



## Message from the Mayor's Office

### Greetings Forest Heights Residents,

We are pleased to tell you that the Fall Cleanups were a success as over 300 trees were planted at Forest Heights Elementary School and over 35 volunteer came out to participate. Also the Halloween party and Haunted House were a great success. Well over 100 children participated in the event. We had a great time and would like to thank Sgt. Washington, Communications Specialist Mimi Liu, Councilman Kennedy II, Councilwoman Muhammand and Councilwoman Mann and all our volunteer's that gave a great deal of their time.

Happy Thanksgiving to all !!

Mayor/Council Meeting, Wednesday November 19, 2014 8:00p.m.

Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony Forest Heights Children's TotLot

Fox Way, Mohican Dr., Saturday November 8, 2014 10:00-11:00 a.m.

My Brother's Keeper Initiative, Oxon Hill High School

Saturday November 15, 2014 11:00-5:00 p.m.

Senior Luncheon, Thursday November 20, 2014 12:00-2:00 p.m.

### NOVEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Trash/Recycle Mayor/Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.	4	5 Yard Waste Exercise Classes 12:00-1:00 p.m.	6 Bulk Trash	7	8 Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony Forest Heights Children's TotLot Fox Way, Mohican Dr.
9	10 Trash/Recycle Exercise Classes 11:40-12:40 p.m.	11 Veterans Day TOWN CLOSE	12 Yard Waste Exercise Classes 11:40-12:40 p.m.	13 Bulk Trash	14 Last Day to Sign up for Senior Luncheon	15 My Brother's Keeper Oxon Hill High School 11:00-5:00 p.m. National Harbor Christmas Tree Lighting
16	17 Trash/Recycle Exercise Classes 11:40-12:40 p.m.	18	19 Yard Waste Mayor/ Council Meeting 8:00 p.m. Exercise Classes 11:40-12:40 p.m.	20 Bulk Trash Senior Luncheon 12:00-2:00 p.m.	21	22 National Harbor Ho-Ho-Holiday Carousel Rides with Santa - Every Saturday beginning November 22, 2014, 12 - 2 p.m.
23	24 Trash/Recycle Exercise Classes 11:40-12:40 p.m.	25	26 Exercise Classes 11:40-12:40 p.m.	27 Thanksgiving Day Town Closed	28 Black Friday	29
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## FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT



### Sharing the road safely with school buses.

School buses are one the safest forms of transportation on the road today.

In fact, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, riding a bus to school is 13 times safer than riding in a passenger vehicle and 10 times safer than walking to school.

The reality of school bus safety is that more children are hurt outside the bus than insides as passengers

Most of the children who lose their lives in bus-related crashes are pedestrians.

Four to seven year old children, get hit by motorists illegally passing a stopped school bus.

Four this reason, it is necessary to know the proper laws and procedures for sharing the road safely with school buses.

**All 50 states have a law making it illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.**

**All 50 states require that traffic in both directions stop on undivided road ways when student are entering or exiting a school bus.**

### Car Cigarette Lighters Can Send a Big Message, Be Careful!

In crime prevention, as in many other parts of life, little things can mean a lot. Take, for example, a car's cigarette lighter. It may not look like much to you, but it can send an important signal to thieves.

Some criminals look at the dashboards of cars. If they see the cigarette lighter is missing, they figure there is at least a possibility that it has been taken out to accommodate a battery charger or power adapter for a cell phone. They're willing to take a chance that the cell phone is not far away – maybe stored in the glove box. So, when they don't see a cigarette lighter in a car, some thieves will break the passenger side window, and open the glove box, hoping to find a cell phone inside. If you don't have a cell phone, the criminal will just move on, looking for another opportunity. But he - or she - has left behind a mess of broken and shattered glass for you to clean up, and a colossal headache until you get the car repaired.

Don't give criminals an opportunity. Whether or not you have a cell phone, keep that cigarette lighter just when it belongs when you leave your car. If you do, you're much less likely to encounter a rude surprise when you come back.

TAKE A BITE OUT OF  
**CRIME**



**Would you like this neighborhood to be known as the Safest Place in Maryland?**

“Call to get involved”

301-839-1030

### Forest Heights Police Department October 2014 All Calls For Service

ASSAULT REPORT	2	ESCORT	1	TRAFFIC ACCIDENT	9
ASSIST CITIZEN	1	FIGHT IN PROGRESS	5	TRAFFIC ACCIDENT (HIT & RUN)	1
ASSIST MOTORIST	1	INVESTIGATION	1	TRAFFIC ACCIDENT (INJURIES)	2
ASSIST OTHER UNIT (INCIDENT)	1	LOITERING/VAGRANTS	1	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	1
ASSIST OTHER UNIT (TRAFFIC)	2	LOST PROPERTY	1	TRESPASSER	3
ASSIST OUTSIDE AGENCY	17	MISSING PERSON	3	TRESPASSER(S) ON FILED	1
B & E (RESIDENTIAL)	3	PROPERTY DAMAGE (AUTO)	2	UNKNOWN TROUBLE	1
B & E IN PROGRESS	3	SOUND OF GUN SHOTS	3	VANDALISM TO AUTO	1
BURGLAR ALARM (RESIDENTIAL)	12	SPECIAL EVENT	1	WARRANT SERVICE	2
CHECK ON THE WELFARE	5	STOLEN AUTO (RECOVERED)	1	<b>TOTAL CALLS HANDLED:</b>	<b>139</b>
COURT	1	SUICIDE	2		
CUSTODY DISPUTE	1	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT(S)	6		
CUSTOMER DISPUTE	3	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT(S)(CDS)	2		
DISORDERLY SUBJECT(s)	8	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	4		
DISPUTE BETWEEN PERSONS	6	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE (OCCUPIED)	3		
DOMESTIC DISPUTE	8	THEFT (SHOPLIFTING)	2		
DOMESTIC STANDBY	2	THEFT REPORT	4		

# Town Community News

MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS  
ORDINANCE NO. 05-14

(1 of 2)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND REVISING ARTICLE 13 (NUISANCES, MORALS AND CONDUCT) OF THE TOWN ORDINANCE CODE, BY AMENDING AND ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 13.3 THEREBY PROHIBITING ANY PERSON TO KNOWINGLY AND INTENTIONALLY APPEAR IN PUBLIC VIEW WEARING SHORT OR LONG PANTS, A SKIRT OR OTHER GARMENTS MORE THAN THREE (3) INCHES BELOW THE TOP OF THE WAISTLINE (I.E., INTERPRETED TO MEAN AT A LEVEL BELOW THE CREST OF THE ILIUM) EXPOSING SKIN OR UNDERGARMENTS, AND SHOWING ANY PORTION OF THE PERSON'S CERTAIN BODY PARTS ON CERTAIN PUBLIC PROPERTY; DEFINING PUBLIC PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR WARNINGS PRIOR TO ISSUING CITATIONS; MAKING A VIOLATION OF SAID SECTION A MUNICIPAL INFRACTION CARRYING CERTAIN FINES OR CIVIL PENALTIES; ESTABLISHING CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A REQUEST TO COMPLY; AND RENUMBERING THE CURRENT (I.E., OLD) GENERAL PENALTY SECTION (I.E., § 13.3) OF ARTICLE 13 AS SECTION 13.9; AND GENERALLY RELATING TO INDECENT OR UNLAWFUL STATES OF ATTIRE OR UNDRESS IN PUBLIC.

*Passed 11/3/2014; Effective 12/2/2014*

FYI – copies will be available at the Town Hall. Many thanks!

## Join us for a Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

### Forest Heights Children's TotLot



**Saturday November 8, 2014**

**10:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Fox Way and Mohican Drive**

**Forest Heights, MD 20745**

### Calling All Business Owners!

Registration is now open for the Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) University and Prince George's County Conference & Expo. This all-day conference will take place on **Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014** at the College Park Marriott Hotel & Conference Center.

Participants can expect quality workshops, one-on-one matchmaking appointments and an Expo Hall full of resources for small, minority- and women-owned businesses as well as buyers who support diversity. This full-day conference includes a keynote luncheon presentation by Robert L. Wallace, award-winning entrepreneur, engineer, author and founder of BITHGROUP Technologies, BITHENERGY and EntreTeach Learning Systems. The event is **FREE**, but space is limited. Register online at <http://eventexpo.princegeorgescountymd.gov>.

What do you call a room full of Scientist, Poets,  
Authors, Vocalists, Artists,  
Musicians, Chefs and Entrepreneurs?  
You Call It



Visual Arts    Sciences    Performing Arts

**WORKSHOPS**

Location: Prince George's Community College  
Marlboro Hall, Room 2067  
301 Largo Road, Largo, MD 20774

Dates: Saturday, November 1, 2014

Saturday, November 15, 2014 an

Saturday, December 6, 2014

Time: 10 am - 2:00 pm

Come out to get mentored in your categories to prepare for the local competition. Throughout this process mentors will help students develop their project according to ACT-SO guidelines.

For more information about the program  
Call Dora Myles-Moore @ (240) 543-2676 or email  
[dora.actso@gmail.com](mailto:dora.actso@gmail.com)    [www.actso.org](http://www.actso.org)

**CATEGORIES SHEET**    Business    Humanitie

## Town Community News (continued)

### Applications Being Accepted for Casino Committee (Deadline Saturday, Nov. 15)

Be a part of the planning/decision-making process for the new casino coming to Prince George's County! We strongly encourage residents to apply to serve on the Prince George's County Local Development Council, a body of citizens and elected officials that will advise the County on matters related to the MGM National Harbor gaming facility.

According to State law, a Local Development Council (LDC) must be established in each jurisdiction where a gaming licensee is in operation. This body, composed of 15 individuals, consults with the County on the development of a multiyear plan for the expenditure of local impact grant funds, reviews a master plan for the facility, and provides input in the development of a comprehensive transportation plan. In addition to three representatives from the General Assembly and one from MGM, the LDC will be composed of seven residents of communities and four representatives of businesses/institutions located in immediate proximity to the facility.

Information on the Local Development Council as well as the application can be found on the Local Development Council website at <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/ExecutiveBranch/CommunityEngagement/LocalDevelopmentCouncil/Pages/default.aspx>.

All applications must be either emailed by 5 PM to [LDC@co.pg.md.us](mailto:LDC@co.pg.md.us) or date stamped/postmarked by **Saturday, Nov. 15, 2014** and sent by mail to:

Prince George's County, Office of the County Executive

Attention: LDC Applications

14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Questions about the application process may be directed to Jennie Nevin at [JFNevin@co.pg.md.us](mailto:JFNevin@co.pg.md.us) or 301-952-4724

### Prince George's County Business Conference & Expo

The Prince George's County Supplier Development & Diversity Division is partnering with the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs to bring a joint event: *the MBE University & Prince George's County Business Conference & Expo* on Nov. 12, 2014 at the College Park Marriott Hotel & Conference Center.

The Prince George's County Business Conference & Expo plays a key role in providing education and connections to the resources necessary to support local, small and minority business community. For more information or to become a strategic partner in this event, contact Denise Roberts, Outreach Program Manager, at [dgroberts@co.pg.md.us](mailto:dgroberts@co.pg.md.us) or 301-883-6480.

### Where our Calendars Came From

In 4246 BC, the Egyptians adopted the first calendar based on the Solar year. It was a twelve month calendar with each month containing thirty days, totaling 360 days for the year. To make the calendar come out even with the Sun, they added five days at the end of the year— six days every fourth year. The five days were not part of any months. They were used as feast days in honor of their Gods.

### Potomac River Heritage Tourism Alliance History Lectures

Come learn about the history of Prince George's County from notable authors as part of the Fall History Lecture Series hosted by the Potomac River Heritage Tourism Alliance. Lectures are FREE and open to the public, and will be held at the Potomac River Heritage Tourism Center co-located at Tanger Outlets in Oxon Hill. Authors will have books available for purchase/signing.

**Saturday, Nov. 15, 2014 from 1:00 to 2:00 PM** "African American Community of Lakeland in College Park"

### County Council Hosts Town Hall Meeting on Economic Development

The Prince George's County Council hosted a Town Hall Meeting on Economic Development Oct. 21 at Oxon Hill High School. The Town Hall Meeting consisted of presentations from key county staff members and representatives for Prince George's Chamber of Commerce and Prince George's Community College. A public comment period followed the presentations.

The County adopted an Economic Development Strategic Plan in May 2013 with target clusters in:

Federal Government    Business Services    Healthcare and Life Sciences    Information, Communication and Electronics  
Second Tier Focus    Travel and Tourism Industry Cluster    Transportation, Distribution and Logistics Industry Cluster

Other Facts    The two largest employers in Prince George's County are **Joint Base Andrews** and the **University of Maryland**

In a discussion about the importance of preserving our county's historic sites and boosting tourism of those historic sites, it was reported that there were 54 historic sites located just between Oxon Hill and Accokeek

Prince George's Community College is the largest provider of licensure and certification in the state of Maryland (visit [http://www.pgcc.edu/Career\\_Coach.aspx](http://www.pgcc.edu/Career_Coach.aspx) for Career and Employment Information)

## Community Healthy Heights Tips

**FREE  
HOLIDAY**



**Enjoy a healthy lunch, receive giveaways, and gain valuable information from professionals!**

**WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 20, 2014, 12:00 noon-2:00 pm**

**WHERE: Town Hall Community Room**

**5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745**

**RSVP Mrs. Hawkins by November 14, at 301-839-1030**

Our senior residents! Please join us **Thursday, Nov. 20, 2014** from 12:00 P.M. TO 2:00 P.M. for a FREE Senior Luncheon at the Town Hall Building. To register, please RSVP to Mrs. Hawkins by Friday, November 14, at 301-839-1030.

### **Ebola FAQ**

Ebola is a severe, often fatal, viral disease. It is caused by an infection with one of the Ebola virus strains.

Has Ebola Been Identified in Maryland?

To date, the only case of Ebola diagnosed in the United States is in Texas. No cases have been identified in Maryland. Local and state health departments will continue to respond to inquiries from medical providers.

#### **How is Ebola Spread from person to person?**

The virus is spread by contact with an infected patient's blood or bodily fluids, including saliva, urine, sweat, faces, vomit or semen. It can be spread through contact with clothing/linens contaminated with bodily fluids, contact with some animals, and used needles or syringes.

The Ebola virus spreads only when someone is exhibiting symptoms

Individuals that do not have a fever are not contagious and cannot transmit the virus to another person

Transmission occurs through direct contact with an infected person's bodily fluids

#### **After a person is infected with the Ebola virus, how soon do symptoms begin?**

Ebola signs and symptoms may appear anywhere from 2-21 days after exposure, though 8-10 days is most common. Usually the first sign of Ebola is a high fever (higher than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit).

Ebola only spreads when a person is sick. He/she must have symptoms to spread the disease to others. After 21 days, if an exposed person does not develop symptoms, he/she will not become sick with Ebola.

### **Health Seminar on HIV/AIDS**

We would like to thank Mike McVicker from the AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) for speaking at our Oct. 23 Health Seminar on HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment. AHF is a nonprofit global organization that provides cutting-edge medicine and advocacy to over 350,000 patients in 36 countries through its health-care centers, HIV/AIDS special needs health plans and disease management programs, pharmacies, and international clinics.

HIV – also known as the human immunodeficiency virus – is a virus spread through body fluids that affects specific cells of the immune system, called CD4 cells or T cells. Over time, HIV can destroy so many of these cells that the body cannot fight off infections and disease. When this happens, HIV infection leads to AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome).

#### **Did You Know?**

- Some people can carry HIV and may never get sick.
- There is a "Window Period" where people may test negative for HIV but still be infected. Most HIV tests are antibody tests that measure the antibodies (special proteins the body makes to fight HIV) produced by the body once infected by HIV. It can take some time for these antibodies to show up in a test. The time period can vary from person to person, but it is extremely rare for an HIV-infected person not to develop antibodies by 3 months after a potential exposure.
- It can take up to 18 years or more for the body to get really sick from HIV and become AIDS.  
Prince George's County has the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest rate of HIV/AIDS cases in the state of Maryland with 5,729 living cases reported  
African-Americans/Blacks represent 87.4% of total living HIV cases  
44.4% through heterosexual exposure  
36.8% through MSM exposure (men who have sex with men) Sex is the highest rate of infection

Typically males have the highest rates of infection but females are the most at risk

For more information on AHF, please visit [www.aidshealth.org](http://www.aidshealth.org)



## Town Community News (continued)

### "My Brother's Keeper" Initiative launch within the Prince Georges County

November 15th 2014 at 11AM until 5PM.

at Oxon Hill Senior High School 6701 Leyte Drive, 12, Oxon Hill, MD 20745



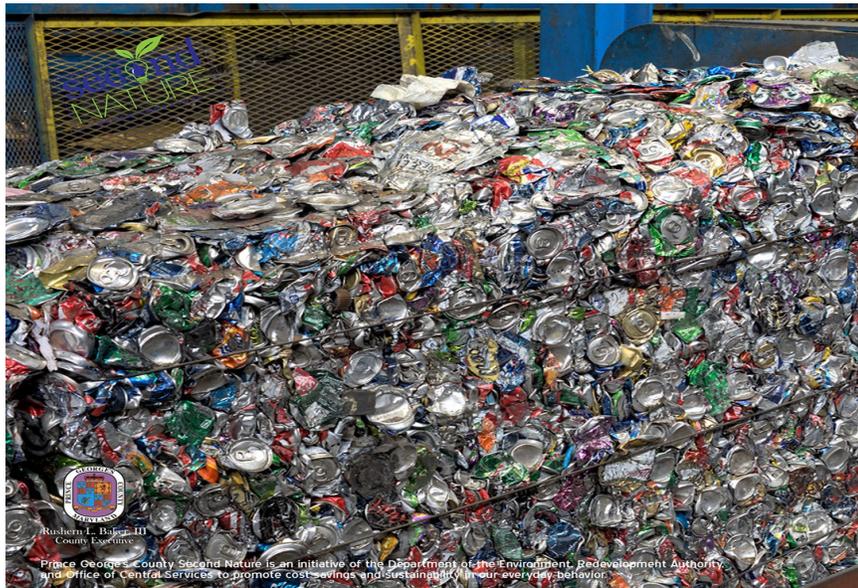
This is to cordially invite you to our first, President Barack Obama's, "My Brother's Keeper" Initiative launch within the Prince Georges County area which will held at Oxon Hill Senior High School 6701 Leyte Drive, 12, Oxon Hill, MD 20745 on November 15th 2014 at 11AM until 5PM. This community event is sponsored by The Black Mayors Association and the FHOH CDC, in collaboration with the Town of Forest Heights.

This empowering and enlightening community event launch is targeted towards efforts of advocating the needs of our young men/fathers in leading a productively positive and healthy lifestyle and open to all young men of color. Our hopes are that they will grasp the reigns of resources provided as well as the moral support be it peer to peer and/or mentee to mentor.

Some of our key components in granting the necessary support within this event will be the following:

- Key note speakers
- Open panel discussion
- Showcased talent
- Vendors (health/job resources/skill training)
- Community Young leaders and entrepreneurs.

We have numerous volunteer slots available as well as countless opportunities in making this launch a memorable and effective on for years to come. If you would like to volunteer/assist or donate. Please further provide us with your first and last name and also a phone number and email address. Call 301-839-1030 Ms. Hawkins to RSVP or email [jdwilson0209@yahoo.com](mailto:jdwilson0209@yahoo.com).



## PLEDGE TO RECYCLE

America Recycles Day is Saturday, November 15 and one of the first things you can do to make a difference in your community is take the pledge to recycle.

Visit the official America Recycles Day website at <http://americarecyclesday.org/pledge/> to make your commitment today! Here are a few tips to start your recycling process.

- ▶ **Keep bags for both trash and recycling in your car.** Pre-sorting makes it easier to recycle on the go.
- ▶ **Can it!** Metals are among the most valuable materials in the waste stream and almost all recyclers welcome aluminum and steel. So, recycle your cans!
- ▶ **Don't exclude your food.** Not ready to dive into composting just yet? Toss your egg shells and coffee grounds into the garden instead of the trash. You'll be diverting a little waste and enriching your soil at the same time.
- ▶ **Close the loop by buying recycled content material.** Recycling is the first step in the cycle, then the material is processed, and the last step is up to you: Keep recycled content products in demand.

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## Town Community News (continued)

### FOREST HEIGHTS LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

Once again we are approaching the leaf collection season. Help us keep our Town looking sharp and we will all benefit.



**Remember:**

- Yard waste will be collected only on Wednesday
- The yard waste may be set out Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning
- Residents will be cited if the yard waste is set out at other times
- Leaves must be bagged
- Please **do not** place or blow leaves and grass in the street or storm drain
- Residents are urged to keep up with the leaf collection on a weekly or bi-weekly basis
- Leaves can be a healthy compost for your garden, especially if using an outdoor composter
- Leaves left on the yard are unsightly, hard to clean up in the spring and can suffocate the grass.

*Thank you for helping us keep our Town Looking Sharp!*

**Mayor Jacqueline Goodall—ext.223**  
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### 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

**Call a head for pickup METAL PICK-UP** Metal placed on the curb will be picked up by Public Works for a minimum of \$35.00

### Forest Heights Notary

9 am - 4 pm Monday - Friday

Notary is \$2 per document

**301-839-1030**

#### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Phone (301) 839-1030 Fax (301) 839-9236

8:30a.m.—5:00 p.m.

[www.forestheightsmd.gov](http://www.forestheightsmd.gov)