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**FYI**

**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.*

**Looking Forward to Spring:** Hopefully by the time the Newsletter arrives at your door, Spring will be in the air. We've had a long winter and as of March 23<sup>rd</sup>, winter is still with us. However, May is right around the corner and when May comes Cheverly jumps into action. So get ready for Truck Touch, The Garden Club Plant Sale, the Community Market, Peace Month, and of course Cheverly Day.

The Newsletter is a great resource for information about Town events, so please take a moment to skim through and see what is happening in town. Our community organizations give so much of their time to make every event special. Please take a moment to attend some of these events, I'm willing to bet you'll have a great time and make new friends.

**The Budget is coming, the Budget is coming:** The Town Administrator is busy putting the last touches on Cheverly's 2015 Annual Budget, and he will be presenting the first draft to the Town Council on April 10<sup>th</sup>. (A desk copy will be available for review at Town Hall.)

Once the budget is presented to the Town Council the budget process moves rapidly. The Town Council will consider the budget in their April 24<sup>th</sup>, May 8<sup>th</sup>, and May 22<sup>nd</sup> Town Council Meetings. Every resident is welcome to attend these sessions and provide input.

Last year I provided a detailed overview of Cheverly's revenues and expenses. Rather than use a lot of newsletter space, I invite you to go on-line and re-read the newsletters from March and April of last year to find out where the

money comes from and where it goes. [http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD\\_Newsletters/index](http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD_Newsletters/index)

**How does the Budget look so far?** As reported in previous newsletters, the town is in excellent financial condition. Our year ending FY2013 Fund Balance is slightly more than \$2M. While we don't have a complete picture of the results from FY2014, we expect that we will continue to have a strong fund balance heading into FY2015.

While I know this may sound repetitive, this is the result of a three year financial plan the Town Council put into place in FY2013. At that time we raised the Town's Tax Rate, which due to significant drops in home assessments effectively froze tax revenues at FY2012 levels. The Town Council also put in place measures to limit spending during this three year period, while attempting to find new sources of revenue. FY2015 is the last year of this three year plan and it looks like we will be successful exceeding the goals laid out in FY2013.

However, in FY2015 we anticipate needing to spend more money on Capital Improvements in the town. The major expenditure will be re-paving roads. If you recall, we allocated \$300K on road projects in last year budget. This money has not been spent, and most likely won't be spent until FY2015 (July) because WSSC has not completed their work. The Town Council plans to add approximately \$250K to this fund in FY2015.

Mayor FYI cont'd

**What Capital Projects are being Considered?** Below is a list of projects that the Town Council reviewed in the February Worksession, and will be discussed throughout the budget process. Please don't be overly concerned about the estimates associated with the line items below. The estimates will be fine-tuned as we progress in the process. The Capital items are listed in a draft priority order.

We will not be able to fund all of these items in the coming year, so some will be moved to other fiscal years, some will be pared down and others simply eliminated.

(M) Bond Payment for Police Station	\$107,950
(M) Purchase Payment for Refuse Vehicle	\$ 80,000
(M) Town Park Stage Construction	\$148,000
(H) Repaving Streets w/WSSC	\$250,000
(H) Building Security System	\$ 90,000
(H) Paving/Redesign of Lydell Circle	\$130,000
(H) Resurfacing Cheverly Public Works Yard	\$ 63,000
(H) Two new police vehicles	\$ 80,000
(O) Town Park Field Repairs	\$ 12,500
(O) New Septic Tanks	\$ 8,000
(O) Pinkey's Park Additional Landscaping	\$ 10,000
(O) Magruder Springs Steps	\$ 18,000
(O) Continuation of Hiker Biker Trail	\$ 15,000
(O) Town Park Stormwater Construction	\$ 45,000
(O) 64th Street Stormwater Design	\$ 20,000
(O) Raised Crosswalk Jason Street	\$ 10,000
(O) Portable Anti Vandalism Cameras (each)	\$ 7,000

M = Mandatory

H = High

O = Other

**Guess Who's Coming to Town?** Ledo's Pizza will soon be coming to the Aldi Shopping Center. Current plans (which seemingly always get delayed) call for the Ledo's to open by late summer. The shopping center management company indicated that the Nail Shop has closed, the Chinese Restaurant will move to the Nail Shop space and Ledo's will move into the space where the Chinese Space was. While details are few, Ledo's does expect to have sit down area inside.

**Why is that Large Lot Empty East of Route 50 on Route 202?** Just east of the Landover Metro Center a multi acre lot has remained vacant for over 7 years. Recently Stanley-Martin a development company purchased the rights to develop the lot and is planning to build a community of townhomes and two over two condos. Floor plans for the Condos will range from 1,400 to 2,200 SF and the Townhomes will be larger.

The Town Council and the Cheverly Planning Board have long advocated for more mixed use taller development as the site is so near to Metro. However, the site was initially approved through the Preliminary Site Plan (PSP) and Detailed Site Plan (DSP) process as it is currently designed. Due to minor changes in the layout of the development, the builder will need to once again go through the PSP and DSP process. Construction is not expected until at least summer of 2015.

**Well, What about the Old Tuxedo / Cheverly Fire Station?** New Horizons, is an organization dedicated to the training of developmentally disabled individuals for the purpose of providing meaningful employment and assisting workers to enter the mainstream workforce. New Horizons has experienced significant success in fulfilling this mission. Prince George's County gave them a 20 year lease for the building, in an effort to help them achieve this mission.

This will be New Horizon's third location. Their primary location is in the Trade Zone area off Route 301. The Fire Station location will house 45 people, 20 staff and 25 developmentally disabled workers. Their hours of operation are primarily 8:00am to 5:00pm. The primary work function performed at the Fire Station will be document shredding.

I had the opportunity to discuss the facility with Peter Holden the leader of the organization this month. He indicated he wanted very much for his business to become part of the fabric of Cheverly. All recycling will happen inside the building and all storage will happen in the building. Peter indicated a willingness to work with community organizations and potentially identify opportunities for utilizing meeting rooms in the building after hours. More later...



Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary Essay Contest  
Winners

Mayor FYI cont'd

**Spring Stream Cleaning:** On March 20<sup>th</sup> over 150 students on their Spring Break could be seen in Boyd Park, chanting, dancing, picking up trash and removing invasive weeds. These students from Students Today Leaders Forever (STLF) came from across the Midwest to partner with the Earth Conservation Corps (ECC) and Cheverly's own Friends of Little Beaverdam Creek. This is the ninth year this event has been held at Boyd Park, focusing on cleaning Little Beaverdam Creek.

Unfortunately, every year these students continue to pull bottles, bags, tires, styrofoam cups and more from our streams. We are extremely thankful for this yearly visit and will be thanking both the ECC and STLF with a small grant from the town.

Next year we hope to have a major 10th Anniversary celebration when they come to town. Please keep your eyes open for this event next March.

**Little Leaders for Tomorrow:** Speaking of Spring Cleaning. I was told a wonderful story about two lovely young ladies who decided to venture out into the community with their wagon and pick up litter from our streets. Apparently, they were playing in their yard when they saw some litter and then went to pick it up. Seeing more, they just kept working. Using the bags they found on the street and their wagon they cleaned up the neighborhood. Special thanks to Emily and Ella Daniels, and let's all chip in to help them out.



**CUMC Welcomes Bishop Matthews:** On February 23<sup>rd</sup>, the congregation of Cheverly United Methodist Church welcomed their Bishop for the first time in over 50 years. The service and celebration was delightful and many of our neighboring local congregations attended providing the music and prayer for the service. Also in attendance were County Executive Rushern Baker, Senator Ramirez, and Delegates Ivey and Summers. The Town Council presented the Bishop with a Proclamation in his honor and presented him with a Cheverly Coverlet. The coverlet seemed particularly appropriate as it proudly displays the CUMC building.



## ARBOR DAY

April 9, 2014

(Contact Public Works  
for location)

### SPRING FLEA MARKET

The Spring Flea Market sponsored by the Recreation Council will be held on Saturday, April 5th from 9 am to 2 pm at the Community Center. Come rain or shine, it's indoors!. Tables Are \$15, reservations start Friday, March 1st. Call Barbara at 301-773-5883. There will be lots of great bargains, good food and Wonderful baked goods.



**The Cheverly Recreation Council** will sponsor the John "Dent" Wilson Scholarship. There are two \$500 college scholarships to be awarded to a Cheverly resident who is enrolled full time in a academic or vocational post secondary education program for the 2013-2014 academic year. For applications call Judy DeLeonibus at 301-386-4251.



**Recreation Council** - April meeting will be Tues., April 22rd at 7PM in the conference room at the Community Center. Topic will be the summer play-ground and the Scholarship.



*Message from the Chief* Buddy Robshaw  
([policechief@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:policechief@cheverly-md.gov))

**WARNING: HOAX SUSPECTED IN "FIRE INSPECTION SCHEME"** - The Prince

George's County Fire/Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Department has been made aware of a possible scheme to defraud County residents of money. The Office of the Fire Marshal has received several inquiries and a copy of a flyer that is being distributed seeking a \$25 payment for a "fire inspection." The flyer carries a title of FIRE PREVENTION OFFICE and their address.

If you have received one of these flyers, do not pay any money and contact the Fire/EMS Department Office of the Fire Marshal at 301-583-1830 or the Cheverly Police directly. If someone passing out these flyers confronts you, call 9-1-1 immediately and report the incident. The Fire/EMS Department does charge fire inspection fees in certain circumstances, however, they have indicated they would never solicit inspections or fees in this method.

All true Fire Inspectors will display a badge and credentials identifying themselves as a member of the Fire/EMS Department. If you have a question or concern about the ID of a Fire/EMS Department employee call 301-583-2200. The Fire/EMS Department 24-hour Watch Office maintains an updated roster with all employees names and will be able to verify identify of anyone in question. If you feel threatened at any time, call 911.

**PEPCO WARNS CUSTOMERS OF FAKE INVOICES**

– PEPCO is warning its customers that scammers posing as third-party energy suppliers are sending fake utility bills via email to some utility customers around the County. The email asks that customers click on a link contained within the email. It is suspected that, by clicking the link, the customer's computer could become infected with a virus or malware.

Pepco asks customers to only pay their utility bill by visiting [pepco.com](http://pepco.com) or by sending the hard copy of the remittance portion of the invoice through the mail. Customers should not open any email asking that payment be made on their utility bill unless sent by PEPCO or by the customers' respective third party energy supplier.

Many companies, including Pepco, contact customers in person or via phone for various reasons. If someone claims to represent a company, whether the company is PEPCO or another entity, it is important that customers take precautions to verify that the person is affiliated with the company, especially if that person is requesting an immediate monetary payment. When addressing past due accounts,

PEPCO never endorses a specific form of payment. Instead, multiple payment options are always given to the customer.

PEPCO advises customers to ask for official photo identification from any person who shows up at their door. Employees from reputable companies, such as PEPCO, will carry official company identification cards. If proper identification cannot be produced, customers should notify the Cheverly Police and the company with whom the individual claims to be associated.

Similarly, if someone calls saying they represent a certain company, customers should ask them to verify their identity and affiliation. If customers have any doubt about the validity of a person's claim to represent PEPCO, they should call the company immediately at 202-833-7500.

**C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH RESIDENT RADIO PROGRAM MEETING** – The next joint meeting of

C-PACT (Cheverly – Police And Citizens Together), Cheverly's Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program is scheduled for Wed, May 14, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Department's conference room.

**SPEED TRAILER DATA FOR THE 5800 BLOCK OF DEWEY STREET** – During the month of February, 2014,

a total of 2,458 vehicles utilized the 5800 block of Dewey Street. Of that total, 94% of the vehicles were detected doing less than 19 mph. In addition, 149 vehicles were detected doing less than 24 mph, 10 vehicles were detected doing greater than 30 mph, and only 1 vehicle was detected doing in excess of 39 mph.

**TELEPHONE NUMBERS** –

<b>Police Emergency</b>	<b>9-1-1</b>
<b>Nonemergency Calls for Dispatch</b>	<b>(301) 352-1200</b>
<b>Cheverly Police</b>	<b>(301) 341-1055</b>
<b>Cheverly Police Facsimile</b>	<b>(301) 341-0176</b>
<b>Cheverly Photo Enforcement</b>	<b>(240) 770-7641</b>
<b>P. G. Towing (Towing Vendor)</b>	<b>(301) 220-1170</b>
<b>Cheverly Investigators</b>	<b>(301) 789-8551</b>
	<b>(301) 852-8457</b>
<b>To Open Closed Town Facilities</b>	<b>(301) 789-5090</b>

**Message from the Chief cont'd**

Crime Report for February 2014 (All addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)

02-02-14	1811 Hrs	4800 Lydell Rd	B&E
02-05-14	1407 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
02-06-14	1444 Hrs	6000 Landover Rd	Theft
02-07-14	0339 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	B&E
02-08-14	0024 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Robbery
02-16-14	0343 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	Stolen Veh
02-16-14	0822 Hrs	588 Carlyle Street	Theft
02-17-14	1303 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft
02-17-14	1809 Hrs	2800 Cheverly Ave	Assault (Arrest)
02-18-14	2351 Hrs	6000 Landover Rd	Assault (Arrest)
02-19-14	1404 Hrs	4800 Lydell Road	Assault
02-25-14	1014 Hrs	6100 Landover Rd	B&E

**RECYCLING TOTALS**

**February 2014**

Curb Recycling— 44.38 tons  
Electronic Recycling — 3 pallets  
Appliances — 3



**ORDER MULCH NOW**

Mulch is now available for delivery from the Public Works Department. Applications can be found on the Cheverly Website: [www.cheverly-md.gov](http://www.cheverly-md.gov) under Public Works. Mulch is still only \$20 for a truck load (2 scoops)

Meeting Agendas are updated on website:

[www.cheverly-md.gov](http://www.cheverly-md.gov)

**Town Meeting broadcast LIVE on Cable 71 & Fios 35. Re-broadcast everyday at noon, 6:00 PM & 10:00 PM. Also available via your computer on the website: [www.cheverly-md.gov](http://www.cheverly-md.gov) under Meetings**

*Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted*

**ACTIONS TAKEN**

**Worksession - February 27, 2014**

- Motion CM Cook to excuse CM Thorpe & CM Coolen. Seconded CM Eldridge. Approved. 4-0. CM Rodgers. Mayor cast the 4th affirmative vote.

**Town Meeting - March 13, 2014**

- Motion CM Eldridge to excuse CM Cook. Seconded CM Rodgers. Approved 5-0.
- Motion CM Riazi to authorize the Town Administrator to execute the 3 year lease/purchase agreement for the purchase of a refuse vehicle in the amount of \$226,738. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved. 5-0
- Motion CM Thorpe to close the meeting to discuss a potential land acquisition. Seconded CM Rodgers. Approved 5-0.
- Motion CM Riazi to open the meeting. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved 5-0.

**TENTATIVE AGENDA**

**Town Meeting— April 10, 2014**

- Second Reading O-3-14 Trash Collection
- Second Reading O-4-14 Rental Housing Licenses
- Introduction FY15 Operating Budget and C.I.P.

**Worksession— April 24, 2014**

## **TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE**

**MON Town Wide YARD WASTE (Paper Bags Only)**

**MON East side Regular Garbage Pickup only**

**TUE West side Regular Garbage Pickup only**

**WED Town wide RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)**

**THU East side Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (at curb)**

**FRI West side Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (at curb)**

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

**BAMBOO** is picked up with Thursday/Friday Special Trash. Tied up and bundled not longer than 4'

**ELECTRONICS** are picked up on Wednesday with recycling. TV's any size, computers (remove hard drive), monitors, keyboards, etc. Place these items next to your recycle bucket.

**APPLIANCES**-Washers, dryers, stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators/freezers (remove doors) microwaves (any size), A/C units (any size) - \$20 for removal, contact Public Works at 301-773-2666

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

## **REMEMBER PAPER BAGS ONLY FOR YARD WASTE ON MONDAY**

***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. Cheverly teenagers can call the town office 301-773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list

Aswan Mangrum	301-609-0585
Ben Hartmann	301-772-6596
Dorian Dixon	301-322-1075
Malik & Tyreq McAdoo	301-832-1576
Andrew Priest	301-772-6028

## **Community Bulletin Board**

**THE WOMAN'S CLUB** - Club members and partners are preparing to serve Cheverly's favorite "chicken salad" (and other food) at the Rec Council Flea Market. It's on Saturday, April 5 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Community Center. **COME ONE! COME ALL!** Help raise funds for our Summer Peace Camp 2014. Also, with May just around the corner, we're beginning work on Peace Calendar 2014. If you, your family, group, organization, school, church, or anyone else you know would like to include an item on the calendar, let us know. If you're not sure what this is all about, contact Joyce Lang at [joycelang@verizon.net](mailto:joycelang@verizon.net) for more information.

**Save the dates** - Peace Camp will be held from Monday, July 28 - Friday, August 1 at the American Legion (Thanks again to the American Legion and all the folks who are so generous in helping us.) Details can be found at [www.lffp.org](http://www.lffp.org) and more will follow. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, May 6 at Fratelli's at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited...learn more about who we are, what we do for our community and peace...and, oh yes... have some fun

**SAVE THE DATE! CHV Prom 2014** is on Friday, May 30th from 8:00pm - 12:00am. CHV Prom kicks off Cheverly Day with music, dancing, great food, drinks and lots of prizes! Start brainstorming with your friends now to win the "Best Decorated Table" contest!

Tickets will go on sale Monday, April 21st and sell out quickly every year! Individual tickets are \$15 per person or you can buy a full table of 12 for \$180. All table reservations must be made with a payment!

Individual tickets and tables of 12 will be sold at Town Hall during normal business hours. OR you can purchase a table directly from committee member, Lane Thompson Contact her at [lane.thompson@yahoo.com](mailto:lane.thompson@yahoo.com) OR call her at (202) 674-6898

Your input is needed! Please contact Jennifer Daniels at [jenniferhdaniels@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferhdaniels@gmail.com) if you have any questions, or would like to volunteer for planning, set-up, or cleanup

# Community Bulletin Board

**The Cheverly Boys and Girls Club** is a non-profit organization run by volunteers that was established in 1975 and remains committed to the mission of character building, integrity and teamwork. Registration is now open. Don't miss out on the opportunity to register your school-aged children for a year filled with activity and fun, register now! The Club is offering a ten (\$10) dollar discount if you register your child or children before April 15, 2014. Register on-line at [www.cheverlybgc.org](http://www.cheverlybgc.org). Please email Tanisha Edmonds at [Jdtani@gmail.com](mailto:Jdtani@gmail.com) if you have questions concerning registration. Each child must be registered with the Cheverly Boys & Girls Club to participate.

## ANNUAL BANQUET

The Cheverly Boys & Girls Club Annual Banquet is being held on Sunday, April 6, 2014 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM at the Cheverly Community Center. Meal provided by Three Brothers Italian Restaurant. \$5 per adult. Children eat free. Please rsvp at 301-346-9818 or [awardsbanquet.cbgc@gmail.com](mailto:awardsbanquet.cbgc@gmail.com)

## BASEBALL, SOFTBALL & T-BALL

The Cheverly Boys and Girls Club will be forming six (6) baseball teams, two (2) softball teams and four (4) T-ball teams for the 2014 Spring Season.

**Baseball:** 8 & Under Kid Pitch; 8 & Under Machine Pitch; 8 & Under Coach Pitch / Contact: Joe Ruddy at [Joe.Ruddy.cbgc@gmail.com](mailto:Joe.Ruddy.cbgc@gmail.com)  
10 & Under Minor Team / Coach: Carl Maxwell at [C\\_Maxwell@acs.org](mailto:C_Maxwell@acs.org)  
12 & Under Major Team / Coach: Ritzer Cruz at [ritzerlinda@verizon.net](mailto:ritzerlinda@verizon.net)  
14 & Under Prep Team / Contact: Joe Ruddy at [Joe.Ruddy.cbgc@gmail.com](mailto:Joe.Ruddy.cbgc@gmail.com) if you have any questions.  
(Age as of April 30, 2014)

**Softball:** Two teams are being formed for the 2014 Spring Season, 14 & Under and 10 & Under. Please contact Luanne Smith at [luannemsmith@hotmail.com](mailto:luannemsmith@hotmail.com) if you have any questions. (Age as of April 30, 2014)

**T-Ball:** Evaluations will be held on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM & Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the Cheverly Town Park. (Children ages 4 (as of 9/1/2014), 5 and 6 are eligible to play in the T-Ball League).

Please email Joe Ruddy at [Joe.Ruddy.cbgc@gmail.com](mailto:Joe.Ruddy.cbgc@gmail.com) if you have any questions concerning Baseball or T-Ball and Luanne Smith at [luannemsmith@hotmail.com](mailto:luannemsmith@hotmail.com) for questions about Softball.

## Cheverly Parents Resource Center (CPRC)

**Sat. April 5, 8:30am-2pm: Toy Sale at the Cheverly Flea Market** Is your toy box overflowing? Do the kids need some new diversions? Donate your toys to CPRC, and then shop our sale at the Flea Market to support our organization! To donate, please drop off gently used children's gear, toys and books (no clothing at this time) from 3pm-5pm or 6:30pm-9:30pm on Friday night (April 4<sup>th</sup>) to the CPRC tables at the Community Center. Then, join us from 8:30am-2pm on Sat. (April 5<sup>th</sup>) for our choose-what-you-pay sale! All proceeds will benefit CPRC.

**April 14-18<sup>th</sup>: CPRC's Spring Break Week** Dreading the scramble to find activities for your kiddos during Spring Break? Join CPRC for our special Spring Break week-o'-fun! To register for an event, please visit our website at [www.cheverlyparent.org](http://www.cheverlyparent.org) or check the listserv for details.

**Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**, 9:45am-11am at Silver Stars Gym: Let out some energy for our first day of fun with an hour of open gym time at Silver Stars, 14201 Woodcliff Ct., Bowie. \$5/child, cash only (pay upon arrival.) Registration required.

**Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**, 9:45am-11:30am at Oxon Hill Farm: Meet the cow, take a hayride, and learn about your favorite farm animals at the "Animal Life on the Farm" program! This event is geared towards the Pre-K to 1<sup>st</sup> grade age group. Event is free, but registration is required!

**Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**, 9:45am-11:30am at Joyful Jumps: Jump, slide and climb through Bowie's popular indoor play area located at 6858 Race Track Road. \$6/child, cash only (pay upon arrival.) Registration required.

**Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**, 10am at "Dragon" Park: Pack a lunch and get ready for some outdoor fun as we visit South Bowie Community Center Park at 1717 Pittsfield Lane, Bowie. Free; no registration required.

**Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**, 9:45am-11:30am at the National Arboretum Youth Garden: Learn all about plants and how they affect our lives on the "Garden Basics" guided tour at the Youth Garden. This event is geared towards ages 3 and up, but younger children are welcome to play in the adjacent play space. Pack a lunch and enjoy the rest of the Arboretum after our tour! \$3/child, cash only (pay upon arrival.) Registration required.

## Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am-11:45am: New Parent/Infant Caregiver Meet-Up

Have an infant who's not quite ready for playgroup? Come to Shortcake Bakery (4700 Rhode Island Avenue in Hyattsville) to support a local business and to get to know other new parents!

# Community Bulletin Board

## Cheverly American Legion

**Saturday, April 5 – 5-8 PM—Cheverly Post 108 Second Annual Chili Cook-Off!** Please join the community for this and be part of this one-of-a-kind event. We look forward to having you. Guest tickets at the door will be \$15, which includes chili and one free drink. For more information visit [http://www.cheverlyamericanlegion.org/chili\\_cookoff\\_2014.html](http://www.cheverlyamericanlegion.org/chili_cookoff_2014.html)

**Every Friday at 7:30 PM – Queen of Hearts Game and Open Night.** The Dugout (downstairs) is open to friends, families and neighbors of Cheverly. We encourage everyone to be special guests of the American Legion Family, including all nonprofit organizations in Cheverly to join us. Let's have fun in our close-knit community! The Queen of Hearts Game is simple – each week one lucky person gets the chance to search for the Queen of Hearts on a Board (from a deck of cards). The game continues each week until a winner finds the Queen of Hearts.

## **Cheverly Working Moms (CWM) Civic**

**Association -** This past fall CWM successful incorporated as a non-profit with the state of Maryland. Now we are looking to make the next step, gaining that treasured tax-deductible status with the federal government. Obtaining tax-deductible status will open many doors and greatly increase CWM's ability to meet its goal of being an able to increase the community engagement and opportunities for working moms and promote educational activities for all children in the community. But, no surprise, there's plenty of fees involved! To raise the money to make this process possible CWM is holding a Franklin's Fundraisers on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Please come out and give us your support! Just visit Franklins any time on the 8<sup>th</sup>. You can eat at the restaurant, order takeout, or shop in their amazing general store, including their excellent microbrew beers, an expanded wine selection, and the coolest toys on earth! Tell them you are there to support CWM when you pay your bill and 20 % of the total will go to the group. Franklins: 5121 Baltimore Ave, Hyattsville, <http://www.franklinsbrewery.com/>. We thank you for your support in advance and hope to see you there!!

Spring Came.....It is here for us to enjoy.....The **CHEVERLY GARDEN CLUB IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE** the recipient of the LIFELONG LEARNING GRANT for 2014. The recipient is SAM VIRTA, who will be studying the causes and consequences of global change at the University of Maryland College Park.

Our speaker for the April 21 meeting is a BEEKEEPER. This is something ALL gardeners should find interesting. We are potting plants that will be offered at the May plant sale. If there is something you may have wanted at last year's sale but did not buy...let one of our members know. The Caladiums will be in by the end of April on a first come first buy basis. FYI There are so many interesting talk and visit information that are sent to us and we will try to keep you posted. Remember to visit the US Arboretum off New York Ave.....one of the best kept secrets in Washington. It is a great place for a traditional Washington DC Egg Roll and Picnic with family and friends. The Azaleas should be open and beautiful.....The Arbor House is run by the National Capitol Area Garden Clubs and has wonderful gifts, etc. in the shop. Come to a meeting....7:00PM at the CUMC usually 4th floor.....like John Bartram.... we are "a dirt under the nails club" Ann Gardenhour 301 773 1991

## **CHEVERLY GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE**

**COMMITTEE -** Monthly Meeting: Mon, April 7, 2014, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center. Monthly meeting to report progress on Cheverly greening efforts and plan next steps and new initiatives. In implementing the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan, your Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee is working on projects in education, planning, and research.

All are welcome to join in the activities of the committee! Contact [sheila.salo@gmail.com](mailto:sheila.salo@gmail.com) to request a copy of the agenda. For more information on the Cheverly Green Plan and greening activities visit: [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org).

## **St. Ambrose Summer Camp 2014**

A non-refundable, non-transferable registration fee of \$25 a week per child is due by May 9th. Registration fees will increase by \$10 per child after 5/9. Weekly tuition will not increase this year! \$200.00 per week per child, sibling discount available

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## Spellman PTA Update

**Franklin's Fundraiser:** Please join us at Franklin's on Mon, April 7th for a Spellman PTA fundraiser! Just go to Franklin's (5121 Baltimore Ave. in Hyattsville) on April 7, anytime between 11am and 9pm - whether it's for lunch, dinner, drinks or shopping in the general store. Give your receipt to the cashier on your way out and tell them you're there for the Spellman PTA fundraiser, and 20% of your entire bill will come back to us! No reservations are required.

**Kindergarten Open House:** On Wed, April 9th from 9:30-11:00am, Principal Susan Holiday will host an open house for parents and families of children who will begin kindergarten at Spellman this fall. This is a great opportunity to see the school and the classrooms, meet the principal and teachers, and get your questions answered.

**Outdoor Movie Night:** On Friday, April 25th we will host our second Outdoor Movie Night at Spellman. Everyone is invited to come watch the recent hit family movie "Frozen" on a huge, inflatable outdoor screen! Doors open at 7:30pm, and the movie will start promptly at 8:00pm. As this is a PTA fundraiser, we will charge a small admission fee of \$3 per person (\$12 maximum per family) at the door. Snacks and glow bracelets will be available for purchase. Bring your family and a picnic blanket (or lawn chairs), and join us for a fun evening at Spellman Elementary!

Questions? Contact Spellman PTA President Jen Eldridge at [jalleneldridge@yahoo.com](mailto:jalleneldridge@yahoo.com) or 240-271-9737.

**Boy Scout Troop 257** continues to have a very busy winter and from the looks of things will have an equally busy spring. On March 29-30 the Boys Scouts will participate in a Search/Rescue exercise which will simulate the search-and-rescue of a missing child who has wandered off from a play area. The Boy Scouts will learn map and compass skills and well as first aid applications. The Boy Scouts will also participate in the Prince George's District Spring Camporee on April 4-6. During the camporee the Boy Scouts will build fires, participate in a shelter building exercise, create an imaginative and useful camp gadget using rope as well as backback, fish and work on their archery skills. Sounds like fun, right? Come join us in the excitement—call Scoutmaster Jeffrey Felten-Green at 301-807-4137 or come to a meeting at the American Legion on Wednesdays from 6:30 – 8 pm.

## Cheverly United Methodist Church

April 1st is the re-scheduled date for the Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

5:30 - 7:30pm in Fogle Hall

Adults \$8.00 Children 4 - 10 \$4.00

**Cheverly United Methodist Church Holy Week Worship Service April 17th Maundy Thursday w/ Communion 7:30pm**

**April 18th Good Friday CUMC combined w/ Christ Church 7:30pm**

**Prayer Vigil on Good Friday 12Noon - 11:00pm**

**April 20th CUMC combined Sunrise Service w/Christ Church in Memorial Gardens of CUMC 6:30 am**

**April 20th Easter Worship Service w/ Decorating of the Cross 10:00am**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

Cheverly REC Council presents Spring into shape with **Zumba Gold (low-impact) & Zumba Basic (high-impact)**, easy-to-follow latin-inspired cardio dance fitness party. I, Ronald Johnson use to weigh 280lbs., now I weigh 140lbs. & you can lose weight too. Cheverly Community Center, Tuesday 9-10am. & Friday 12:30-1:30pm., \$60.00 monthly, go to [www.pgparcs.com](http://www.pgparcs.com) then click smart link on left-side to register ... Your State & Local certified Zumba-Gold/Basic instructor, personal trainer, sports nutritionist & cpr, Ronald Johnson.



## What are you doing for EARTH DAY?

Sign up on the website below to join your neighbors in a stream clean-up and celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Anacostia Watershed Society. Select Quincy Run Watershed. Begins at 9am, Saturday April 5th, 2014. Drop by for a couple hours, or make a day of it and enjoy the party at Noon, RFK Stadium. Free t-shirt, free lunch. See you there!

<http://www.anacostiaws.org/earthday2014/>

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The **Cheverly Soccer Club** is pleased to sponsor Challenger Soccer Camps at Cheverly Town Park June 23-27!

Your little kicker need not be the next Messi, Renaldo, Beckham, or Hamid! The camps are open to kids of all skills and abilities, and feature age- and ability -appropriate individual foot skills, technical drills, tactical practices, and small-sided games as well as coached scrimmages and a daily tournament. All camps feature: LOTS of fun

- All-British coaching staff - Free Ball and Camp t-shirt - Individual skill - New 1,000 touches camp curriculum  
There are half & full-day options available for kids ages 3-16:

First Kicks (9:00 – 10:00)	Ages 3-4	\$95.00	Mini Soccer (9:00 – 11:00)	Ages 5-6	\$100.00
Half-day Camp (9:00 – 12:00)	Ages 5-16	\$147.00	Half-day Camp (1:00 – 4:00)	Ages 5-16	\$147.00
Full Day Camp (9:00 – 4:00)	Ages 7-10	\$209.00	Full Day Camp (9:00 – 4:00)	Ages 11-16	\$209.00

Registration is available online at <http://www.challengersports.com>. If you register within 45 days of camp, you will receive a FREE Challenger soccer jersey!

If you are interested in hosting a coach, please indicate that on the registration. Hosting is fun and easy—as a host family, you provide the coaches with a private room, three square meals a day, and access to laundry facilities, and they provide you with lots of fun and memories.

If you have any questions, please contact us, and we hope to see you and your budding. Hope Solos and Landon Donovans on the pitch June 23. Jill and David Konieczko, Camp Coordinators [jill.konieczko@proquest.com](mailto:jill.konieczko@proquest.com)  
[dlkonieczko@yahoo.com](mailto:dlkonieczko@yahoo.com)

## St. Ambrose News

### Soup & Stations during Lent

*No need to cook on Friday's during Lent, bring the family to St. Ambrose for Soup and Stations!*

**Soup Supper:** Build friendships through food and fellowship. We join in fellowship with friends and neighbors to enjoy a simple soup supper, made by members of our community. Come see which ministries make the best soup! *Fridays in Fannon Hall, March 14 - April 11th, 7:00 - 8:00 pm*

**Stations of the Cross:** Reflect on how Jesus laid down his life for his friends We walk with Jesus on the road to Calvary, reflecting along the way on what it would have been like for Jesus and for the people who were there. We have much to learn from this walk even today. *Fridays in the Church, March 7th - April 11th 6:45 English, 8:00 Spanish*  
*Learn more and Sign up for weekly E-newsletters at [sacheverly.org](http://sacheverly.org).*

### Holy Week and Easter at St. Ambrose

All are welcome to join the St. Ambrose Community this Easter season. Easter Sunday Mass will be held at 10am English and 12:30pm in Spanish. Prior to Easter, Holy Week Services include: Thursday 17th, 7pm - Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration, Friday 18th, 7pm - Bilingual Celebration of the Passion of the Lord, Saturday 19th, 8pm - Easter Vigil. Learn more and Sign up for weekly E-newsletters at [sacheverly.org](http://sacheverly.org).

**Progressive Cheverly** on Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m welcomes Adam Ortiz of the Prince George's County's Department of Environmental Resources and Cheverly's own Dan Smith of the Anacostia River Watershed Society to present on local environmental issues. Find out the latest about environmental and recreational developments in our county and for Washington's "other river," the Anacostia. Location: Hoyer School, 2300 Belleview Ave., across from the 7-11. Refreshments served.

Then on Thursday, May 1, Progressive Cheverly will sponsor a 47th District General Assembly Election Forum, featuring candidates for both the State Senate and House of Delegates. Don't month this chance to hear and interact with the candidates ahead of the June primary election. The Forum will begin at 7 p.m., at the Hoyer School. For more information about these programs, and about membership in Progressive Cheverly, contact [chair@progressivecheverly.org](mailto:chair@progressivecheverly.org).

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## ON EARTH DAY AND THE LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH, JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS IN VOLUNTEERING FOR FRIENDS OF LOWER BEAVERDAM CREEK!

It's finally beginning to look like spring--a great time to be outdoors! On Earth Day, Saturday April 5, from 9 to 11:30 am, FLBC will do a big cleanup of the Lower Beaverdam Creek area--Meet at Woodworth Park Tot Lot on Wayne Place. The Anacostia Watershed Society will be providing t-shirts, gloves, and plastic bags, and refreshments will be available. It is helpful but not necessary to register for the event on the AWS website event page. Then, on Saturday, April 26 between 9 am and noon, we'll meet at the intersection of Arbor Street and Park Way to clear the woods of invasive plants and spread woodchips on the trail. Bring wheelbarrows if you can. Tools, gloves, refreshments, etc. are provided. **School community service hours are available, and we welcome Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, youth groups, and groups of all ages to both of the above events.** *It would be helpful if you could let us know you are coming.* To reply or for more information, contact Joani Horchler at 301-322-2620 or cell 301-802-7445 (or [horcpool97@aol.com](mailto:horcpool97@aol.com))

**Cheverly Cub Scout Pack 257** in cooperation with the Boy Scout Troop this month learned about Emergency Preparedness and participated in a search and rescue exercise at Watkins Regional Park. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cubs were all invited. Scouting is for boy's grades 1-7. For more information contact Cubmaster Dave at [davidja2@dni.gov](mailto:davidja2@dni.gov).

**Cubmaster Dave**  
**Cheverly Cub Scout Pack 257**  
**202 744-7100, 703 275-2861**  
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**Email contact links at the website**

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## Meetings & Events

### GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Sat.	Apr 5	9:00 AM	Flea Market
Thurs	Apr 10	8:00 PM	<b>TOWN MEETING</b>
Sat.	Apr 19	11:00 AM	Easter Egg Hunt
Tues	Apr 22	7:00 PM	Rec Council Meeting
Thurs	Apr 23	7:30 PM	<b>WORKSESSION</b>

**CHEVERLY WEBSITE** [www.cheverly-md.gov](http://www.cheverly-md.gov)

You can easily contact the Mayor & Council through their town email accounts. There are also links at the Mayor & Council pages of the website.

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### COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

- Zumba—Tue 9-10 am, Fri 12:30-1:30 pm
- CPRC - Toy Sale, Spring Break Week, New Parent/ Infant Caregiver Meet up
- Challenger Soccer Camp registration
- Garden Club - April 21 Meeting 7:00 pm
- Green Infrastructure Meeting April 7, 7:30-9:00 pm
- Progressive Cheverly - April 3, 7pm—Hoyer School May 1 - election Forum, 7pm at Hoyer School
- CUMC - Pancake dinner rescheduled for April 1st Holy Week Services dates and times.
- CHV Prom 2014 - May 30th 8-12, Tickets \$15
- St. Ambrose, Summer Camp, Registration due May 9
- St. Ambrose Lent Soup Supper, Stations of the Cross Holy Week and Easter schedule
- Spellman PTA - Open House, Movie Night, Fundraiser
- American Legion - April 5, Chili cook-off 5-8 pm
- CWM - April 8 - Franklin's fundraiser
- BGC - Registration, Annual Banquet, Spring Season
- Woman's Club - Meeting May 6, Peach Camp July 28-Aug 1. May Peace Calendar under construction
- Boy Scout Troop 257 - April 4-6 Spring Camporee Meeting every Wed. 6:30-8pm American Legion