

# UNION BRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

Council Meetings	Jan 23 & Feb 27 – 7 pm.
Funding Committee Meetings	Jan 4 & Feb 1 – 7pm.
Planning & Zoning Meetings	Jan 19 & Feb 16 - 6:30 pm.
Council Work Sessions	Jan 9 & Feb 13 - 6:30 pm.

## Office Closed - January 16, 2006

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## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Hello everyone! I can't believe it is the end of another year already. It seems the older I get the faster they go, and the less time there is to do anything. They say that time moves faster when you are busy, so maybe we should take a lesson from the turtle and do little, move slowly and live long. Anyhow, the holiday season is once again upon us and the Council and I wish you the best now and in the coming year. Let's make it a good one.

*Bret Grossnickle*

## UNION BRIDGE RESIDENT DEPUTY

Hello, citizens of The Town of Union Bridge! For those of you planning on vacationing over the fall and winter holidays please reduce your chances of becoming a victim of burglary by taking the following steps.

1. Contact the Sheriff's department or myself and advise of your departure and return dates, as well as vehicles which may be on your property. This will make us aware and extra patrol checks can be conducted on your property.
  2. Leave contact information with a friend or neighbor, who will also check on your house and can contact you if a problem arises.
  3. Use timers on interior lights, to make your house appear as if it is occupied.
  4. Have your mail and paper delivery placed on hold, or have a trusted person retrieve your mail and paper.
  5. And remember to secure all doors and windows.
- I WISH EACH OF YOU A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!

*DFC Chris Orwig*  
Community Deputy  
Sheriff's Office 410-386-2900  
Tips 1-888-399-TIPS  
Emergency 911  
Non-emergency 410-386-2900

### **CARROLL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

On November 1, 2005, at the direction of Sheriff Ken Tregoning, the Carroll County Sheriff's Office initiated a policy of notifying parents or guardians of juveniles cited for violations of the Maryland Transportation Law.

It is the goal of the deputies of the Carroll County Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Tregoning to reduce senseless tragedies by education, enforcement and intervention by parents or guardians. It is hoped that parents and guardians will read the notification letter and take suitable actions that will keep their child and their future alive.

### **NOISE ORDINANCE**

The Carroll County sheriff's office is enforcing the county's noise ordinance.

Sound meters to check on a suspected violation are available to the public through the sheriff's office by calling 410-386-2900.

### **FUNDING COMMITTEE**

The next Funding Committee breakfast will be held on January 15, 2006.

### **HOLIDAY DECORATION CONTEST**

#### **BEST LIGHTING**

1st place - Kari Lauer, 20 West Broadway

2nd Place - Kathy Naill, 208/210 East Broadway

3rd place - Wendy Beacham, 10 West Broadway

#### **MOST ORIGINAL**

1st place - Richard Boone, 307 Thomas Street

2nd place - Sue Wantz, 8 North Farquhar Street

3rd place - Bud Zimmerman, 8 West Broadway

#### **TRADITIONAL**

1st place - Frank Maxwell, 101 South Main Street

2nd place - Melissa Foreman, 11 South Farquhar Street

3rd place - Vicki Shockley, 124 North Main Street.

Congratulations, it was a very hard job picking so few from so many.

The holiday season brought new decorations to Main Street, Thanks to generous donations from: Union Bridge Homes, LLC - Mr. Edward Wormald, General Manager, Union Bridge Lions Club, and Mr. & Mrs. John Witiak. The committee selected the lanterns to compliment our streetscape. Special recognition is given to Mr. George Keeney and Mr. John Keepers and their crew for all of their time and talent with our holiday lights.

### **CARROLL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Carroll County Commissioners have scheduled a meeting at the Union Bridge Community Center for January 30, 2006 from 7-9. This is a community meeting for the residents of Union Bridge; please plan to attend.

### **WEST CARROLL RECREATION COUNCIL NEWS**

West Carroll serves New Windsor, Union Bridge and surrounding areas. Anyone interested in Rec. Council programs or events is welcome to attend our meetings, which are held the 3rd Monday of each month at the Union Bridge Town Hall. \*No meeting in December~ Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

\*Next meeting: January 9, 2006

Election of Officers was held at the November meeting. 2006 Officers are:

Pres.: Brad Rockwood

Vice Pres.: Kim Eckard

Sec.: Rebekah Snyder

Treas.: Sandy Sullivan

New Windsor Rep.: Sandy Rohwein

Union Bridge Rep.: Cheryl Keeney

We had a standing-room-only crowd at the November meeting ~ thank you to all who attended! Our Basketball & Wrestling Programs are well underway. Good luck to all teams in your winter sports season!

For general information about West Carroll programs, contact Community Coordinator, Penny Rockwood at 410-857-3549.

Watch for baseball, softball & lacrosse registrations in January/February

### **UNION BRIDGE WALKING TOUR**

The Tourism Subcommittee of the Union Bridge Main Street Revitalization Committee is producing a walking tour brochure to promote tourism in our historic town. The following addresses have been included on the tour due to their historic nature or architectural features:

#### **Address:**

North Main Street: 1-3, 5, 8, 9, 11, 18, 19

South Main Street: 1, 2, 7, 9, 11, 21, 27, 105, 106, 109, 110, 113, 114, 122

West Broadway: 6, 11, 10, 15, 16, 23, 134, 142

East Broadway: 5, 6, 10, 101

South Whyte Street: 8, 8, 10

South Benedum Street: 1, 14

East Locust Street: 105  
North Farquhar Street: 2  
Railroad Avenue: 1  
5021 Middleburg Road (Old Roop Farm)  
200 West Locust Street (Clemson Farm House, Mount Pleasant Farm)  
10120 Clemsonvill Road (John Clemson Ancestral Home)

**Churches:**

Union Bridge Church of the Brethren, Union Bridge United Methodist Church, St. James Lutheran Church

**Other Sites of Interest:**

Mountain View Cemetery, Lehigh Cement Park, Western Maryland Railroad Station and Railroad Museum, Friends Meeting House

\*A draft of the brochure is available on the Union Bridge web site for **public review and comment** at <http://www.carr.org/~unionbr/test/UBWalkingTourArch.pdf>

The Subcommittee plans to print the brochure in the first half of 2006. Please contact Kathy Erb at 410-775-7450 by February 15, 2006 to make any comments on the draft. Thank you.

**TRASH PICK-UP**

Have trash out for pick-up before 5:30 a.m. on Thursdays. Hughes Trash Removal 410-848-4747.

**PATHWAYS TO CARROLL'S FUTURE LANDSCAPE**

A Cultivation Concepts Conference is scheduled for Friday, January 13th 1-4 pm & January 14th 9-4 pm. For registration and information call 410-386-2145.

**PASSED:**

**Resolution #03-05**

Increasing the General Sewer Assessment Fee for Residential dwellings and dwelling units from \$2,945 to \$7,068 with a proportionate increase for non-residential users under Ordinance #255.

**Ordinance #299**

Revising the administrative rate charge for failure to pay parking fines within thirty days to be an amount equal to the sum of the original fine plus ten dollars.

**Resolution #04-05**

Authorizing the Carroll Cable Regulatory Commission to enter into a final settlement with Adelpia Communications.

**COMMUNITY CENTER**

THE CENTER IS AVAILABLE FOR PARTIES, WEDDINGS AND REUNIONS. CALL THE TOWN HALL TO INQUIRE ABOUT RENTING THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR YOUR FUNCTION.

**NEW METER MAID**

The Town has hired a new Meter Maid. She is doing a great job for the town. Please treat her with respect. She is just doing her job. Please remember if you pay the meter there will be no ticket. It is not her fault if you receive a ticket. Not wanting to put a nickel in a meter will probably cost you

\$5.00. It is your choice. Business owners may want to put a notice in their windows reminding customers to pay the meter. We realize that we have not had this kind of coverage in a while and people are not used to being monitored so closely but it is a fact now.

**SNOW**

**SOME RESIDENTS ARE NOT REMOVING SNOW FROM THEIR SIDEWALKS. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THIS MUST BE DONE WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER SNOW OR ICE CEASES TO FALL. NOT DOING SO CAUSES A DANGEROUS SITUATION.**

**THE TRAVELED PORTION OF THE SIDEWALK MUST BE CLEARD TO A WIDTH OF AT LEAST 30".**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.**