

# Mountain Park News April 2017

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The city welcomes the return of our annual Earth Day event as a full-fledged festival with arts and crafts, music and 'green' vendors, especially since we will not be hosting a beer

festival this year. Invite your friends and family!

The Mayor's Monarch Pledge continues in a big way—the overgrown shrubs at the gazebo will be replaced with a butterfly garden. Join in with Mountain Park Green and Beautiful to plan and plant.

Thanks as always to the volunteers who keep Mountain Park the best little city in Georgia.

We extend our sympathy to Martin Lampe and family in the passing of Mrs. (Ann) Lampe.

Hopefully we've had our last late freeze and we can all get outside to enjoy the beauty of Mountain Park in the springtime.

**Jim Still – Mayor**



## CITY NEWS

***Water bill payments are now due on the last day of the month.***

Previously due on the first day of the month, our accounting department has requested this change. Please adhere to this new deadline...A \$25. late fee will be charged for payments received on the first! Water rate increases were announced in last month's newsletter.

From GA EPD: "While there has been an improvement in the indicators and water supply conditions...a ***Drought Response Level 2 remains in effect...***" This is odd even landscape watering, but exempts hand watering, food garden watering and drip irrigation.

Look online for full explanation: <https://epd.georgia.gov/level-2-drought-response>

***The pool will open on Memorial Day, May 26.*** Fees and hours of operation will be determined at the next Council meeting.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 1** Dumpster Day (first Saturdays) must show proof of residency  
**Tuesdays:** Regular Trash pick-up; Remember to move your cans:-)
- April 8** Mountain Park Green and Beautiful, 8:30 am, Indian Spring
- April 14** City Hall Closed for Good Friday
- April 15** Annual Children's Egg Hunt, 10AM on the Green  
Federal Tax Deadline extended to Tuesday, April 18
- April 18** Special Election for 6<sup>th</sup> District, US House of Representatives,  
Polls open 7am until 7pm. Early Voting locations listed below.
- April 19** 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  
Comprehensive Plan Review / Final
- April 22** Earth Day Festival, [earthday@mountainpark-ga.gov](mailto:earthday@mountainpark-ga.gov)
- April 24** Regular Council Meeting, 7 pm: agenda, [www.mountainpark-ga.gov](http://www.mountainpark-ga.gov)
- April 30** Utility/Water bill payments due—last day of month, not May 1!



## SPECIAL ELECTION

Georgia's 6th District race to replace former US Congressman Tom Price, who left the seat to serve as the nation's health secretary, will be held on April 18, 2017. Early voting began March 27 and is available through April 14 at the following locations:

- East Roswell Branch Library, 2301 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell, GA 30076
- North Fulton Service Center, 7741 Rowell road, Room 232, Sandy Springs, GA 30350
- Milton Library, 855 Mayfield Road, Milton, GA 30009
- Robert F. Ocee Library, 5090 Abbotts Bridge Road, Johns Creek, GA 30005

# MOUNTAIN PARK GREEN AND BEAUTIFUL



**Saturday, April 8, 8:30 AM—noon**

(Apologies for confusing schedule changes last month)

Meet at Indian Spring for coffee. Bring gloves, rakes, shovels, clippers--and bags!--to take home hostas we hope to divide. We'll continue "waddling" and plan the new Butterfly Garden to be installed at the Gazebo!

## **ANNUAL EGG HUNT, SAT., 10 AM, APRIL 15, 2017**

Please plan to stay for a bit afterwards! We'll have a few activities and some snacks after the hunt, and look forward to spending time with our friends and neighbors.

Anyone interested in volunteering time stuffing eggs, or donating money towards supplies, or both ;), please email Gigi at [gigigill32@gmail.com](mailto:gigigill32@gmail.com)



## **MOUNTAIN PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN**

**2017 memberships  
still available!**

\$25. per family + a little time + a lot of fun + healthy food  
[www.mountainparkgarden.org](http://www.mountainparkgarden.org) or see photos on Facebook  
Membership forms available at City Hall.



## Earth Day in Mountain Park 12-4\*, Saturday, April 22, 2017

*"Bringing back the Festivals on the Green"*

Exciting **activities, exhibits, artists, vendors and music** scheduled for this year's event will bring in lots of visitors, as ours is the only celebration in the area being held during the actual **Worldwide Earth Day**. So, in the spirit of the day, and to cut down on traffic, we encourage able locals to walk down to the Green.

Also, in keeping with this year's worldwide theme, "**Environmental Literacy**", we are offering a story time and children's writing work shop (third through fifth graders, maximum 20) with well-known children's authors.

[www.eventbrite.com/e/earth-day-writing-workshop-by-lola-schaeffer-tickets-33080998156](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/earth-day-writing-workshop-by-lola-schaeffer-tickets-33080998156)

**\*Early Morning Bird Walk...** *only if you register by noon on Fri., April 21!*

Meet at the Community Building at 7:30 am with binoculars and sturdy shoes.

Sign up by emailing the city's link: [earthday@mountainpark-ga.gov](mailto:earthday@mountainpark-ga.gov)

And, what would Earth Day be without **Clean-Up** activities? Pick up bags and gloves at the Civic Building as early as 8 am\* (prizes for most litter collected!)

Come back for a **BYO picnic** on the green at **noon when festival booths will open** and the live music begins! Thanks to Mountain Park's own DJ Dale Hicks for providing professional sound system.

Space is still available for artisans and vendors of green products and services—and--stage time for musicians, poets, and magicians. To sign up for a free display space or a time to perform your acoustic talent, contact Sarah at 770-688-5579, or Hope at 404-697-2129, or [earthday@mountainpark-ga.gov](mailto:earthday@mountainpark-ga.gov)

**Various Artisans (Photography, Jewelry, Pottery, Essential Oils, Candles, etc.)**  
**Admission and Activities are free, but bring some 'green' for some cool shopping! And perhaps a raffle and some food!**

Fair Trade Boutique  
Green Global Travel  
OhMyShea  
Mountain Park Forge  
2<sup>nd</sup> Life Pallet Rescue  
Norwex Clean & Green Products  
MP Watershed Society

Tree City-USA  
Keep Roswell Beautiful  
Children's Authors:  
Rosalind Bunn and Lola Schaefer  
Sierra Club, Centennial Chapter  
Restorative and Fitness Health  
Art, Craft, Clay and Hands on Science

