



CITY OF COLLEGE PARK MUNICIPAL SCENE

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NEWS



At the Zip Trip broadcast in Downtown College Park; Mayor Patrick Wojahn, Holly Morris and Wisdom Martin

FOX 5 ZIPPED INTO COLLEGE PARK

The City of College Park was featured on Fox 5 DC's weekly Zip Trip segment on Friday August, 26 during their Good Day DC morning show. The Zip Trip is a live broadcast of a DC area city or town, that celebrates its residents, businesses and amenities.

College Park shined during the broadcast, with an ensemble of the College Park Youth Orchestra beautifully starting the program. From there, Jean Provine showcased the bounty of the Community Garden, Mayor Patrick Wojahn rode along with Tucker Barnes and Wisdom Martin on the mBikes, the College Park Aviation Museum taught everyone how to create a soaring paper airplane, and Cub Scout Troop 298 had Wisdom and Tucker hilariously demonstrate their awesome soap box derby cars.



The two fire departments' interview

Samuel and Jocelyn Gill were featured as the Fox 5 First Five children, and were absolutely adorable on camera. The Miss College Park front-runner and Junior College Park Princesses showed off their pagentry, the Fox 5 team played a giant game of Jenga with Board and Brew, Route One Apparel had a great fashion show, Greivis Vasquez showed us all how to pack backpacks like a pro, Testudo came along with Ken Ulman to help

kick off the new College Park food truck hub and the Branchville Volunteer Fire Department and the College Park Fire Department were honored and interviewed.



Mrs. Lomax holding her award of honor

Fishnet, Azteca and Krazi Kebab brought some delicious food and after the broadcast, had long lines of people hoping to get a taste!

As part of the broadcast, Mrs. Thelma Lomax was honored as the City's "Hometown Hero" and

was interviewed about her work and dedication to the College Park community. Mrs. Lomax was integral in the creation of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day essays in local schools for the holiday's celebration, she marched during Civil Rights, and her children were some of the first to integrate into public schools. The broadcast also featured Hollywood Elementary 5th grader Malaika Kargbo as our Junior Reporter, who used her great reporter skills to interview Fox 5's Tucker Barnes and Steve Chenevey.

For video clips, images and more, please visit the City's facebook page at [facebook.com/collegeparkmd](https://www.facebook.com/collegeparkmd).



Tucker Barnes conducting the College Park Youth Orchestra



Greivis Vasquez, centered, poses with attendees of the event

PACKING BACKPACKS WITH A PRO

On Saturday, August 27, NBA Brooklyn Nets guard and former University of Maryland Terp Greivis Vasquez came to College Park for his foundation's third annual Back to School Backpack Bash. The Greivis Vasquez Foundation worked with the City of College Park, College Park Recreation Board and the Latin American Youth Center to give away backpacks to College Park youth at the College Park

Community Center.

With help from the University of Maryland basketball team, approximately 800 backpacks full of school supplies were given out to College Park students and their families. Despite the venue change, the Backpack Bash saw a higher turnout than in previous years. The event also featured inflatable bounce houses, face painting, a dunk tank, games, free haircuts and firetrucks from the College Park Volunteer Fire Department.

The Back to School Backpack Bash is a wonderful event and we thank Greivis Vasquez and his Foundation for giving back to the College Park Community.



The Maryland basketball team handing out supplies to College Park students

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH DUVALL FIELD?

Duvall Field is currently undergoing a total makeover! A brand new Concession and Restroom building is currently being built and will provide the field with updated amenities. The plaza in front of the building is also getting some work done; soon it will be re-landscaped with new walkways, benches, plants and trees. The plaza will also feature a new seating wall with tables which will nicely frame the space. With an expected completion date of this December, we can't wait for the beautiful new plaza and concession and restroom building!

Stay tuned for updates and for grand opening news!



THE FOOD TRUCKS ARE COMING!

The City of College Park will soon be home to the first operating food truck hub in Prince George's County. Thanks to legislation passed by Prince George's County and with support from the City Council, the former Little Tavern site in Downtown College Park will now feature food trucks every Thursday through Saturday from 5 p.m. to 12 a.m.

The City, University of Maryland and the College Park Foundation have worked together to bring food trucks to College Park since Prince George's County passed legislation last year allowing them to operate in the County. College Park Ventures, formed by a 2015 University of Maryland alumnus and a current University student, is managing the hub. The Q



Testudo posing in front of the Q Truck, taken during the Fox 5 Zip Trip event

Truck; one of the first food trucks to operate in the County, will regularly attend the newly created hub. The Q Truck features interesting quesadilla options including Whiskey Mac and Cheese, Fresh Salmon, Quesa-Caprese and more.

The food truck hub will launch on Friday, September 2 at 5 p.m. in Downtown College Park at the former Little Tavern site by Baltimore Avenue. For more information about the launch, visit the facebook event page.

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE SENIOR SOCIAL CENTER GRAND OPENING

You are cordially invited to the City of College Park's Senior Social Center's Grand Opening! Come join us on Wednesday, September 28th from 10:30 a.m. until noon at Youth and Family Services, located at 4912 Nantucket Road in College Park.

The grand opening will feature an informational session about the center including upcoming event and activity schedule, registration information and more. There will be food and local restaurant giftcards as door prizes so bring your friends!



Attendees of a City of College Park Seniors event

The Senior Social Center will provide a wide variety of fun and active activities including: yoga, aerobics, watercoloring, and plenty of social time to interact with other College Park seniors. Events and activities will occur every Wednesday and Friday from 10:30 a.m. to noon until December 16. To participate, sign up for a membership card for a nominal fee of only \$12 for six sessions (scholarships are also available).

If you know a senior resident who would be interested in attending or if you have questions, please call the Department of Youth and Family Services' Senior Program at 301-345-8100.

CITY OFFICES CLOSED ON LABOR DAY

The City will be closed Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day. Refuse, recycling and yard waste collections will be delayed one day during the holiday week. Monday collections will be collected on Tuesday, Tuesday collection on Wednesday and Wednesday collections on Thursday.

Collections for brush and special trash will only be made on Friday, September 9, during the holiday week. Please call or email Public Works in advance to schedule a pickup: 240-487-3590 or publicworks@collegeparkmd.gov. Items set out for pick up that have not been called in for a scheduled pick up may not be collected.

THE CITY IS SOCIAL



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Like or follow the City's social media accounts for the most up-to-date news, community information, events, development and more in College Park!

Twitter: [@collegepark_md](https://twitter.com/collegepark_md)
Facebook: facebook.com/collegeparkmd
Instagram: [@collegeparkmd](https://instagram.com/collegeparkmd)

WHEN IT RAINS...

With the fall comes quite a bit of rain, so protect our local streams by installing a rain garden in your yard! Not only are they beautiful, but rain gardens help protect streams by reducing the amount of stormwater that empties into local waterways. Runoff or stormwater, picks up an incredible amount of pollutants when it washes over lawn fertilizer, pesticides, car fluids, or road salt on its way to streams, causing harm to fish and other aquatic animals.

Rain gardens can absorb over 14 times more stormwater than lawns, replenishes groundwater supply and filters pollutants. Rain gardens are also very easy to maintain and rarely require any watering.

For more information about creating a rain garden in your yard, please visit:

www.collegeparkmd.gov/document_center/Engineering/Other/Rain_20Gardens_20_PDF_.pdf

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

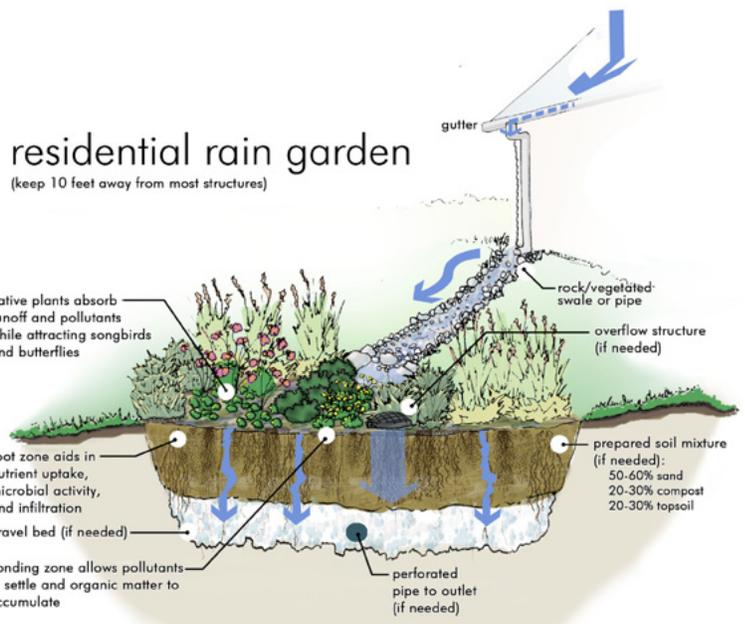


Attendees of the Lakeland National Night Out celebration pose in the Lakeland Park

Tuesday, August 3 was National Night Out and many of the City's Neighborhood Watch Associations held wonderful neighborhood celebrations to mark the occasion. Lakeland, College Park Woods, Berwyn, Cherry Hill and the Duvall Field communities all held great events for residents to meet their neighbors and local authorities.

Mayor Wojahn, City Manager Scott Somers and Assistant City Manager Bill Gardiner attended every event and met with the participating residents.

A big thanks to all who planned and participated in the 2016 College Park National Night Out!



UPCOMING EVENTS

COLLEGE PARK DAY

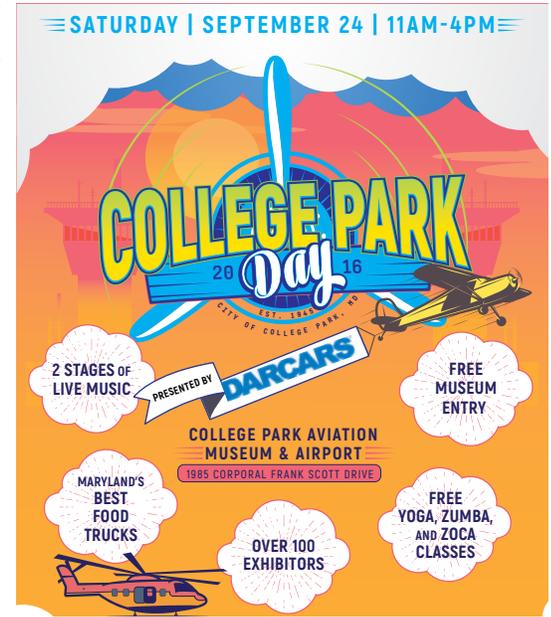
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

COLLEGE PARK AVIATION MUSEUM
1985 CORPORAL FRANK SCOTT DRIVE

Join us at this year's College Park Day Festival at the College Park Aviation Museum & Airport on Saturday, September 24 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. This annual free event is open to the public and will feature the best of our City! There will be 2 stages of live music, Maryland's best Food Trucks, over 100 exhibitor booths, a visit from the Baltimore Oriole & Baltimore Ravens mascots, free yoga, Zumba and Zoca fitness classes, wellness classes, a rock climbing wall and so much more! Admission to the College Park Aviation Museum is free during the event too! Come out and join us!

Visit collegeparkday.wordpress.com for more event information!



WALK AND TALK WITH POLICE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

6:30 P.M.

MEET AT DUVALL FIELD

Please mark your calendars – District 1, Council members Christine Nagle and Fazlul Kabir will be walking with our Community Police Liaison Officer Cpl. Errol Lobin on Friday, September 16. We'll meet at Duval Field at 6pm and walk around the Daniel's Park neighborhood. Ample parking. We will also be distributing literature on safety issues and Cpl. Lobin will answer and address your concerns. Invite your neighbors. Leashed pets are welcomed. You do not need to reside in Daniels Park to participate. See you all there!

Lakeland

LAKELAND HERITAGE WEEKEND 2016

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 THROUGH SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

COLLEGE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER, 5051 PIERCE AVENUE



The annual Lakeland Heritage Weekend will be taking place this year from Friday, September 9 through Sunday September 11 at the College Park Community Center. There will be lots of fun and educational events, including the Lakeland Walk for Health, a Bake Off, community Picnic and the Heritage Music Fest: A Celebration of Spiritual and Gospel Music. The weekend kicks off with the Lakeland Heritage Classic Basketball Game, featuring the CP Dream Team vs the Lakeland All Stars on Friday at 7 p.m. For more information and a schedule of events, please visit lakelandchp.com/events.

FARMERS MARKETS EVERY WEEKEND THROUGH NOVEMBER

HOLLYWOOD FARMERS MARKET, SATURDAYS 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET, SUNDAYS 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Fresh produce, wonderful crafts, local vendors, great food – visit our two Farmers Markets every weekend! Come to our Hollywood Farmers Market by REI every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and our Downtown Farmers Market by City Hall every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.!



MEET YOUR...



From left to right, Assistant City Manager Bill Gardiner, City Manager Scott Somers, Councilmember Dustyn Burkart Kujawa and Mayor Patrick Wojahn at National Night Out

CITY MANAGER SCOTT SOMERS

This month, meet College Park City Manager, Scott Somers! Born in Tuscon, Arizona, Scott (featured center) was raised in both Arizona and Oregon and has since lived in every west coast state. Scott has always had a penchant for physical activities like hiking and skiing – in fact he was on his first set of skis prior to his third birthday! As an adolescent, he even trained in gymnastics with the goal of participating in the 1984 summer Olympics!

Scott has always liked fitness and adventuring, which is perhaps why College Park was so appealing to him! With miles of hiker/biker trails, there's a lot to explore here in the City. But Scott's truly favorite part of living in College Park is the people, the energy and the City's great potential. He sees College Park as becoming the benchmark City that other cities and university towns compare themselves to, with strong neighborhoods and residents collaborating on common causes for the betterment of our City. And Scott's favorite part of being City Manager? Working close to the people and for the betterment of the community; making tangible differences and working for a cause.

In Scott's own words, "College Park is a great city with significant potential. It's an honor and privilege to be entrusted as College Park's City Manager. Thank you for the warm welcome we received when we arrived a year ago." Thanks Scott for all you do for the City!

In this column, we will introduce you to City councilmembers and staff who work hard to make the City of College Park a Smart Place to Live

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEPCO ELECTRIC POWER LINE TREE WORK

PEPCO has begun power line clearance work by pruning and removing trees and vegetation growing too close to electric power lines, transformers and utility poles. Planning for additional tree work is continuing; tree crews will continue work throughout the remainder of 2016. Specific details of planned line clearance work will be shared with Councilmembers and Civic Associations as it becomes available, Residents can contact the Department of Works for additional information.

PART-TIME CONTRACT SECRETARY POSITION AVAILABLE

The City is seeking a part-time Contract Secretary to attend and record evening Board and Committee meetings. This position requires a reliable person with strong grammar and secretarial skills to prepare a summary of the proceedings, make approved revisions, and provide a final set of minutes in a timely manner. This assignment does not require word-for-word reporting. Meetings are conducted at public facilities in College Park on weekday evenings.

Contract rate is \$22.00 per hour, guaranteed two hours per meeting, plus preparation of minutes at \$11.00 per half-hour. We estimate six to twelve hours per month to start, depending upon Committee assignments.

Please submit cover letter and resume to: College Park City Clerk's Office, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, fax to 301-699-8029 or email lrberts@collegeparkmd.gov.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SPORTING EVENTS TRAFFIC ALERTS

University of Maryland Football game days mean a lot of fun, but also heavier traffic and a lot of pedestrians especially in the Downtown area.

Here is a list of some upcoming home football games:
September Home Football Games:

Saturday, September 3 - vs Howard - 12:00 p.m.

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October Home Football Games:

Saturday, October 1 - vs Purdue - 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 15 - vs. Minnesota - TBA
Saturday, October 22 - vs Michigan State - 7:30p.m.

To receive game day texts messages on traffic and other information, text TERPSGAMEDAY from your cell phone to 888777 and receive instant updates. Anyone can sign up to receive these text messages and you can opt-out at any time.

For the complete University of Maryland football schedule, please visit: www.umterps.com

DID YOU KNOW...

Tuesday, August 23 was the first day of school for our College Park students. Our bilingual City staff helped Hollywood Elementary and Paint Branch Elementary staff welcome and assist parents and their children in getting a great start to the new school year. Helping at each school was Abigail Delgado from the City's Department of Youth, Family and Senior Services and Ben Rivas from the City's Department of Public Works Department.

This initiative of assisting the schools and parents with bilingual help each year is greatly appreciated by the schools and has become an annual tradition over the past 10 years.

RETRO COLLEGE PARK



In honor of the new semester starting, this month's historic College Park photo is of the University of Maryland back in December of 1926!

Every month we will feature a historic photograph of College Park. If you would like to submit your historic photo for inclusion, please email the photograph, background or information about the photograph and any requested credits to cpcommunications@collegeparkmd.gov.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AT 7:30 P.M.
2ND FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL, 4500 KNOX ROAD COLLEGE PARK

ORDINANCE 16-O-07:

Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, Amending Chapter 110 "Fees and Penalties", By Repealing and Reenacting §110-1 "Fees and Interests" to Increase the Monthly Permit Parking Fee in the Downtown Parking Garage and to Include Bi-Annual Permit Parking Fees and Monthly Permit Parking Fees.

Copies of these Ordinances and Charter Resolution may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 4500 Knox Road, College Park, MD 20740, call 240-487-3501, or visit www.collegeparkmd.gov.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact the City Clerk's Office and describe the assistance that is necessary.

MUNICIPAL SCENE

TWO OPTIONS TO STAY IN TOUCH!

MAIL:

Did you know that College Park residents can receive the Municipal Scene through the mail? Please submit your name and address to the City Clerk's office to get on our mailing list. Contact us at 240-487-3501, or send an email to lroberts@collegeparkmd.gov.

The Municipal Scene is also posted on our website at www.collegeparkmd.gov. Click on the "About Us" tab and scroll down to "Municipal Scene" for the link.

EMAIL:

Sign up for "College Park Connected" at www.collegeparkmd.gov. Click on the green "College Park Connected! Sign Up Now" icon in the center of the page and choose the "General Interest" category to receive the Municipal Scene directly to your inbox every month.

DIRECTORY

City of College Park Main Number..... 240-487-3500
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Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8am-6pm; Sat. 1-5pm; Sun. - Closed

City Hall Departments

Administration.....240-487-3501
City FAX Number 301-699-8029
Finance.....240-487-3509
Human Resources 240-487-3533
Parking Enforcement Division 240-487-3520
Planning/Economic Development..... 240-487-3538

Housing Authority

(Attick Towers) 9014 R.I. Ave. 301-345-3600

Public Services: 4601A Calvert Rd..... 240-487-3570

Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Public Safety and Recreation. Parking Enforcement is at City Hall.

24 Hour Hotline240-487-3588
For Urgent Code Enforcement, Noise Control, Animal Control Issues.

Public Works: 9217 51st Ave.....240-487-3590

Trash Collection, Recycling and Special Pick-ups.

Senior Program.....301-345-8100

Youth and Family Services

4912 Nantucket Rd.....240-487-3550
Drop-In Recreation Center..... 301-345-4425

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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9817 53rd Avenue 301-659-6295
Councilmember Christine Nagle (District 1)
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4500 Knox Road 202-288-5569
Councilmember Monroe S. Dennis (District 2)
8117 51st Avenue 301-474-6270
Councilmember Robert W. Day (District 3)
7410 Baylor Avenue 301-741-1962
Councilmember Stephanie Stullich (District 3)
7400 Dartmouth Avenue..... 301-742-4442
Councilmember Mary C. Cook (District 4)
4705 Kiernan Road 202-213-5579
Councilmember Dustyn Kujawa (District 4)
9238 Limestone Place 240-620-2105

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY: FIRE-AMBULANCE-POLICE.....911

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE SERVICES

P.G. County Police (Hyattsville Station) 301-699-2630
P.G. County Police (Non-Emergency)301-352-1200
P.G. County Park Police (M-NCPPC)....301-459-9088
State Police (College Park Barrack) 301-345-3101
University of Maryland Police 301-405-3555

College Park Community Center 301-441-2647
5051 Pierce Avenue, College Park

PEPCO - Power Outages, Lines Down 1-877-737-2662

WSSC: Water Mains.....301-206-4002

Prince George's County Storm Drains 301-499-8523