

# Burkittsville News

Winter 2017  
January, February  
& March



## DATES TO WATCH

### TOWN MEETINGS

Town Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month, starting 7 pm, at 500 East Main Street, Ruritan Club Building.

### PLANNING & ZONING

P&Z Meets on the first Monday of each month starting 7:00 pm at the SMHS, 3 East Main Street. *Please note new time.*

### GREEN TEAM MEETINGS

Contact [edeckerorr@comcast.net](mailto:edeckerorr@comcast.net) for more information or visit [www.sustainableburkittsville.org](http://www.sustainableburkittsville.org)

### COUNTRY BUTCHERING

The Burkittsville Ruritan Club will hold a Country Butchering on January 13 & 14, 2017. All types of fresh pork products will be on sale at the Ruritan Community Center, 500 East Main Street, Burkittsville, on Friday, January 13, (8 AM - 5 PM) and on Saturday, Jan. 14, (8 AM - 12 Noon). **Advance orders will be accepted through Sunday, Jan. 8.** Call 301-371-7795.

### COUNTRY BREAKFAST

The Burkittsville Ruritan Club will hold a Country Breakfast on Saturday, January 14, 2017, from 6 AM - 10 AM, at the Ruritan Community Center, 500 East Main Street, Burkittsville. The menu includes ALL YOU CAN EAT fresh sausage, sausage gravy, pancakes, pudding, hominy, scrambled eggs, coffee, orange juice, and milk. The cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children (ages 6-12), and kids under age six eat free.



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& Erika  
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## Burkittsville's Green Main Street Master Plan

### A Fresh Start!

The well respected company ADTEK won the contract to create our Main Street Master Plan (sometimes referred to as "Roads" at Town Meetings).

**Keep an eye out for the next step, because it involves you.** ADTEK will be starting community outreach; when you see it – online or in your mailbox, **please take a minute to respond.** Your input is a vital part of forming the Master Plan so we can move ahead.

If we ever want to fix our roads we need this Master Plan, and that can't move forward without **your** feedback. Let's keep the ball rolling, and keep that funding. If you have questions about this, contact [MayorBurgoyne@Gmail.com](mailto:MayorBurgoyne@Gmail.com) or write to: Town Office, PO Box 485, attn: Mayor, Main Street.

## A GREEN WELCOME

The Burkittsville Green Welcome Kits are here! The Burkittsville Green Team has been busy preparing the welcome kits and delivering them to new town residents.

The kits contain a wealth of information about recycling, gardening, composting, saving energy, exploring nearby natural and historical sites, Sustainable Burkittsville initiatives, and more.

Current residents may also request a welcome kit. Email Lisa Orr ([edeckerorr@comcast.net](mailto:edeckerorr@comcast.net)), our Green Team leader, to request a welcome kit or speak to Lisa or Nan Huddy at a town meeting.

For more information about the Burkittsville Green Team or Sustainable Burkittsville, visit [www.SustainableBurkittsville.org](http://www.SustainableBurkittsville.org).

- Nan Huddy

## Ring in 2017

Were resolutions made? Judging by these happy snaps:

- 🎺 Toot your own horn 🎩 Get a good grip 🎒
- 🌍 See the world anew 🌄 Enjoy the view 🎩
- 🕒 Know what time it is 🧤 Lend a helping hand 🧤
- 👁️ Keep looking up 🕒 Practice patience 🕒
- 🎩 Hang in there and 🎩
- 🎩 Consider wearing a New Hat this Year! 🎩

### Good News for 2017~ In The Pink

Burkittsville's first Pink October event turned 50 pink light bulbs into \$300, which was donated to The Hurwitz Breast Cancer Fund, Frederick Memorial Hospital, [www.pinkribbonfrederick.org](http://www.pinkribbonfrederick.org)

The light bulbs, which spread a hopeful glow over October, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, were donated to Burkittsville by the town of Thurmont.

We are very grateful for this gift. We are also thankful to Thurmont for sparking inspiration here in town for another Pink October in 2017.





**DATES TO WATCH**

Events & Notices

**CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP**  
Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>

&  
**Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Have trees on the curb at 6 a.m.**  
Please make sure that your tree has been stripped of decorations & lights. Avoid using twine or wire to bind up branches, thanks!

**DROP OFF POINTS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR TREES**

You can also TreeCycle at several places in Frederick County until January 29th. See the notice on page 4 for all locations.

**SAINT PAUL SUB SALE**

Before you try to say that three times fast, make sure you place an order for these popular treats. Order deadline is January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017! Choices are Cold Cut Sub or Turkey Sub, \$7 each. Specify how many of each you want to order, make sure to include your full name and phone number on your order form or contact St Paul's at 301-834-9866 for details. Orders will be ready to pick up at the Parish Hall on **Sat., February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**COUNTRY BUTCHERING**

The Burkittsville Ruritan Club will hold a Country Butchering on March 10 & 11, 2017. All types of fresh pork products will be on sale at the Ruritan Community Center, 500 East Main Street, Burkittsville, on Friday, March 10 (8 AM - 5 PM) and on Saturday, March 11 (8 AM -12 pm). Advance orders will be accepted through Sunday, March 5. Call 301-371-7795.

**GREEN TEAM MEETINGS**

The Green Team meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of Every Month at 7pm at 3 East Main, the SMHS Building. Contact [edeckerorr@comcast.net](mailto:edeckerorr@comcast.net) or [www.sustainableburkittsville.org](http://www.sustainableburkittsville.org) with any questions you might have.

**ADOPT-A-ROAD**

March 11-12. Times are flexible! Bring a neighbor to help keep our roads litter-free. It only takes an hour of your time! Contact Green Team Leader Lisa Orr at [edeckerorr@comcast.net](mailto:edeckerorr@comcast.net)

**MAKIN' HAY 10K ~ THERE'S A NEW RUN FOR SMHS**

The South Mountain Heritage Society is gearing up to put on it's newest fundraising run, the Makin' Hay 10K, which will be held at the Catoctin Creek Nature Center on Saturday, April 15th, 2017.

The 6.2 mile loop course will take runners on a journey through some of the prettiest farmland in the region on quite country roads, where they'll pass through two, one-lane bridges on their way to the finish line.

Visit [www.makinhay10k.org](http://www.makinhay10k.org) for more details.

-Bill Susa, Race Director of the Spook Hill Cider & Wine 4 Mile Run

**2017 Recycling Schedule for Burkittsville**

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**Here's what you can do to help make the recycling program efficient and successful:**

- **During stormy weather, check to see if your recycling collection has been affected.** The easiest way is to simply receive automatic alerts (sent by phone call, text, email or tweet); visit [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle) to sign up. You can also call 301-600-2960 or look for updates at our website or [www.Facebook.com/FrederickRecycles](https://www.facebook.com/FrederickRecycles).
- **Don't place any recyclables in trash bags!** Please DO bundle recyclable bags (such as grocery store bags) all together inside one recyclable plastic bag for collection.
- **Set your cart out by 6 am of your collection day, within 6 feet of the street and at least 4 feet from other objects.** The arrow on the lid of the cart should face towards the street.
- **Do not remove, permanently alter or mark on carts.** Carts are property of Frederick County Government and are assigned to specific addresses; do not move carts to new locations.
- **If your cart is full,** you can place excess materials next to it inside a paper bag, cardboard box or open container that has been clearly, boldly labeled for RECYCLING.

**SIGN UP FOR RECYCLING REMINDERS! Sync the recycling schedule to your digital calendar or sign up to get collection day reminders sent by phone, text, email or tweet! Visit our website: [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle)**

Frederick County Department of Solid Waste Management  
9031 Reichs Ford Road, Frederick, MD 21704  
Phone: 301-600-2960 Email: [Recycle@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:Recycle@FrederickCountyMD.gov)



# Zumba!

Burkittsville stays active many ways, and Zumba has been a regular chance for folks to get fit. Have you wondered about the classes offered at St Paul? Here's a quick reminder of what's available right here in town.

Zumba is a Latin-inspired dance-fitness program. It combines international music with easy-to-follow dance steps for an effective, exhilarating, calorie-burning fitness-party! You don't need to have prior dance background. You don't need to have rhythm. It's all about moving and having fun! **Where? How much?**

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5 East Main Street, Burkittsville. Jan. days: Thurs. 12, 19 & 26, 6:30 pm drop-in. Only \$5.00 per person per class or a stamp card of 10 classes for \$40. Classes also held at Middletown Recreation Center, 403 Franklin Street. Register:

<http://www.recreator.com/> Want to know more? Get in touch!  
[sweefairy112279@yahoo.com](mailto:sweefairy112279@yahoo.com)



## Take A Hike!

2016 saw Burkittsville add even more activity to the mix with a series of hikes. Rachel Carballo, new town Council member, and HEAL leader for our town, got folks of various ability levels to enjoy the great outdoors with some fresh air and exercise.

Learn more about HEAL, the Healthy Eating, Active Living Campaign in Maryland - attend the February Town Meeting for a presentation by Susan DeFrancesco and visit:

<http://www.healcitiesmidatlantic.org/> to get a "feel for HEAL".

## SMHS HONOR ROBERT and MAURINE YOUNG

During the holiday open house for Museums by Candlelight on December 10, 2016, friends and community gathered briefly to honor two of our most dedicated members, Bob and Maurine Young. Both Bob and Maurine serve on the South Mountain Heritage Society Executive Committee, and Bob serves as the society's treasurer.

As many of you know, Bob and Maurine have dedicated many years to the study of Burkittsville's history and preserving their beautiful home and the heritage society. Owing to their efforts, the museum has continued to be refreshed with new exhibits and our collections have grown with new acquisitions.

Bob has contributed to the scholarship of Burkittsville history, publishing two books for the heritage society, *The People of Burkittsville* (2003) and *Horseys School* (2005).

Of course, we must also note that our Annual Gigantic Used Book Sale would simply not be possible without Bob and Maurine's countless hours spent sorting books and organizing the sale. With sincerest appreciation, SMHS President Catherine Cox presented Bob and Maurine with a plaque which is now proudly displayed in the museum.

We thank the Youngs for their tireless efforts to supporting the mission of SMHS!

-Mr. Jody Brumage, Historian, Curator and VP SMHS



Left to Right:

Catherine Cox,  
 Robert Young,  
 Maurine Young,  
 Jody Brumage

Photo by Erika Burgoyne-Hongell

Keep up with all the latest SMHS events on [www.SouthMountainHeritage.org](http://www.SouthMountainHeritage.org) !

### New Exhibits to be Opened at SMHS, Chance to Ring SMHS Bell, Guided Walking Tour and More

On Saturday, April 1, 2017, SMHS will open its new museum season with a day of special programs at the museum.

We will be "Ringin'-In" a new season at 10:00 am with the chiming of our historic church bell. Visitors will be invited in to see our new permanent exhibits which are currently undergoing renovation.

At noon, we will offer a guided walking tour of Burkittsville. More information will be available on the SMHS website in coming weeks and on our Facebook page. You can now follow the museum at [instagram.com/burkittsvillehistory](https://www.instagram.com/burkittsvillehistory) too!

**NOTICE:** Burkittsville Residents

### THERE ARE THREE OPENINGS ON THE BURKITTSVILLE BOARD OF APPEALS

1, 2, AND 3 - YEAR TERMS ARE AVAILABLE. APPLY IN WRITING TO [townoffice@burkittsville-md.gov](mailto:townoffice@burkittsville-md.gov) or Town Office, PO Box 485, attn: Board of Appeals



### Planning and Zoning Reminder

Merry New Year,

This is a reminder that construction 150 square feet or more must have a Town permit. Plans for construction must be submitted to Planning and Zoning by USPS, addressed to Town Office, PO Box 485 attention: P&Z Upon approval the permit holder must pay a fee to the Town. This process can and does save hours of headache when dealing with the County. Only after obtaining approval from Burkittsville Planning and Zoning will you be able to work with Frederick County.

Please contact planning and zoning any time with questions or comments at: [PZCTofBurkittsville@outlook.com](mailto:PZCTofBurkittsville@outlook.com).

Further, the meetings for planning and zoning are public and open to all. Though certainly not as exciting as Town meetings, planning and zoning meetings are held the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the South Mountain Heritage Society Building, 3 East Main Street.

Looking forward to assisting you any way we can in the new year, your friends on planning and zoning!

**WHY REPORT IT?** IF YOU DON'T ASK TO FILE A REPORT, IT WON'T SHOW UP ON OUR RECORD. NO RECORD? NO CREDIBILITY.

IF YOU WITNESS SPEEDING OR CLEARLY OVER THE WEIGHT-LIMIT VEHICLES ON OUR STREETS, PLEASE CALL THE SHERIFF'S NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER AND **ASK TO FILE A REPORT**. IF OFFERED A PATROL CAR TO CHECK OUT THE AREA, SAY "YES". THEY'RE IN THE AREA AND THIS IS PART OF THE JOB. HELP THEM DO IT. IF YOU CAN GET A PHOTO OR TAG NUMBER, IT'S A REAL HELP. PROTECT YOUR NEIGHBORS, YOUR PROPERTY AND YOUR INFRASTRUCTURE, CALL IT IN.  
THANKS!



YES, THIS HAPPENED. HELP PREVENT OTHER INCIDENTS.

Attention Bibliophiles, Readers of All Ages, Residents and History Buffs:

#### USED BOOKS NEEDED

South Mountain Heritage Society needs book donations to support the annual Used Book Sale.

Donations are accepted all year long.

All donations may be placed in the Book Box at the rear door.

*Your donations help the South Mountain Heritage Society give back to the community in many ways, including the continuing growth of TheSMHS Museum, guided walking tours of Burkittsville, and a dedication to preserving and interpreting our town's history*

**December 27, 2016 through January 29, 2017**

**TREECYCLE!**



#### FREDERICK COUNTY PROVIDES A NUMBER OF TEMPORARY DROP-OFF LOCATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING:

- **Reichs Ford Road Yard Waste Recycling Site** 9031 Reichs Ford Rd, Frederick
- **Ballenger Creek Park** (2nd parking lot on left) 5420 Ballenger Creek Pike, Frederick
- **Kempton Park** (lower left parking lot) 3456B Kempton Church RD, Monrovia
- **Middletown Park** (gravel lot by maintenance shop road) 7628 Coblenz Rd, Middletown
- **Point of Rocks Ruritan** (left side parking lot) 1637 Ballenger Creek Pike, Point of Rocks
- **Eyler Road Park** (fenced area on right) 30 Eyler Rd, Thurmont
- **Heritage Farm Park** (yard waste drop-off site) 9224 Devilbiss Bridge Rd, Walkersville



Please remember to remove all ornaments, lights, tinsel, garland, tree stands and plastic bags before leaving the tree at a collection site.

For additional information, please call 301-600-2960 or visit our website: [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle)

Except for the Reichs Ford Road Yard Waste Recycling Site, all locations are for residential use only, no commercial drop-offs.





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**Phone:** 301-834-6780  
**Mail:** P.O. Box 485, Burkittsville, MD 21718  
**Email:** [townoffice@burkittsville-md.gov](mailto:townoffice@burkittsville-md.gov)

**Mayor**  
Deborah Burgoyne  
[mayorburgoyne@gmail.com](mailto:mayorburgoyne@gmail.com)

**Council**  
Rachel Carballo, John "Jad" Drake, Rebecca Remaley

**Clerk/Treasurer:** Tammy Drake, [TownOffice@burkittsville-md.gov](mailto:TownOffice@burkittsville-md.gov)

**Board of Appeals:** Joyce Brown, Paul Gilligan, Michele Jones

**Planning & Zoning:** Andrew Burgoyne-Hongell, Chair  
[PZCTofBurkittsville@outlook.com](mailto:PZCTofBurkittsville@outlook.com),  
Mark Carroll, Laurel Gilligan, Keith Murray, Rick Poloway

**Town Bailiff:** Robert Millard

**Post Office:** 301-834-9592  
Window service: Mon. - Fri. 12-4 pm, Sat. 9-12 pm  
P.O. Box access: Mon. - Sat. 9-8 pm

**Town Website:** [www.burkittsville-md.gov](http://www.burkittsville-md.gov) **Webmaster:** Carl Snook  
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**Residents, you can join the Burkittsville Backyard Produce Exchange:**  
[www.facebook.com/groups/BurkittsvilleBackyardProduceExchange](http://www.facebook.com/groups/BurkittsvilleBackyardProduceExchange)

## Burkittsville News Quarterly

Please send contributions  
to [BurkittsvilleNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:BurkittsvilleNewsletter@gmail.com)  
or Town Office, PO Box 485, Attn: Newsletter

**Deadlines** (allow 3 extra days for letters):

Spring Edition	on or before March	15 <sup>th</sup>
Summer Edition	on or before June	15 <sup>th</sup>
Autumn Edition	on or before September	15 <sup>th</sup>
Winter Edition	on or before December	27 <sup>th</sup>



## WHO TO CALL

**NON-EMERGENCY SHERIFF LINE:**  
301-600-2071

Please use this or 911 to report crime, theft, vandalism, trespassing & suspicious activity.  
See something? Say something!

Animal Control:	301-600-1546
Poison Control:	1-800-222-1222
Abuse Information:	1-800-422-4453
National Lifeline:	1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK)

Recycling questions:	301-600-2960
Trash Collection questions:	301-668-8282

To report a non-life-threatening natural event, take shelter then call: 301-600-1603 or 911

For traffic alerts and delay info: 511

To have an issue placed on record with the town, placed on a town meeting agenda or to request Town Meeting minutes, put it in writing. Mail to:

[townoffice@burkittsville-md.gov](mailto:townoffice@burkittsville-md.gov) or  
Town of Burkittsville P.O. Box 485,  
Burkittsville, MD 21718

## DOES YOUR SPECIAL EVENT BELONG RIGHT HERE?

HELP US INCLUDE YOU! SEND IN A NOTE ABOUT A FAMILY MEMBER'S BIRTHDAY, AWARD OR OTHER MILESTONE. EMAIL THE INFO TO:

[BURKITTSVILLENEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BURKITTSVILLENEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM)

OR SEND IT TO TOWN OFFICE, ATTN: NEWSLETTER PO BOX 485, BURKITTSVILLE, MD, 21718

THE NEWSLETTER IS ISSUED QUARTERLY. TO HAVE AN EVENT INCLUDED IN THE SPRING EDITION, WHICH COVERS APRIL, MAY AND JUNE, SEND ITEMS IN BY MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> (SEE RETURN ADDRESS FOR ALL DATES).

IF YOUR EVENT FALLS ON THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF THE NEXT ISSUE (EX. "SPRING", APRIL 1-6) CONSIDER SENDING IT TO US ONE QUARTER EARLY ("WINTER", BY DEC. 27) SINCE THE NEWSLETTER DOES NOT ALWAYS COME OUT ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH.