



Mayor/Council Workshop Meeting
November 7, 2011 7:30 p.m.
Mayor/Council Meeting
Wednesday October 19, 2011 8:00 p.m.

UP AND COMING EVENTS
Yard Sale—October 8th 7:30 a.m.
“BINGO 62 Plus Club—Thursday October 6th, 2011 (See page 5)
Bridging the Music Spectrum—Saturday, October 8, (See page 7)
Forest Heights Senior Forum—Wednesday, October 19, 2011 (See page 5)
Day of Bowling— Saturday, October 15 (See page 7)
Domestic Violence Gala—Saturday, October 22 (See Page 6)

OCTOBER 2011

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2	3 Mayor/Council Work Session Meeting 7:30 p.m.	4	5 Neighborhood Watch Meeting 7:00 p.m. Yard Waste	6 Share Food Network Money Due Trash/Recycle	7 100 Men to Make a Difference See page 6	8 Yard Sale 7:30-3:00 p.m. See page 4 Volunteer Meeting 12:30 p.m.
9	10 Closed for Columbus Day	11	12 Yard Waste	13 Trash/Recycle	14	15 Stream Clean Up 8:30 a.m. See page 7 Day of Bowling 2:00 p.m. See page 7 Act of Kindness Day 8:30 a.m. See page 7
16	17 Trash/Recycle	18	19 Mayor/Council Meeting 8:00 p.m.	20 Trash/Recycle	21	22 Day of Planting See page 7 Domestic Violence Gala 4:00 p.m. See page 6
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LCrawford@forestheightsmd.gov

Citizens Hotline—ext. 306

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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

Eastover District IV Police

(301) 749-4900

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

NON-EMERGENCY

301-333-4000



Forest Heights Police Department

The Forest Heights Police Department will be moving forward to have our safety and security surveillance cameras installed and erected in various locations throughout the Town. We will be holding a public hearing on Monday October 17, 2011 @ 11:00 am and again at 6:00 pm. This hearing will answer any questions the public will have regarding the cameras as well as justify how the cameras will benefit the citizens as well as the police.

From the Office of F.R. Webb, Chief of Police:

FHPD Crime Report for the Month of August 2011

<u>CRIME</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Vandalism to Auto	5
Vehicle Impound	1
Marijuana Possession	1
Arrest	7
Possession of Stolen Property	1
Breaking or Entering	3
1 st Degree Burglary	1
Theft	3
Criminal Citation	2
Recovered Property	1
Burglary	1
2 nd Degree Assault	1
<u>PARKING VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Left Wheels to Curb	1
No Parking	1
	TOTAL
Maryland Uniform and Complaint Citation	13

Finger Printing

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

Letter from Mayor

In July of this year the Town announced that it had begun a “Forest Heights Moving Forward Program”, as part of moving forward we will begin “Operation Broken Window”. We have all noticed that it doesn’t take but one house to drag the entire block, the whole street and then the town down. Trashy homes, high grass and brush, houses with broken windows, litter, loitering, graffiti and apathy all have a negative impact on our Town. While it won’t happen overnight, working as a community we can turn things around, we can make it happen. The Code Enforcement Officer, the Police Department and Public Works will begin to strictly enforce the Codes of the Town of Forest Heights and Prince Georges County. While some citations will require immediate attention, other violators will be given an extension to do the needed repairs (copy of the Town Codes and Ordinances are available at the Municipal Building, FREE OF CHARGE). The Administration Department will work to provide information about various programs for citizens that need assistance (seniors, citizens with Special Needs or citizens with income restrictions). In addition, we are seeking volunteers for our ‘Simple Act of Kindness’ group – interested persons, please contact the Town Clerk to sign up, our first day out will be October 15th.

On October 15th from 8:30 am until noon we are also looking for volunteers for our semi-annual Stream Clean Up of Oxon Run and on October 22nd from 8 am until (?) we are seeking volunteers to help plant vegetation around the newly constructed rain gardens and our municipal grounds. Community service hours are available for those that need them or simply would like to do more for their community.

I hope that all of our citizens will become involved in Operation Broken Window, please feel free to call the Town Hall or leave a message on the recorder reporting violators or concerns. Please come to the town meetings to voice your concerns or contact your Councilperson. Get involved in the Neighborhood Watch Program, the Safety Program or other programs that have been created to make a difference; it will take all of us - working together towards a common goal to Move Forest Heights Forward.

Jacqueline Goodall

Mayor

OPERATION BROKEN WINDOW –Below is a list of some, but not all, of the things for which citations will be issued:

Allowing weeds and brush to grow out of control, especially grass over 8 inches

Allowing trash and litter to accumulate on property, dead trees, tree limbs, discarded furniture, construction debris, discarded automobiles or parts

Parking in the front yards or on sidewalks

Running an automotive shop out of your garage

Trash not in containers or receptacles, trash and/or garbage left out on non scheduled days

Not picking up pet waste

Loitering, violating curfews

Constructing or reconstructing on property without proper permit

Fences in bad repair

Chipping paint, broken windows, shutters hanging off buildings

Commercial vehicles, semi-trailers, unregistered vehicles parked on town roadways

Illegal parking

Working on vehicles beyond minor repairs on town streets

Town Local Business



Residents of Forest Heights the Telephone System Is Up and Running! For Assistance See Page 2 for Listing



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.

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



YARD SALE

Town of Forest Heights at
5508 Arapahoe Drive Forest Heights, MD 20745

Saturday, October 8, 2011
(7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)



Vendors Wanted Space \$ 15 / Table \$ 5

Contact Town Office (301) 839-1030 or Kathy Clark (301) 567-5780



COULD YOUR HOME USE A MAKEOVER?

Saturday October 29, 2011

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

and get on the list



FREE HOME MAKEOVER The Weatherization Assistance Program WAP operated by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Developments Single Family Special Loans. Program helps eligible low income homeowners with the installation of energy-conserving materials. Priority is given to those homeowners who are elderly, disabled, have families with children, and/or have the highest energy consumption. Eligible renters may also apply. Examples of improvements include: health and safety items, hot water system, lighting retrofit, insulation and furnace cleaning. If interested, Councilwoman Reifsneider takes applications at the Municipal Building Check calendar for dates or call 301-839-1030.



Town Community News



SHARE
FOOD NETWORK
Extending Your Food Budget

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

VALUE PACKAGE \$20	FALL MEAT COMBO \$18
Ham Steak 1 lbs.	2.5 lbs. BBQ Chicken Wing
Roaster Chicken Drumsticks 2.2 lbs.	Sections
Chicken Nuggets 1 lb.	1.6 lbs. Smoked Turkey Breast
Italian Meatballs .75 lbs	1.5 lbs Pork Sirloin Roast
Imitation Crab Meat 0.50 lbs.	
Frozen Cranberry Streusel Cake 1 lbs.	
Rice 2 lbs. Potatoes 3 lbs. Onions 1.5 lbs.	

Order and pay by October 6 & 7
pick up Saturday October 22
12 noon to 1:00 p.m.

PARK & RECREATION ACTIVITIES ARE BEGINNING, ARE YOU READY?

The 60 + Committee is seeking members. Those interested in participating, contact Councilwoman Ann Reifsneider at ext. 303, or Councilman Barnes at ext. 301. **Park and Planning Committee** is seeking volunteers for activities, contact Councilwoman Smith-Barnes at ext. 301 or Councilman Kennedy at ext. 304. Contact Town Administrator to serve on the Historical Document Committee.

FREE BINGO 62 Plus Club Thursday October 6th, 2011

from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Free Bingo and prizes, come and join us at the Municipal Building.

Please bring your markers

NOTE: (NO DOBBERS) and your lucky charms.



**** PLEASE COME OUT AND JOIN-US ****

FOREST HEIGHTS SENIOR FORUM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2011 10:00 am — 2:00 pm

*** Please RSVP by calling the Municipal Building at 301-839-1030 NLT
October 12, 2011 so that we may adequately prepare for your attendance.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!!

Free Dinner and Concert

Oxon Hill High School Music Department Annual Senior Citizens Concert

October 26, 2011 Dinner @ 5:30 p.m. Concert @ 7:00 p.m., Please RSVP by October 17th, 2011

Performance by: Director, Mr. Walter Harley (Concert Band, Symphonic Band and String Orchestra)

And Director, Dr. Emory Andrews (Concert Choir, Advanced Ensemble and Gospel Choir)

Judy Johnson—jujabjohnson@gamil.com (202) 436-1633 or Renee Dixon—renee.dixon@ace-afscme.org (301) 751-0539

Town Community News (continued)

Fort Washington Medical Center Fall Diabetes Management Series

“How to Thrive With Diabetes”

Join the free two-part series and follow-up session!!

Dates: Thursday, October 13, 2011 and

Monday, October 17, 2011

Follow-Up Session: Monday, November 7, 2011

Time: 5:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.

Location: Fort Washington Medical
Center (Cafeteria)

11711 Livingston Road, Fort Wash-
ington, MD 20744

Contact: Sherrie Walker 301-686-9010



Rep. Edwards to Host 3rd Annual College and Career Fair

U.S. Congresswoman Donna F. Edwards (MD-4) will hold her 3rd Annual College and Career Fair, “Planning for Future Success: Helping High School and Middle School Students Plan for Future Educational and Career Opportunities”. Workshops on financial aid, maximizing in- and out-of-class opportunities, and identifying career options will start at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 5, 2011

Time: 9:00am - 1:00pm

Silver Spring Civic Center
1 Veteran's Plaza
Silver Spring, MD

For additional information, please call (301) 562-7960.

Wanted! 100 Men To Make A Difference At Allenwood Elementary School

Friday October 7, 2011 7:45 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

Kaye Stumb, Principal 6300 Harley Lane

Temple Hills, Maryland 20748 **301-702-3931**

Antr Foundation

WE ARE STRONGER THAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GALA 2011

A Night To Remember Foundation, Inc., a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization in your community will be hosting its First Annual We Are Stronger Than Domestic Violence Event on October 22, 2011 at 4:00 p.m., doors will open at 3:30 p.m. This event will take place in Forest Heights, MD at the Multi-Cultural Ballroom in the Mayor's Building. It would be great to see you, the residents, attend this empowering and moving gala. Tickets are \$20.00 for those who purchase their tickets before September 30th and \$30.00 after September 30th.

If you would like to attend, please send confirmation to s.smith@antrfoundation.org. For more information, please contact us by phone (301) 686-0253. If you are unable to attend and would like to assist in another capacity, we would like to request a donation of your choice to the cause. Thank you once again for your time and attention to this growing epidemic and commitment to end it.

TALE OF THE TAG

As early as 1901, New York State made owners register their cars, by putting their initials somewhere on the car. In the early days the states assigned the numbers and the owner made the plates of leather or wood. In 1903 Massachusetts and New York introduced the first numbered plates. Early license plates were good only in the state where the driver lived, when driving to the next state it was necessary to purchase a visitor's plate. In the early 1900s, states began making steel plates coated with porcelain. To save metal during World War II, many states issued plates of board made from soybeans. The life span was short as drivers complained when goats ate the plates. Some states now issue special plates so drivers can show support for their favorite groups, military, veterans etc. Special plates are also used to help raise money for worthy causes. The Chesapeake plate raises money to help clean up the Chesapeake Bay and the area around it.

THOUGHT: Seen it all, done it all, can't remember most of it.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES, ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR TOWN NEWSLETTER; 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, businesses, 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, mailed or hand delivered to the Municipal Building at 5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745.

Town Community News (continued)

FREE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR

AMF MARLOW HEIGHTS

BOWLING LANE

DAY OF BOWLING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2011

2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Call Bean 301-839-1030 to sign up



Want to be a part of the action on

Simple Act of Kindness Day?

October 15, 2011

Come help your Community in
Forest Heights, just a small act of kindness
can make a difference.

Meet at the Municipal Building

at 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

FREE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR Bridging the Musical Spectrum

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2011

7:00 p.m.

**Presented by: (Fame) The Foundation advancement
of Music & Education, Inc.**

Nat Adderley Jr., Latasha Jordan Morris Wilson,
Pamela McDaniel, Dr. Emory Andrews, Kim-
berly Jackson Folkes, Virgil Crawford, Maryland
University Dancers, Nile Bayard, John C.G.
Stricklett, Iffy Marshall, FAME Orchestra.
And More...

October 22nd a Day of Plantings

Let's Go Green Together

How You Can Help!

Please join with us a day of planting. Come
make a difference now and for future gen-
erations. Please bring your tools, we have
some.



**Municipal Bldgs. Rain Garden-
start at 8:30 a.m.**

**The Town of Forest Heights
Neighborhood Watch Meeting
Wednesday, October 5, 2011
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p. m.**

Stream Clean Up October 15, 2011 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



will meet at
Municipal Bldg.
8:30 a.m.

**The Town of Forest Heights
VOLUNTEER MEETING
Saturday, October 8, 2011
12:30 p.m.**

*****EWCWSS****

Local
Post Customer

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ECRWSS
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
EDDM Retail

Town Community News (continued)

From The Code Enforcement Division of the Forest Heights Police Department

"THERE IS A CAR ON MY STREET THAT DOSEN'T LOOK RIGHT"

A. Abandoned vehicle: unless otherwise stated elsewhere in this article means:

(1.) Any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer that:

(I) is inoperable and left unattended on public property for more than 72 hours,

(II) has remained illegally on public property for more than 72 hours; or,

(III) has remained on public property for more than 72 hours and:

(A.) is not displaying currently valid registration plates; or,

(B.) is displaying registration plates of another vehicle.

(IV.) has remained on private property without the occupant's or the owner's consent for more than 72 hours and:

(A.) is inoperable in that one or more of its major mechanical components, including but not limited to the engine, transmission, drive train and wheels, is missing or not functional, unless such vehicle is kept in an enclosed building as permitted by the county's zoning regulations;

(B.) is not displaying currently valid registration plates; or,

(C.) is displaying registration plates of another vehicle.

(2.) Any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer that has otherwise been expressly presumed or declared to be an abandoned vehicle by any other provision of this Article.

(3.) Any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer that is partially dismantled, wrecked or any other junked motor vehicle shall be presumed to have been or be abandoned.

THE SWORN OFFICERS OF THE FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT ARE AUTHORIZED TO REMOVE AND IMPOUND ANY VEHICLE FROM THE PUBLIC STREETS, PUBLIC PROPERTY OR PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS WITHIN THE TOWN THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF A VIOLATION OF THIS ARTICLE AND HAVE BEEN ISSUED AN OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CITATION. IN ADDITION TO BEING CITED, A VEHICLE MAY BE TOWED