



Town of Forest Heights Town Meetings

Mayor/Council Work Session

First Monday of each Month at 7:30 p.m.

(April 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Special Meeting)

Mayor/Council Meeting

Third Wednesday of each Month at 8:00 p.m.

April 21, 2010

The Official Results for the 2010 Runoff Elections

For Ward III is McLaurin — 48 Hines — 38

Town Council are as follows:

Ward I — C. Lynn Smith-Barnes

Ward II— Jonathon Kennedy II

Ward III— Brian McLaurin

Congratulations

April 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Census Day	2 Passover	3 Silver Spring Big Cherry Block
4 Easter Day	5 Special Meeting 7:00 p.m.	6	7 Yard Waste	8 Trash/Bulk	9	10 Forest Height Stream Clean 8am to 12:00 p.m.
11 National Cherry Blossom	12 Trash/Recycle	13 Thomas Jefferson Birthday	14 Yard Waste	15 Trash/Bulk Tax Day	16 Big Band Jam Blue Alley	17 Forest Heights Stream 8am to 12:00 p.m.
18	19 Trash/Recycle	20	21 Mayor/Council Meeting at 8:00 p.m.	22 Trash/Bulk Bay Bridge Boat Show	23 Smithsonian Craft Show	24 Forest Heights Cleanup week from April 24 to May 1,
25	26 Trash/Recycle	27	28 Yard Waste	29 Trash/Bulk	30	

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TOWN COUNCIL

Ward I

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ward1handinhand@aol.com

Jacqueline Goodall—ext. 238
jacquelinegoodall@msn.com

Ward II

Jonathon Kennedy II— ext. 239
jwkennedy2@yahoo.com

Anne Reifsneider— ext. 241
spar118@yahoo.com

Ward III

William E Clark, Jr.—ext. 233

Brian McLaurin—ext 235
brmrides@msn.com

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Phone (301) 839-1030
8:30a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Bonita Anderson, Town Clerk—ext. 221
townclerk.fh@verizon.net

Miranda Shephard, Town Treasurer—ext. 223
towntreasurer.fh@verizon.net

PUBLIC WORKS

Fil Ruano, Supervisor

POLICE DEPARTMENT

(301) 839-4040

Lt. Webb, Acting Chief of Police—ext. 224
fwebb.fhpd@verizon.net

Latessa Crawford, Police Clerk—ext. 225
policeclerk.fh@verizon.net

Eastover District IV Police

(301) 749-4900

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

**(at the present time the
Voice Mail is not working)**

Forest Heights Police Department



From the Office of the Chief of Police:

March has been a very successful month for the FHPD. The Speed Camera Program, "Operation Get Home Safe" is in full effect. The 30 day "Warning Period" is almost complete. Officers assigned to the FHPD T.E.D. (Traffic Enforcement Division) will complete Training for the Speed Camera Program on March 29, 2010. As the Spring weather has approached, traffic enforcement will be an issue as the safety of our pedestrians within the Town. The FHPD as a whole plan to strictly enforce all state and local traffic laws, in effort to maintain the safety and security of the Town of Forest Heights. We look forward to a productive, successful warm season, and would like to remind citizens to close and lock their windows when they leave home in effort to prevent home burglaries within our residential areas.

**FOR ALL EMERGENCY CALLS,
DIAL 911.**

Forest Heights Police Website Forestheightspolice.org

Lt. F.R. Webb, A/Chief of Police

FHPD Crime Report for the Month of March 2010

Breaking and Entering	2	Robberies	1
Thefts	1	Arrest	1
Vehicle Impounds	4	Vandalism	1
Threats & Annoying Calls	1	Assault	2
Vehicle Accidents	1	Death	1
Handicapped Parking	24	Fire Lane	2

Ordinance Violations

Town Building Permit not Obtained	1
Bulky Trash Put out too Early	5

Finger Printing & Notary

The Forest Heights Police Department
9 am - 3 pm Monday - Friday
By Appointment Only
\$20.00 per card Money Order Only
Notary is \$2 per document
301-839-4040

NEWS AND INFORMATION

There will be a "SPECIAL MEETING" on Monday, April 5, 2010 at 7:00 pm.
We will also have the swear-in ceremony for Councilman McLaurin.

They're baaaack— Horsing around the Arena The Show Place

Arena Upper Marlboro Maryland

... come by for the sheer fun of it., Maryland National Horse Show
April 1-3, Spring Festival Horse Show April 8-11



Please come be a part of **Building Usage Requirement Meeting** scheduled for Wednesday April 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. A committee will be organized to prepare Building Usage Requirements. Call the Town Office at 301-839-1030 to apply for a volunteer position.

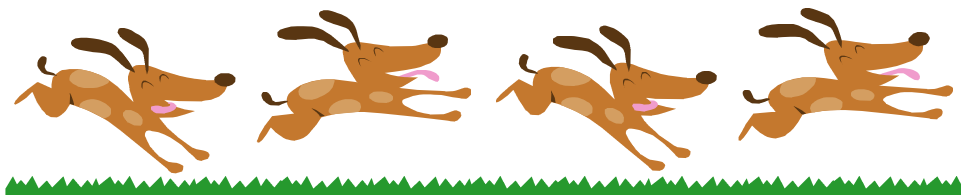
Councilwoman Anne Reifsneider

Citizens of Ward II... The first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The Council Members of Ward II invite citizens of Ward II to a meet and great and to exchange ideas.

Council members Anne Reifsneider and Jonathon Kennedy II

Pet Lovers

Yes, having a dog is definitely a huge responsibility. But it's sooo frustrating when people don't pick up after their dogs. There are many rules and regulations regarding dogs and dangerous animals. One of these rules regards picking up dog waste and the fines associated with it; not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first offense and repeat offenders may be assessed a fine not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each repeat offense.



TOWN COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Working Together and Doing It Right

Announcement and special invitation

To all my friends, neighbors and fellow residents of the
Town of Forest Heights Maryland

and our surrounding communities.

**You are all cordially invited to my formal
announcement, as a candidate for the**

United States Congress

In Maryland's 4th Congressional District

Primary Election hopefully representing

you and your families' interests;

being held on Thursday evening

May 6, 2010 from

5 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. at the

Temple Hills Skate Palace

3132 Branch Ave

Temple Hills, Maryland

further details available

**GeorgeMcDermott.com &
Also @ MDCourtwatch.com**

"Found Lost Dog..."

*He is a tan
male
Chivavas
and is neu-
tered. He's
calm, trained
and well fed.*



If this is your dog call

Michaela Barnes at

202-470-7391.

THE FOREST HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

After several requests by citizens, Officer Bandy has agreed that he would take the lead in helping to organize the program and get it up and running.

What are some of the benefits of starting a Watch Group?

- Partnerships with Law Enforcement and your Neighbors
- Reduction in Crime
- A More Secure and Better Prepared Hometown
- A More United Community
- Improved Communications

Make Note on your Calendars ***"April 8th at 7:00 pm"*** There will be a meeting at the Municipal Building to Re-Institute the Forest Heights Neighborhood Watch Program. All Citizens are Invited and Encouraged to Attend.

rbandy@forestheightspolice.org

Come Join the Oxon Hill Recreation Club (OHRC) Swim Team, a member of the Prince Mont Swim League. We are looking for swimmers 18 (as of June 1st) and younger to join the Oxon Hill Hammerheads Swim Team. Contact Minta Steinberger at Minty73@aol.com for info or Sharon Sweet at sharon.m.sweet@exxonmobil.com. Or leave message 301-567-2664. Swim lessons also available



ATTENTION RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES, ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR

TOWN NEWLETTER FOREST HEIGHTS NEWS

Monthly Advertising Rates are as follows

Full Page—\$150

Half Page—\$100

Quarter Page \$50

Business Card—\$15

Inserts -\$75 Minimum 2 Month Minimum Advertisement

Circulation is approx. 1,000 to which includes distribution to Forest Heights Residents, business, community churches and other Prince George's County Municipalities.

Deadline to submit articles or advertisements for the newsletter is the 15th day of the month prior to publication. Articles are to be turned in via email to newsletter.fh@verizon.net or mailed or hand delivered to the Municipal Building at 5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745.

The Town Council would like to say Thanks You

Thank you once again for the opportunity to serve the Town as Councilman. During the time I have been on council I have been fortunate to see the Town grow. I have seen positive steps taken and unselfish acts from the Citizens, employees of the Town, the Mayor and Members of Council. Progress is never ending. Some of the decisions made were hard decision, but necessary. We as a community will strive to work together to improve any and all areas that we can. As I have stated before and I still firmly believe; we live in a town that is filled with many talents and strengths. There is nothing that Forest Heights cannot overcome. A lot of progress has been made and many more are on the way. Do not hesitate to make your opinion known, for everyone's voice is beneficial to the growth of Forest Heights.

I am dedicated to moving our Town forward. I encourage all citizens to come out to the meetings. As a reminder, there is ALWAYS an open invitation to the Town Meetings.

A valid email address for me is jwkennedy2@yahoo.com.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT..... NOW AND IN THE FUTURE.

Sincerely,

Jonathon Kennedy II

Council Person for the Town of Forest Heights

I would like to thank all Ward III residents and especially my supporters for participating in the runoff election on March 24, 2010. I would also like to recognize my opponent for a good campaign. I will continue to fight for the residents and make sure your concerns are heard. I will use the straight forward and common sense approach to deal with issues that are important to you and the Town.

Thank you again for your support.

Brian McLaurin

Councilman Ward III

I would like to thank all of the Ward I residents who came out to vote. And for those of you who were unable to make it, I will continue to legislate for the best interest of YOU and The Town of Forest Heights with your continued support your views and opinions are important to me; it helps me to make the best decision for you and the Town.

There is one thing I would like to suggest and that is at least once a month we (your Ward 1 Council Members) have a meeting amongst the ward I residents to discuss any issues, suggestion, etc. that you may have.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at WARD1_HANDINHAND@AOL.COM or (301) 749-9741 (please leave a message and your call will be returned during reasonable hours)

Respectfully,

C. Lynn Smith-Barnes

Join Alice Ferguson Foundation & Town of Forest Heights
Volunteer to remove trash from the Oxon Run!!

We Need... **YOUR
HELP!**

APRIL 10TH

Forest Heights Elementary School
200 Talbert Drive
Forest Heights, MD 20745

APRIL 17TH

Forest Heights Municipal Building
5508 Arapahoe Drive
Forest Heights, MD 20745

STREAM CLEANUPS BEGIN AT 8AM

Cleanups
happen RAIN
OR SHINE!
Bring sturdy
boots and
dress in layers.

Contacts- Town Hall: 301-839-1030 or
Jacqueline Goodall: 240-602-0855
jacquelinegoodall@msn.com
PS: Community Service Hours will be given to students

TOWN COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Working Together and Doing It Right—(continued)



TRASH/RECYCLE COLLECTION IS TO BE PLACED AT THE CURB THE NIGHT BEFORE COLLECTION

PICK-UP DAYS BEGIN AT 6:30 a.m.

MONDAY—Recycle & Trash

Yard Waste will be Picked Up on Wednesday

THURSDAY—Bulk & Trash

METAL PICK-UP Metal placed on the curb will be picked up by

Public Works for a minimum of \$35.00

Propane Tank Pick-ups are \$30 each.



NO

trash is to be placed in the recycling bin. A Recyclable Bin that has trash in it will not be PICKED UP. Recyclable Bin/Trash Bin shall be removed after pickup the same day.

ANY TRASH OR RECYCLE BINS LEFT OUT DAYS AFTER ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN, AND WILL BE ISSUED A CITATION OF \$50.00.

FOREST HEIGHTS CLEAN UP WEEK

Saturday April 24 thru Saturday, May 1, 2010 was proclaimed Forest Heights Clean-Up Week. We will have a Town Clean Up. Saturday May 1st, meeting at the Municipal Building at 8:30 a.m. to pick up trash in and around town. Please join us.



Along with our regular pick up on Monday, Wednesday (yard waste) and Thursday (bulk), the Public Works Department will pick up items free of charge that we normally charge for on Tuesday and Friday. A dumpster will be available at the entrance of the Municipal Building during Forest Heights Clean Up Week. We do ask that you leave metal items outside of the dumpster. **Electronics and hazardous waste should NOT be placed in the dumpster.** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

In addition, the Brown Station Landfill located at 11611 White House Road, Upper Marlboro, MD is open Thursdays and Fridays (7:30 a.m. –3:30 pm) and Sundays (7:30 am-4:00 pm) for Household Hazardous Waste and Recycling. Item not accepted are software, stereo speakers, boxes small appliances, microwave ovens and console TVs. There is a limit of 5 per day per person on computers/monitors. Contact 301-883-5045 for additional information, if needed.



What is the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)

The Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP), operated by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Single Family Special Loans Programs (SLP), helps eligible low income households with the installation of energy conservation materials in their dwelling units. These measures both reduce the consumption of energy and the cost of maintenance for these homes.

Funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Electric Universal Service Program, along with Baltimore Gas and Electric (BGE) and Washington Gas utility companies.

Eligible Applicants

Owner applicants must be income eligible (currently 200% of poverty) and able to prove ownership of the housing unit. For rental units, landlords must prove ownership and also agree to participate and invest. Priority is given to homeowners who are elderly, disabled, have families with children and/or have the highest energy consumption.

2009 Income Eligibility Limits		
Family Size	Monthly In- come	Annualized Income
1	\$1,805	\$21,660
2	\$2,428	\$29,140
3	\$3,052	\$36,620
4	\$3,675	\$44,100
5	\$4,298	\$51,580
6	\$4,922	\$59,060
7	\$5,545	\$66,540
8	\$6,168	\$74,020
Each additional person add	\$ 623	\$ 7,480

APPLYING FOR ASSISTANCE

Interested persons may apply to the local agency that serves the political jurisdictions in which they reside or directly through the Maryland Energy Assistance Program 1-800-352-1446.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Town of Forest Heights would like to provide this type of assistance to their residents, however we are looking for at least four volunteers that would be willing to work four (4) hours a day two days a week to take process applications. If you are interested please contact Councilwoman Anne Reifsneider or Councilwoman Jacqueline Goodall. We would like to have the Forest Heights Energy Assistance program in place by May 3rd. Interested parties can call the Town Hall at 301-839-1030 and leave their name and contact information by April 19th.

Weatherization Training Courses in Maryland

Weatherization training is available statewide through the Construction and Energy Technologies Education Consortium (CETEC), a consortium of Maryland community colleges. Current course offerings include Tactics, Home Energy Analysis, HVAC and Lead: Renovation, Repair and Painting. (An advanced envelope course will be available in the spring of 2010.) The Weatherization Tactics course is designed to prepare individuals for entry-level employment in the green economy as part of a Weatherization Crew. The Home Energy Analysis course is designed for individuals interested in becoming Energy Analyst Technicians, Weatherization Crew Chiefs, or other building performance workers in the green economy. Training will be held at Prince Georges Community College – June 7th – June 11th 8:30-4:30 pm (M-F) For more information about these courses, registration - contact Ricky Godbolt (301) 322-0417.