



Reminders And Information March 2016

KNOW YOUR CITY CODE

We are using this section of our newsletter to familiarize residents with content found in the official City Code book. We will periodically print selected sections. See back for additional City Code. For a full version of the City's Code, please visit www.mountainpark-ga.gov.

The City of Mountain Park follows the Fulton County Ordinances for leash laws.

Dog owners may not allow dogs to leave their:

1. Property unleashed.
2. The leash may not be more than six feet long.
3. The leash must be in control of a competent person.
4. Dogs must be restrained to owner's property by fence, wall or other enclosure.
5. It is unlawful to tether a dog.



**NEXT DUMPSTER
DAY:
APRIL 2, 2016**

A message from your Mayor:

Please join us this year in support of the Mountain Park Watershed Preservation Society and the Lake Restoration Fund by coming to the Mountain Park Craft Beer Festival. Last Year was a success and a donation was made to support the MPWPS efforts to clean up Garrett Lake as well as increasing the Lake Restoration fund. We are pursuing greater numbers this year for an even larger donation to such a worthy cause. Look for an early ticket discount for citizens and join us on 'The Green' for some socializing, music, beer tasting and fun. See you there.

Jim Still - Mayor

We are a Wildlife Refuge and as such have a legal and moral responsibility to protect our wildlife. We all know our City code prohibits shooting any wildlife in the community. However, we have numerous owls and hawks, both of which feed on rodents. Please keep this in mind when you consider ways to deal with a rodent infestation on your property. You may be unintentionally harming these beautiful birds of prey by the indiscriminate use of various pesticides. Please see the following link at <http://vet.tufts.edu/wildlife-medicine-program/research-2/anticoagulant-rodenticides/>.

Upcoming Events:



Please join the Civic Club for the annual Easter Egg hunt on Saturday, March 26, 2016 at 11:00am. The hunt will take place on The Green, rain or shine!

Children 10 and younger, accompanied by an adult, are invited to bring a basket and join in the hunt for prizes and goodies. The kids hunt quickly so don't be late for this very important date.

Feel free to stay after the hunt for snacks.

For more information contact Linda Dixon at (770)841-5408.



NORTH FULTON SENIOR SERVICES

APRIL 19TH

POWER BINGO PARTY!!!

1-3 PM

COMMUNITY BUILDING

PLEASE RSVP

HALEY EVANS

(770)993-1096

**Heron House Presents “Healing Our World: A Deeper Look at Food
The World Peace Diet”**

A lecture presentation by Will Tuttle, Ph.D

April 6th 6:00-7:00 for food sampling

Lecture around 7:15 p.m.

Tickets prior to event date \$18, day of \$24

To reserve your seat contact Julie

Phone: (404)434-4030



Celebrate Earth Day in Mountain Park
Sunday, April 24

Rise and shine with our annual Bird Walk, bring your own binoculars and questions for the expert, 7:30 am

Clean up and beautify our lakes, parks and streets, free garbage bags and gloves, 9am

Displays and Exhibits-call if you want a table-set up at 10 am

Join MP Civic Club, Organic Community Garden, Beer Club, MP Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, Tree City USA and MP Watershed Preservation Society, Inc.

Creek-side and in (wear boots or sandals!)

Science for all ages

Games, Activities, Crafts for kids, 11am

Bring a picnic, meet your neighbors/bring friends, enjoy the "village green"

Get updates on lakes preservation

Earth Day's Global 2016 Theme: Trees for the Earth

See More at <http://www.earthday.org>

For information contact Hope Mays, (404)697-2129, hopemays@aol.com

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-We still need people to volunteer to help us operate the Craft Beer Festival this year. You can go online to www.mountainparkbeerfestival.com and register under the "Volunteer" page. So far, 3 people have signed up to help, and we need at least 80, if not 100. If you, or anyone you may know, are interested in volunteering and receiving a free t-shirt and free admission to the event, please register as soon as you can.

As a resident of Mountain Park you may purchase your ticket at an extremely discounted rate of \$30 until April 2. After April 2, prices go to Early Bird Special at \$35 per ticket. So please plan to join us and purchase your ticket by April 2 to get the resident discount rate!

Please be advised of a few issues that have been brought to our attention recently:

- If you are planning any work, inside or outside your home, please check with City Hall to verify permitting and any other stipulation which may exist.
- Trash cans are not to be left by the streets unless it's trash day. Code says garbage cans can't be put out any earlier than 6pm Monday evening and they must be brought in no later than 6pm Wednesday night. Please make sure to place your trash cans out of

the street. The roads in the City are narrow and it is hard to maneuver whenever there are objects blocking the path.

- Please make sure that dogs are kept on leashes. As the weather warms up, we will be seeing more people walking their 4 legged babies. In order to avoid a citation, please make sure your pups are on a leash.

FERTILIZER

Looking for ways to keep your yard green without polluting a stream? Consider fertilizer options that are Earth friendly.

Using too much fertilizer may affect water quality in your area. Nutrients from fertilizers—usually phosphates—

enter rivers and streams and stimulate the growth of algae. Excessive algae growth harms oxygen levels in lakes and ponds, thus killing fish and other aquatic life.

To help avoid this problem, try the following suggestions:

- Leave grass clippings on the lawn as a natural fertilizer.
- Test soil for nutrient levels.

- University of Georgia's Cooperative Extension Service county offices offer a residential soil-testing program; residents can submit a soil sample to be tested. - Independent laboratories also offer soil sampling.

- Use the tests to choose a fertilizer that adds only the needed nutrients. • Once vegetation is established, you can reduce the amount of nitrogen you apply.

- Choose a fertilizer with a slow-release form of nitrogen to reduce the potential leaching into groundwater,

especially on sandy soils or to reduce loss from runoff • Do not apply fertilizer before heavy rain is forecasted. • Sweep up fertilizer that is spread out on sidewalks instead of using water to wash it off.

Tip: If you are trying to have a greener lawn during the summer, then use iron (chelated iron or ferrous sulfate) instead of nitrogen.