



SUMMER 2015

Town of Historic Sykesville NEWSLETTER

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The Town House
Hours of Operation:
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mayor and Town Council
Second & fourth Mondays
of the month

Planning Commission
First Monday of the month

Historic Commission
Fourth Tuesday of the month

Board of Zoning appeals
Monthly as necessary

Parks &
Recreation Committee
Fourth Thursday of the month

Ian Shaw, Mayor

Thank you to all who participated in this year's election. Congratulations to Julia Betz, William (Chip) Bleam, Anna Carter, and Christopher True for their victories as members to the Council. I appreciate their commitment to service and look forward to working with them in the future. ♦



Julia Betz



My husband and I got married 25 years ago and moved to Sykesville. We have two wonderful sons ages 16 and 18. I worked as a CPA and then in mortgage banking until 1993. In 2014, after staying home to raise a family, I returned to the workforce as an accountant for Williamsburg Homes. I look forward to serving another 4 years on the Council to continue making Sykesville the best place to live. I have been involved in serving our community in the schools, at church, with the Boy Scouts, and on numerous town committees. I would like to encourage everyone to come out and get involved, even if it's in some small way. Volunteer in any way you can! We need you! Please feel free to email me anytime at jbetz@sykesville.net about anything you'd like to talk about. I'd especially love to hear about what you think we're doing right.

William (Chip) Bleam



My wife, Carol, and I moved to Sykesville 8 years ago after falling in love with the combination of the small town feel of Main Street and the access to local conveniences. Now we plan to raise our three daughters here. Carol and I are both chiropractors, who, after practicing in Howard County for nearly 10 years, recently opened Freedom Chiropractic & Rehab in Eldersburg. I was born and raised in a small town in the suburbs of Philadelphia, that like Sykesville, worked diligently to bridge the gap between the past, present, and future. I know that we, as a town, are up to the task. If you should have any concerns or questions please feel free to contact me at wbleam@sykesville.net.

Anna Carter



I started working in Sykesville in 2009 and quickly fell in love with the Town. The following year, my family and I moved to Sykesville and never looked back. I work for GEICO as an Auto Damage Adjuster and my husband and I run a property management business. I always look forward to coming home because Sykesville is an amazing place to live and raise a family. It has the "hometown" familiarity that is missing in many communities today. I am excited to be a part of the opportunities that are available through community growth and business development. Good things are happening in Sykesville and I am proud to call Sykesville home. Please feel free to email me anytime at acarter@sykesville.net.

Christopher True



In 1995, my wife and I moved to Sykesville where we raised our daughter and son. For the past 8 years I have worked at CAS Severn, Inc. in Laurel as a Software Architect, Software Developer and Project Manager. This is my second term on the Town Council, having been elected back in 2009. I decided not to run for re-election in 2013 so I could spend more time with my family. Now that my daughter is in college and my son is heading off to college in the fall, I am looking forward to serving my community again. Of all the different levels of government: federal, state, county or town, your voice is heard loudest at the local level. Every resident in Sykesville has a say in how our Town is run, so please get involved. If you have any questions or concerns, please come to a Town Council meeting or email me at ctrue@sykesville.net.

See upcoming EVENTS inside & on the back cover.

Old Main Line Visitor Center and Post Office

Don't forget you can put a hold on your mail here at the Post Office when you go on vacation. You might want to take some post card stamps with you so you can mail your vacation cards back home.

We have flat rate priority boxes in small, medium and large, and packing supplies to meet all your postal needs. We even help you pack!!

The Post Office sells several styles of the "forever" 49 cent stamps including: Vintage Rose, Patriotic Star Spangled Banner and the popular Wedding/bridal stamps. These are sold in books of 20 or rolls of 100.

We love to see new faces at the Visitor Center/Post Office. Please tell your friends and neighbors to stop by. Out of Town guests will enjoy our brochures, magazines, newspapers, maps of the area and cold bottled water. ♦



Old Main Line Visitors Center & Post Office, 731 Oklahoma Ave. • 410-552-9975

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

TOWN UPDATES

Military Memorial – The Military Memorial is complete. The area in front of the Town House has been transformed to honor our Military. Bricks are engraved with the names of loved ones. Please stop by and visit and honor our veterans. If you would like to order an engraved brick, please call 410-795-8959. Special thanks to former Council President Frank Robert for leading this effort, Ed Cinkole for technical assistance, and Brickman Group for installing the landscaping.



Pavilion rentals – The cost to rent a pavilion at Millard Cooper, if you are a Town resident, \$75 and if you do not live in the incorporated Town limits the cost is \$100. This is an increase from prior years. The pavilion at South Branch Park is \$150 for residents of Sykesville and Howard County, and all others it is \$180.

A Rental permit application can be found at www.sykesville.net/forms. Submit it to the Town House at 7547 Main Street office along with a copy of a Driver's License. Call 410-795-8959 with any questions.

Keep Stop Signs Clear – Please trim trees and bushes that are blocking stop and street signs.

Linear Trail – The widening of the portion of the trail from Gray Way to the spur to the spring house has been completed. We know it has taken time to complete this project but it is finally done! Thank you for your patience.



Andra Dennett, Curator

Looking for fun, family-friendly events this summer?

Sykesville Americana Music - Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 pm on the museum porch for good, old fashioned bluegrass fun.

Reptile Wonder – Sunday, June 14, at 1:30 pm

Love snakes? A fan of turtles? Join us for a hands-on, educational program focused on the reptiles which populate our planet. Great for kids and parents alike.

Paint in the Park – Saturday, July 18, 1:00 pm

Feeling artistic? Join us for an afternoon of painting in Cooper Park. Canvases, brushes, and paint will be provided. 40 canvases will be available. Registration begins July 6.

At the Gate House

Sykesville History Talk: Eldersburg Library – Saturday, September 12, 1:00pm

A look back at the origins of our town and the people who played a role in its formation over the last two centuries.

Rain dates will be announced on Facebook and in the Town's email Newsflashes.

Hours of Operation:

Friday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.



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www.sykesville.net/gatehouse • www.facebook.com/gatehousemuseum

Sykesville Police Department



Michael Spaulding, Chief of Police

Chief Spaulding is pleased to announce the promotions of Officer Steven Deal to PATROLMAN FIRST CLASS effective April 4, 2015 and Patrolman First Class Carl Bird to the rank of CORPORAL effective April 13, 2015.

PFC Deal successfully completed his probation and is doing an excellent job, and we are thankful to have him on our Department.

Corporal Bird brings to the table over 20 years of experience from his prior career as a Baltimore City Police Officer.

Check us out on Facebook.

CSI-Crime Scene Investigation academy for Middle School students will be held on September 8, 15, 23, and 29.

For information or an application, call the Police Department as soon as possible at 410-795-0757.

TIP: SIGN UP FOR NIXLE

Text your zip code to 888777.

If there is an emergency public concern within the Town, a text message will be sent to you.



7565 Main Street
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Do you own a business in town?



Would you like to meet other Sykesville business owners?

Join us for coffee & conversation on May 29, June 26, July 31, August 28, or September 25 at 9:00am at E.W. Beck's Pub.

Contact rachael@ewbecks.com for more info and meeting



- Office Printing (*bus. cards, letterhead, etc.*)
- Screen Printing (*t-shirts, hoodies, etc.*)
- Embroidery (*shirts, caps, jackets, etc.*)
- Signs, Banners, Posters
- Graphic Design
- Personalized Gifts
- Promotional Items
- And much more...

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TRANSITIONS

HEALTHCARE

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Oakland Manor Assisted Living
2810 Kaywood Place, Sykesville
410.795.4100

Sykesville Nursing & Rehab
7309 Second Ave, Sykesville
410.795.1100

Sykesville Summer Events

Main Street First Fridays | Every First Friday, 5pm-8pm

Live Music – Sips & Snacks – Open Late

Sykesville Farmers' Market | Every Sunday, 9am-2pm thru October 4

Baldwin's Drive at the Centennial Fountain Park

Locally Grown Produce – Meat & Eggs – Dairy – Pickles – and more!

Sykesville Cinema | Miller Cooper Park | Movies Begin at Dusk

Bring donations of non-perishable food items | For more information contact us at parks@sykesville.net

June 13 – Night at the Museum 2

July 11 – Earth to Echo

August 8 – The LEGO Movie

Sept. 12 – Reserved Rain Date

Concerts in the Park | 7pm-9pm | Millard Cooper Park

For more information contact us at parks@sykesville.net

July 10 – JoeyDCares Rock Orchestra

July 24 – Pet Rock

July 17 – Transfusion Jazz Quartet

July 31 – Soulflower

Gate House Museum

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Historic Colored Schoolhouse

Stop by the Historic Colored Schoolhouse during one of our Summer Lemonade Socials and enjoy crafts, refreshments and tours. Socials take place from 1-4pm on:

Thursday, June 25

Sunday, July 12

Saturday, August 15

Look for us on Facebook – Town of Sykesville, Parks and Recreation, Gate House Museum, Police and Main Street.

Contact:

www.sykesvillemainstreet.com | [#getsyked](https://www.facebook.com/getsyked)

www.sykesville.net

(Look for our new website in early fall)



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