



North Brentwood Newswire

A Heritage to Remember, a Future to Mold

March 2022



Mayor Robinson's Message

Hello Citizens of North Brentwood, I wish you the best!

It looks like we may've made it through the winter. Spring is coming, so it's time to get those yards ready to show off their beauty! Our Town looks gorgeous in spring; I feel so proud to be a citizen of North Brentwood. Keep up the good work residents!

As you may know, our new employee, Cristian Ortiz-Romero, is the Assistant Clerk at the Town office. This is his first *Newswire* newsletter and Cristian needs your input. Please email comments/news to: assistclerk@northbrentwood.com. The submission deadline is always the 4th Monday of each month. **The newsletter will be now distributed MONTHLY.** Please read the newsletter; it's full of great information.

North Brentwood Citizens Association has started planning activities for North Brentwood Day, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 18. Come join NBCA meetings, on the second Monday of each month, by dialing 774.267.2052.

Our Historical Society needs you, too. Please call 774.267.2052 to join meetings, usually held at 6:30 pm the 2nd Wednesday of the months they meet. Check the meeting schedule (back page).

I would be remiss not to invite *all residents* to Town Meetings, held the 1st and 3rd Monday each month, at 7:30 pm. Zoom or call-in. Please check the newsletter meeting schedule (on the back page of the newsletter) for access info. We always have important Town and county issues to discuss.

*Town of North Brentwood
P.O. Box 196, 4009 Wallace Road
North Brentwood, Maryland 20722*

GBSAC and the Community Center are open. Please check times.

Respectfully,

March is Women's History Month!

In March, we celebrate the contributions, to American culture and society, by women. In



Maryland, our history is filled with an amazing assortment of female soldiers, spies, politicians, journalists, freedom fighters, performers, explorers, and more! PGCMLS has

a great events-lineup all month long. Learn more at pgcmls.info/womens-history-month.

Maryland Native Harriet Tubman

The most famous Underground Railroad conductor, Harriet Tubman, heroically led more than 300 women, children and men to freedom. The fight to have Tubman on the US \$20 bill continues, to honor her legacy.

*Open: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9am-1pm
Office 301.699.9699 Fax 301.699.1824
Community Channels: Comcast 71 , Verizon 1983*

North Brentwood's New Assistant Clerk



Meet Cristian Ortiz-Romero, our new Assistant Clerk. He shares: I am grateful to join the Town of North Brentwood, under City Clerk Carl Jones.

I hope to meet with all community members,

as I continue to learn about the structure of municipal government. I've worked in local government for three years; I still find myself discovering different leadership, organizational and outreach tactics to best meet the needs of all community members. I am studying public policy at University of Maryland because I'm curious about: the application of negotiation, delegating to solve issues, and understanding the plurality of identity factors in our communities. A few more things about me: I speak English, Spanish and Portuguese; I'm a Notary Public; and, I worked with North Brentwood on 2020 Census outreach. I am excited about a continued role in this historic community! If you have any questions please email me at asstclerk@northbrentwood.com.

Employment Opportunity

North Brentwood is seeking a P/T Treasurer. Must have QuickBooks experience. For info, call 301.699.9699 or email a resume to probinson@northbrentwood.com.

March 7 Mayor and Council Meeting

District 24 Delegate Jazz Lewis was in attendance to meet North Brentwoodians, as he pursues a congressional seat.

Maryland Homeowner Assistance Fund



In addition to your mortgage, the HA Fund aids with housing costs, such as help paying water and sewer bills. Visit homeownerassistance.maryland.gov (or call 833.676.0119, Mon-Fri 8 am to 7 pm and Sat 9 am to 4 pm.) to see if you qualify.

Windom Road Barrier Meeting



We're keeping the barrier that symbolized the segregation of North Brentwood and Brentwood in the past. It will be turned 90 degrees, lifted above the ground, and supported by a base of two sculpted hands (see artist's rendering above).

COVID-19 Update

296 were recently hospitalized, with the positivity rate dropping to 1.61%. Residents can still request two packs of COVID tests with K-N95 masks. If you need a COVID testing site for PCR & Rapid Antigen tests, Lotus Primary Care and Wellness Clinic can help you. Visit them at 6495 New Hampshire Ave #140, Hyattsville or contact them at 240.770.4177.

Indoor Mask Mandate Lifted

On Feb 28, Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks announced the county lifted its indoor mask mandate, as COVID-19 case rates continue to drop significantly following the peak of the Omicron variant.



Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

As a reminder, a mask mandate is still in place for public transportation through a CDC order. Residents are required to wear a mask while taking any public transportation in the county and the United States, to include buses, trains and planes.

The Health Department continues to urge residents, five years-old and older, to get COVID-19 vaccinations asap; and, to get tested if they have symptoms or have been exposed to COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status. For more resources on COVID-19 visit health.mypgc.us/coronavirus.

Brentwood Police & Fire Departments

Child Safety Seat Inspections

Prince George's County Police and Fire Departments, offer child safety seat inspections the first Thursday of each month, from 2 pm to 5 pm. Go to the rear of the Bunker Hill Fire Station at 3716 Rhode Island Avenue.

For any questions you may have, please contact Firefighter Brian Clark at his cell 240.508.3960 or office number 301.883.3188.

Yard Waste



Pick up of yard waste will begin the first Monday of April, and will continue every Monday until the second Monday of January 2023. Leaves and small droppings from trees must be placed in yard leaf bags.

Dedication of New Pumper

Please come to the dedication of a new pumper and historical recognition for North Brentwood's Black Firemen Company 02. The event is Saturday, April 9 at 11 AM, at Bunker Hill Fire Station on 3716 Rhode Island Avenue in Brentwood.

Delegate Wanika Fisher 2022 Scholarship Application



Prince George's County residents are welcome to apply. Complete the application, upload all required items and follow the prompt for the essays. Go to: tinyurl.com/yckjnduv.

The deadline is 11:59 pm on June 1, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact her office at 410.841.3340 or by email: cosdistrict47b@gmail.com.

Gwendolyn Britt Senior Activities Center

The center has free and in-person fitness instruction to help with your fitness goals, every Thursday from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm. Also, free blood pressure screenings are offered after class on the first Thursday of the month. To sign up call 301.699.1238.



Ordinance, Budget & Resolution

Ordinance 2022-01 was adopted at the Town Meeting on February 22, 2022. The second reading of the Town Budget (including American Rescue Plan Funds) was also heard and a Public Hearing was held. Councilman Dame introduced the budget; it was seconded by Councilman Baynes. The motion was carried.

Resolution 2022-02 was adopted at the March 21 Town Meeting. The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) approved Town of North Brentwood's request for a 4456 Rhode Island Avenue Parklet.

The vacant lot will be graded and renovated to create a park for community use. The total program cost is \$59,000, consisting of: the National Capital Strategic Economic Development funding in the amount of \$50,000, \$4,000 in cash from the Town of North Brentwood, and \$5,000 in-kind.

PEPCO Appliance Recycling

Pepco is offering customers \$75, for a limited time, to recycle old working refrigerators and freezers. Customers must schedule pick-up by March 31 and have their appliance picked up by April 14 to qualify. Customers can also recycle a dehumidifier or room AC, at the same time, to receive an additional \$25.

Pepco's Appliance Recycling program typically offers customers \$50 for participation. This recycling program aims to save customers energy and money by offering a convenient, environmentally-friendly option for disposing of old appliances.

Customers may also select the pick-up option most comfortable for them. Pepco offers in-home, no-contact pick-ups, in which contractors pick up the appliance while maintaining a safe distance of six feet from the homeowners. Another option is outside no-contact pick-up, in which contractors pick up an appliance from a designated garage or outbuilding. Interested? Call 877.743.3117 or visit pepco.com/appliancerecycling.

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Prince George's County Police
Non-Emergency: 301.333.4000
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Park Police
Non-Emergency: 301.459.9088
Emergency 301.459.3232

REMINDERS...

Upcoming Town Meeting:

Monday, April 4, 2022 & Monday April 18, 2022

Meetings are conducted via ZOOM

Meeting ID: 433 091 3800

Passcode: 4009 – (dial-in) 1.301.715.8592

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm. Join and share your ideas and concerns, and learn what's going on in North Brentwood and surrounding municipalities. We look forward to hearing from you!

North Brentwood Citizens Association: Apr 11 meeting @ 6:30 pm.

North Brentwood Historical Society: Next meeting will be on April 13, 2022 @ 6:30 pm. The dial-in number is 774.267.2052.

NEW SHARE Program: North Brentwood residents interested in receiving SHARE packages must call 301.699.9699 to be added to the list. Please leave your name, contact number and address.

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please send email to
asstclerk@northbrentwood.com, by

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www.NorthBrentwood.com



Town of North Brentwood-Prince George's

