

Calverton Current



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President's Message

According to a few Calverton residents who have lived in the community for many, many years, July 4 was the first time in 52 years that event had been cancelled. Due to the potential of heavy rains and possible thunder storms, the CCA Board decided on Sunday morning to cancel the July 4 Celebrate Calverton Event. We sent out emails via Calverton Citizens Association email list. We posted the announcement of the cancellation on Next Door Calverton. We also put signs up at the park. If you showed up at the park because you were unaware of the cancellation of the celebration, we are sorry. But, you should join the Calverton email list by going to www.calvertoncitizens.org or join Next Door Calverton at <https://calverton.nextdoor.com>. This way you will get all the updates when it comes to what is happening in the community.

The CCA Board has now decided to not reschedule the event for this year. We are going to just have the July 4 Celebrate Calverton Event next year on Tuesday, July 4, 2017. Please mark 2017 calendar now. Also, remember, that this event takes a lot of people to get it done. Everyone on the CCA board will be another year older. We need your help when it comes to picking up the food at COSTCO, getting the tents and other items out of the CCA shed at the pool, setting up and taking down all the tents, tables and chairs the day of the event. So, please volunteer to help next year.

Speaking of volunteering to help the CCA. There have been complaints that the newsletter has been late and there have been complaints that the newsletter is not getting delivered. So, here is how you can help with the newsletter:

NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS: Call Bernie at 301-572-8018

- Person to gather and put the crime report in the newsletter each month
- Person to put together and format information from the counties or other places that the CCA receives that is important for residents to know.

BLOCK CAPTAINS DELIVER THE NEWSLETTER:

Need 7 in Montgomery County (MoCo) and two in Prince George's (PG). Please call either Donna Riley in MoCo at 301-572-5186 or Nina Harley in PG at 301-572-7455. You do not have to live on the block to be the Block Captain. Please see more details for specific blocks elsewhere in the newsletter.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ♦ Tuesday, August 2 – National Night Out. PG National Night Out will be at the District VI Police Station. If you can help with PG, please contact Corporal Woody at 301-937-0910. MC National Night Out will be at the East County Services Center on Briggs Chaney Road. If you can help with MC, please call Jewru Bandeh at 240-777-8400/8411. More details about both events will follow.
- ♦ Tuesday, August 23 – First day of school for students in Prince George's (PG) County
- ♦ Monday, August 29 – First day of school for students in Montgomery County (MC)
- ♦ Thursday, September 1 – CCA Board Meeting. 7:00 pm at Calverton Elementary School
- ♦ Monday, September 5 – Labor Day. MC and PG Schools closed. Montgomery County recycling pickup is shifted one day. If MC residents have Beltsville Refuse for trash pickup there is no pick up on Monday. You can put your trash out on Friday, September 9 for pickup. PG pick up for Monday will be delayed a week. Pick for Monday will be on September 12. PG will pick up all other days that week. Only Monday pickups are different.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

Smoke and carbon monoxide alarms can be obtained for free from the fire department. The fire department will come out to do an inspection of your home:

PG – 301-583-2200
MC – 240-773-4715

Police safety inspection of your home:

MC District 3 – 240-773-6800
PG District VI – 301-937-0910

Code violations and inspections?

PG – 311
MC – 311, but if you are dialing from your 572 exchange you need to call 240-770-0311

PEPCO:

Emergency, down wires, etc.: 1-877-737-2662
Rebates for appliances: Customer Care at 202-833-7500
<http://www.pepco.com/my-home/save-money-and-conserve-energy/efficiency-rebates-and-incentives-and-programs/md-customers/>

If you are digging in your yard, **Contact Miss Utility or District One by phone: Dial 811** to make sure that you are not digging near any utility lines. Pepco will provide a free energy audit of your home call Customer Care at 202-833-7500

WSSC:

24-hour call center for emergencies: Toll Free: **800-828-6439**

Main: 301-206-WSSC (9772)

Washington Gas:

Gas odor or leak is and emergency: call 911 and get out of the house

Emergency line: 703-750-1400 or 1-800-752-7520

Paving Hotline: 703-750-4524

Paving emails: Dgurbard@washgas.com or

Kbates@washgas.com

When 911 is down and you cannot get through to an operator:

Call 911 and it is busy. Hang up and call again. Do not keep trying. Do not waste time trying to call 911 when it just keeps ringing and ringing and no one answers. This can be a matter of life and death. If it is busy again after a couple of tries, hang up and call the non-emergency police number or call 311.

DO NOT KEEP TRYING 911 IF IT KEEPS RINGING. JUST CALL ONE OF THE OTHER NUMBERS LISTED BELOW.

Montgomery County non-emergency for District 3

240-773-6800 or 240-777-0311 for 311.

Prince George's County for District VI

301-937-0910, 301-352-1200 or 311.

You can also call the fire departments:

Prince George's County - 301-883-5200 or 311

Montgomery County Burtonsville – 240-773-4715 or 240-777-0311

BULK PICKUP FOR BOTH COUNTIES

Prince George's County:

Special Bulk pick up for old appliances, scrap metal, old mattresses or furniture: Call 311 to schedule the pickup of your items.

Montgomery County:

Since Calverton residents who live in Montgomery County do not have county trash pickup, Montgomery County Special Bulk pickup is only for scrap metal. Call 311 the week before to schedule a pickup on your recycling day the next week.

If you have old mattresses or old furniture you have to call your trash hauler. Some people have Beltsville Refuse picking up their trash, so you need to call Beltsville Refuse about picking up your bulk items.



Crime Reports

CRIME REPORT AUGUST 2016

- June 16 – Theft from auto, 11900 Block Beltsville Drive
- June 23 – Theft, 11700 Block of Beltsville Drive
- July 2 – Burglary, 3100 Block of Cordoba Street
- July 7 – Theft, 2900 Block of Marlow Farm Terrace (off of Fairland Road)
- Sometime during the weekend of July 8-10, Breaking and Entering, 3900 Block Lakehouse Drive (apartments)
- July 14 – Theft, Sandy Point Court (West Farm Townhomes)
- July 14 – Assault, 12700 Summerwood Drive

There have been thefts and an assault in the shopping center with the Kohl's and Target and on Plum Orchard Drive, Prosperity Drive, Tech Road. A narcotics arrest was made on Broadbirch Drive.

BLOCK CAPTAIN VACANCY REPORT

We are glad to say that one more person has stepped up to volunteer as a block captain. Thank you Julian Jackson for being a block captain for two blocks – Block S-44 on Kilkenny Street and Block S-52 on Galway Drive.

There are still Block Captain vacancies in Calverton.

Montgomery County. Need 7 Block Captains. For more info, please call Donna Riley, MoCo Membership Chair at 301-572-5186.

- Block S-40a, on Summerwood Drive, 10 homes
- Block S-40b, on Castleleigh Road, 10 homes
- Block S-42, on Castleleigh Place, 22 homes
- Block S-47, on Bellevue Street, 17 homes
- Block S-50a on Kilkenny Street, 7 homes
- Block S-68, on Red Lion Lane, 19 homes
- Block S-74, on Lemar Court, 24 homes

Prince George's County. Need 2 Block Captains. For more info, please call Nina Harley, PG Membership Chair at 301-572-7455.

- Block B-18, on Greenmount Avenue, 21 homes
- Block B-23, on Oriole Drive, 25 homes

You do not have to live on the block to be the Block Captain, although this is always preferable. Maybe you could partner with a neighbor to be co-Block Captains and split the duties – one person can deliver the newsletter and the other person collect dues, or you could alternate months of delivering or collecting the dues. Or, even better, have fun talking together by doing all duties together.

Please, please volunteer to serve your community as a Block Captain! The residents on these blocks are not receiving this newsletter, paying their CCA dues or receiving the Calverton Directory.

CALVERTON CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

2017 CCA Membership Drive

September 1 through October 31, 2016

Membership Dues - just \$20 per household!

The CCA exists for your benefit and the benefit of the community.

Your CCA dues give you:

- 11 issues of the Calverton *Current* newsletter every year
- Calverton Telephone Directory every 2 years (2017-2018 year)

The Calverton Citizens Association also:

- Sponsors the July 4th celebration every year - with refreshments, moon bounce, magician, face painting and tattoo, clown, petting animals, and good fellowship with the neighbors
- Maintains public grounds around Calverton - Calverton Boulevard area, and Galway area
- Sponsors special events such as International Day and Neighborhood Watch Walks
- Acts as your representative at county hearings and at other meetings on issues relating to violations of the Calverton covenants, transportation, traffic, roads, street lighting, schools, and surrounding residential and commercial development
- Helps provide recreational opportunities for people of all ages through the CCA's premier standing committee, the Calverton Recreation Council
- Assists residents on matters of civic concern, such as providing relevant county phone numbers for you to call to report problems

These activities need funding that comes from your dues.

Please have your \$20 cash ready or checks payable to CCA.

Important! Be sure to tell your Block Captain of any changes to your name or telephone number since last year to keep your contact information current.

Block Captains, please start collecting dues on September 1, 2016!