



Friday, December 19, 2025

## Need to Know ...

- The City Council will hold a Special Meeting at 6 pm on Monday, Dec. 22 in Council Chambers. The public is invited but there will not be public comment.
- City offices will be closed on Wednesday, Dec. 24 and Thursday, Dec. 25 for the holiday. There is no residential garbage pick-up on Thursday, Dec. 25 and Friday, Dec. 26.
- Mark your calendar for the FREE Homebuyer Education Class. The class, two sessions (Jan. 24 and 31) will be held at the Dorchester County Public Library. You must register at <https://www.salisburynhs.org/homebuyer-education-workshop/> to attend.
- Please remember these trash related items: 1) Please bag all trash that you place in the provided garbage cans. Loose trash can escape during the emptying process and blow around the neighborhood. 2) Trash should only be placed at the curb inside a garbage can. Trash on the curb beside the garbage can may not be picked up. 3) Please do not put garbage cans on the curb earlier than 5 pm on the night before your scheduled collection day. Please remove the garbage can from the curb as soon as possible after it is emptied.

- The Week in Cambridge is broadcast by Radio Chesapeake on Fridays, on WHCP 91.7 FM during the noon hour and on WFHW 90.3 FM during the 1 pm hour.

## General Notes of Interest

- Cambridge has a Sidewalk Improvement Program designed to help city residents keep their sidewalks safe and repaired. For information on how to participate, visit <https://www.choosecambridge.com/FormCenter/DPW-24/APPLICATION-Sidewalk-Improvement-Program-87> or email [wsuggs@choosecambridge.com](mailto:wsuggs@choosecambridge.com).
- Work is continuing on the Cambridge Comprehensive Plan. Work groups are going over the draft, confirming that the information included aligns with the information collected during the charettes. Stay tuned for more information.



For more information, visit the City's website: [choosecambridge.com](https://www.choosecambridge.com). You can also call the city offices 410-228-4020 or the public information department at 410-228-8926.

## Healthy Homes



In an effort to keep homes and residents healthy, The Cambridge Department of Housing is working to

spread the word about the dangers of lead and how to find and eradicate it from your living spaces. To that end, here are some facts about lead:

- It is a heavy, grey metal that is soft, pliable and impossible to identify with the naked eye.
- It does not biodegrade or disappear from the environment over time.
- Humans were using lead before recorded history. The Egyptians used it for solder, cosmetics and building. The Greeks and Romans used it in plumbing. The Romans also used it to line food containers because it prevented spoilage. (They didn't realize it poisoned it instead.)
- Lead was used as an additive to paints to accelerate drying, increase durability and resist moisture.

For more information on the Housing Department's lead education initiatives, contact [acalrey@choosercambridge.com](mailto:acalrey@choosercambridge.com).

*Please consider helping this holiday season by donating:*

to the Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence by adopting a family or donating. For more information visit their website at <https://www.msfcv.org/>.

to One Mission Cambridge by making a donation. For more information visit the website: [onemissioncambridge.org](http://onemissioncambridge.org). Use the QR to donate.



## Maple Elementary Shines Bright



Dr. Donald Boyd leads Maple 4th and 5th grade students in a history facts game.

On Monday, Dec. 15, in the midst of a delayed school start, Maple Elementary School was visited by the U.S. Department of Education History Rocks Tour. After a learning tour through the building, 4th and 5th grade students were gathered to participate in educational activities and games as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of US independence.

Maple students were engaged and learning throughout the building. The students attending the assembly shone the brightest of all. There were speeches by History Rock Tour organizers. Rian White impressed those assembled with her response to the question: What is a quill?

Students were excited to show their knowledge. Dr. Boyd led the students in games, designed to highlight their mastery of American history and further their learning. The students have been good learners, answering most of the questions correctly, even those that stumped some of the adults.



Dorchester County Public School Superintendent Jymil Thompson and Cambridge Mayor Lajan Cephas-Bey (l-r) were in attendance to ensure the event was in the best interest of the city's children.

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