

Calverton Current



Newsletter of the Calverton Citizen's Association ♦ Silver Spring ♦ Beltsville, MD ♦ December, 2016
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*Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah (Chanukah),
Happy Kwanzaa and Happy Las Posadas.*

The CCA Board wishes everyone a great holiday season.

We also wish everyone a

Happy and Healthy New Year

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ◆ December 23, 2016-January 2, 2017 – Prince George's Public Schools are closed. Schools reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2017
- ◆ December 26, 2016-January 2, 2017 – Montgomery County Public Schools are closed. Schools reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2017
- ◆ Thursday, January 5 – Senior Coffee, 1:00 p.m. at Laurel-Beltsville Senior Center, 7120 Contee Road, Laurel
- ◆ Thursday, January 5 – CCA Board Meeting, 7:00 pm at Calverton Elementary School. The winners of the Holiday Light Contest will receive their prize.
- ◆ Saturday, January 7 – Weed Warriors (weather permitting), 10:00 am – 11:30 am at Maydale Nature Center. **Questions?** Contact Ellen Mann, elandonmann@verizon.net, 301-236-0045
- ◆ Tuesday, January 10 – Beltsville Senior Tea, 1:00 pm at Riderwood in the Celebrations Room.
- ◆ Monday, January 16 – Martin Luther King Day. Schools and county offices closed.
- ◆ Friday, January 20 – Inauguration Day. Both MC and PG schools closed.

2017 CCA BOARD

We need a volunteer for President !!

We also need two volunteers for Prince George's Delegates !!

President: **Need a volunteer**

Vice President PG: Frank Cockrell

Vice President MG: Alfonso Talavera

Treasurer: Tom Hickey

Corresponding Secretary: Bernie Karns

Recording Secretary: Bernie Karns

Prince Georges Delegates:

Helen Andreno

Becky Cavallo

Wanda Swecker

Pat Thornberg

Nina Harley

Terry Stephens

Need a volunteer

Need a volunteer

Montgomery Delegates:

Claire Rupert

Jerry Rupert

Jim Spencer

Mark Doore

Lee Yaffe-Stark

Allison Klumpp

Carole Sippel

Margaret Poore

TRASH AND RECYCLING REMINDERS : PRINCE GEORGE'S

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25, 2016 (County observes holiday, Monday, December 26)

If your collection day is

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

Your collection day this week is

Yard trim collections will occur on Monday, December 26; no bulky trash pickups.
Tuesday, December 27, 2016 (no change)
Wednesday, December 28, 2016 (no change)
Thursday, December 29, 2016 (no change)
Friday, December 30, 2016 (no change)

New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1, 2017 (County observes holiday, Monday, January 2)

If your collection day is

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

Your collection day this week is

Yard trim collections will occur on Monday, January 2; no bulky trash pickups.
Tuesday, January 3, 2017 (no change)
Wednesday, January 4, 2017 (no change)
Thursday, January 5, 2017 (no change)
Friday, January 6, 2017 (no change)

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, January 16, 2017

If your collection day is

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

Your collection day this week is

Yard trim collections will occur on Monday, January 16; no bulky trash pickups.
Tuesday, January 17, 2017 (no change)
Wednesday, January 18, 2017 (no change)
Thursday, January 19, 2017 (no change)
Friday, January 20, 2017 (no change)

Remember to call in advance to set up for a bulky pickup. Do not put anything out at the curb until you have a pickup day scheduled.

Top 10 Ways to Reduce Waste

- ◆ Bring reusable bags and containers when shopping, traveling, or packing lunches or leftovers.
- ◆ Choose products that are returnable, reusable, or refillable over single-use items.
- ◆ Avoid individually wrapped items, snack packs, and single-serve containers. Buy large containers of items or from bulk bins whenever practical.
- ◆ Be aware of double-packaging - some "bulk packages" are just individually wrapped items packaged yet again and sold as a bulk item.
- ◆ Purchase items such as dish soap and laundry detergents in concentrate forms.
- ◆ Compost food scraps and yard waste. Food and yard waste accounts for about 11 percent of the garbage thrown away in most cities. Many types of food scraps, along with leaves and yard trimmings, can be combined in your backyard compost bin.
- ◆ Reduce the amount of unwanted mail you receive. The average resident in America receives over 30 pounds of junk mail per year.
- ◆ Shop at second-hand stores. You can find great used and unused clothes at low cost to you and the environment. Buy quality clothing that won't wear out and can be handed down, whether to other people you know or on to a thrift store.
- ◆ Buy items made of recycled content, and use and reuse them as much as you can. For instance, use both sides of every page of a notebook before moving on to the next clean notebook. Use unneeded, printed on printer paper for a scratch pad.
- ◆ Also, remember that buying in bulk rather than individual packages will save you lots of money and reduce waste! Packaging makes up 30% of the weight and 50% of trash by volume. Buy juice, snacks, and other lunch items in bulk and use those reusable containers each day.

TRASH AND RECYCLING REMINDERS : MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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If your collection day is

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Your collection day this week is

Monday, December 26, 2016 (no change)

Tuesday, December 27, 2016 (no change)

Wednesday, December 28, 2016 (no change)

Thursday, December 29, 2016 (no change)

Friday, December 30, 2016 (no change)

New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1, 2017

If your collection day is

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Your collection day this week is

Monday, January 2, 2017 (no change)

Tuesday, January 3, 2017 (no change)

Wednesday, January 4, 2017 (no change)

Thursday, January 5, 2017 (no change)

Friday, January 6, 2017 (no change)

Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, Monday, January 16, 2017

If your collection day is

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Thursday, January 19, 2017

Friday, January 20, 2017

Saturday, January 21, 2017

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Recycle ! Recycle !

The following list describes items that are typically accepted at most recycling centers and curbside pickup and have the least amount of "rules":

- ◆ Aluminum Cans: You all know these, the Coke, Pepsi, and Sprites of the world.
- ◆ Steel Cans: Soup cans, veggie cans, coffee cans, etc., including the can lids. And you don't even need to remove the labels.
- ◆ Newspaper: OK, so I'm not going to insult you with a description for this one.
- ◆ Corrugated Cardboard: Shipping and packaging boxes, usually identifiable by a squiggly layer of paper sandwiched between sheets. Used pizza boxes are often NOT accepted.
- ◆ Paper and Paperboard: Office paper, notebook paper, cereal boxes, non-Styrofoam egg cartons, some pre-packaged food boxes. Some paper items like paper milk cartons and drink boxes are lined with wax or plastic and are often not accepted.
- ◆ Plastics: Milk jugs, shampoo bottles, detergent bottles, vitamin bottles, plastic soda and water containers etc. Most centers will accept those plastics labeled with the PETE 1 and HDPE 2 symbols and many more are accepting plastics labeled 1 - 7. These can generally be found molded into the bottom of the containers. If you can't identify the type of plastic, don't include it. Most facilities also require that you remove the cap since it is usually made of a different type of plastic.
- ◆ Glass: Beer bottles, wine bottles, pickle jars, jelly jars, etc. Occasionally a center will accept only certain "colors" of glass. Light bulbs, Pyrex, ceramics, and mirrors are NEVER accepted. In some places, glass is becoming less accepted because of the potential of worker injuries due to broken glass.

Remember, Recycle ! Every little bit counts.