

May 2024

# County Councilman Mike Ertel 6th District Newsletter

PROUDLY SERVING HILLENDALE, LOCH RAVEN VILLAGE,  
MIDDLE RIVER, OVERLEA, PARKVILLE, ROSEDALE +  
TOWSON



## MONEY, MONEY, MONEY



It's time for the budget in Baltimore County for Fiscal Year 2025. Our job in the County Council is to approve the projected budget from the County Executive.

Throughout the month, we hear from the various departments, as well as public input from concerned Baltimore County residents before making our decisions on **May 23: Budget Adoption Day**.

Departments awaiting  
budget approval

- Police Dept.
- BCPS (Baltimore County Public Schools)
- Fire Dept.
- Public Works & Transportation
- Rec & Parks
- Corrections
- Health & Social Services
- Permits, Approvals, & Inspections
- Planning
- Housing and Community Development
- Retirement & Insurance
- Economic & Workforce Development
- Information Technology
- Library
- CCBC



## Green is the new Clean

I had the privilege of cleaning up 9 different neighborhoods all across my district in the month of April including **Harford Park, Holland Hill, Glendale Glenmont, Yorkleigh Community Park, Ridgeleigh, Southland Hills, Burkleigh Square, Loch Raven Village, & Downtown Towson.**

Working alongside great community volunteers, we all share a common goal of establishing more vibrant living and green spaces.



**Lieutenant Marcy Chemelli & Sergeant Angela Mickle** are retiring after their combined 57 years of service in the Baltimore County Police Department. We are so grateful for their service and wish them well in their well-deserved retirement!

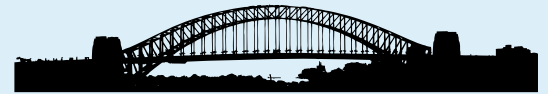


## Legislation on the Agenda

The Council is considering Bill 31-24: Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (APFO) that would prohibit new large scale development where the zoned school is over 100% capacity.

This legislation would eliminate the long practice of allowing schools to be at 115% capacity and still allow a development to proceed without remedies. This bill would also eliminate the automatic Adjacency Exemption, which allows a development to be built if a nearby school is under capacity. As an example, currently there is a townhome community being built in Dundalk adding 300 new homes. The zoned school for the community is Sparrows Point Middle/High which is at 130% capacity now. The county approved the development because a nearby high school, Chesapeake High which is a 35 minute bus ride away in Essex, is at 91% Capacity.

This legislation would also make Baltimore County Public Schools and Baltimore County more responsible about planning for larger developments that will add to the enrollment of schools. It will form a standing committee of citizens who will review enrollment data, developments, and hopefully drive better planning for managing school capacity and additions.



## Rebuilding Key Bridge

The Baltimore County Council passed Resolution 16-24, offering its sincere condolences and heartfelt prayers to the family, friends, and loved ones of those lost in the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge.

We will continue to work together with federal and state partners collaboratively, and to utilize all resources available to expedite the full reopening of the Port of Baltimore as quickly as possible and eventually build a new bridge.



## Upcoming Events in District 6



**5/18: Spring Fling Bingo**

**5/19: Spring Plant Swap**

@Harford Park Community 2522

Linwood Rd. Parkville 21234



**5/4: Putty Hill Flea Market**

**8am-1pm**

@Putty Hill Park

8600 Hoerner Road, Parkville, MD 21234

**5/11: Mother's Day Candle**

**Painting 1-3pm, \$6**

**5/25: Lag B'Omer Monthly**

**Bonfire, 7-8:30pm (free)**

@Holt Park

34 Elmont Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21206

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**Saturday 10am-8pm**

**Sunday 1pm-6pm**

**CARNIVAL • FOOD TRUCKS • VENDORS • BEER GARDEN**

**FREE ENTRY & LIVE MUSIC BY:**

That's What She Said - Vertigo Red - Crushing Day

Doc Marten & The Flannels - Kelly Bell Band

**400 Washington Avenue, Towson MD 21204**

[www.towsonfestival.com](http://www.towsonfestival.com) 410 825 1150 [@towsonspringfestival](https://www.facebook.com/towsonspringfestival) [@towsonchamber](https://www.instagram.com/towsonchamber)

## Overlea Community Association

*2024 Events*

Mar 12	OCA General Meeting
Apr 27	Community Potluck
June 8	Farmers Market ~ SEASON OPENING
June 11	OCA General Meeting – Elect Officers
June 22	Farmers Market
June 30	July Fourth Celebration Festival
July 6	Farmers Market
July 20	Farmers Market
Aug 3	Farmers Market
Aug 9-10	ArtsFest @ Holt Park
Aug 13	National Night Out
Aug 17	Farmers Market
Aug 31	Farmers Market
Sept 9	OCA General Meeting
Sept 13	Screen on the Green Movie Night
Sept 14	Farmers Market
Sept 28	Farmers Market
Oct 12	Farmers Market
Oct 26	Farmers Market
Dec 14	Holiday Tree Lighting



OCA board meetings held the last Tuesday each month. Email [president@overleaonline.org](mailto:president@overleaonline.org) for details.

**overleaonline.org**

**facebook.com/overlearocks**

# More Events in District 6

## Youth SUMMIT

Featuring:  
*Dr. Crystal R. Francis*

**SPONSORED BY:**  
THE BALTIMORE COUNTY  
POLICE DEPARTMENT, NAACP  
OF BALT. CO., BCPS, AND  
MORE

**18 MAY**  
9AM- 1PM

**FREE** Ages 10 to 18  
Youth under 12 must be  
accompanied by an adult

Sollers Point Recreation Center  
323 Sollers Point Road  
Dundalk, MD 21222

Registration required:





## ELMWOOD ELEMENTARY SUMMER KICKOFF FAMILY EVENT!

Families will learn activities to do  
with their children over the summer  
to promote continued learning!

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12TH**  
**5:30-6:30 PM**

Please bring a blanket to picnic together!

Dinner & activity supplies will be  
provided.

**RSVP**




## "Friends, Fun, Food!" Summer Food Program!

Baltimore County Public Schools will provide  
**FREE** breakfast and lunch to all children in Baltimore County!



Register now to request meals for your program!

- Athletic Programs
- Church Programs
- Academic Groups
- Summer Camps
- Music Groups
- And more!

**Dates:** June 20, 2024 through August 16, 2024

**Eligibility:** Any child from 2 to 18 years of age,  
in a qualifying area

**Registration:** Use this QR Code or go to  
**Summer Food Service Registration**  
(If you have registered your program under the Summer  
Programs Proposal Smartsheet (BCPS staff), please DO NOT  
REGISTER again on this site.)

**Additional Information:** Summer Food Service Program –  
Baltimore County Public Schools  
([www.bcps.org/foodandnutrition](http://www.bcps.org/foodandnutrition))

**Questions?** Contact us at [SFSP@bcps.org](mailto:SFSP@bcps.org) or 443-809-7855.

**NEW!**

- Do you know of a public area that 25+ kids are  
gathering each day? Perhaps a park or  
community pool?
- We'll serve the meals – we just want your  
suggestions!

Help us develop our public access Summer Meals  
Service by suggesting your public location using  
this QR Code.

**\*All meals must be  
consumed on-site\***




**OFFICE OF  
FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES**  
BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## EVERY HOUR. EVERY DAY. POLICE 5K

**MAY 11, 2024**

**DOWNTOWN TOWSON'S  
ONLY 5K RACE**  
in celebration of the  
**150th ANNIVERSARY OF  
THE BALTIMORE COUNTY POLICE**

**YOUR REGISTRATION INCLUDES:**

- > An Under Armour T-shirt (\$35 value)
- > A Special 150th Anniversary Finisher Medal
- > A Custom Bib for the Race
- > Free Race Day Parking at the Parking Garage
- > A Chance to Participate along side of a Police Officer
- > K9 Officer Demonstrations and Photo Sessions  
with Police Vehicles & Equipment
- > Race is Timed and Overall Award Divisions for Officers & Civilians
- > Event to Benefit the Baltimore County Police Foundation
- > A Heck of a Good Time!
- > Runners and Walkers Welcome!




**YOUR PARTICIPATION HELPS TO  
SUPPORT THE BALT. CO. POLICE FOUNDATION**

**www.BaltCoPoliceRun.com**