



# The Aberdeen Advocate

## Fall 2022 Edition

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### UNDER CONSTRUCTION: Rock Glenn Park



Rock Glenn Park is well under way! The City received a grant of \$400,000 from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Community Parks and Playgrounds Program. Located off Old Robinhood Road and Rock Glenn Boulevard, Rock Glenn Park will be a 22-acre facility complete with multi-purpose fields & courts, walking trails, a playground, and parking lot. The park will be open in the winter of 2022-23!



### FEATURED COMMUNITY EVENTS

**DEC 3**  
Events  
beginning at  
7:00am

**45th Annual Christmas Street Celebration**  
Christmas in Candyland 🍬

See inside for more information!

**Feb 11  
2023**

**Chocolate Festival**

@ Grace Methodist Church

**April  
2023**

**Taste of Cheer**

Wine tasting @ Wetlands Golf Course

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A warm welcome to our newest council member! In August of 2022, longtime community activist Tandra Ridgley took the Aberdeen City Council oath of office after being nominated by Mayor Patrick McGrady and confirmed by the City Council. Councilwoman Ridgley fills the vacant Council seat left by former Councilman Jason Kolligs for the remainder of the term.

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# The Latest Around Town



## University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health's Aberdeen Campus

University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health's new Aberdeen campus will offer services including diagnostic, specialty care, and rehabilitation. The Medical Center will include a state-of-the-art Emergency Department and heliport, hospital support services and a mental health care center offering a comprehensive array of services. The existing Medical Office Building is already seeing patients, and the full campus opening is expected Fall 2023!



## Say Delicious Bakery

Located at 19 W. Bel Air Avenue, veteran owned Say Delicious Bakery is open and ready to share their sweet treats with you! Owner and cookie extraordinaire, Sadie Strong, and her team craft signature cookies, muffins, doughnuts, and create made to order cookies that truly are edible art! In addition to their bakery front, the shop offers a private gathering area for classes and private events!



## Route 22 Hatchet House

A state of the art axe throwing business has opened at 3720 Churchville Road! Route 22 Hatchet House is home to seven axe throwing lanes accompanied by the digitally displayed score-boards. Each lane offers seven games that can be played by throwing axes. They are ready to host a variety of events to include team building, bachelor/ bachelorette parties, birthdays, holidays, family gatherings, or an evening of just plain old fun with friends and family!



## Jersey Mike's Subs

Did you know the first Jersey Mike's Subs opened in 1956? One of the newest locations has recently opened its doors here in Aberdeen! Tucked into Beards Hill Plaza at 939 Beards Hill Road, Jersey Mike's Subs is ready to make you a sub above! Serving an array of cold and hot subs, make sure you stop in for lunch and try it out!



# Christmas in Candyland



**Aberdeen's 45th  
Christmas Street  
Sat, Dec. 3rd**

## **Candyland** Activities Include

### **Breakfast**

Grace United Methodist Church  
7:00-11:00 am. Dine in or carry out  
Tickets available at the door.  
Grace Methodist Gift Shop 8am-12pm  
Christmas Items, jewelry and more.

### **Christmas Craft Fair**

Aberdeen Fire Department  
9:00 am till 2:00 pm.  
Shop Unique gifts

### **Aberdeen Museum**

18 Howard St. 10:00 - 5:00 pm.  
Live music 1:30 - 2:00pm

### **St. Paul's Lutheran Church**

Holiday Concert w/Charlie Zahn  
Refreshments at 5:30  
Concert starts at 7:00pm

### **Festival of Trees, Wreaths & Garlands**

Aberdeen Activity Center  
Friday 6pm-9pm  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm.  
Bid/buy fully decorated tree.

### **Street Entertainment**

West Bel Air Ave @ Parke St.  
Starting at 2:00 pm.

## **PARADE**

Begins at 3:00 pm  
Law St - W. Bel Air Ave - Howard St  
Meet Santa Claus  
and several Candyland characters

### **Amusements, Food Trucks, Tree Lighting**

Festival Park, we light our huge tree after the parade, we have craft projects, visit with Santa, or our balloon artist, get hot chocolate & cookies, try your luck at scratch offs, have fun in the bounce houses and obstacle courses. **Wristbands are required for the amusements! They may be purchased in advance online & picked up at Aberdeen Public Library 11/28-12/1 5-6pm** You can also purchase wristbands, Friday at the Activity Center from 6-9pm and Saturday at the Main Street Tent in Festival Park from 11-2pm. **Use the QR Code to purchase.**



Wristbands are \$10.00 per person. (non refundable - no replacements)





# *Christmas in Candyland*

## **Celebrate our Christmas in Candyland**

**December 3, 11am-3pm & 4pm-6pm (the second half will open up after the parade) all at Festival Park**

Wristbands Required for all amusements \$10.00 each (no replacements wristbands, and no refunds) We do have an inclement weather date schedule in June 2023.



**Hungry Hippo Challenge**



**Candyland Obstacle Course**



**Candyland Fun Center**



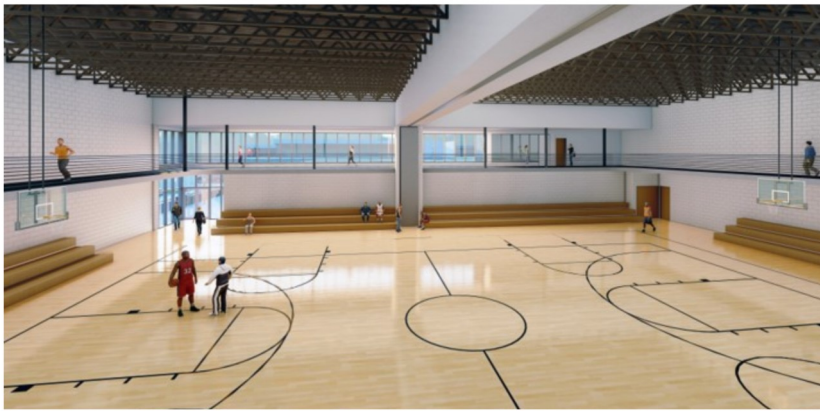
**Candy Store Obstacle Course**

## **Polar Extreme Obstacle Course**





# A Look to Aberdeen's Future



## Coming Soon: Aberdeen Activity Center

Say hello to the new Aberdeen Activity Center! The proposed 33,472 square foot center is to include a gymnasium over 50% larger than average size that can be used for basketball and pickleball! There will also be a multipurpose room that serves as an event room, a common area/lounge, E-gaming room, an exercise and fitness area, and so much more! The 13 acre site will also include a walking trail, multipurpose field, and playground.



## Grasmere Pocket Park

A pocket park is coming to Grasmere Drive! The City received a grant of \$145,000 from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Community Parks and Playgrounds Program. There is an existing 0.16 acre asphalt turnaround that will be transformed into a beautiful recreational space to include playground equipment, benches, and picnic tables.

## 2022 Comprehensive Plan

In December of 2021, the Department of Planning and Community Development and consultants, Wallace Montgomery, embarked on updating the City's Comprehensive Plan. This is a long range plan that includes the vision of the City for the next 10 to 20 years and the steps needed to make that vision a reality. It serves as a policy guide and framework for future growth and development, infrastructure and capital improvements, and resource conservation. For more information, be sure to visit [www.planaberdeen.com](http://www.planaberdeen.com)!



## North Deen Skate Park Remodel

North Deen Skate Park is being remodeled into a state-of-the-art skate park! A public input meeting was held in June to hear your feedback on the layout of the park and the final design is in. American Ramp Company will be converting the park into a concrete oasis including a bowl, stair sets, ledges, a dedicated graffiti wall, a longstanding memorial, and more! The park construction is to be completed in early 2023.



## Street Resurfacing and Sidewalk Repairs

The Department of Public Works is always working for you! Between July 2021 and June 2022, the Department of Public Works has resurfaced 2 miles of roadways and replaced 1,636 feet of sidewalks around the city. More sidewalk repairs will be made in multiple areas of the city in the coming months.



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Resident

## Shape Aberdeen's Future and Participate in a Public Meeting

Are you passionate about living in the great city of Aberdeen and excited to participate in municipal government? Join Mayor Patrick McGrady and the Aberdeen City Council at any public meeting or tune in from the comfort of your home at [aberdeenmd.gov/live](http://aberdeenmd.gov/live). The Mayor and Council meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7PM in the Aberdeen City Council Chambers (60 N. Parke Street) to conduct business for the City. and available prior to the meeting. Meeting agendas are posted to the City's website and available prior to the meeting.

**Did you know about our FREE CHIPPER service?**  
**We will bring our chipper truck to you.**



- A free service offered year round every Tuesday.
- Call the DPW Shop before noon on Mondays to schedule. (410) 272-1414.
- Place brush and limbs neatly cut side facing the road.
- No limbs or branches over 6 inches in diameter.
- Do not bundle with twine, rope or place in any container.



**NO WIPES**  
in the  
**PIPES**

**Throw them in the trash**

**Flushable wipes are NOT FLUSHABLE.**  
Despite what the label says  
Scan the QR Code for more



## 2023 Yard Waste Schedule

SPRING	April	May	June
CITY WIDE	15	20	17
FALL	October	November	December
CITY WIDE	21	18	16

## 2023 Trash & Recycling Schedule

Zone	Collection Day
1	Monday
2	Tuesday
3	Wednesday
4	Thursday
5	Friday

**Need a Bulk Pickup for Larger Waste?**

Call (410) 297-4259 Monday—Friday

## 2023 Holiday Schedule

Date	Holiday	Schedule
1/2	New Year's Day (Monday)	Trash/Bulk/Rec. delayed one day
5/29	Memorial Day (Monday)	T/B/R delayed one day
7/4	Independence Day (Tuesday)	T/B/R delayed one day for zones 2,3,4, & 5
9/4	Labor Day (Monday)	T/B/R delayed one day
11/23	Thanksgiving Day (Thursday)	T/B/R delayed one day for zones 4 & 5
12/25	Christmas Day (Monday)	T/B/R delayed one day