



FOR YOUR INFORMATION
by Mayor Mike Callahan

Call 301-773-0248 to contact the Mayor. The Mayor's door at the Community Center is open to visitors on Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, except holidays or if otherwise posted.

2011 In Review

As Cheverly looks forward to 2012, let's not forget what we accomplished in 2011. Thanks to the leadership of the Town Administrator, Public Works Director, Police Chief and the Town Council, Cheverly once again has much to celebrate. Please take a moment to look over the list:

The Town remains in great financial condition ending FY11 with audited Fund Balance of \$1.59M, and the tax rate remained at 0.48 for the fifth straight year. Cheverly experienced a 10% decrease in crime due to the efforts of our Police department and residents. This decrease continues a 5 year trend, resulting in the 4th lowest crime rate in the county. A key contributor to this reduction was the virtual elimination of "string crimes", serial crimes committed by the same individuals. Of particular note is the reduction of violent crime, with robberies down almost 75% and all other violent crimes reduced by an average of 10%. Participation in Cheverly Watch, our local resident radio program, increased from 39 to 50 members. Incidents reported by Cheverly Watch increased by 11% which resulted in 18 arrests. The Police Department was able to acquire through budgeted funds and vehicle donations a new speed monitor, eleven new Toughbook computers with electronic ticket writing capabilities for police vehicles, new service weapons, a new server and computers for the station, and a new state-of-the-art camera and recording equipment for suspect and witness interviews. The Public Works Department worked tirelessly removing 1,445 tons of trash, 531 tons of recycling, 30 pallets of

electronics, and distributed 125 loads of mulch. Kudos go to our residents who helped be eliminating over 100 tons of trash from the waste stream. This reduction saved the town over \$5,000.

Public Works re-paved significant portions of Cheverly and Belleview Avenues by partnering with WSSC when they repaired sewer and water pipes. Partnering with WSSC saved the town over \$100,000. (Yes, the speed humps will be replaced.)

Public Works re-paved 63rd Ave from Kilmer to Inwood. We will be adding 6 raised crosswalks near Spellman Elementary and St Ambrose Church in an effort to improve pedestrian safety. Based on efforts of Councilmember Eldridge we received grant money from Safe Routes to School to help build the raised crosswalks.

Public Works planted 155 trees on public and private property. Over 40% of these trees were planted on private property through the Cheverly's Private Property Tree planting program. Cheverly also received a \$10,000 grant from Pepco to plant over 60 trees throughout town.

Public Works purchased new Leaf Machine & continues to offer a robust leaf pick up program each fall & winter.

The Public Works department replaced curbs along Crest Ave, Hawthorne Street and Belleview Avenue. They also reconstructed the sidewalks along Forest Road to include handicapped curbs.

The Public Works department purchased a grinder to smooth the rough edges of our sidewalks, and could be seen throughout the year sanding all the sidewalk edges that exceed 2 inches.

Based on citizen petitions the Public Works Dept. introduced speed humps on Crest Avenue and Oak Street, in an effort to improve pedestrian safety in these areas.

Public Works replaced the roof on the Town Park Pavilion and the Hot Dog stand.

A special Thank You goes to Trudy Stanek who works cheerfully with everyone in the community on issues large and small, and in her free time assembles the Cheverly Newsletter each month.

Our Town Staff continues to deliver excellent services. However the strength of our community can not only be measured by the efforts of our Town Staff. What really makes our town a community is the efforts of our citizens. Here are just some of the accomplishments that you made happen.

Congratulations to the Cheverly Residents who were sworn into office in January: County Executive Rushern Baker, State Senator Victor Ramirez and State Delegates Jolene Ivey and Michael Summers.

The Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee, after more than two years of effort, presented an outstanding plan to the Town Council for approval. Upon approval, they coordinated a Green Infrastructure kick-off at the November Community Market.

Our Recreation Council sponsored two Flea Markets allowing them to raise funds to host the annual Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Parade and Visit from Santa.

The Cheverly Planning Board provided input to the Town Council on all new developments surrounding Cheverly in an effort to ensure quality development.

Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary continued to move forward achieving Adequate Yearly Progress and recognized for academic success. They achieved a Bronze Status for the Healthy Schools Program, became a Physical Education Demonstration site, sponsored two "Bike to School" days and was the only Prince George's County School to attend the White House Easter Egg Roll.

The Cheverly Parents Resource Center hosted many weekly and annual events, provided services to Cheverly parents and provided grants to at least 8 other town organizations. CPRC also welcomed at least 30 new babies into Cheverly by cooking meals for their new families.

Weekday Nursery continues to educate our youngest children and host every child's favorite event of the year: Truck Touch.

Cheverly Advocates for Public Schools (CAPS) hosted the 3rd Annual Cheverly Schools Fair and 11 local schools and more than 60 families participated.

The Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary PTA kicked off the new Library Corps volunteer program with 14 volunteers from the Cheverly community volunteering in the school library.

The Friends of Lower Beavertdam Creek (FLBC) completed the Beavertdam Creek Trail from Magruder Spring to Town Hall building five new bridges and moving tons of mulch.

Chris Dwyer leading a number of volunteers established the Vine Corp Youth Club for teens in town which continues to grow monthly offering recreation opportunities and tutoring assistance.

Progressive Cheverly presented nine community forums, hosting elected officials and conducting issue forums on our strained social safety net, the impact of military spending, a history of Cheverly's old Fourth Ward, and access to affordable housing.

Doug Alexander with contributions from the Town of Cheverly, Chesapeake Bay Trust (through a Green Infrastructure grant) and his own non-profit initiated a composting program and sold nearly 160 SoilSaver compost bins in an effort to reduce Cheverly's waste stream

The Cheverly Boys and Girls Club and the Cheverly Soccer Club continue to offer opportunities to our youth to enjoy year round sporting programs.

Nathan McElroy, with contributions from Pepco and the Town of Cheverly, brought together cub scouts and other residents to build a new rain garden near the Tennis Courts at Town Park.

The Community Market continued to provide Cheverly residents with the opportunity to purchase local produce and gifts at fourteen markets from May to Dec.

The Cheverly Garden Club held their annual Plant Sale, providing Cheverly residents the opportunity to buy plants that grow well in our soils.

Cheverly welcomed two new holiday traditions due to the efforts of our residents: a Turkey Trot and a Yule Log.

The Cheverly Conservation Alliance held workshops on composting & building rain barrels in an effort to support the efforts of the Cheverly Green Infrastructure.

David Thorpe started an organization for Cheverly Youth to compete in the First Lego League and robotics club to get children involved in engineering.

Chad Clay and Robert Braddock started an over 35 Basketball League on Monday Evenings in an effort to get in shape and meet more neighbors.

Thanks to all of the candidates who chose to run in our May elections and a special welcome to Councilmembers old and new who work tirelessly to make Cheverly a great community: Laila Riazzi, Mary Jane Coolen, RJ Eldridge, David Thorpe, and Carolyn Cook.

And of course thanks to the Cheverly Day Committee led by Nick and Kristie D'Angelo, Pat Nelson, David Thorpe and Micah Watson we celebrated like it was 1931 on Cheverly's 80 Birthday on Cheverly Day!

Happy New Year: On behalf of the Town Council and all of the Town Staff I wish all of you a Happy New Year, and we all hope that your resolutions come to fruition. Take a moment to read the Year in Review so you can see how residents throughout town are making a difference.

I for one am making a resolution to "get the Mayor's FYI to Trudy by the established deadline", instead of my typical one day. Hopefully that will stick.

Aldi Opens: Ten months after the “Little Giant” closed, Aldi opened its doors on December 15th. It was great to see our County Executive and over seventy members our community attend the Grand Opening. Since that event I have heard some residents comment about the Aldi store mentioning its limited inventory and product display.

In my conversations with residents, I have come to understand that grocery shopping is personal and people have different needs and desires. Our neighborhood suffered greatly when the nearby Giant and Safeway closed. While many residents enjoy the new Wegmans, they find it a little inconvenient. Aldi is a nice compliment; it is nearby and offers the staples required for a “core shop”. Cheverly and the surrounding community have lacked that alternative for over a year.

Many people have asked, “why didn’t we get a larger grocery store (ie: Whole Foods, etc) or Trader Joes?” The footprint of the shopping center doesn’t allow for the much larger stores now favored by most chains, and Aldi was a willing neighbor. I was happy to have Aldi, as it prevented the town from having an empty building dominating our shopping center. Since Aldi signed the contract with the shopping center’s property management company (NaiMichaels), Aldi has been a good neighbor. They have attended town meetings, communicated well, and attempted to work through WIC issues with state and county representatives. The Town Council voiced concerns to them about resident safety at the shopping center and as a matter of course Aldi placed security cameras that cover the entire area surrounding Aldi. Like most relationships, Aldi will probably not be all things for all people, but the Town Council and I are hopeful that overall Aldi will be a positive experience for the citizens of our town and Cheverly will be a positive for the company. We welcome them to the neighborhood.

Cheverly’s First Annual Turkey Trot: Who knew? There is a tradition across the county for people to get some much needed exercise prior to their Thanksgiving Dinner. What a great idea! Let’s give thanks to Jen and RJ Eldridge, Abel and Aimee Olivo, Anna and Corey Smith and Amy and Aaron Whitesal for bringing this tradition home to Cheverly. Over eighty Cheverly residents turned out for this event and had a great time.

Cheverly’s First Yule Log: The weekend of December 2nd/3rd was a magical weekend for the youth in our town. Special thanks to the Town Council, especially Laila Riazi, who planned and hosted the Cheverly Tree Lighting event on December 2nd. Thanks to the choirs from St. Ambrose and Judith Hoyer as well as the Methodist Church Hand Bell Choir who performed for hundreds of residents at Town Hall. A special thank you also goes to the Girl Scouts who led the town in carols at Legion Park prior to the big tree lighting. On the following day the Recreation Council sponsored a visit by Santa while our Girl Scout

troop hosted a Secret Santa Shop allowing children to purchase gifts while being guided by a girl scout.

Envision Cheverly: The Cheverly Planning Board has kicked off an initiative called Envision Cheverly. Envision Cheverly is an effort to reach out to town groups and individuals and get a sense of what the people of Cheverly would like their community to look and feel like ten to twenty years from now. It is vitally important to have citizen input on what needs are being met, or not met, by the growth, development, and prioritization of public and private projects in our town.



Your input will then be used to when the County Parks and Planning Department kicks off their Route 202 Corridor Planning effort in the spring. The survey can be accessed on line at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TBTHP5G> The survey can be accessed via smart phone at

Cheverly Continues to Monitor the BW Parkway Widening Study: A second public meeting was held in November regarding a one million dollar study initiated by U.S. Rep Ruppertsberger to widen the BW Parkway from Route 450 to Route 100. Representatives of Cheverly attended the meeting where potential plans for widening were unveiled. The working group showed various options for the extra lanes to be added to the median area and the along the curb area. There will be one more meeting prior to the study being concluded and the Town Council and residents will have an opportunity to provide input. The Town Council is watching this effort carefully. Please remember this is only a high level feasibility study. If the decision is made to widen the Parkway a full fledged , if the decision is made to move forward NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) study will be required and funding will have to be obtained. This will provide ample opportunity for further public input.

Reading the Newsletter: Recently I was speaking with a local Boy Scout troop about citizenship. In the course of the conversation, we discussed the need to stay well informed about matters that affect residents so that you they can offer insightful input on issues facing the community. One way to stay informed it to read the newsletter. I would like to thank the many people who called my office after last month’s newsletter offered a \$5 dollar coupon to the Secret Santa Shop (Congratulations Katie Troyner & Carla Peterson). !!!

Mayor's FYI cont'd

Imbedded somewhere in this newsletter is another offer that will appeal to everyone. No repeat winners

"If I Were Mayor" Competition: The Maryland Municipal League sponsors a contest each year for 4th Grade Students, asking them "What would they do if they were Mayor". Applications are available at <http://www.mdmunicipal.org/programs/contest.cfm> and entries are due by April 1st. I will be working with 4th grade students in our local schools using the study guide found on the website. If you would like to bring your fourth grader to Mayor's hours to discuss further please stop by.



Message from the Chief - Buddy Robshaw
policechief@cheverly-md.gov

REGIONAL CRIME ISSUE – Cheverly has been relatively "string free" this year, thanks in majority, to a very observant public, the Cheverly resident radio program, and some good old fashioned detective work. A "string," by the way, is a series of related crimes perpetrated by the same person or group of persons within a defined time period. The same, however, is not true of a current string of crimes that has permeated the Washington, DC area since late last summer. The string in question concerns the theft of purses from women at gas stations from Northern Virginia through upper Montgomery County. In a typical scenario, a woman alone will enter a gas station, exit the vehicle to pump gas with a credit card, and while somewhat distracted pumping gas, have her purse stolen from the unoccupied vehicle. The suspect will then flee on foot to a nearby waiting suspect vehicle. This scenario has been played out hundreds of times in the last year, so much so, that there are now groups of criminals who do nothing else but commit these types of crimes. What further perpetuates this type of crime is its *modus operandi*, or method of operation. Because the woman is distracted, there is typically no good lookout. Because the stealing suspect usually has an occupied suspect vehicle nearby for pickup, the suspects are able to flee the area quickly. Because the crime is usually a misdemeanor theft (no physical assault or struggle for the purse, thus no felony robbery), the police cannot pursue the suspect vehicle if one is discovered. And, because the suspect vehicle is frequently a stolen vehicle, the suspects could not be identified through MVA records even if a lookout was actually obtained. What further complicates the whole process is the fact that there are now multiple competing criminal groups who run a continuous circuit though the Washington area just looking for crimes of opportunity. To date, there have been at least three such thefts in Cheverly, all occurring at the Exxon gas station at

Landover Road and the Baltimore Washington Parkway. The employees at the Exxon have been very cooperative. The key to reducing this crime is two-fold: vigilant observation, and removing the opportunity for theft. All women, especially those traveling alone, should be vigilant of their surroundings when attempting to pump gas. Most victims were not even aware of the theft until after they returned to their vehicles to discover their purses missing. Additionally, women who carried their purses with them or those who made their purses difficult to be observed or easily grabbed greatly reduced the opportunity for theft. Remember, the reason these criminals have been successful is because they could quickly grab a purse and flee without causing a commotion or drawing the attention of possible witnesses.

THE VALUE OF SMOKE ALARMS – A recent fire in the Lewisdale area of Hyattsville resulted in the tragic deaths of three persons and the destruction of the family home. One of the frustrating epitaphs to this story is that one simple working smoke alarm could have protected all the residents of the house. Adding to this frustration was the fact that an area follow-up within the next several days discovered that an amazing 25% of the homes visited by fire department personnel also revealed an absence of working smoke alarms or detectors. While the Prince George's County Fire Department has made and will continue to make home inspections a priority under the County's "Safety First, for the Holidays" program, every Cheverly resident should ensure that smoke alarms/detectors in their homes are fully operational and that new or additional detectors be installed as a #1 priority. Fires are tragic events that indiscriminately claim the lives of people everywhere. All of us can greatly reduce the risk of injury or death with a working smoke detector. Check yours today!!

SPEED TRAILER RESULTS – The Cheverly Police Department recently purchased a new speed reduction trailer that mounts the posted speed limit while simultaneously indicating and charting the speed of oncoming traffic with top of the line radar equipment. This trailer was purchased with funds from donated vehicles within the Town. This trailer was recently utilized in the 6300 block of Joslyn Place (Eastbound) and the following data was obtained:

Speed Limit:	20 mph
Time Period:	23 days
Avg Speed	18 mph
Max Speed	47 mph
Total over 15 mph:	5542 vehicles
Total over 19 mph:	2705 vehicles
Total over 24 mph:	520 vehicles
Total over 29 mph:	71 vehicles
Total over 39 mph:	6 vehicles

C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH RESIDENT RADIO PROGRAM MEETING – There will be a joint meeting of C-PACT (Cheverly – Citizens and Police Together), Cheverly’s Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program on Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at 7:00 PM in the Police Department Conference Room.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS –

Police Emergency	9-1-1
Non-emergency Calls for Dispatch	(301) 352-1200
Cheverly Police	(301) 341-1055
Cheverly Police Facsimile	(301) 341-0176
Cheverly Photo Enforcement	(240) 770-7641
P. G. Towing (Towing Vendor)	(301) 220-1170
Cheverly Investigators	(301) 789-5090
	(301) 789-8551
	(301) 852-8457
Cheverly Traffic Officer	(301) 789-7743

Crime Report for November 2011
(All Addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)

Total Arrests for the Month: 17
Total Traffic for the Month: 616
Total Crime (Difference, YTD 2010-2011): -10%

11-02-11	0805 Hrs	5700 Euclid Street	Stolen Auto
11-04-11	1639 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Vandalism
11-04-11	1639 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Vandalism
11-08-11	1610 Hrs	5600 Landover Rd	Theft
11-09-11	0740 Hrs	2300 Cheverly Ave	Vandalism
11-09-11	0830 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
11-09-11	0845 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Vandalism
11-09-11	0900 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
11-09-11	1700 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Assault (Arrest)
11-09-11	1659 Hrs	2200 Cheverly Ave	Theft
11-11-11	1620 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft
11-15-11	1728 Hrs	1700 61 st Avenue	B&E/Residential
11-16-11	1725 Hrs	6000 Forest Road	Theft
11-11-11	1430 Hrs	2300 Parkway	B&E/Residential
11-22-11	0535 Hrs	6000 Arbor Street	Theft

CHEVERLY’S RESTRICTED PARKING ZONES
The 2012 stickers are now available at the **Police Department**. Remember to renew your sticker before the end of January.

Bring the current REGISTRATION for any cars you are getting stickers for. Your car must be registered at your Cheverly address. Stickers cost \$2.



***Martin Luther King,
Jr. Day***
Monday, January 16

Offices & Community Center Closed
No Trash Pickup

CHRISTMAS TREES

Please put your Christmas Trees at the curb on Sunday night for **YARD WASTE** pickup on **MONDAY** mornings.



Need help with YARD WORK? To assist our elderly, and other residents who need help with yard work, Cheverly maintains this list of teenagers who are interested in being hired for mowing lawns, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc.

301-775-3949	Patrick Doherty
301-773-0635	Nicholas Lal
301-864-0735	Malik or Tyriq McAdoo
248-478-4622	Xavier Pinkney
301-322-4952	Max or Jake Allegro
301-341-2471	James Porcari
301-537-6819	John Pooley
240-770-8166	Byron Bamigbade
301-583-1028	Xavier Milam
301-386-0049	Andrew Teel
301-322-1075	Dorian Dixon
301-772-6596	Ben Hartmann
301-772-6028	Andrew or Ashley Priest
301-773-6863	Emmanuel Mitchell
301-772-0110	Jack Alkire
301-322-8686	Miles Ward
240-422-5025	Victor Ojo
301-322-7930	Dangelo Roscoe



Cheverly teenagers can call the Town Office at 301-773-8360 if they wish to add their names.

WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS

TOWN CODE - Sec. 27-10—Parking

A snow emergency shall exist whenever snow has accumulated on the streets to a depth of one (1) inch or more. The provisions of this subsection shall be effective without any notification and shall remain in effect until the street is plowed; provided, however, that when snow shall accumulate to a depth of one inch or more after 11:00PM, the provisions of this subsection shall not be effective until 7:00AM the day following and shall remain in effect until the street is plowed.

PARKING RESTRICTIONS: During a snow emergency no person shall park any vehicle as follows:

- On the cul-de-sac portion of any street,
- On any courts,
- On the even-numbered side of all streets,
- **(exception)** On the odd-numbered side of 59th Avenue, and one block of Inwood Street between Cheverly Avenue & Belleview Avenue.

NOTE: The snow emergency parking restrictions do not override existing no-parking zones or apply to streets where enforcement would disallow all parking because of a no-parking zone, or to streets with any barrier or strip dividing lanes of traffic.

PRIORITIES: The snow removal operations work under the following priorities: 1.) Cheverly Avenue 2.) principal connecting streets: Forest Road, Crest Avenue, Valleyway, Greenleaf Road, 62nd Avenue, State Street, Schuster Drive; 3.) all other streets.

TOWN CODE Sec. 18-4.1—SIDEWALKS Whenever snow accumulates to a depth of one inch or more, it is the duty of each occupant to clear the snow from the sidewalk adjacent to that property, within 12 hours after the snow ceases, (unless at night, in which case it shall be removed within 12 hours after sunrise). Snow and ice removed from sidewalks shall NOT be deposited on streets or other sidewalks.

When ice forms on sidewalks, occupant shall place sand, ashes or other such material on sidewalks within 6 hours, (unless at night, in which case it can be spread by noon of the next day). Icy spots on public property can be reported to Public Works at **301-773-2666**.



SAFETY REMINDER:

We ask residents to remember that your neighbors who walk to Metro, or children walking to school, and the hard working Mail Carriers are exposed to dangerous conditions when sidewalks are not cleared in a timely manner. Failure to comply with Town Code could result in fines.

TRASH PICKUP ADJUSTMENTS DUE TO WINTER STORMS:

When weather makes it unsafe to operate the trash trucks on the street, collection may be temporarily suspended.

Back or side door pickups WILL NOT be made when snow conditions prevail. Please bring your trash to the curb.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Worksession—December 1, 2011

- Motion CM Cook to authorize the Town Administrator to install a street light on Oak Forest Road and to improve the wattage of the three lights on Trent St. Seconded CM Thorpe. Approved 5-0
- Motion CM Riazi to implement the Cheverly Grant Program, adopt the Grant Procedures and the Grant Application Agreement. Seconded CM Cook. Approved 5-0
- Motion CM Riazi to close the meeting to discuss a land purchase. Seconded CM Cook. Approved 5-0
- Motion CM Riazi to open the meeting. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved 5-0.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Meeting Agendas are updated on website: www.cheverly-md.gov and on Cheverly cable channel 71

Town Meeting broadcast LIVE on Cable 71 & Fios 35
Re-broadcast everyday at 9 am Noon & 10 PM

When filling out your **MARYLAND TAX RETURN**, please remember to fill in the **COUNTY AND CITY** boxes just under your address label. It is important that you print in **CHEVERLY** as your city, so that the town gets its correct share of Maryland Income Taxes.

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TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MON	Town Wide	YARD WASTE
MON	East side	Regular Garbage Pickup only
TUE	West side	Regular Garbage Pickup only
WED	Town wide	RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)
WED	Town wide	ELECTRONIC RECYCLING
THU	East side	Garbage & <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb)
FRI	West side	Garbage & <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb)

Residents should leave trash at the curb 7:00 PM the day before pickup. Trash must be placed in cans with tight fitting lids to ward off rodents.

BAMBOO is picked up on Thurs or Fri w/special trash (cut into 4' lengths, tied and bundled)

ELECTRONICS are picked up on **WEDNESDAY** with recycling. (TV's any size, computers (remove hard drive), monitors, keyboards, etc)

APPLIANCES - Washers, Dryers, Stoves, Dishwashers, Refrigerators/Freezers (remove doors), microwaves (any size) and air conditioners. \$20 fee for removal, contact office for schedule. 301-773-2666

HOLIDAYS? Public Works crews **DO NOT** work on Holidays. Collections on holidays are **CANCELLED**

MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL CONTACT INFO

Mayor: Mike Callahan	301-773-0248
Ward 1: Laila Riazi	202-258-6167
Ward 2: Mary Jane Coolen	240-696-1176
Ward 3: RJ Eldridge	301-773-7828
Ward 4: David Thorpe	301-773-7888
Ward 5:	Vacant
Ward 6: Carolyn Cook	202-256-2795

Email contact links at the website

Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee

Monthly Meeting Monday, January 9, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Monthly meeting on Green Plan implementation, including Sustainable Maryland certification. Cheverly Community Center, For more information visit the Green Plan website at www.GreenCheverly.org.

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendar for the next Green Infrastructure Committee meeting, which will be held on Monday, February 6. And, for a seminar on Native Landscaping on Wednesday, March 20th, featuring Professor Doug Tallamy, author of *Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife With Native Plants*.

The Cheverly United Methodist Church

TALENT SHOW - February 10, 2012 at 7:30 pm
Please plan to attend this very entertaining evening. Come and be amazed at all of the talent we have in Cheverly; singers, dancers, comedians, and much more! Tickets are \$5.00 per person, children 10 and under are free. Refreshments after the show will be served. All those interested in performing, please contact either Becky Virta (301-773-4922) or Cathy Smith (301-386-4394).

CUMC Annual Chili Supper

Tuesday, January 17, 2012 6:00 – 10:00pm Tickets Price information Adults \$10:00 Children 4 - 11 yrs old \$5.00 - Children 3 and under are free. Cold Weather makes thoughts of a delicious chili and cornbread dinner very appealing. The Amazing Graces Circle will prepare this fundraiser to satisfy that craving. Bring your family and Invite your friends and neighbors.

Share Food Packing in Hyattsville Saturday, January 21, 7:00 – 10:00 AM Combined Youth Activity of St. Ambrose Church

Children's Church (for children age 4 to 12 years) meets on Sundays, from 10:20 to 11:10 a.m. at Cheverly United Methodist Church. Featuring Bible stories, songs, games, and crafts. For more information, call the church at 301-773-1314 or mail Children@CheverlyUMC.org

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Cheverly Cub Scout Pack 257 collected and donated an estimated 370 pounds of food for hungry families in our area this holiday season. Through community service, and with the sponsorship of American Legion Post 108, Pack 257 is educating our cubs about citizenship, charity and moral character. This month it's off to the Pinewood Derby races! Cub Scouts is for boys grades 1-5. Join us! Contact Micah Watson at 240-603-9366 for more information.

Progressive Cheverly's Co-Chairs Lamar Thorpe and Madeleine Golde would like to extend a warm invitation to Cheverly families to Progressive Cheverly's annual Legislative Forum featuring Senator Victor Ramirez, Delegates Doyle Niemann, Jolene Ivey and Michael Summers. The forum is scheduled for Friday, January 20th, 7:00 pm at the Hoyer Montessori School's student cafeteria, 2300 Belleview Ave. Child care will be provided. Please contact Lamar Thorpe at lamarthorpe@gmail.com for more information.

Additional Events in January:

Regular Meeting: Thursday, January 5th, 2012, at 7:00pm. Topic: "Should Corporations Be Persons? Overturning the Citizens United Supreme Court ruling". Guest speaker Mark Hays, Public Citizen. At Hoyer Montessori School.

For more information, contact the Co-Charis at chair@progressivecheverly.org, visit us on Facebook, or visit www.progressivecheverly.org.

CAPS (Cheverly Advocates for Public Schools) is sponsoring our third annual School Fair, where parents can meet representatives from area schools (public and private) to learn about the options for Cheverly children. The fair will take place **Thursday, January 19th**, 6:30 - 8:30, (snow date is January 26) and will be held at the American Legion building here in Cheverly. Additional information will be shared via several Cheverly list serves as the date gets closer. If you have any questions, please contact Katharine Browning at kebsjunk@yahoo.com. Hope to see you there!

Woman's Club - We would like to thank everyone who helped with and participated in the gift basket raffle and Holiday Secret Shop this year. We'd especially like to thank the members and leaders of Girl Scout Troop #3072 who actually did the Secret Shop and the members of Progressive Cheverly who helped sell raffles at its holiday party. Congratulations to the raffle winners - Gabriela Popol, David Thorpe and Caroline Jarboe.

We were successful in raising a substantial amount of money for scholarships for Peace Camp 2012 as well as communicating to the community about Peace Camp. Partnering for peace is fun and valuable.

We hope parents who expressed an interest in sending their children to camp will continue to read this article in future months to learn the exact dates of camp and how to register. Hope everyone's holidays were joyous, happy, loving and peaceful!

Here's what the Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary School PTA is up to....

The GNS Library Corps is up and running! The Gazette recently ran an excellent article about the GNS Library Corps -- see <http://tinyurl.com/gnslibrary>. Our incredible volunteers are working in the school library and helping to alleviate the loss of our full-time media specialist due to county budget cuts. **Do you have time to volunteer?** To learn about easy and fun ways to make a really big difference for the students at your neighborhood elementary school, contact GNS PTA President Aimee Olivo at aimeeolivo@gmail.com or 202-210-0380. **The GNS PTA is seeking partnerships with stores and restaurants** to help us meet our goal of providing free dinner at PTA meetings, as well as food and other items for PTA-hosted events. If you are a business owner, or if you work for a business that might want to partner with the GNS PTA, contact GNS PTA Co-Vice President Jen Eldridge at jalleneldridge@yahoo.com or 240-271-9737.

Cheverly Working Moms is planning a trip to the Baltimore National Aquarium on Sunday January 29th. If you would like to join us please contact Casandra at borikuasalsera@yahoo.com. If you are a member of the aquarium and would be willing to invite a neighbor for the trip that would be greatly appreciated. For more information please go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CheverlyWorkingMoms/>

Community Bulletin Board

Cheverly Green Plan Officially Launched!

The *Cheverly Green Plan Summary* was printed and delivered to Cheverly homes in November. The publication is the culmination of three years of organizing, research, collecting community input, and writing and editing to craft a plan specialized for our community. It is truly a Cheverly publication, written and produced by local citizens, featuring many photographs by local photographers, and it was printed by the local eco-printing firm, MO-SAIC. If you have not received your copy of the *Green Plan Summary*, please contact Cynthia Robinson at 202.215.1054 or crr@pipeline.com. You can also read the *Green Plan Summary* and the entire text of the *Cheverly Green Plan* online at www.GreenCheverly.org.

To celebrate publication of the *Cheverly Green Plan Summary* and mark the transition of the Green Infrastructure Committee to the implementation phase, a formal kick-off event was held on November 19th, in conjunction with the Thanksgiving Market. The kick-off featured a Green Trail of the environmental projects at the Town Park, a Nature Trail hike, educational activities, information tables, a Green Treasure Hunt of Community Market vendors selling locally made products, and the opportunity to Test Your Green IQ and win prizes. A number of organizations participated with information displays and educational activities including the Cheverly Green Plan, Anacostia Watershed Society, Cheverly Community Gardens, Friends of Lower Beaver Dam Creek, Cheverly History Club, Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, Clear Water Nature Center, Dark Skies Program, ReGreen Program, Green Currents, and the Progressive Cheverly Environmental Committee. The Cheverly Brownie Troop assisted as guides for the Green Trail. Initiatives highlighted included composting, storm water retention, native landscaping, green building practices, wind power generation, recycling, and many others.

Design, printing and distribution of the Green Plan and the kick-off event were funded by a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust. Friends of Lower Beaver Dam Creek provided the grand raffle prize of a rain barrel.

As a result of the efforts of the Town Council and staff, residents, and organizations that have participated in greening activities in Cheverly, our town is now well on its way to fulfilling the requirements to achieve the distinction of Sustainable Maryland certification. And, we are part of a national effort to help preserve the health of local and regional waterways.

The event coordinators from the Green Plan Education and Outreach Working Group – Nicole Barone Callahan, Cynthia Robinson, Sheila Salo and Teresa Williams – extend their thanks to Mayor Callahan, the Cheverly Town Council, Town Administrator David Warrington

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and other participating town staff, the Chesapeake Bay Trust, and all of the participating organizations and individuals for making the November 19th kick-off a success. Now, on to implementation! The Green Infrastructure Committee is coordinating implementation of the Green Plan recommendations, outreach and partnerships. The Committee meets monthly, typically on the first Monday, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Community Center. All are welcome to attend and participate. For more information about actions you can take to make a difference right at your own home visit: <http://www.GreenCheverly.org>

Cheverly Parents Resource Center (CPRC)

We hope you have had a joyful time during the holiday season and that you are ready to enter the new year with renewed energy and strength! You are going to need that strength when you attend the fabulous **Family Dance** we are planning!

We hope that you'll join us on Friday, February 10, 2012, from 5:00pm to 7:30pm at Cheverly United Methodist Church as we dance the night away family style. If you would like to help out with the **Family Dance**, we welcome your assistance with food, setup, clean up, and more. For information or to volunteer, contact Audrey Ichida at amichida@hotmail.com. See you on the Dance Floor!

P.S. Mark your calendars for a Mommy (or Daddy) and Me Sign Language Class this Spring. Also, don't forget to join us Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for winter playgroup at the Cheverly Community Center from 9:30am until 11:30am. *Visit us on Facebook at CPRC.*

The Garden Club will meet on January 16 starting 7:00PM. Enter the Cheverly U M Church from the parking lot and take the elevator to the 4th floor. Casey and Dave Kneipp, Master Gardeners will be taking us on a trip to gardens they have visited. They do great photography and they see things the way a traveler/tourist does. It will wet your appetite to travel....some far and some not so far. Refreshments will be served. No charge. February will have Gene Sumai, Homestead Gardens, demonstrating how and when to prune...There may be a field trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show by bus leaving from Cheverly. That will be first week in March. Details to follow. Everyone is invited to come to the meetings and you are invited to join the club. The club is over 56 years old and welcomes ALL.

STREET	ADDRESS	Second Pickup Date
Entire Town		Feb. 21- 24
Arbor Street	6100 – 6199	Jan. 5
Belleview Avenue	2300-2398 (even)	Feb. 7
Belleview Avenue	2301-2399 (odd)	Feb. 9
Belleview Avenue	2700-2799	Jan. 5
Belleview Avenue	2800-2899	Jan. 24
Belleview Avenue	3000-3599	Jan. 24
Benton Road	5900-5999	Feb. 7
Carlyle Street	5700-5899	Feb. 2
Cedar Street	6500-6514	Jan. 17
Cheverly Avenue	2200-2799	Jan. 5
Cheverly Avenue	2800-3598 (even)	Jan. 24
Cheverly Avenue	2801-3599 (odd)	Feb. 10
Cheverly Circle	#1-#27	Jan .5
Cheverly Circle	6100-6199	Jan. 5
Cheverly Hills Ct.	3200-3220	Jan. 13
Cheverly Oaks Ct.	2900-2923	Jan. 17
Cheverly Park Drive	6200-6299	Jan. 6
Columbia Park Road	(in Town)	Jan. 20
Crest Avenue	2500-2899	Feb. 2
Crest Avenue	3000-3299	Jan. 24
Crestlawn Avenue	2300-2399	Jan. 6
Dewey Street	5800-5899	Feb. 2
Euclid Street	5700-5799	Feb. 3
Euclid Street	5901-6099	Feb. 7
Forest Road	5700-5799	Feb. 3
Forest Road	5900-6098 even	Jan. 26
Forest Road	5901-6299 odd	Jan. 10
Forest Road	6100-6298 even	Feb. 10
Forest Road	6405-6499	Jan. 20
Greenleaf Road	5600-5699	Feb. 3
Greenleaf Road	5701-5899 (odd)	Feb. 3
Greenleaf Road	5700-5898 (even)	Jan. 26
Greenleaf Ct.		Jan. 26
Hawthorne Street	5600-5699	Feb. 3
Hawthorne Street	6000-6099	Jan. 26
Hillside Avenue	2800-3199	Jan. 17
Hillside Avenue	3200-3299	Jan. 19

STREET	ADDRESS	Second Pickup Date
Hillside Avenue	2800-3199	Jan. 17
Hillside Avenue	3200-3299	Jan. 19
Inwood Street	5600-5699	Jan. 27
Inwood Street	6000-6099	Jan. 26
Inwood Street	6100-6299	Feb. 14
Inwood Street	6300-6499	Jan .13
Jason Street	5600-5799	Jan. 27
Jason Street	6300-6399	Jan .13
Joslyn Place	6300-6399	Jan. 13
Jutewood Avenue	1607	Jan. 12
Kilmer Street	6000-6099	Jan. 27
Kilmer Street	6100-6299	Feb. 14
Lake Avenue	2300-2599	Feb. 7
Lake Avenue	2700-2799	Jan. 10
Lake Avenue	3000-3199	Jan. 27
Landover Road	5611-6099 (odd)	Jan. 31
Landover Road	6101-6299 (odd)	Feb. 14
Landover Road	6305-6511 (odd)	Jan. 13
Landover Road	6513-6531 (odd)	Jan. 13
Laurel Avenue	2800-3499	Feb. 14
Lockwood Road	5600-5999	Jan. 27
Lombard Avenue	6100-6299	Dec. 20
Maureen Court	6500-6599	Jan. 19
Medical Terrace	5900-5999	Jan. 24
Monroe Street	5625-5627 (odd)	Jan. 31
Monroe Street	5700-5799	Jan. 31
Monroe Street	6200-6299	Feb. 14
Montrose Road	6100-6199	Dec. 20
Newton Street	5518-5614 (even)	Jan. 31
Newton Street	5700-5899	Jan. 31
Oak Forest Road	6500-6509	Jan. 17
Oak Street	6500-6599	Jan. 19
Oak Street	6600-6604 (even)	Jan. 19
Oak Street	6601-6609 (odd)	Jan. 19
Oakton Way	6400-6403	Jan. 17

STREET	ADDRESS	Second Pickup Date
Parkway	2800-3199	Dec. 20
Parkway	2200-2399	Jan. 6
Parkway	2401-2699 (odd)	Jan. 6
Parkway	2400-2698 (even)	Jan. 10
Parkway Place	2700-2799	Jan. 10
Quincy Street	5543-5545 (odd)	Jan. 31
Reed Street	6000-6098 (even)	Jan. 12
State Street	6000-6299	Jan. 12
Tremont Avenue	2900-3399	Feb. 2
Valleyway	2400-2800	Feb. 9
Wayne Court	6200-6299	Jan. 6
Wayne Place	2500-2599	Jan. 6
Woodway Place	2800-2909	Jan. 17
56 th Place	2900-2999	Feb. 3
57 th Avenue	2500-2699	Feb. 2
57 th Avenue	3501-3507 (odd)	Jan. 31
58 th Place	3600-3699	Jan. 31
59 th Place	2400-2499	Feb. 9
59 th Avenue	2410-2421	Feb. 9
61 st Avenue	1700-1899	Jan. 12
62 nd Avenue	1700-1899	Jan. 12
62 nd Place	Alley	Jan. 20
63 rd Place	2800-2899	Jan. 3
63 rd Place	3100-3199	Jan. 13
63 rd Avenue	2800-3099	Jan. 3
63 rd Avenue	3100-3199	Jan. 20
64 th Avenue	1800-1899	Jan. 12
64 th Avenue	2800-2898	Jan. 3
64 th Avenue	2900-2999	Jan. 17
64 th Avenue	3315,3321,3323	Jan. 19

LEAF COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Vacuum Leaves:

- Rake leaves between the curb and sidewalk - **not on the street or sidewalk**
- Please do not rake your leave too early. 2 days prior to your collection day is permitted. Be considerate of your neighbors who have bagged their leaves. Remember the wind plays havoc with loose leaves.
- Keep leaves free of twigs, branches, metal, concrete and other debris that can jam or damage the equipment.
- Please do not park cars on the street on the assigned collection day.

Bag Leaves: Yard waste is collected on **Mondays**.

Put bags at the curb on Sunday evening. Use **CLEAR PLASTIC BAGS** (sold at Town Hall or Public Works - \$5 for 50 bags). Yard waste includes leaves, grass, brush, twigs, etc. Do not put any dirt, rocks, or other trash/debris in these bags.

Bamboo is collected on Thursday or Friday w/ bulk trash. Tied and bundled in 4' lengths.

If you have any questions, please call Public Works at 301-773-2666.

Be the first to call the Mayor at 301-773-0248 and receive two free rolls of leave bags.

MONTHLY RECYCLING DATA November 2011

Electronic Recycling - 3 pallots

Appliances - 13

Curb Recycling - 58.5 tons

CHEVERLY RECREATION COUNCIL

Come on down to our next meeting, Tuesday January 24th at 7 PM in the conference room at the Community Center. Our meetings are open to anyone, so feel free to attend one or all of them.

Thank you to all those residents who share so much of their time and energy to help make Cheverly a caring, active community and "Great Place to Call Home!" We wish you, and those you love Peace and Joy throughout 2012



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Administration	301-773-8360
Police Admin & Code Enforcement	301-341-1055
Public Works (M-F: 7:30-4)	301-773-2666
Maryland Relay	711
FAX	301-773-0173
If you need a Police Officer call:	301-352-1200

WEB SITE: www.cheverly-md.gov

Email "[Contact The Town](#)" button at the Website

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GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Mon	Jan 2	NEW YEARS DAY - Offices Closed
Wed	Jan 11	7:00 PM C-Pact Meeting
Thurs	Jan 12	8:00 PM TOWN MEETING
Mon	Jan 16	M.L. King Day - Offices Closed
Tues	Jan 24	7:00 PM REC Meeting
Thurs	Jan 26	7:30 PM WORKSESSION

NOTE: When schools close due to inclement weather, the gym and Community Center are closed as well.

Mayor's FYI
Mayor's 2011 Year in Review
Monthly Reclycling Data
Second Half Leaf Collection Schedule
Snow emergency instructions
Parking stickers for 2012

COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

- **Cheverly Cub Scout Troop 257** article
- **Women's Club** thank you
- **Gladys Noon Spellman School PTA**
- **CUMC** Chili Supper, Talent Show
- **Progressive Cheverly Meeting** - January 5, 7:00 pm
- **Cheverly Green Infrastructure** - January 9, 7:30pm
- **The Garden Club** - January 16, 7:00 pm
- **CAPS** - School Fair - January 19, 6:30-8:30
- **Progressive Cheverly Forum**—January 20, 7:00pm
- **Cheverly Working Moms** - Aquarium visit January 29
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