UNION BRIDGE NEWSLETTER

July/August 2013

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Council Meetings
- Planning & Zoning Meetings
- Jul 22 & Aug 26 7 pm. Jul 18 & Aug 15 – 6:30 pm.
- Council Work Sessions Ju
 - Jul 8 & Aug 12 6:30 pm.
- Heritage Committee information, contact Jim Rowe 410-775-9939 or <u>buttersburg@verizon.net</u>
- Town Office will be CLOSED: - July 4th (Independence Day)
- Articles for the September/October Newsletter are DUE IN THE TOWN OFFICE August 15, 2013

website www.carr.org/~unionbr email unionbr@carr.org

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

We made it through the storm. Just one year ago on the same day we experienced a big wind storm. I would like to thank all of the people who helped to cut trees up and open the streets. In times like this, every bit of help is appreciated.

The town has gotten several calls over the last month concerning people running repair shops out of their homes. These calls are complaint driven and our Zoning Administrator will investigate every complaint. If you tick off your neighbor and you are doing something wrong, expect a call.

We are also experiencing problems with residents keeping their grass cut this year. The town sends out letters first, one by snail mail and a second one by certified mail. Then citations will be issued. This process is very costly to the town. It is your tax money paying for this. Please help by doing your part and mow your grass.

The fire company will be doing their Heavy Rescue Class again this fall. Cars and trucks are needed. If you have an old car or truck sitting in your yard, please contact Chief Chad Green. This is a great way to remove any unwanted vehicles from your yard.

The town would like to find a used one- ton dump truck. It will be used by The Town for town projects, but not for residents to lease. If anyone knows of a small truck for sale, please call me or Donald Wilson.

Town elections are over for the next two years. Please get to know your elected officials, know their jobs and if you have a problem call that council person. They cannot try and fix it if they don't know about it. The council does a great job with the limited funds they have to work with.

Perry L. Jones, Jr., Mayor

The town was awarded a \$138,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for phase two to the West Broadway Street project. This project will include similar construction to the current phase. Phase two will include similar construction to the current phase. Phase two will include work from Whyte Street to the dead-end.

Wetlands Park Trail Extension

The Town of Union Bridge submitted our POS pre-application to Carroll County in May. We should be informed of the county approved applications by the middle of June. Once our pre-application has been approved, we will submit our application to the State. Union Bridge has begun our SHA National Recreational Trails application. This application is due July 1, 2013. We will follow this application up with the Community Parks and Playground application due in August.

For questions on these or any other projects, please call the Town Office at 410-775-2711.

Jared Schumacher, Town Consultant

WEST CARROLL REC

West Carroll serves Union Bridge, New Windsor and the surrounding areas. Anyone interested in Rec Council programs or events is welcome to attend our meetings, which are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Old New Windsor School/County Government Offices/Library Administration Offices in New Windsor. Next Meeting Date: August 12th.

For general information about West Carroll programs, contact Community Coordinator, Penny Rockwood at 410-775-1506. See our website:<u>www.gowcrc.com</u> or like us on Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/gowcrc</u>

Another source to check for upcoming sports registrations is "RecZone" found in the back of the Sports section of the Carroll County Times on Sundays.

WC REC COUNCIL COMMUNITY OUTREACH DAY

Saturday, July 27, 2013 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. New Windsor Carnival Grounds Food/FunZone/Football Bounce/Dunk Tank/Auction Free Activities & Much More

Field Hockey Contact: Laura Maring <u>laura@teamzilla.com</u>

Football Pam Hunnell 443-472-7014

Soccer

Contact: Gina McDermott 443-201-6055 <u>mcdermott629@aol.com</u> Registrations will be held in May. Season runs late-July through November.

Cheer Kim Smith 443-360-8223

Penny Rockwood, Community Coordinator

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

The Early Learning Center at the Union Bridge Church of the Brethren is now accepting applications for the fall in our

three and four year old programs. Classes are each limited to 12 children. The four year old program meets three mornings a week and the three year olds meet twice a week. We have an excellent, experienced staff and tuition is reasonable.

Mornings include learning basics such as alphabet, counting and colors. Supervised play time both inside and outside. They enjoy having stories read to them and sharing about the world around them and doing simple art projects. Their mornings also include a healthy snack. To get an application or for more information call 410-775-2717.

ELECTION Congratulations

to re-elected council members Laura Conaway, Ellen Cutsail and Amy Kalin.

UNION BRIDGE FIRE COMPANY

Monthly Bingo -- second Monday of every month Doors open at 5:30 pm Games begin at 7:00 pm Any questions call: 410-775-7891

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The town will participate this year in National Night Out on Tuesday, August 6, 2013. The event will be held at the Town Square parking lot from 7-9 p.m.

SEWER LINE BLOCKAGES

RESIDENTS: If your sewer line becomes blocked please contact the Town Hall at 410-775-2711 before calling a plumber.

FOR WATER AND SEWER EMERGENCIES PLEASE PAGE AMY KALIN 1-410-899-1200

ATTENTION

The newsletter is posted six times per year: January, March, May, July, September, and November and may be viewed on the town's Web site at <u>www.carr.org/~unionbr</u> Also, upon request, paper copies may be picked up at the Town Hall (410-775-2711) or at any local business.

PET OWNERS

The town is getting calls about residents not picking up after their pets. Please consider those who come after you on your walk. Put yourself in their shoes – literally. Please be a good neighbor and pick up your animal droppings. Union Bridge Code, Chapter 10, The owner of every animal shall be responsible for the removal of any excreta deposited by his animal(s) on public property, including sidewalks, recreation areas or on private property.

YARD WASTE PICKUP

Yard waste pickup has started and will run through the beginning of October. Bags for yard waste may be purchased at the town hall for \$1.00. This charge helps to defray the cost of the pickup. Yard waste will be picked up on Wednesdays.

GRASS & WEEDS

The Town of Union Bridge Code, Chapter 130, 4; C2: Owners and occupants of occupied premises and owners and persons in charge of unoccupied premises, including vacant lots, are hereby charged with the duty of maintaining an grass on such premises at a height of not more than six (6) inches, and the further duty of maintaining such premises free of noxious weeds and dense underbrush.

UNION BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER

Is available for weddings, parties and reunions. Call the town office at 410-775-2711 to inquire about renting the center

for your function.

PLEASE RECYCE

*IT'S STATE LAW. *IT'S ENVIRONMENTALLY SMART. *IT SAVES THE TOWN MONEY (YOUR TAXES). *THE MORE YOU RECYCLE THE LESS TRASH YOU PUT INTO LANDFILLS.

HAVE A SAFE & FUN FOURTH OF JULY!