



Mayor's New Year Greetings

With the turn of the calendar page, our focus is making 2024 a year of celebration as North Brentwood marks its 100th Anniversary: See the Mayor's letter on page 2.

A little history: we're the first African-American incorporated town in PG County. Our Town was once known as "Randall Town," but, in 1924, the Town was officially renamed North Brentwood, Inc. To learn more, go to northbrentwood.com/town-history. Speaking of history... Sis's Tavern opened in 2023 for public events; in 2024, it will also become a private party rental space.

More than ever, this year, I encourage citizens to join North Brentwood Citizens Association; go to northbrentwood.com/nbca. **The 2024 membership drive is on! Look for an envelope coming soon to your mailbox. Support of NBCA is vital... they plan our Town events, including our 100th Anniversary events.**

On a different note, please stay vigilant against the latest COVID-19 strain with masks and boosters.

Lastly, please attend Town meetings (first and third Mondays monthly). We need your input to ensure North Brentwood's policies and services include the voice of its citizens!

Keep Going: A Poem by Edgar A. Guest

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest if you must—but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns,
And many a failure turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out;
Don't give up, though the pace seems slow—
You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man,
Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victor's cup,
And he learned too late, when the night slipped down,
How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out—
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems afar;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit—
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.

Starting 2024 Strong

Create a great year! Set meaningful goals, maintain a positive mindset and act with intention. Here are some tips to help make 2024 a fantastic year:

Set Clear Goals

- Define specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound (SMART) goals for the year.
- Break down larger goals into smaller, manageable tasks to make progress more achievable.

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There has never been a more exciting time for the Town of North Brentwood, under the leadership of Mayor Petrella Robinson, on the shoulders of the Town’s elected officials, past and present, and under the spiritual guidance of our ancestors, in 2024 we celebrate our 100th Anniversary.

All of us are proud to be part of a Town that remembers and will not forget this is a “Place of Distinction.” This ‘Diamond in the Rough’ was settled in 1924 by the first residents Henry Randall and his family. Throughout the decades, North Brentwood has been defined by and held together by its citizens, lifted by the Town churches and prayer warriors, and polished by time and adversity; it has endured and continues to shine.

June 2024 marks the 100th Anniversary of the Town of North Brentwood, Maryland—from the initial settlement by African American veterans of the Civil War, in 1887, to its incorporation in 1924 as the first African American majority municipality in Prince George’s County.

North Brentwood’s unique place in America’s Story is a powerful reminder of our claim to the promise of this nation. Hence, our anniversary theme this year is “We Endure.” We will celebrate North Brentwood’s founding at the 100th Anniversary Dinner Dance on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at Martin’s Crosswinds in Greenbelt, MD. We invite you, your colleagues, and friends to support us through your attendance, and sponsorship, to help celebrate this significant occasion.

There are different levels of sponsorship and also individual tickets available. The launch date for purchase is January 15 at northbrentwood100.eventbrite.com. An Early Bird special begins on January 15, with individual tickets at just \$80. So, hurry, get your tickets now!

We appreciate your consideration and generosity, and look forward to seeing you at the 100th Anniversary Dinner Dance.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Anniversary Committee via email, at dawnrjames@verizon.net, or call the Town office 301.699.9699.

Sincerely,

Petrella Robinson,
Mayor

Starting 2024 Strong (continued from page one)

Prioritize Self-Care



Take care of your physical and mental well-being. Practice mindfulness, meditation, or other stress-reduction techniques to enhance mental health.

Cultivate a Positive Mindset

- Focus on the positive aspects of your life and cultivate gratitude. Embrace challenges as opportunities for growth rather than obstacles.

Learn and Grow

- Set aside time for personal development/learning. Read books, attend workshops or take courses that align with your interests and goals.

Build Healthy Habits

- Establish habits to boost health and productivity. Daily exercise, a consistent sleep schedule, or a healthy morning routine: it makes a difference!

Christmas Tree Disposal



North Brentwood will have yard waste pickup on January 8 and on January 15. All Christmas trees should be put at out by the 15th.

Yard waste trucks do not come after January 15 (service resumes in April).

You may drop off live cut trees may at Brown Station Road Recycling Center in Upper Marlboro: Mon-Sat from 7 AM to 6 PM.

Connect with Others

- Nurture relationships (family/friends/colleagues) with positive, supportive people who encourage your personal and professional growth.

Time Management

- Prioritize tasks and manage time effectively to keep from feeling overwhelmed. Use productivity tools.

Financial Planning

- Create a budget and set yearly financial goals. Save and invest wisely to secure a financial future.

Embrace Flexibility

- Understand that unexpected challenges may arise, and be prepared to adapt your plans accordingly.

Celebrate Achievements

- Acknowledge accomplishments, no matter how small. Reflect on your progress to stay inspired.

Everyone's concept of a great year is different, so tailor these suggestions to your personal values and aspirations. Create the life you desire in 2024.

Source: Chat GPT



Community Technicians Program

What happens backstage?! At Publick Playhouse, learn about backstage entertainment professions in theatre, music and dance.

This six-week class includes the topics of backstage lighting and basic stage sound. Participants will learn to identify and select instruments, read light plots and paperwork, hang and focus instruments, and create looks and cues.

For ages 13 and up!

Dates: Tuesdays, Jan 9 - Feb 13, 2024

Times: 7 PM to 8 PM

Cost: \$48 resident / \$63 non-resident

Holiday Decorating Competition

The citizens of North Brentwood extend gratitude to all who took time to illuminate their homes during



the 2023 holidays. Our Town truly felt like the warm, welcoming neighborhood it is with the sparkle of the season. All of North Brentwood was respectful of each

neighbor's preferences and circumstances. While many people enjoy holiday decorations, some may choose not to participate for various reasons. In our Town, a positive and inclusive atmosphere will always be encouraged.

The judges for the 2023 NBCA Xmas Yard Decorating Contest were:

- ★ Mayor Monica Casanas (Colmar Manor)
- ★ Mayor Celina Benitez (Mt. Rainier)
- ★ Shaleta Robinson (NBCA)



1st Place: 3908 Allison Street (\$200)

2nd Place: 4501 40th Street (\$100)

3rd Place: 3908 Wallace Road (\$75)

Honorable Mentions:

4513 41st Avenue

3924 Allison Street

3906 Wallace Road

Our Deepest Sympathy



Sympathy is extended to Mr. Arthur Clark on Webster Street, who lost his wife Viola Clark.



Maryland Black Mayors Inc. 2023 Holiday Mixer Sis's Tavern

New Maryland Laws Effective January 1st

Minimum Wage Increase

Our state has raised the base wage for workers: January 1 the minimum hourly wage in Maryland increased from \$13.25 to \$15. The Fair Wage Act of 2023 was signed into law by Governor Wes Moore in April last year. The new law will increase wages for approximately 163,000 workers.

Bag it Right: Better Bag Bill

Another law going into effect this month is a ban on plastic shopping bags.



The MD law was also passed by PG's County Council, which prohibits the distribution of single-use carryout bags to consumers at retailers. Paper or reusable bags will be offered

for ten cents-plus each. To assist residents' transition, the county will provide a limited amount of free reusable bags; distribution dates and locations will be announced.

Why the ban?

- ⇒ Reduce litter on streets, in trees and sewers.
- ⇒ Alleviate disposal issues. Plastic bags are not recyclable and impose costs to county government and taxpayers (for removal of litter and wear-and-tear on recycling machinery from plastic bags in recycling bins).
- ⇒ Protect the environment, including marine life. Plastic is made from fossil fuels; every stage of production results in greenhouse gas emissions (extraction, production and disposal), affecting climate change.

What businesses are affected?

Any establishment (e.g., retail stores, restaurants, grocery stores) providing single-use plastic bags during the sale of a product/service, (for-profit or nonprofit) is affected.

Exemptions

Plastic bags used to:

- Package bulk items, including fruit, vegetables, nuts, grains, candy, or small hardware items.
- Wrap frozen foods, meat, or fish, whether prepackaged or not.
- Wrap flowers, potted plants or damp items.
- Wrap prepared foods or bakery goods.
- Protect or contain garments or dry-cleaned clothes; protect suits, dresses and formal wear.
- Take live fish, insects, mollusks, or crustaceans away from the retail store.

The mandatory fee is waived for paper bags:

- Containing prescription drugs.
- Containing prepared food provided at the drive-through window of a restaurant.
- Used by full-service restaurants for leftovers.

What is a reusable bag?

A reusable carryout bag has stitched handles and is specifically designed for multiple reuses: it's made of cloth, other washable fabric, or a durable material (not plastic film) suitable for multiple uses.

Why is a minimum 10-cent fee imposed?

The charge for retailer-provided paper or reusable bags incentivizes customers to bring their own and reduces the demand for single-use items. Retailers retain the fee, to help offset the costs of providing paper and reusable bags. Each bag purchased from the retailer will be itemized on the customer's receipt, just as all other merchandise purchased.

Do I have to use a bag for my purchases?

To avoid a fee, shoppers are encouraged to bring their reusable bags while shopping. Some stores may provide cardboard boxes that shoppers may use to package their items, or a person may bring their own box. Cardboard can be used multiple times and should be flattened before recycling in curbside collections.

Sources: pgcounty.gov and baltimoresun.com

Upcoming *January* Awareness Events

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is observed on the third Monday of January each year, close to King's January 15 birthday.



Purpose and Commemoration:

- The holiday honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who played a pivotal role in the American civil rights movement.
- It's a day of remembrance, and reverence of the progress made toward civil rights and equality.
- MLK Day is often designated as a "Day of Service." Many individuals and communities engage in volunteer activities and service projects to give to their communities in the spirit of Martin Luther King Jr.'s commitment to social justice.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day serves as a time to examine the progress made in civil rights, as well as ongoing efforts to address issues of equality and justice in society. It's a day to honor the principles of peace and civility for which Martin Luther King Jr. advocated throughout his life.

Did you know?... Dr. King earned a doctorate in Systematic Theology from Boston University, in 1955, where he met his wife, Coretta.

National Day of Racial Healing

January 16, 2024 is dedicated to support and build communities, and to create transformative change. The National Day of Racial Healing was intentionally placed the day after MLK Day, to provide reflection about the year-round pursuit for racial equity. Learn more: healourcommunities.org/day-of-racial-healing.

Holocaust Remembrance Day

An international holiday created by the United Nations, January 27th is the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. The day honors the millions of victims of Nazism and is a time to develop educational plans to prevent future genocides. Visit: the US Holocaust Memorial Museum site at ushmm.org.

Plan Ahead: BHM Events Starting in January

February is coming fast, so we've compiled a list of some of the great Black History Month (BHM) events near North Brentwood starting in January! (We have February events on the next page of this newsletter.)

As always, our county's Memorial Library System and the M-NCPPC Department of Recreation and Parks are two of the best sources for BHM info and events.

Hyattsville Library:

Sat, Jan 13, 1:00- 2:30 PM

MLK Holiday Discussion: Guest speaker: social change agent Dr. Gail Christopher, author of *Rx Racial Healing: A Guide to Embracing Our Humanity*. Registration encouraged.

Oxon Hill (author room):

Sat, Jan 13, 1:00- 2:00 PM

Crafternoon, Ages 5-12: Celebrate MLK with crafting and creations. Supplies are provided.

Hyattsville Library:

Mon, Jan 22, 7:00– 9:00 PM

Film (1hr and 16min) Harlem Street Singer: biopic of Rev. Gary Davis, great American ragtime, blues and gospel guitarist who inspired 1950s/60s folk musicians.

M-NCPPC Black History Program: Jan 27 to Mar 31

PG County Parks and Rec's Black History Program returns to Harmony Hall Arts Center with its annual Black History Month exhibition. For more than 40 years, the Black History Program has preserved, honored and celebrated the county's rich heritage. The annual exhibit is part of this tradition. Explore stories from our past that highlight the challenges and triumphs of the African American community.

Open: MON-FRI 8:30 AM-5PM / SAT 9AM-4PM / SUN Closed

Cost: FREE

Place: Harmony Hall Arts Center
10701 Livingston Rd, Fort Washington, MD

Tel: 301.203.6070

Email: harmonyhallarts@pgparks.com



In 2024, Black History Month will highlight the varied history/lives of African American arts and artisans. This theme is infused with African, Caribbean, and Black American experiences.

Black History Month encourages reflection on the struggles and achievements of the past, as well as the ongoing challenges faced by the African American community. It's an opportunity for everyone to recognize the importance of diversity and inclusion in shaping a more equitable, just world.

BHM @ Montpelier House Museum:
Free Self-Guided Tours in February

Feb 1-29 (Thurs-Mondays), 10:00 AM—4:00 PM

In celebration of Black History Month, Montpelier offers free tours throughout February. Come learn about this late 18th century house and all who lived ere. Call 301.377.7817.

Black History Events in North Brentwood

All of the Town’s Black History Month events will be held at North Brentwood Community Center: 4012 Webster Street, North Brentwood, MD, 20722. Light refreshments will be served. All ages welcome!

Saturdays in February at NBCA:

- 3rd – Pool Tournament, 12 PM
- 10th – Games and Trivia, 2-5 PM
- 17th – TBD
- 24th – North Brentwood Bazaar, 1-5 PM



February BHM Events @ PG County Libraries

Bladensburg Library (meeting room):

Thurs, Feb 1, 10:30– 11:00 AM
Ready 2 Read Storytime, Ages 2-5: BHM stories, songs, fingerplays, and more for preschoolers!

Beltsville Library (large meeting room):

Fri, Feb 2, 3:30– 5:30 PM
Film (84 mins, PG-13) Southside with You: Part of BHM series of films featuring Black characters. Chronicles 1989 first date between future President Obama and future First Lady Michelle Robinson.

*These are just a few of the February events at county libraries. **To learn about all events and registration go to: pgcmls.info/black-heritage.**

Join us for the Opening Reception of the Annual Black History Month Exhibition, which is curated by the M-NCPPC, Department of Parks and Recreation, Black History Program.
This event will be held at Harmony Hall Arts Center 10701 Livingston Road., Fort Washington 20744 on Sunday, February 4, from 2-5 pm.
For details, please call 240-264-3415 or email BlackHistory@pgparks.com



Volunteer Opportunities

To continue the topic of volunteer service, from the article about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (page 6), there are many opportunities to contribute to the betterment of your community, county, state, and beyond. You don't have to commit a lot of time, just 'giving back' promotes a sense of wellbeing and positivity around you!

North Brentwood Community Service Hour Opportunities

North Brentwoodian scholars in need of service hours may contact Town Administration: call 301.699.9699 or email townmanager@northbrentwood.com. Working at our municipal office will help participants to ensure academic success by building leadership skills and a deeper understanding of social issues.

Volunteering with M-NCPPC, Department of Parks and Recreation



Prince George's County has many ways to volunteer! Individuals and groups can join one-day projects or be ongoing volunteers.

Opportunities include: park police experiences, student service learning hours, summer volunteer groups, court ordered service and adopting a park/trail.

Call the Volunteer Services Office at 301.446.3324.

Summer Program Volunteer Opportunities: *Volunteer applications are accepted online March 1- May 1*

Youth may sign up to volunteer at only one Summer Playground or Summer Day Camp. Youth cannot volunteer at a site where younger siblings are registered participants. Youth volunteers must be the required age on/before May 31 to volunteer: Playgrounds 14 years-old and Summer Day Camps 15 years-old.

Youth volunteers ages 15 and older must complete a criminal background check. All youth volunteers must attend pre-service training in May/June. Volunteers are scheduled 12-15 hours per week; transportation is not provided. These volunteer opportunities are approved by PGCPD to earn Student Service Learning Hours.

Park Police Community Volunteer Academy: *Offered annually, one night a week for 8 weeks*

The Volunteer Academy informs participants about the functions of the Park Police and the law. Students receive instruction from experienced Park Police officers, Park Police Volunteer Association members, prosecutors, and others who work in law enforcement or public safety. Topics of discussion include: crime scene management, the role of the prosecutor, current drug trends, gang awareness, and traffic and criminal law. Those who complete the training receive a certificate of completion. Academy participants can also obtain first aid and CPR certifications.

Park Police Volunteer Association — After successfully completing the Volunteer Academy, graduates may become members of the Park Police Volunteer Association (PPVA). Volunteer opportunities include: bike and foot patrol, fingerprinting, and assisting at festivals and bicycle rodeos. The volunteers have proven to be a great asset to the Park Police Division!

Shakespeare in the Park Auditions



The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Arts and Cultural Heritage Division welcomes you to join us for the Shakespeare in the Parks Tour in Summer 2024.

Every year, Shakespeare in the Parks offers a professional, free, family-friendly production of one of Shakespeare's plays at parks throughout Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, making great theatre available to everyone. Audiences are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and picnic meals.

The program is in search of gifted actors to bring Shakespeare's masterpieces to life in an immersive setting. Experienced thespians and emerging talents are welcome to audition for the summer 2024 tour: **Sun, Jan 21 from 10 AM to 6 PM at Publick Playhouse.** Actors must be 18 years or older and should present a monologue from a Shakespeare play. Actors don't need to be county residents. Auditions by appointment only.

Rehearsal and Performance Schedule:

Rehearsals: May 28 – Jun 22 (scheduled in the evenings 2-3 times a week).

Performances: June 23 – July 14 (3-week tour with 12 dates; park locations will be in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties).

Registration deadline: Fri, January 19 at 5 pm.



Church Services:

- ◇ **First Baptist Church of North Brentwood**
4000 Wallace Road / 301.277.4742
Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Duane T. Kay
Sunday Service: 9:45 am
Facebook Live: First Baptist Church of North Brentwood, MD / YouTube Live: FBCNB Church
Teleconference: 712.770.5505, code 54327#
- ◇ **AME Zion Church**
4037 Webster Street / 301.927.7698
Rev. Samuel Whittaker
Sunday School: Live Facebook service 10 am
- ◇ **St James Pentecostal Church**
3925 Allison Street / 301.277.4376
Rev. Carolyn Dildy
Sunday Service: 11:30 am

WMATA Senior Smart Trip Cards

Gwendolyn Britt Senior Activity Center sells WMATA Senior Smart Trip Cards at 4009 Wallace Rd. Must be 65-plus years of age with a government-issued photo ID. Cost of the card is \$2. See front desk staff during hours of operation: Monday through Friday, 9 am to 3:30 pm. Questions? Call 301.699.1238.

USPS Proposes New Prices for 2024

The United States Postal Service filed notice with the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC): mailing services price changes take effect January 21. The new rates include a two-cent increase in the cost of a First-Class Mail Forever stamp, from 66 cents to 68 cents.

The proposed adjustments, approved by Postal Service governors, would raise mailing services product prices approximately two percent. If favorably reviewed by the commission, the price changes would include:

Product	Current \$	Planned \$
Letters (1 ounce)	66 cents	68 cents
Letters (metered 1 ounce)	63 cents	64 cents
Domestic Postcards	51 cents	53 cents
International Postcards	\$1.50	\$1.55
International Letter (1 ounce)	\$1.50	\$1.55

Source: US Postal Service

Test & Treat COVID-19 & Flu at Home

HÔME TEST TO TREAT PROGRAM

Home Test to Treat is a program that offers free tests and free treatment (if eligible) for COVID-19 and Flu at home 24/7. No insurance or appointments needed!

This program is funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to better understand how technologies such as at-home tests and telemedicine can improve healthcare access for individuals across the country.

Findings will be used to inform future public health programs for the American people. Any data shared with researchers will be limited to what is necessary to evaluate the program and will not include information which can identify you.

When You Sign Up, You Get:

- Access to free COVID-19 and flu telehealth visits with a healthcare provider.
- COVID-19 and flu treatment, if prescribed, delivered free to your home or pharmacy.
*dispensing fees may apply
- Free at-home tests for COVID-19 and flu, if eligible, delivered directly to you.

For assistance (and to find out if you're eligible), call 800.682.2829 or visit the website: test2treat.org/s/?language=en_US.



Simplified 2024 Student Aid Process



The 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be much simpler than previous versions via changes to the form and formula.

Part of the rationale behind FAFSA changes was the complexity of the form and how the experience serves as a barrier to college access by low and moderate income students. The old FAFSA was longer and more complicated than federal income tax returns.

Major Changes to the FAFSA Made in 2023

1.) The FAFSA will be much shorter, less than 50 questions instead of 108.

Students and parents should find the new FAFSA to be much easier to complete: the draft has 46 questions.

2.) Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is now referred to as the Student Aid Index (SAI). The new FAFSA will show a SAI figure instead of the EFC.

This name change will eliminate a source of confusion, where families incorrectly thought the EFC was all they would need to pay. Many families pay more than the EFC, since most colleges leave students with a gap of unmet need and even colleges that meet full needs include loans as part of the financial aid package.

3.) Pell Grant eligibility will be determined by a new formula: the new FAFSA adds a second formula which compares income to a multiple of the poverty line. The new formula will increase the number of students who qualify for a Federal Pell Grant, and also increase the number of students qualifying for the maximum funds.

4.) No more discount for having multiple children in college at the same time.

This loophole mainly benefited middle-/high-income families. Low-income families, very low or zero EFC, did not benefit. Families can appeal for more financial aid based on having multiple children in college.

5.) The parent who fills out the FAFSA will change in the case of divorce or separation.

Currently, the parent responsible for completing the FAFSA is the parent with whom the student lived the most, during the previous 12 months on the date the FAFSA is filed. If the student lives equally with both parents, then it is based on whichever parent provides more financial support. If that doesn't distinguish the parents, then it is the parent with the greater income.

6.) The financial aid appeals process is changing.

College financial aid administrators can no longer deny all appeals. Instead, they must consider each financial aid appeal case-by-case. For example, if a student appeals for an allowance increase for textbooks, transportation, special needs, or dependent care, the administrator must weigh a cost adjustment to attend.

7.) Income Protection Allowance (IPA) is increasing.

The IPA, which shelters a portion of student/parent income from the financial aid formula, is increasing. The IPA will be 20% higher for parents and up to 35% higher (up to about \$2,400 higher) for most students. However, the IPA will be up to 60% higher (up to about \$6,500 higher) for students who are single parents.

8.) The myStudentAid App will retire.

The US Department of Education's user-friendly site, studentaid.gov, replaced the myStudentAid app.

The Bottom Line...

These changes to the FAFSA bring many updates to the financial aid application, which will make it easier and quicker to apply for federal student aid. It will also reduce the likelihood a student's FAFSA is selected for verification, saving families time and hassle.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD. FIRE / EMS DEPARTMENT



TIPsheet

Fireworks Amnesty

NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION? CONTACT PGFD WATCH OFFICE 301-583-2200
ANGELA D. ALSOBROOKS, COUNTY EXECUTIVE • TIFFANY D. GREEN, FIRE CHIEF



Fireworks Cause Injury & Damage Property

Every year in the United States, around the Fourth of July, thousands of people are injured and sometimes killed due to accidents involving fireworks. Sadly many of the injuries and deaths involve children. The Prince George's County Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Department is concerned about the potential for injury and property damage from fireworks to the residents of Prince George's County. The Department responds to many calls related to fireworks use each year.

Prince Georges County has a law that is meant to protect you!

The Law in Prince George's County

Plain and simple - ALL consumer fireworks from the smallest to the largest are illegal.

- It is illegal for any person to manufacture, possess, store, offer for sale, sell, discharge, use, burn, or explode any fireworks in Prince George's County, Maryland, except that an authorized display may be conducted by a licensed pyrotechnic professional.
- Penalties for violations of the law include a fine of up to **\$1,000 and/or six months in jail.**

People are most often injured or killed improperly using fireworks classified as 1.4g explosives by the U.S. Department of Transportation, commonly referred to as "consumer fireworks."

All fireworks, commercial, consumer and homemade, are illegal in Prince George's County.

Prince George's County has banned the sale, use and possession of these fireworks based on the danger to our citizens caused by the misuse of these products.

The PGFD/EMS Fireworks Amnesty Program

- In Prince George's County, residents may turn in fireworks without fear of being arrested or fined.
To turn in fireworks, contact the

PGFD/EMS Watch Office: 301-583-2200

- A member of the Fire/EMS Department will come to your home or business and remove your fireworks, without you risking arrest and/or fine. The amnesty program operates year-round.
- To report the illegal use of fireworks, go to www.911.mypgc.us to fill out an online form for non-emergency disturbance calls and police will be dispatched OR call the non-emergency dispatch number – **301-352-1200**.
Please do not call 9-1-1 unless you are experiencing an emergency, or the fireworks are an immediate threat.



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Scholarship Program to Linnel Driving School for Prince George's County Public Schools students who are Members of the Junior or Senior Class ages 16 to 18 years old.



Scan to Application

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Bill Taylor of The Coalition for Public Safety Training in Schools, Inc. at (240) 508-4203



North Brentwood Newswire

A Heritage to Remember, a Future to Mold

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REMINDERS...

Upcoming Town Meetings: January 22, 2024 & February 5, 2024

Meetings are conducted via ZOOM @ 7:30 pm.

Meeting ID: 433 091 3800 / Passcode: 4009 / Call: 301.715.8592

All Town 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: Meetings are at 6:30 pm.

Next meetings: February 12 and March 11. Call-in: 774.267.2052.

NBCA's 2024 membership is on! Look for an envelope in your mail.

North Brentwood Historical Society: Meeting Feb 13 @ 6:30 pm. Dial-in: 774.267.2052. March 13 @ Sis's Tavern. **Time?**

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.

If you have news to share, email asstclerk@northbrentwood.com, by the 3rd Monday of each month with subject line "Newsletter."

Boletín En Español



We're on the Web:
www.NorthBrentwood.com and



Town of North Brentwood-Prince George's

North Brentwood Resident

