UNION BRIDGE NEWSLETTER September/October 2010

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Council Meetings

Trick or Treating

Sep 27 & Oct 25 – 7 pm.

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Planning & Zoning Meetings Sep 16 & Oct 21 - 6:30 pm.

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Council Work Sessions Sep 13 & Oct 11 - 6:30 pm.

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Heritage Committee information, contact Bob Bolduc 410-756-4895 or bbolduc@comcast.net

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Town Office will be CLOSED:

- September 6th, Labor Day

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Articles for the November/December Newsletter are DUE IN THE TOWN OFFICE October 15, 2010

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

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

I would like to speak on behalf of the FSK Athletics Booster organization. These folks are responsible for a lot of behind the scene activities that coincide with sporting events at FSK High School. They do a wonderful job with little or no thanks. The new Principal, John Baugher, is working with them to try to reinvigorate the programs by increasing attendance at the games. It is very expensive to outfit teams with uniforms and equipment, so proceeds from admissions really help to lessen the need for fund raisers. What we can do as a community is to attend these games. We watch sports on TV and travel to Baltimore and elsewhere to watch high-paid professionals play, but neglect our local teams that could use a little more support from us. These are our kids and those of our friends, members of our community, not a team built from players pulled from all over. They are the truest of Home Teams. Money is only part of what we bring when we attend the games. Cheering the players on, making them feel like they can win each and every game and have the support of their community will have a positive effect on them individually and as a team. Contact the school or look up High School Sports on the web for scheduling and come on out to a game.

Bret D. Grossnickle, Mayor

TRASH AND RECYCLING

The Town of Union Bridge is requesting that all residents of Union Bridge make the effort to recycle everything they possibly can. The cost for trash that is picked up in town is a combination of the cost for the pick-up of the trash plus the tipping fee at the landfill (as of July 1, 2010 the tipping fee rates will be increasing). When you recycle, the town pays

only for the pick-up service, there is no tipping fee associated with recyclables. Therefore, the more that we recycle, the less it costs the town. This will help the town to keep expenses down. There is information below, at the town hall, and at the county office building explaining what you can put in your recycle bins. Everything that is recyclable can be put into the same container, as Carroll County is doing single- stream recycling. This means you don't have to separate your recyclables by type. If you have any questions about recycling and/or trash, please contact Ellen Cutsail.

Ellen Cutsail, Council Member 443-244-1147 ecutsail.ubtowncouncil@msn.com

GRANT PROJECTS UPDATE

Benedum Street Sidewalk-

The Town of Union Bridge was awarded \$242,000 from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Development Block Grant Program. This grant will be used to improve sidewalks and curbing along Benedum Street. This will be at no cost to the residents or property owners.

Bids for this project were due on Monday, August 16, 2010. Four bids were received. The town will review the bids and decide on a contractor at the Council meeting on August 23, 2010. Construction is planned to start this fall.

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 surrounding areas. Anyone interested in Rec. Council programs or events is welcome to attend our meetings. Meetings will be 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. We are currently seeking a Union Bridge Town Representative to serve on the Board. This volunteer should have a Union Bridge zip code, but is not required to live within the Town limits.

*Next Meeting Dates: October 11 and November 8th. See our website: www.goWCRC.com

For general information about West Carroll programs, contact Community Coordinator, Penny Rockwood at 410-775-1506. 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.

Penny Rockwood, Community Coordinator

UNION BRIDGE COMPUTER CENTER

The Computer Center is open Monday and Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We follow the Carroll County Public Library holiday and snow closing schedule. The Bookmobile visits every other Monday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We have six new laptops and two used ones that use a Wi-Fi connection to access the Internet. Volunteers at the center are official Carroll County Public Library volunteers. Students who volunteer can qualify for community service volunteer hours.

Matt Gibbons, Bridges Secretary

NEWSLETTER 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 www.carr.org/~unionbr. Also, upon request, paper copies may be picked up at the town hall. (410-775-2711)

YARD WASTE PICKUP

The last day for yard waste pickup will be either the first or second Wednesday of October. Contact the Town Hall for a definite date.

SEWER LINE BLOCKAGES

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

Water & Sewer Emergencies

Please page Amy Kalin at 410-899-1200

THE COMMUNITY CENTER IS AVAILABLE FOR WEDDINGS, PARTIES AND REUNIONS

CALL THE TOWN OFFICE AT 410-775-2711 TO INQUIRE ABOUT RENTING THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR YOUR FUNCTION LEAF PICK UP

Leaf pick- up will be on an as -needed bases – call the town hall to schedule pick- up October through December.

ORDINANCE# 263, Sec. B-2

Owners or occupants of premises fronting on any street with paved sidewalks shall remove any snow and ice from the traveled portions of the sidewalk, to a width of at least 30", within 24 hours after snow or ice ceases to fall. SNOW

Main Street is a snow emergency route, NO PARKING is allowed when the snow emergency plan is in effect.

TRICK OR TREAT

REMINDERS:

October 31, 2010

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Please turn your porch light on if you wish to participate.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

SUB SALE – \$5.00 each Cold cut, ham or turkey subs will be available. Call in orders by Monday, September 13, 2010. Contact Missi 410-775-2872 or Glenda 410-775-2509. Pick up will be on September 19, 2010 noon to 2:00 PM.

BINGO BANQUET - \$25.00

Saturday, September 11, 2010. Doors open at 4:30PM – Bingo Starts 7:00PM. For information and tickets call: 410-775-2568

APPLE DUMPLING SALE

\$3.00 each

Baked, unbaked, sugar free

Call order in by September 25, 2010. Contact Missi 410-775-2872 or Glenda 410-775-2509. Pick up October 2, 2010

BACK TO SCHOOL

It's hard to believe that school is back in session. Please remember to give yourself extra time to get to work due to the school buses. Be alert and watch for young children crossing the road. Have a safe and successful school year.

MD STATE POLICE DRUG

TIPS HOTLINE

410-875-0936

They CAN'T do it without your help!!

ORDINANCE #307

This ordinance was passed on July 26, 2010. Ordinance #307 will consolidate and codify the existing laws and ordinances applicable in The Town of Union Bridge into a municipal code to be known as the Union Bridge Code.

You can access the Union Bridge Code on the town's website at - http://www.carr.org/~unionbr/UBcode_072710.pdf

THIS SPACE COULD

BE USED TO

ADVERTISE YOUR

UPCOMING	
EVENTS	

CARROLL COUNTY SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING PROGRAM ACCEPTABLE ITEMS All of the following materials can be placed in your recycle bin:

Plastic

ORGANIZATIONS

Wide-mouth containers such as empty peanut butter, margarine/butter tubs, yogurt, cottage cheese, sour cream, mayonnaise, whipped topping, and prescription medicine bottles (note that the lids and caps do not need to be removed).

Narrow-neck empty plastic containers with plastic resin identification code 1 through 7 (no motor oil or transmission fluid bottles, please)

Metal

Any empty metal food and beverage containers, including aluminum or other metals. Aluminum foil and aluminum pie pans.

Aerosol Cans (empty only).

Glass

Glass containers such as empty jars and bottles, all colors accepted.

Paper

Juice and broth boxes

Milk and juice containers, including gable top cartons

Cardboard and paperboard boxes (including cereal boxes without liners)

Office paper (including typing, fax, copy, letterhead, NCR) and envelopes

Newspapers (including all inserts)

Magazines, catalogs and Junk mail

Books (including paperbacks, telephone books, textbooks, and hardbacks)

Brown paper bags (Kraft paper)

Corrugated boxes

Non-metallic wrapping paper

Computer printouts

NO STYROFOAM, PLEASE!