

Audubon Square / Fallbrook Newsletter

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ANNUAL MEETING via ZOOM NOVEMBER 19TH at 7:00pm

To Join the Zoom Annual Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5268390540?pwd=MWZXRTRRa2RWNUlmbGRYYIVydzRVZz09>

Meeting ID: 526 839 0540
Passcode: Audubonsq

Trash Pick-Up is Tuesdays & Fridays
Trash in a secured container
AFTER 7:00 pm on Monday & Thursday

Recycle is on Mondays

Set out **AFTER 7:00 pm** on Sunday
**MUST BE PLACED IN A
GREEN RECYCLE BIN**
If your recycling is missed, call:
(301) 258-6370 OR
recycle@gaithersburgmd.gov

CITY OF GAITHERSBURG

“ON DEMAND BULK PICK-UP”
Schedule a Pick-Up (301) 258-6370

Henry’s Wrecker Service

(301) 869-4800
8321 Beechcraft Avenue
Gaithersburg, MD 20879

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING®

Though crime can't always be evaded, you can still significantly lower the risk with easy precautions! Below are some simple steps for crime prevention.

Secure your house and car.

- Lock your front, back, and side doors, and install additional locks to make it difficult to break in.
- Install a home security system. Alarms not only provide peace of mind but also work as an effective deterrent for burglary.
- Make sure the front door lock is secure and lock the door that has access to the house.
- Lock your car doors and don't keep garage openers or keys inside, as locked cars are less likely to be a target.

If you see something **suspicious or an actual crime**, contact the Board as soon as possible. The Board can send out precautions to the community. Also, contact the **Gaithersburg Police Department Public Information Office** at (301) 258-6400.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE (ACC)

Proposed changes should **first** be submitted to the ACC by the homeowner. The ACC form is available online at <https://www.audubonsquare-fallbrookmd.com/aeccform/>. Always include pictures, permits, surveys, and detailed architectural plans.

Schedule of Fines; Architectural Changes

1. Up to \$150 per violation: Failure to submit an ACC change form prior to implementing a change.
2. Up to \$50 for each day the violation continues and is not abated: Failure to remedy a change not approved by AECC within time allotted.

To review the Fining Policy, go to:

<https://www.audubonsquare-fallbrookmd.com/fining-policy/>

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY

November 3rd (Rain date November 10th) residents in Audubon Square/Fallbrook community are being invited to take part in the Community Clean-Up Day.

Sometimes this particular season brings new energy for community work, as people settle down from summer and as children and students head back to school.

This is also a great opportunity for students to Student Service Learning (SSL) hours for school. **Daylight saving time will end for the year at 2 a.m. local time on Sunday, Nov. 3, when we "fall back" and gain an extra hour of sleep.**

Clean-Up Location: Sternwheeler & Fall Brook / **11:00am – 1:00pm**
Refreshments and supplies will be provided.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN!
Simple Steps for an Extra Safe Halloween

Kids love the magic of Halloween, but costume and traffic safety are essential for trick-or-treaters. These tips can help make a safe and happy holiday for everyone.

Costume Safety

To help ensure adults and children have a safe holiday, here is a compiled list of [Halloween safety tips](#). Before Halloween arrives, be sure to choose a costume that won't cause safety hazards.

- All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant
- If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks
- Opt for nontoxic Halloween makeup over masks, which can obscure vision; always test makeup in a small area first to see if any irritation develops
- Remove all makeup before children go to bed to prevent skin and eye irritation.

When They're on the Prowl

Here's a scary statistic: Children are [more than twice as likely](#) to be hit by a car on Halloween than on any other day of the year. Lack of visibility because of low lighting at night also plays a factor in these incidents.

Keep these tips in mind when your children are out on Halloween night:

- A responsible adult should accompany young children on the community grounds
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review a route acceptable to you
- Agree on a specific time children should return home
- Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home/car
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home, and take care to [avoid any food allergies](#)
- Children and adults are reminded to [put electronic devices down](#), keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street
- If available – place electronic tracking device on your children, such as an “Air Tag”.

Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween



Visitor Parking Tag

The “**Visitor Parking Tag**” is meant for people who are [visiting](#) homeowners, residents, or renters.

The “Visitor Parking Tag” is not meant to be used by homeowners, residents, or renters, who have multiple vehicles. If you live in the community, you must park any additional vehicles legally on the street. If you reside in the Audubon Square, **DO NOT USE THE VISITOR TAG FOR ADDITIONAL VEHICLES.**

The Policy Resolution for the Parking Rules & Regulations, Guidelines for Visitor Parking Section II, No. 7 state:

Visitors must park in the [same court as the homeowner they are visiting](#). [Parking a vehicle on one court in a visitor space and walking over to another court is prohibited.](#)

Homeowners continuing to violate the Parking Rules & Regulations may lose Visitor Parking privileges.

Is Your Neighbor's Tree Hazardous?

If your neighbor has a tree that is hazardous to your property, first try to resolve your concerns directly with your neighbor. You may also file a complaint about a hazardous tree on a neighboring property, by contacting MC311 through the online complaint form or by calling 3-1-1. Additionally, the Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs have resources available on their website including frequently asked questions and housing code enforcement resources.

**To Schedule a Bulk Pickup on Your Recycle Day, call 301-258-6370
 DO NOT PLACE BULK ITEMS ON FALLBROOK!!**