htm](http://www.studentorg.umd.edu/inc/improv/improv.htm)

**November 8** Noopur Singha presents **Manipuri Dance Workshop**. Manipuri Dance is one of the classical dance forms of India. Manipur is a northeastern state lying on the boarder of Burma. The region preserves an extremely varied range of performance traditions, including the classical court dances, the ancient shamanistic ritual dances, robust drum and cymbal dances, as well as an ongoing practice of contemporary work. In this workshop, students will develop into the Ras Leela tradition, and they will learn about its origin and significance in the development of classical Manipuri dance. The workshop will introduce basic steps and provide opportunities to learn narrative sequences from this classical repertoire. To participate in this workshop, please come to Joe's Movement Emporium, 3309 Bunker Hill Road, Mount Rainier, MD 20712 (301) 699-1819 on November 8, 2008 from 3pm-5pm. Price of this workshop is \$20.

**November 8&9** Sahara Dance presents **Master Classes with UNMATA**. On November 8<sup>th</sup> from 3pm-5pm enjoy **Sigil School**. In the first half of class, *Amy Sigil* will share her experience, ideas, and dance doctrines, as well as answer your questions. In the second half of class, you will get on your feet for a Sigil School whirlwind demonstration. Take an hour lunch break. Then from 6pm-8pm, work on **Overlaying Isolations**. Begin with a thorough breakdown of basic isolation technique, Amy will expand such elements as core strength and relaxed tension, and then demonstrate helpful exercises that are necessary to develop awareness needed to isolate key muscle groups. Then she will teach and drill an isolation combo that incorporates the artistic flare unique to *Amy Sigil and UNMATA*. Then on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm-2:30pm, come prepared for **HotPot Turbo Tribal Tricks**. Strap on your jet-packs! In this workshop you'll get the skinny on what happens when you let off a lot of steam while dancing really good, really fast. You'll learn and drill two original combos snatched directly from the Hot Pot Studio tribal vocabulary, both equipped for improv and ready for show. Take an hour lunch break. Then from 3:30pm-5:30pm, get ready for **UNMATA 110%**. No belly dance fusion enthusiast ever drowned from sweat; and to train like the *UNMATA* grrrls, you've got to be willing to get down and get wet. After this rigorous workshop, you'll walk away with two of *Amy Sigil's* signature combos, broken down into movement components, boot-laced together, and drilled 'til you're ready to drop. This workshop requires that its participants have at least 1 year of belly dance experience. To take part in this workshop, come to Joe's Movement Emporium, 3309 Bunker Hill Road, Mount Rainier, MD 20712, (301) 699-1819, on November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 2008. For both days the workshop price is \$180 and for Saturday or Sunday the price is \$110. For more information visit [www.saharadance.com](http://www.saharadance.com)

**November 14** 3D Productions presents its first annual step shows entitled **Steppin' Up**. Joe's is hosting several youth step teams from the Washington DC area. Groups performing include The Dance Place Step Team, Taratibu Youth Association, Thomas Stone Step Team and Joe's own Break Owt Steppers. To catch this celebration of rhythm and sound, come to Joe's Movement Emporium, 3309 Bunker Hill Road, Mount Rainier, MD 20712 (301) 699-1819 on November 14, 2008 at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$5 for youth with a student I.D. and \$7 for everyone else.

## **GIFT SHOP ASSISTANT**

Looking for part-time staff to manage College Park Aviation Museum gift shop, assist visitors, order merchandise, work with vendors, develop shop displays, place orders, develop financial paperwork, inventory and price items, stock shelves, organize shop storage and staff shop during most weekdays, and during large public events. \$9 hour - Average 16-20 hrs. per week, and occasional weekend days (1-2 per month). Have good computer skills, excellent customer service ability and enjoy working with the public of all ages. Person needs to be dependable. Approximate hours

9 am – 1 pm. 4 days per week average. College Park Aviation Museum, 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Drive, College Park, Md. 20740, 301-864-6029 (office), 301-927-6472 (fax). Send letter of interest to [aviationmuseum@pgparks.com](mailto:aviationmuseum@pgparks.com)

## **MUSEUM ASSISTANT (Centennial)**

Looking for an outgoing and energetic individual to work part-time with the College Park Aviation Museum staff on the upcoming Museum Centennial as well as several centennial related projects – development of the Maryland Aviation Hall of Fame, coordination of the “Centennial of Military Flight” Air Fair program (September), as well as several smaller programs. Must be dependable, outgoing, confident, have good customer service skills and an interest in aviation. Average 20-25 hrs per week and occasional weekend days (1-2 per month). \$10 hour. Flexible between 9am -5pm hours, good computer skills, aviation knowledge/background a plus but not required, work well in team environment. College Park Aviation Museum, 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Drive, College Park, Md. 20740, 301-864-6029 (office), 301-927-6472 (fax) Send resume or letter of interest to: [aviationmuseum@pgparks.com](mailto:aviationmuseum@pgparks.com)

## **MUSEUM/ARCHIVES TECHNICIAN**

College Park Aviation Museum is looking for a part-time person to be responsible for overseeing it's museum archives and library, responding to public inquiries, working with the public as well as Museum staff on programs/projects, scanning and digitizing documents and photos, coordinating our book auction, developing finding aides, accepting book/archival donations, assisting with public programs and staffing the museum. \$9 per hr. 20-25 hrs per week and 1-2 weekend days per month. Must be interested in working with the public and have excellent customer service skills, experience with computers, and various computer software programs (Access, Excel) as well as museum experience and interest in aviation history. College Park Aviation Museum, 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Drive, College Park, Md. 20740, 301-864-6029, For more information or to send a letter of interest contact us at: [aviationmuseum@pgparks.com](mailto:aviationmuseum@pgparks.com)

## **Code Enforcement NEWS!**

**Building Permits** –In general, a building permit is required to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, move, improve, remove, connect, demolish or raze any building or structure in the City of Mount Rainier. In the last few months, many home owners have begun work without first obtaining County and/or City permits. Before you begin, please check with Code Enforcement Department at 301-985-6551 to see if your particular project requires a permit even if your contractor may have told you it is not.

**Fence Permits** – Fences are constructed for a variety of reasons. They are generally used to restrict the movement of people and animals in and out of a parcel of land. In some instances, they are placed to denote boundaries, delineate specific use areas, provide privacy or for aesthetic reasons. Common fence types are split rail, picket, board on board or chain link. However, fences may not be placed so as to encroach on easement of any kind or on any City right-of-way. If you are on a corner lot, you may not locate a fence within 25 feet of the point of intersection on your property lines that abut the street.

Permits are required to place a fence over four feet high on your lot; you must apply for a County building permit and City permit. In addition, you must submit site plans showing the proposed fence location (s) including well and/or septic (if applicable). *Structural plans may be required for fence erection.*

For additional information on permit requirements please contact City Hall at 301-985-6585 or request a copy of Homeowner's Guide to permits, please contact: Department of Environmental Recourses, 9400 Peppercorn Place, Suite 500, Largo, Maryland 20774 or 301-883-5810.

**TRASH CAN REGULATIONS TO BE ENFORCED.** Code enforcement will continue making special efforts to enforce the City's trash can requirements. The City Code section 11-105 requires all regular residential trash to be placed in watertight and rodent proof containers with lids. Trash set out in plastic or paper bags is accessible to birds, rats and other rodents. The use of trash cans is a requirement to help improve the appearance of the city and deter rat infestations.

## December 2008 Leaf Schedule

Leaf vacuuming is scheduled to start Tuesday December 4, 2007. The schedule below will be followed weather permitting. In order to have your leaves vacuumed, please follow the schedule and rake your leaves to the curb. Here are a few reminders.

- Rake your leaves at least 24 hours before the crew is expected to begin on your block.
- Rake your leaves to the curb without blocking the roadway.
- Please keep rocks, bricks, branches, brush, metal, or any other objects away from raked leaves.
- If leaves are in bags, they will **not** be vacuumed.

The Public Works Department will make an effort to stay on schedule, and you can help us by following the reminders above.

LA LIMPIEZA DE LAS HOJAS EN OTONO COMENZARA EL LUNES 25, DE OCTUBRE. El plan por abajo se va a seguir dependiente an el tiempo, Para que se limpian sus hojas, sigan al plan y rastrillen las hojas al encintado 24 horas antes de la llegada de los trabajadores.

### December 2, 2008

3100 – 3600 block of Perry Street  
2900 – 3300 block of Bunker Hill  
2800 – 3300 block of Shepherd Street  
2800 – 3200 Block of Taylor Street  
3100 – 3200 block of Varnum Street

### December 4, 2008

3100 block of Webster Street  
2800 - 3200 block of Upshur Street  
3100 block of Windom Road  
3100 – 3200 block of Arundel  
4100 – 4200 block of Rainier Avenue

### December 16, 2008

All of 34<sup>th</sup> Street  
3800 Block of 35<sup>th</sup> Street  
3800 Block of 36<sup>th</sup> Street  
3800 Block of 37<sup>th</sup> Street

### December 23, 2008

3400 – 3700 Block of Bunker Hill Road  
3400 -3700 Block of Shepherd Street  
Newton Street  
Otis Street

### December 19, 2008

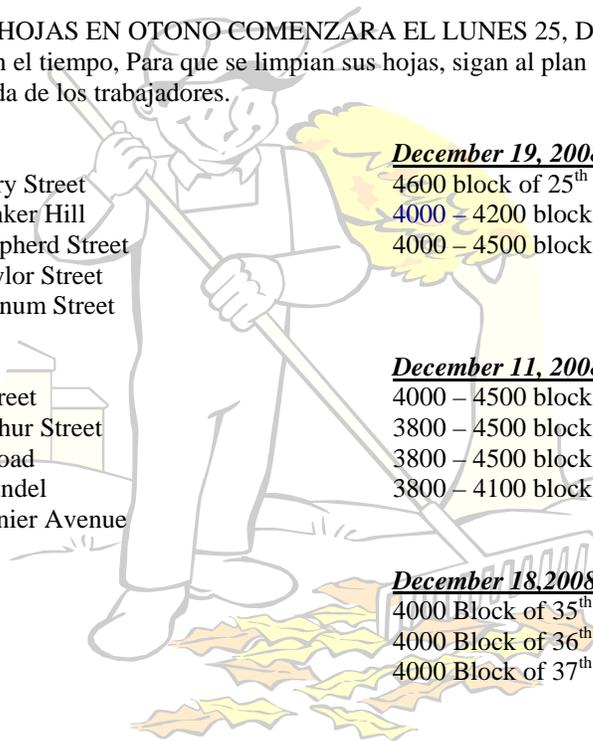
4600 block of 25<sup>th</sup> Street  
4000 – 4200 block of 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
4000 – 4500 block of 29<sup>th</sup> Street

### December 11, 2008

4000 – 4500 block of 30<sup>th</sup> Street  
3800 – 4500 block of 31<sup>st</sup> Street  
3800 – 4500 block of 32<sup>nd</sup> Street  
3800 – 4100 block 33<sup>rd</sup> Street

### December 18, 2008

4000 Block of 35<sup>th</sup> Street  
4000 Block of 36<sup>th</sup> Street  
4000 Block of 37<sup>th</sup> Street



**If your Block/Address is not mentioned please join with the block nearest to you.**

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RECYCLE AND TRASH COLLECTION NOTICE

All recyclables (aluminum cans, bottles, paper and cardboard) can be put in the same yellow recycle bin which will be picked up Friday of each week. These items will be taken to the County recycle plant as they now have the capability to separate the items.

Please bear with us as we continue to pick up regular trash on WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS. This will continue until the new trash truck is delivered. If your trash is not picked up on Wednesday, it will be collected on Thursday.

### PUBLIC WORKS CALENDAR

*Listed hereunder is the scheduled pick up dates for trash in the City of Mt. Rainier, for November and December 2008*

DATE	PARTICULARS	DATE	PARTICULARS
November 3	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558) Yard Waste Pickup	December 1	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558)
November 5	Regular Trash Pick Up	December 3	Regular Trash Pick Up
November 7	Recyclables Pick Up	December 5	Recyclables Pick Up
November 10	Yard Waste Pick Up	December 8	Yard Waste Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558)
November 11	Veterans' day (Public Works and City Hall Closed)	December 10	Regular Trash Pick Up
November 12	Regular Trash Pick Up	December 12	Recyclables Pick Up
November 14	Recyclables Pick Up	December 15	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558)
November 17	Bulk Trash Pick Up (By appointment only, call 301 985 6558) Yard Waste Pickup	December 17	Regular Trash Pick Up
November 19	Regular Trash Pick Up	December 19	Recyclables Pick Up
November 21	Recyclables Pick Up	December 24	Regular Trash Pick Up
November 24	Yard Waste Pick Up	December 26	Recyclables Pick Up
November 26	Regular Trash Pick Up	December 31	Regular Trash Pick Up
November 27	Thanksgiving Day (Public Works and City Hall Closed)		
November 28	Employees Appreciation Day (Public Works and City Hall Closed)		

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

**Yard Waste by appointments for December, January and February. Pick up one Second Monday ONLY**