

# Mountain Park News February 2017

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Volunteers make Mountain Park what it is, and often go unnoticed and under-appreciated. From neighbors helping and watching out for each other during our first snow of the year, to our youngest citizens who support our efforts to protect our lakes, we count on everyone's participation.

Terra and Marlee Corson, Zella Perdue, Willow Robinson and Ella Heald recently donated proceeds from their lemonade stand sales to the Watershed fund. Thank you for contributing your hard earned money and more importantly to modeling good citizenship for all of us!

Several opportunities to volunteer are in this month's newsletter.

Jim Still, Mayor



## CITY NEWS

Thank you Maintenance Supervisor Chad Rhyne for planning ahead, securing supplies and equipment and clearing the

roads during the recent snow and ice. Ongoing thanks to MPVFR (Volunteer Fire Dept.) for manning the station during inclement weather and potential emergency needs.

Please remember "If you see something, say something." Feel free to report abnormal sitings or instances of concern to city hall, but if a city or county law is broken, we have a contract with the Roswell Police who are available 24/7. Call 911 to report issues of safety as well as emergency.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. 4** Dumpster at Pool Parking lot, must show proof of residency
- Feb. 5** Superbowl Party at Community Building, tailgating begins at 3
- Feb. 22** Council Work Session, 7 pm: Citizen Participation is welcome  
Contact: [city.clerk@mountainpark-ga.gov](mailto:city.clerk@mountainpark-ga.gov) to be on work agenda
- Feb. 27** Regular Council Meeting, 7 pm: agenda, [www.mountainpark-ga.gov](http://www.mountainpark-ga.gov)

Mar. 4      Grounds and Greens Beautification, 9 am  
April 15    Tentative Egg Hunt, Volunteer coordinator needed  
April 22    Earth Day Festival, SBuehrle@hotmail.com



**Sunday, Feb. 5, 2017, Tailgating begins at 3, Game Time, 6pm, MP Community Building**  
Bring an outside chair for firepit and big screen on the green or stay warm indoors to enjoy Gary's Famous Chili and more big screens. BYOB and snacks to share.

## CIVIC CLUB UPDATE

After decades of fellowship and contributions to the city the Civic Club voted at the December meeting to go into a state of dormancy for the upcoming year.

MPCC is still registered as a nonprofit corporation with the state and may be re-activated when a full board of officers comes forward. Sarah Buehrle and Hope Mays were elected as 'place-holders' and have

worked with outgoing officers on a transition plan.

As stated in the bylaws:

*"The Civic Club of Mountain Park is dedicated to promoting good fellowship among the residents of the community, and promoting cooperation with and support of the City's government. We will work together for the civic welfare of our community. Our goal is to serve our community and our neighbors."*

To anyone who is interested in reinstating the club, or have questions, please contact [hopemays@aol.com](mailto:hopemays@aol.com), 404-697-2129, or Sarah at 770-688-5579 or [SBuehrle@hotmail.com](mailto:SBuehrle@hotmail.com)



## Mountain Park Green and Beautiful



*In Mountain Park Everyday is Clean Up Day. Thanks to everyone who adopted streets and corners and pick up litter on a regular basis. Volunteers are needed for the Russell Rd. fishing bridge and spillway. For more information, or to recommit to your 'adoption', contact 404-697-2129, [hopemays@aol.com](mailto:hopemays@aol.com)*

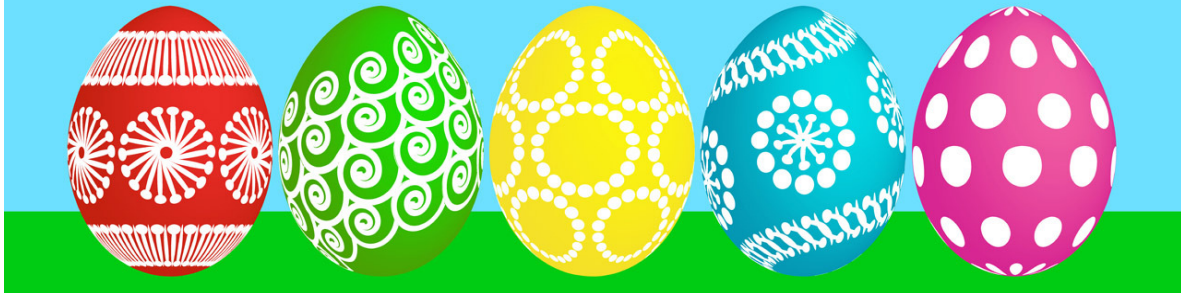
### **Grounds and Greens Beautification Day on Saturday, March 4, 2016**

*Meet at "Indian Spring" (corner of Lakeshore Dr. and Mtn. Park Rd.) at 9am.*

*Water and snacks will be provided. Bring gloves, rakes, shovels, clippers.*

## Annual Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 15, 2017

Volunteers are needed to coordinate this year's egg hunt, previously sponsored by the Civic Club. Contact City Hall for details and how-to's by March 31, to **avoid cancellation** of the event.



## Earth Day in Mountain Park

*The city's annual participation in this worldwide celebration will take place on Saturday, April 22. This year's event will be revived as an afternoon festival with educational, hands-on activities, environmental-related activities, arts, crafts and products and MUSIC! To sign up for a display space or a time to perform your acoustic music on the gazebo, contact Sarah at 770-688-5579 or [SBuehrle@hotmail.com](mailto:SBuehrle@hotmail.com)*



**COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

Two council seats will be up for election this November, qualifying date will be announced, **qualifying fee is \$27; the election is November 7, 2017.**





## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**2017 Licenses**-- Business, Fishing, and Boating applications are available at City Hall or online, licenses must be picked up at City Hall.

**Leash Law**-- We have one, please follow it! **Pet Waste Bags**-- Please use them!

**CCS: Citizen Communication System**-- Please stop by city hall to complete a form or update your contact information in order to receive urgent city notifications, especially for weather alerts and road closures. A form must be on file to be on the CCS list.

**Garbage & Recycling**-- No more glass, please. And, please remember the recent ordinance that requires garbage bins to be stored at least 10 feet from the street, except for the 24 hours for scheduled pick up.



## KNOW YOUR CITY CODE

We are using this section of our newsletter to familiarize residents with content found in the official City Code book. For a full version of the City's Code, please visit

[www.municode.com](http://www.municode.com). For recent legislation, go to the city website [www.mountainpark-ga.gov](http://www.mountainpark-ga.gov)

City Council approved the following amendment to the building and development ordinance regarding lot size:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNTAIN PARK, GEORGIA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING SECTION 117-6 OF THE CITY'S ORDINANCES, PERTAINING TO BUILDING AND LOT SIZE, TO PROVIDE FOR COMBINATIONS OF LOTS TO MEET MINIMUM LOT SIZE FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 28<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2016. Excerpt from Ordinance 323-16:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council wish to amend the ordinances of the City to better protect the public welfare by requiring that separate contiguous lots shall be permanently combined when they are used to meet the required minimum lot size for a new residential structure; THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Mountain Park hereby ordains:

SECTION ONE Section 6 of Chapter 117 of the Code of Mountain Park, Georgia, pertaining to building and lot size, shall be amended to add the following language as paragraph (g):

(g) Whenever a permit is requested for the construction of a single-family residence and the applicable minimum lot size is met by the property owner's ownership of two or more contiguous lots, the lots needed to meet the minimum lot size shall be combined prior to issuance of the building permit. Combination shall be accomplished by the recording of a deed and plat in the public deed records of the county and filing with the county property tax authorities. The combined lot shall not thereafter be subdivided in a manner that reduces the area of the lot on which the residence is located below the applicable minimum lot size.