



# City of Westminster

NEWS AND NOTES

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## LETTER FROM THE MAYOR



The City of Westminster will conduct a general Election on TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017 between the hours of 7:00am and 8:00pm for the election of the Mayor and two members of the Common Council, all to serve four-year terms. The cut-off for candidate filing is MARCH 27.

Voters residing on the west side of MD Route 31 vote at the Community Center, 325 Royer Road, and voters residing on the east side of MD Route 31 vote at the John Street Quarters of the Westminster Fire Company. For additional information, please visit [WestminsterMD.gov](http://WestminsterMD.gov) or call 410-848-9000.

### MARCH

The **7th Annual Celtic Canter 5K** will take place on Saturday, 3/11 at 9am. To register or for more information, visit [WestminsterMD.gov/Celtic](http://WestminsterMD.gov/Celtic).



Following the Celtic Canter will be the **Downtown Irish Celebration** from 10am 'til 2pm, bringing Irish-themed music, food, and vendors to East Main St between Rt 27 and Longwell Ave.

The **6th Annual Restaurant Week** kicks off on Friday, 3/31 at our downtown eateries! Visit [WestminsterMD.gov/RestaurantWeek](http://WestminsterMD.gov/RestaurantWeek) for participating restaurants and specials. For a limited time only, these deals only last until 4/8!

### APRIL

**Restaurant Week** will be in full swing until 4/8, so don't miss out!



Come downtown on Sunday, 4/2 for the **3rd Annual Wine Stroll!** This festival of wines, featuring nearly 20 Maryland wineries, live entertainment featuring the Kelly Bell Band, and vendors from 4 to 8pm, on East Main St between Rt 27 and Longwell Ave. Visit [WestminsterMD.gov/WineStroll](http://WestminsterMD.gov/WineStroll) for advanced ticket sales and more information.

Join us in downtown Westminster on Saturday, 4/8 for the **Easter Egg Hunts** in City Park at 10:30am (ages 1-4) and 11:30am (ages 5-8). On Thursday, 4/13 the **Twilight Egg Hunt** will be in City Park at 7:30pm (ages 9-12) - remember to bring your flashlights!

### MAY

The **Flower & Jazz Festival** returns to Downtown Westminster on Saturday, 5/13 from 10am—4pm. Come find the perfect gift for Mom while enjoying music, food, and many great vendor offerings!

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the **Downtown Farmers' Market** opening day on Saturday, 5/20 at 8am. The Market is located on the Conaway Lot off of Rt 27 and will run every Saturday from 8am—Noon until 11/18.

**Westminster's Got Talent** will premier on the Carroll Arts Center stage at 7:30pm on Saturday, 5/20.

The **Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony** will be held at 10am on Monday, 5/29. The parade will march down Main Street and the ceremony will be held on Willis Street.

On Saturday, 5/27, the Westminster Municipal Pool will be hosting its **Opening Weekend Events!** Come visit the pool at 325 Royer Rd to sign up.

Sincerely,-

Kevin Utz  
Mayor

#### Follow us on Facebook for the following information:

Westminster, Maryland: Holiday schedule changes, inclement weather and emergency information

City of Westminster Recreation & Parks Department: Events, parade information, fitness classes, park openings

Downtown Westminster, Maryland: News about Downtown Westminster, from business openings and specials to events and business news



### Upcoming Events for March

#### **Carroll County Arts Center, 91 W Main Street, [CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org](http://CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org) or 410-848-7272**

- \* 1/10—3/4: Boldly Beautiful Exhibit
- \* 1/10—3/4: Winter Warmer Exhibit
- \* 3/13-28: Youth Art Month
- \* Friday, 3/10: Film “Queen of Katwe”, 1pm & 7:30pm
- \* Saturday, 3/11: Teelin Irish Dance Co, 3 pm & 7 pm
- \* Friday, 3/17 & Saturday, 3/18: Barleyjuice, 8 pm
- \* Friday, 3/24: Disney’s Aristocats Kids, 7 pm
- \* Saturday, 3/25: Disney’s Aristocats Kids, 3 pm & 7 pm
- \* Sunday, 3/26: Disney’s Aristocats Kids, 3 pm

#### **Carroll County Public Library Westminster Branch, 50 E Main Street, [Library.carr.org](http://Library.carr.org) or 410-386-4488**

- \* Wednesday, 3/1: Exploring Homelessness in Carroll County: A Town Hall Forum, 6:30pm
- \* Thursday, 3/23: Free Preschool Vision Screening, 9:30am

#### **Historical Society of Carroll County, [HSCCMD.org](http://HSCCMD.org) or 410-848-6494**

- \* Saturday, 3/11: Sherman-Fisher-Shellman House Tour, 206 E Main St, 10am—2pm
- \* Saturday, 3/18: Past Times for Children, Shop at Cockey’s, 10am
- \* Tuesday, 3/21: Box Lunch Talk, Grace Lutheran Church, Noon

#### **McDaniel College, 2 College Hill, [McDaniel.edu](http://McDaniel.edu) or 410-848-7000**

- \* 3/2—3/17: Art on View: Art and Art History Student Honors Exhibition, Rice Gallery, Peterson Hall
- \* Wednesday, 3/22: SmartTalk—David Moskowitz, business attorney who helped build DISH Network, Decker Forum, 7pm

### Upcoming Events for April

#### **Carroll County Arts Center, 91 W Main Street, [CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org](http://CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org) or 410-848-7272**

- \* 4/7—4/19: 10th Annual PEEPshow, 10am—7pm daily, FREE admission
- \* Friday, 4/21: FLICC Film: Born to be Blue, 1pm & 7:30pm
- \* 4/27—6/2: Lasting Impression: Photography by the Carroll County Camera Club Exhibit
- \* 4/27—6/2: The Fine Art of the Quilt Exhibit

#### **Carroll County Public Library Westminster Branch, 50 E Main Street, [Library.carr.org](http://Library.carr.org) or 410-386-4488**

- \* Thursday, 4/6: Music - Create, Mix, & Master, 2:30pm
- \* Thursday, 4/6: We Belong Together, 7pm
- \* Wednesday, 4/19: Make & Take Craft: Painted Flower Pot
- \* Friday, 4/21: Tilt Brush Pictionary, 3pm
- \* Sunday, 4/23: Romance Book Buzz, 2pm

#### **Historical Society of Carroll County, [HSCCMD.org](http://HSCCMD.org) or 410-848-6494**

- \* Tuesday, 4/18: Box Lunch Talk, Grace Lutheran Church, Noon
- \* Saturday, 4/29: Legacy Gala—Land of Oz, Emerald Hill—City Hall, 6pm

#### **McDaniel College, 2 College Hill, [McDaniel.edu](http://McDaniel.edu) or 410-848-7000**

- \* Sunday, 4/23: College Choir Concert: “I’ll Remember you in a Song”, Baker Memorial Chapel, 7pm
- \* Sunday, 4/30: Children’s Chorus of Carroll County, Baker Memorial Chapel, 3pm

### Upcoming Events for May

#### **Carroll County Arts Center, 91 W Main Street, [CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org](http://CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org) or 410-848-7272**

- \* Saturday, 5/6: The Crowdaddies, 7:30 pm
- \* Friday, 5/19: FLICC Film: Lincoln, 1pm & 7:30 pm
- \* Saturday, 5/20: Westminster’s Got Talent, 7:30 pm
- \* Tuesday, 5/23: US Navy Band – Country Current, 7pm

#### **Carroll County Public Library Westminster Branch, 50 E Main Street, [Library.carr.org](http://Library.carr.org) or 410-386-4488**

Call or visit the website above for the full calendar of events listing.

#### **Historical Society of Carroll County, [HSCCMD.org](http://HSCCMD.org) or 410-848-6494**

- \* Tuesday, 5/16: Box Lunch Talk, Grace Lutheran Church, Noon
- \* Saturday, 5/20: Past Times for Children, Shop at Cockey’s, 10am

#### **McDaniel College, 2 College Hill, [McDaniel.edu](http://McDaniel.edu) or 410-848-7000**

- \* Monday, 5/1: An Evening of Madrigals, Baker Memorial Chapel, 7:30pm
- \* Saturday, 5/13: Masterworks Chorale of Carroll County, “An American Tapestry”, Baker Memorial Chapel, 3pm

# Bulk Trash Schedule for 2017

## Reminder

This standard bulk trash collection schedule will be followed WITHOUT THE NEED TO CALL FOR A PICKUP. All bulk waste will be collected from residences throughout the City on this every-other-week schedule. Residents are required to place bulk pickup items out by 7a.m. on the pickup day to ensure collection.

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### Pickup Schedule Key

- T** Tree limbs/Brush (no longer than 4 feet, no larger than 6 inches diameter)
- M** Metal, Tires, Batteries, Large Appliances (excluding dishwashers, TVs, microwaves)
- Y** Yard waste – brown paper bags or containers less than 50 lbs, bushel-size or smaller; no plastic bags, dirt or sod, concrete, rock or brick
- E** Bulk Trash East of MD Rt31 \*including Village of Meadow Creek, excluding Carroll Meadows
- W** Bulk Trash West of MD Rt31 \*including Carroll Meadows, excluding Village of Meadow Creek
- N** NO PICKUP, City offices closed for Holiday

**\*NOTE: If the scheduled pickup day falls on a City holiday, bulk trash items will be collected on the next scheduled date.**

## PREVENTING STORMWATER POLLUTION

If you are concerned about the release of pollutants or possible illegal dumping (chemicals, motor oil, paint, sewage, etc.) into a storm drain system, please contact the **non-emergency Carroll County Stormwater Pollution Phone Line (410) 386-2210**. Non-emergency response will occur Monday through Friday, 8am to 3pm.

The link to the Protecting Carroll County Waters webpage (NPDES webpage) is:  
<http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/npdes/>.

### Free Public Workshop to Help Homeowners with Stormwater Pollution Prevention

The Carroll County Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) is partnering with the Carroll County Water Resource Coordination Council to host a free public workshop on **March 18, 2017**, in the Great Hall at Carroll Community College to provide homeowners with information on how to prevent stormwater pollution and minimize stormwater runoff from their properties.

Experts will be available to provide helpful materials and answers to individual questions on the topics listed below. Each expert will briefly present on a topic (see webpage for approximate times). Come for the entire time or just drop-in for specific sessions and talk directly to the experts.

More details and information on the Homeowners & Stormwater Workshop can be found on the website at <http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/npdes/homeowners/> or by contacting Brenda Dinne @ [bdinne@ccg.carr.org](mailto:bdinne@ccg.carr.org) or 410-386-2140.

- ✓ General Homeowner Best Management Practices
- ✓ Lawn Care and Landscape Management
- ✓ Septic Maintenance
- ✓ Permeable Pavement
- ✓ Rain Gardens
- ✓ Composting (Yard and Food Waste)
- ✓ Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!
- ✓ Tree Planting
- ✓ Stream Corridor Assessments & Stream Buffer Initiative

**No registration is necessary.** The workshop will be held in the **Great Hall at Carroll Community College** from **10:00AM-12:00PM**.

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## **Westminster Volunteer Fire Dept. Annual Spring Raffle**

**May 25, 2017, 6-9pm**

28 John Street, Westminster, MD



**Total Cash Giveaway \$15,000 (need not be present to win)  
14 chances to win prizes \$100 to \$10,000!**



**Tickets: \$10, includes dinner and soda/beer**

Proceeds benefit capital improvement projects for  
the Westminster Volunteer Fire Department

For tickets, visit the fire station (address above) and ask for  
Bob Ruby or Jennifer White