

ECA Newsletter

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ECA July 4th Parade and Party

The annual ECA July 4th parade and party is on only a few weeks away, so get out your Independence Day outfits and decorate your bikes and wagons. The parade starts at 9:30 AM the Hampden Lane dead end into Caroline Freeland Park, with the party following at the Edgemoor Club until noon. (Note that the parade does not start at the Moorland Lane traffic circle next to Bethesda Elementary School, where it started in previous years.) For complete information about the parade and party, see Jeffrey Drichta’s EC-Net email message, which you received yesterday. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the event, please contact Jeffrey (drichtaj@mac.com).

2022 Primary Voters Guide

Bethesda Magazine’s Bethesda Beat recently updated and expanded its 2022 Primary Voters Guide. It now includes extensive information about the races for the upcoming July 19 primary election and about the candidates, including questions and answers from the candidates about important issues, as well as links to recordings of candidate forums. There is also detailed information about how, where, and when to vote (for early voting, Election Day voting, and mail-in voting). The Guide covers all races on the primary ballot for county, state or national office. It is a great resource, available [HERE](#).

Pop Up Dog Park and “Yappy Hour” at Elm Street Urban Park

Montgomery Parks’ “Yappy Hour” and Pop Up Dog Park is coming to the Elm Street Urban Park at 4600 Elm Street (behind the Bethesda Farm Women’s Market) on Thursday, June 23 (6-8pm), Thursday, Sept. 15 (6-8pm); and Thursday, Oct. 13 (5-7pm). Enjoy an evening out with the dog(s). Adults, children, and well-behaved dogs are welcome and there is no admission charge or registration required. Food, beer and

wine will be available for purchase from local restaurants and there will be live music. For more information, go [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

Auto Thefts

Montgomery County police have started a new program to help decrease auto thefts. The program consists of three components: increasing visibility of patrol officers in areas with more auto thefts, educating residents on preventing auto theft and installing devices in residents' vehicles to help track them if they are stolen. Residents can receive a free [Tile Device](#) that can help track and recover stolen vehicles. For more complete information, see [THIS ARTICLE](#) from Bethesda Magazine. Note that the program appears to be very popular and individuals may have to be patient when trying to participate.

Little Falls Parkway

Montgomery Parks has announced a temporary suspension of the Open Parkways program along Little Falls Parkway between River Road and Arlington Road, starting June 18. Under the Open Parkways program, Little Falls Parkway has been closed to vehicular traffic on weekends. The program is being suspended in this location to study the operational effects of reducing the Parkway from four lanes to two from Dorset Avenue to Arlington Road, and keeping Little Falls Parkway open to vehicles at all times.

Depending on the results of the study, Montgomery Parks will consider permanently reducing Little Falls Parkway from four lanes to two in order to repurpose one of the existing roadways for use as a linear park, which would be accessible to park users seven days a week. The study is expected to extend through the fall of 2022 and may involve several phases, including configurations that allow safe recreational use within unused portions of the roadway during the study period. For additional information, go [HERE](#).

Edgemoor Tip of the Month – Good news if you are looking for Independence Day fireworks--but you don't want to fight the crowds on the Mall. Montgomery County is hosting two fireworks shows this year in Kensington (July 2) and Germantown (July 4). Both will be preceded by outdoor concerts, with the fireworks starting at approximately 9:15 p.m. Low lawn chairs, blankets and coolers are welcome at both events. There will be food vendors at both locations. Alcoholic beverages and pets are not permitted. For locations and additional inform, go [HERE](#).

Do you have a tip you'd like to share with your neighbors? Please email me your suggestions [HERE](#).

The ECA Newsletter is a compilation of information relevant to Edgemoor area residents. It is distributed on an occasional basis on the EC-Net email list.