



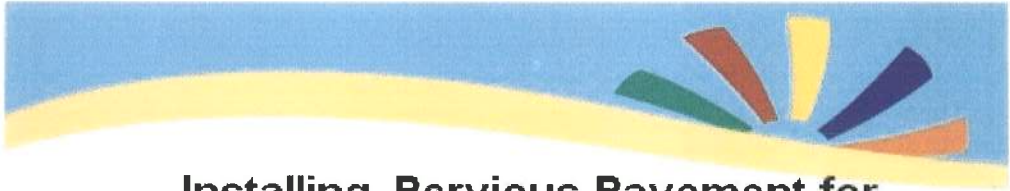
# Town of Colmar Manor

*A Port Town Community*



Newsletter

November / December 2015



## Installing Pervious Pavement for Customers Who Want a Contractor Now November 14th, 2015, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### \$20 Workshop Fee

Prince George's County Raincheck Rebate Program provides homeowners a rebate to remove impervious pavement at \$6 per square foot for residential with no minimal size and a 400 sq. ft. minimum size for buildings owned by businesses and nonprofit organizations (including churches) and multi-family buildings.

The County is also offering an additional rebate to install permeable pavement at \$12 per square foot for residential properties with no minimum size and \$12 per square foot for commercial, multi-family and nonprofit buildings with a minimum size of a 400 sq. ft.

**But homeowners are having difficulty finding trained contractors who can do the work.** With two instructors from Ernest Maier/EMCO (one of the leading manufacturers of pervious pavement and pavers), you will learn how you can install pervious pavement and pavers with hands-on exercises.

**Colmar Manor Town Hall**  
3701 Lawrence Avenue, Colmar Manor  
For more info, call 240-601-2802 or [placematterspgc@gmail.com](mailto:placematterspgc@gmail.com)  
RSVP by Nov. 7 at <http://tinyurl.com/perviousconcrete>

Para información en Español acerca del evento vea la pagina de adentro.





## Instalación permeable Pavement

November 14th, 2015, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

La Programa de Reembolso Raincheck Condado de Prince George ofrece a los propietarios una rebaja de arrancar su antiguo pavimento impermeable ( en \$ 4 / pie cuadrado) y reemplazarlo con pavimento permeable (por \$ 12 / pie cuadrado adicional ).

Pero los dueños de casa están teniendo dificultades para encontrar contratistas capacitados que pueden hacer el trabajo. Con un instructor de Ernest Maier , usted aprenderá cómo puede instalar pavimento permeable y adoquines con ejercicios de práctica.

\$20 para Cuota Taller

Colmar Manor Town Hall

3701 Lawrence Avenue, Colmar Manor

RSVP by going to <http://tinyurl.com/perviousconcrete> by 7 de noviembre

240-366-7542





*Happy holidays.....from the staff of the police department,*

### **Crime Issues**

**Vandalism-** 3600blk. 43rd. Avenue, Monday, August 24, 2015, 11:00PM - Tuesday, August 25, 2015, 9:00AM, victim reported that an unknown suspect slashed the 2 front tires of their white, 2000 Oldsmobile sedan, MD Reg. HGK560. The victim parked the vehicle last night and observed the damage to the tires this morning.

Anyone with information on these incidents, please contact the police department.

### **Community Coffee Club**

Next meeting will be held on November 16, 2015 at 7:00PM, at Town Hall.

### **Crime Alerts**

If you like to be added to Chief Gibson's Crime Alert Notification system which informs the community of various crimes, weather emergencies, etc., please send an email to him at [bgibson@colmarmanor.org](mailto:bgibson@colmarmanor.org) or by calling 301-779-5491.

### **Noise Complaints**

There continues to be loud noise complaints in reference to parties in town on the weekends. Please be courteous to your neighbors and control the noise to an acceptable level or even let your neighbors know in advance of the event. Also you may send me an email directly to [bgibson@colmarmanor.org](mailto:bgibson@colmarmanor.org) so that I may forward it to the community in advance. The police officers have been instructed to issue citations for violations of the Prince George's County Ordinance Sec.19-126., Noise in a Residential Area between 9:00PM-7:00AM that carries fines of **\$250** for the 1<sup>st</sup>. Offense and **\$500** for the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Offense.

### **Neighborhood Safety Reminder**

Every so often we need a reminder that as members of this community everyone plays a huge role in creating a safe environment by communicating what you see and hear in the neighborhood.

- We are asking that residents take a proactive role and report any suspicious persons or vehicles.
- Secure your vehicles and home at night - make it part of your evening routine to check that all doors and window are locked before you retire for the evening.
- Stay vigilant in your efforts to maintain the security of your homes by locking all windows and doors, work together with your neighbors to identify any suspicious activity.
- If you see something, say something.

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Diligent security efforts helps thwart access to your personal belongings and helps keeps our Town a safe environment.

Sgt. Mary Sims  
Police Supervisor  
[msims@colmarmanor.org](mailto:msims@colmarmanor.org)  
301-779-5491

### **Operation Santa with a Badge**

This will be our 7<sup>th</sup>. year that the Colmar Manor Police Department has participated in the "Operation Santa with a Badge Program." This program helps the less fortunate children of the Town and sponsoring one wounded military veteran during Christmas based on contributions collected from residents and local business. Our goal is to raise \$400.00 to sponsor (3) children from the town and for (1) military veteran from the Wounded Warrior Project. Participants will enjoy a ride in a police car and a shopping spree at the Wal-Mart of Landover Hills for (2) hours. After the shopping spree all participants will be provided dinner at the Ihop Restaurant here in Colmar Manor.

We would like everyone to send names and addresses in town needing a little help this holiday season. Parents of the children chosen for the event will be notified prior to December 11, 2015 and given instructions where to report. Donations can be sent to the police department at the below address our dropped off in person by December 4, 2015. Please contact Sgt. Mary Sims (Coordinator) at 301-779-5491 or at [msims@colmarmanor.org](mailto:msims@colmarmanor.org), if you have any questions.

Donations can be mailed to: Colmar Manor Police Department, Attn: Operation Santa with a Badge Program, 3701 Lawrence Street Colmar Manor, MD 20722. **Please make checks payable to the "Town of Colmar Manor."**

I would like to thank everyone in advance for any assistance you may provide in bringing a little cheer to a child and a military Veteran this holiday season.

### **Code Enforcement**

The front of your home is the face print of your property and keeping it clean enhances the eye appeal which makes the community look great. Unfortunately there are some residents that don't know the local ordinances and here is a list of the most common violations that are illegal:

- Homes with storage on the front porch visible from the street per County code.
- Interior furnishings on the front porch such as a sofa or bench seat from a vehicle.
- Buckets with debris, large and small construction equipment and tools in the front yard.
- Car parts in the front yard.

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- Tall grass, vines and weeds along the fence & curb line and in the yard.
- Gutters/ Drainage System that are in need of repair.
- Homes that need paint.
- Homes that are not weather tight.
- Doors and windows that are in need of repair.
- Porches that have railings missing.
- Decayed wood on structures and crumbling concrete on stairs and/ or load bearing items.
- Rooming houses with NO inspection and permit from the county.
- People living/ residing in accessory structures such as sheds and garage.
- Public parking that exceeds 48 hours.
- No one owns any public parking space- its first come, first serve. Please don't instruct neighbors and visitors if parked in front of your residence to move. Also you may not block parking spaces with traffic cones or chairs.
- Parking on grass, unpaved surface.
- Blocking drive way of another person.
- Working on vehicle in public way (Street).
- Bulk trash out before proper pick up.
- Address numbers shall be visible from the street at all times and at least 3 inches in height with contrasting color not covered from sight.

**The entire property need to be kept clean and tidy** with a focus on the front, the face print, the side that most people see. . . Many of these issues and others will be addressed by the Town Inspector for corrections, and fines may be issued for non-compliance.

**Let's make this an OUTSTANDING Town to live in; we can do it.**

If you any questions or concerns about Code Enforcement issues, please feel free to contact me directly or complete the complaint form available at the police department.

Thank you for your support,

Inspector Darryl R. Queen  
 Code Enforcement Division  
 O 301-779-5491  
[rqueen@colmarmanor.org](mailto:rqueen@colmarmanor.org).



**AN INVITATION FOR YOU**  
to come join us at the  
**Community Coffee Club**  
**Monday, November 16, 2015**  
**at 7:00 pm**  
Hosted by the Colmar Manor Police

Join our police or code enforcement staff at the Colmar Manor Police Department to have a cup of coffee and discuss topics of concern such as:

- Crime
- Safety
- Crime Prevention
- Code Enforcement
- Community Events
- Neighborhood Watch
- National Night Out
- E-mail Notifications



Meet your neighbors, be involved!

**Location:**  
Colmar Manor Police Department  
3701 Lawrence St.  
Colmar Manor, MD 20722  
For more information call 301-779-5491

Mayor and Council, Town of Colmar Manor  
Sadara Barrow, Mayor

Lois Blue, Council, Ward 1  
Vivian Jackson, Council, Ward 3

Cynthia Bowden, Council Ward 2  
Doreatha Epps, Council, Ward 4



## GARDEN CLUB NEWS

Our growing season is wrapping up - members of the garden should join us at the year end gathering Saturday November 7th 12 noon in the Town Hall.

If you are interested in growing with us next year, watch for our notice in the January newsletter.

### *Green Team Sustainable News*

During the holidays we have lots more packaging and wrapping paper - recycle first! That cardboard box can be broken down and put in your light green recycling bin. Cans, bottles, plastic bottles and most plastic packaging can go in the recycling.

Looking for a great gift for the house? A recycling container to put next to the kitchen trash is a great way to start the recycling habit in the house. A compost container for the kitchen counter is a great way to save your veggie cuttings, fruit cores/peels, coffee grounds - you only carry the bin outside to your composter when it is full.

Full size composters are still available in our Town Hall - the great price is \$20 each. Contact the Town Hall. You can keep putting things in it all winter - when spring comes it will warm up and start composting.

Our Green Team meets each month - join us the day after the Town Meeting 6:30pm on Wednesday November 11th, check with Town Hall for December date.

Remember - you must use the large brown paper bags (for plants and vines that you cut from your yard). Our county does not accept plastic bags for cuttings. The bags are available at Town Hall 2 for \$1. Pick-up is on Wednesday mornings. You may also use a plastic trash can.



Join us for the annual **Veterans Day Ceremony**  
11:00 AM, Wednesday, November 11  
at the World War 1 Monument (Peace Cross)  
in Bladensburg  
*sponsored by*  
Colmar Manor American Legion Post 131 and the  
Bladensburg Patriotic Committee

The Colmar Manor Mayor & Town Council meet for a Worksession on the first Tuesday of each month and a General Session on the second Tuesday of each month. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM and are held at the Town Hall. Residents are encouraged to attend. General Sessions are broadcast live on Cable TV (Verizon channel 11 or Comcast channel 71) and are also available for view anytime on YouTube, via the Town's website at [www.colmarmanor.org](http://www.colmarmanor.org) and via Facebook.



**Port Towns  
Health and Wellness Center**  
3611 43rd Ave., Colmar Manor, Maryland



Access to Wholistic and Productive Living Institute, Inc. (AWPLI) staff and Board of Directors are dedicated to the prevention, reduction and elimination of health inequities through promoting and improving healthcare access and affordability to human and social services. AWPLI strategically identifies and utilizes a socio-ecological and collective impact approach to its high-quality, culturally competent, and linguistically appropriate services.

**Mission:** The mission of Access to Wholistic and Productive Living Institute Inc., is to promote sustainable health and improve the quality of life by addressing public health and public education needs.

Upcoming programs include:

**Champagne & Cupcakes Fundraiser** to raise money to provide support to at-risk women and their children. The evening will feature food, jazz and a silent auction – Friday, November 6, 7 pm to 10 pm – call for tickets

**Fall Open House** – Tuesday, November 10, 10 AM to 3 PM – free health screenings including blood pressure, HIV test, pregnancy test, BMI (height and weight) and more

**Childbirth Education Classes** – one day classes usually held on Saturdays - \$50 per couple (free to teens)

**Bright Beginnings Birthing Classes** for those 7 or more months pregnant

The Center provides a wide variety of services. For information on the above activities and other services provided by AWPLI . . .

Visit [www.awpli.org](http://www.awpli.org)

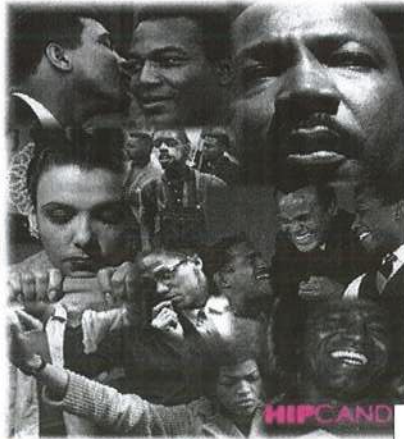
Or call 240-467-2607



# Town of Colmar Manor Presents:



## BLACK HISTORTY MONTH “Bridging the Gap”



**Saturday, February 6, 2016**

**3:00pm – 6:00pm**

**Planning dates:**

**First Thursday of each month  
November 5, 2015 – 6:30pm  
December 3, 2015 - 6:30pm  
January 7, 2016 - 6:30pm**



**For more information: call 301- 277-4920  
Volunteers needed**

# **HAPPY HOUR PLUS**

**EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY**

**7:00 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT**

**COLMAR MANOR TOWN HALL**

**3701 LAWRENCE STREET**

**COLMAR MANOR, MD 20722**

**ADMISSION: \$8.00**

Light Refreshments Provided  
Dinners Available, BYOB

**Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> &  
Holiday Party December 18th**



**Music by DJ Goody**

