

FYI

FOR YOUR INFORMATION by 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.

Summer in the City: Thus far it has been a hot summer here in Cheverly, and unfortunately August promises more of the same. However, there is so much happening in and around our town. Please take a moment to read through the FYI. If you have ideas about items for future FYI's please send them to Mayor@Cheverly-Md.Gov.

Congratulations to our new Vice Mayor: In the May work session the Town Council unanimously elected our hard working Councilmember from Ward 3, RJ Eldridge, as the new Vice Mayor. RJ is very active in the community, a leader on Council and the Council Liaison to both the Green Infrastructure Committee and Planning Board. As Vice Mayor, RJ will assume the responsibilities of the Mayor whenever the Mayor is unavailable.

Auditors come to Town: Every year the town undergoes an independent financial audit. The auditors review all revenues and expenses as well as the internal financial procedures that are utilized by the town staff. Only when the financial audit is complete does the town have a true financial picture of the previous fiscal year. The audit process continues through October, and our financial year closes on June 30th, so all budget numbers are estimates until then.

Good news expected on 2011 budget results: While we don't have audited numbers yet, we do have solid estimates. The good news is that the town received another 171K in income tax revenue in June, bringing the annual total of income tax revenue to over 700K. The town had estimated only 550K in income tax revenue,

based on information we received from the state sources.

Therefore, it is almost certain that the town will finish Fiscal Year 2011 with a budget surplus and our fund balance will remain at over 1.7M. We will also increase the estimated income tax revenue in the 2012 budget which will reduce the currently anticipated 2012 budget deficit.

Act Locally: You have heard the phrase Think Globally/Act Locally. "Acting locally" is always good for our community. Think about volunteering or attending a community function. Every time you stop by a Pancake or Spaghetti dinner you are supporting organizations in our community who need our help.

One opportunity for everyone is the upcoming American Legion "Shrimp and Bull Roast" on August 6th. Tickets are \$25 dollars for adults and \$12.50 for kids. The American Legion is a key member of our community who is always willing to offer space or sponsor events. Attending events like this one allows you to give back.

Is Hyattsville Local? For those in the community who haven't been in Hyattsville lately please take a ride up Route 1. Stores are beginning to take root and just this month the new Busboys and Poets opened its doors. Yogi Castle makes a great after dinner dessert destination. Encouraging development inside the beltway is critical to opening eyes of others to this area. So if you get a moment stop by Hyattsville do some shopping and have a yogurt, burger, or burrito.

Talking Trash - Again: Over the last few months the town has issued tickets to residents for the following:

Leaving appliances on the curb without paying the \$20 fee or placing too much trash out on the bulk trash day. *Every resident should know that Cheverly is happy to pick up your appliance and deliver it to the County Landfill; however this creates additional handling cost to our Public Works department. Please make arrangements to pay the \$20 fee with Public Works (301-773-2666) whenever you leave an appliance outside.*

Leaving too much special trash out on Bulk Trash day. *This is especially true when folks are preparing to move. Frequently residents empty their homes onto the curb expecting the town to pick it up. This is an abuse of the town's service. There is a stated rule of 3 items no greater than 50 pounds. Additionally, loose items must be packaged. Public Works is very lenient regarding this policy, however bulk trash is not meant as a replacement for a dumpster service. If abused, you will incur a fine which, if unpaid, could result in a lien on your property.*

Police Programs for everyone: Not all programs offered by the Police Dept are designed to catch criminals. There are some programs that every resident should know about, and if you'd like to participate please call the Police Dept:

Elder Care: The police will stop by at least twice a month to check on our elderly residents to make sure that they are doing OK.

Vacation Watch: If you are leaving town for a period of time, call the police and they will check your home regularly to ensure it is safe.

Home Security Check: Upon request the police will come and provide a free home security check. They will make low cost recommendations on how you might improve the security of your home.

Widening the Baltimore Washington Parkway: At the request of the U.S. Congress, there is currently a study being done to investigate widening the Baltimore Washington Parkway to three lanes in both directions. Apparently the traffic congestion as well as the employee growth at Fort Meade prompted this study. The first of three Public Hearings occurred on July 20th at Fort Meade and two more hearings will be scheduled later this year.

Currently, the Town Council has taken no position on the widening effort because we have received so little information about the expected changes and the impacts. We will be considering this issue as we learn more and will take a position when the hearings are completed. Please take the opportunity to attend the hearings and please voice your opinions to your Town Councilmember.



Elizabeth Roebuck, Caitlin Virta recognized as Girl Scout Gold Award winners by Mayor Mike Callahan

Green Infrastructure: The Town Council continues to discuss the Green Infrastructure Committee's recommendations. In the July 14th Town Meeting a resolution was introduced to adopt the recommendations made by the Committee. If you are interested in reading the recommendations, please go to: <https://sites.google.com/site/cheverlygreenplan/>. Please note that the resolution and the recommendations are separate documents. The Council will be considering a resolution that adopts the recommendations document. However, much like our budget, the Green Infrastructure recommendations is a separate document that is independent and can be amended in the future.

Our Tree Canopy: The good news is that these FYI articles continue to generate conversation about the future of the town's tree canopy. This is good news, because the tree canopy is a significant contributor to the character of our town. However, much like a financial portfolio the tree canopy is constantly changing; older trees die, middle aged trees grow and take their place, while new trees need to be planted.

Private yard planting is an important component of our canopy's regeneration. The town's curbside planting areas are narrow and often under wires, and we have limited public space. Private yard trees have more room to grow and tend to survive longer. Unfortunately, when a large tree dies in a private yard the resident's last impression may be the cost of removal. While it is true that large trees can be expensive to remove, the cost is more than offset by the benefits derived while the tree is alive.

Shade from a large tree can reduce your heating bill by hundreds of dollars a season. Ever wonder why farm houses surrounded themselves with trees? It is because they cooled the home in the summer and allowed the sun through in the winter. Of course the good news about planting a new variety of large tree now is that you most likely won't be the one to deal with it 120 years from now! So call the Public Works Department and request a tree, it's free! Best deal in town and that would most definitely be "acting locally"!



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

WHAT DO YOU DO WITH EXPIRED PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS AND/OR UNWANTED FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION?

The Cheverly Police Department, as a public service for our residents, will take all outdated or unused prescription drugs and have them destroyed as we do controlled dangerous substances.

In addition, the CPD will dispose of all firearms and ammunition that may have accumulated around your home or business.

NEW NON-EMERGENCY POLICE TELEPHONE NUMBER – With the opening of the County 9-1-1 Center in Bowie, Maryland, the new telephone number to dispatch non-emergency calls to the Cheverly Police is 301-352-1200.

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, August 10, 2011, at 7:00 PM, in the Police Department Conference Room.

MOBILE SPEED TRAILER IS HERE – The Department has received the mobile speed awareness trailer for use on all residential streets in Cheverly. The trailer contains a Ka-band Doppler radar system to record the speed of an approaching vehicle, displays the speed limit of the street, is powered by solar panels, and has a statistical package that gathers traffic data for improved grant writing support and for verification of the trailer’s impact on traffic speeds.

FREE HOME INSPECTIONS – Several members of the Department have received intensive training at various schools specifically designed to teach officers how to perform residential security and safety inspections. These inspections are free for any Cheverly resident and all you have to do is telephone for an appointment.

OUT OF STATE REGISTRATION PLATES AND DRIVER’S LICENSES– The Department will be initiating out of state registration enforcement in the next several weeks. Residents of Maryland, including homebuyers, people leasing apartments or homes, or anyone residing in Maryland for more than 60 days must obtain Maryland registration plates and a driver’s license or face stiff penalties and/or vehicle impoundment.

WE NEED YOUR VEHICLE DONATIONS – The Department just purchased an assortment of new computer equipment and is in need of additional funds that are generated by the sale of donated vehicles. Please keep us in mind when you consider your next vehicle donation.

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

Total Arrests for the Month: 29
Total Traffic for the Month: 494
Total Crime (Difference, YTD 2010-2011): 10%

Table with 4 columns: Date, Hours, Address, and Crime Type. Rows include incidents like '2500 Crest Ave B&E/Residential', '3100 Laurel Ave Vandalism', etc.

LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
Monday, Sept. 5, 2011
Offices Closed — No Trash Pickup

**Town Meeting broadcast LIVE on Cable 71.
Re-broadcast everyday
at 8:00 am, Noon, 6:00PM and 10:00 PM.**

ACTIONS TAKEN

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Worksession - June 23, 2011

MOTION CM Riazi to excuse CM Eldridge who is out of town. Seconded CM Thorpe. Approved 4-0.

MOTION CM Riazi to award the contract for the Safe Routes to School Coordinator to Tori Smith. Seconded CM Cook. Approved 4-0.

MOTION CM Thorpe to approve the Cooperation Agreement with Prince George's County for participation in the Community Development Block Grant Program. Seconded CM Cook. Approved 4-0.

MOTION CM Coolen to fund the \$150 scholarship for the upcoming Peace. Seconded CM Thorpe. Approved 4-0.

MOTION CM Coolen to close the meeting to discuss personnel matters. Seonded CM Cook. Approved 4-0.

MOTION CM Coolen to open the meeting. Seonded CM Cook. Approved 4-0.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Town Meeting - August 11, 2011

Worksession - August 25, 2011

- Briefing by Director of Public Works

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

YARD WASTE VS. SPECIAL TRASH

Once again, there seems to be a misunderstanding when it comes to special trash versus yard waste collection.



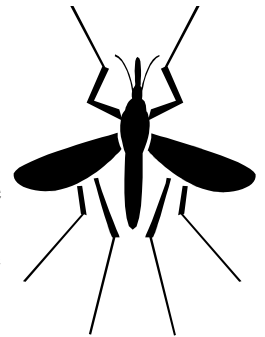
Yard Waste is anything that GROWS in your yard. This would include, **grass, leaves, tree limbs, sticks, branches, etc.** These items are picked up **ONLY** on Monday. Place in cans or tied (4' lengths)

Special trash is furniture, rugs, lamps, etc. These items are picked up on Thursday and Friday **ONLY**. 3 items are collected per special trash day. **Empty** or dried out Latex Paint Cans are acceptable, Oil based Paint cans are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**. The resident must take to the landfill as hazardous waste on Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

The Public Works Department is on a schedule during the week; trash collection, recycling and yard waste. When residents do not adhere to these collection days, the town's appearance suffers. If you have questions about what is collected on which side or what day, please call the Public Words Department at 301-773-2666. We are here to serve you.

NEWS FROM THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE MOSQUITO CONTROL SECTION -

The Town is scheduled for random mosquito spraying again this year. Spraying for adult mosquitoes will be based strictly on results from standardized surveillance methods. It is your responsibility to notify the Public Works Department of any mosquito swarming. Please note the time of day and location. If we do not receive complaints, we may not receive the surveillance. Please help us deal with the mosquito problem.



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.

240-478-4622	Xavier Pinkney
301-322-1075	Dorian Dixon
301-386-0049	Andrew Teel
301-772-6028	Andrew Priest
301-772-6028	Ashley Priest
301-322-4952	Max Allegro
301-322-4952	Jake Allegro
301-341-2471	James Porcari
301-583-1028	Xavier Milam
301-773-6863	Emmanuel Mitchell
301-537-6819	John Pooley
301-772-6596	Ben Hartmann
240-770-8166	Byron Bamigbade
301-864-0735	Malik McAdoo
301-864-0735	Tyreq McAdoo
301-772-6553	James Kernan
301-341-5284	Ian Sullivan
301-772-0110	Jack Alkire
301-356-2198	Charles Hutchison



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

MONTHLY RECYCLING DATA
 Electronic Recycling - 10 Pallets
 Appliances - 12
 Curb Recycling - 34 tons



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CUMC - Our New Summer Hours Praise Music 9:45 – 10:00am One Summer Worship Service is @ 10:00am - Junior Church 10:15 – 11:00am

Multigenerational, Whole Family - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Postponed to October

Bible Study “Introduction to the Prophets of the Old Testament” (both major and minor) Starting August 4th 7:00 – 8:30pm in the parlor. Every Thursday thru Sept. 8th

August 17th Evening Hymn Sing & Dessert Social @ CUMC You bring: yourself/family/friends/neighbors and a dessert for sharing We will provide: Ice cream and beverages Tell us what your favorite Hymns are so we can include them in the hymn sing. Call the Church office 301 773 1314

Aug 19th Prayer Fellowship 7:00 – 8:30pm in the Parlor Everyone in welcome to join us in prayer

The St Ambrose Men’s Club is sponsoring a Golf Tournament on September 30 at 8:30am. Everyone is welcome to join us; the \$100 entry covers Green’s Fees at the Bowie Country Club, Range Balls, Lunch, Beer and Dinner at Fannon Hall afterwards. You can enter as a foursome or a single. If you’d like to sponsor a hole, the cost is \$125. Please contact Steve Paul at sjpaul@co.pg.md.us or Mike Callahan at (301) 772-3197.

Cheverly Soccer Club - The Club hosted a very successful **BRITISH Challenger soccer camp** at Cheverly Town Park June 20th - 24th. We had approximately 50 campers and four coaches from the UK. Kudos to Camp Coordinators Jim and Jennifer Allegro for a job well done. We will be gearing up for the indoor season soon. The Club welcomes anyone who has an interest in soccer, or a child interested in playing soccer, to volunteer as coaches or assistant coaches. No experience necessary. Contact Ray Sexton (301.341.1960) for further details

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COMMUNITY MARKET - August at the market is going to be SO exciting! The great combination of well timed sun and rain has made for bountiful crops and a rainbow of fruit and vegetables. Stop by the market table to pick up some recipes to using some of our local products. Products are at their best early in the morning. Try to come by early for the best selection.

Our featured wineries for August will be Elk Run on the 13th and Cygnus Wine Cellars on the 27th. This will be Cygnus' only visit during our regular season. Mystic Water Soap will also be at the market on the 13th, while Kaylala will have all their natural products on the 27th.

Al Pong's family will continue to have interesting plants at their stand for all you backyard farmers. Benny's market's luscious stone fruit is always a favorite. Looking for sundrenched fresh flowers? Emma Dudley of C&E farms always has blooms that make any Cheverly gardener jealous. Shlagel Farms produce offerings keep getting more bountiful by the week - corn, tomatoes and melons will be August stars. Martha's jams continues to capture the color and taste of summer in her mouth watering jams - a perfect compliment to the Cheverly Breadbasket's wide variety of healthy bread.

We have been able to offer an amazing variety of sausages thanks to Simply Sausage. Stop by and sample Stanley's latest offering. The Waltz Family Farm is now offering hormone free chicken in addition to their wide variety of grass and grain fed beef, lamb, and pork. Their kielbasa is a barbecue staple. Like fish? Two Oceans seafood is filleted, fresh frozen and cryopacked...ready to pop on the grill.

Now that the corn and melons are at the market, take advantage of our over-sized Cheverly Community Market shopping bags. They are available at our market table. Stop by to say "Hi," add your e-mail address to our list, offer suggestions and to pick up market recipes and local market brochures. We also have additional information about the WIC and FMNP programs.

It's not too early to begin thinking about our Holiday Markets on Nov. 19 and Dec. 10. They require a specific registration. You can find the applications on our website. We welcome licensed food vendors, craft persons and wineries. It takes place inside the community center. So spread the word.

Cheverly Woman's Cub - "Peace Means Taking Care of Ourselves, Each Other and the Earth". (Paulette Meier) As I write, Peace Camp begins next week and plans are coming together. By the time you read this camp will be finished.

We already have between 30-35 young people registered, including campers between the ages of 4-11 and both junior and regular counselors-in-training between 12-17.

Little Friends For Peace is committed to making the Cheverly Peace Camp a successful endeavor for growing seeds of peace for the Beloved Community. They have made the commitment regardless of monetary reimbursement.

The Woman's Club, however, feels an obligation to help cover financial costs and provide a level of income for the Parks, who depend almost solely on Little Friends for Peace. Because we include many young people who can't afford the tuition, raising scholarship funds is a major undertaking for us.

We ask you to help by making small or large donations so we can continue to fund this past camp and future ones. Please begin to think of including us in your giving all year long and / or plan fundraising efforts year-round. Donations made out directly to Little Friends for Peace are tax deductible. One scholarship is \$140 and you can offer a whole scholarship or any portion. Money can be sent directly to LFFP (www.lffp.org) or sent or brought to the Woman's Club at the Community Center or at my home (Joyce Lang, 6424 Forest Rd.)

Thank you's already go to the Town Council, Progressive Cheverly, the Woman's Club, CPRC and numerous individuals who have contributed scholarship money. Thank you all very much for participating in our efforts to make Cheverly an outstanding example of a town of peace.

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Cheverly Parents Resource Center

Membership Drive! It is time to sign up for CPRC's 2011-2012 membership year, which runs from August to July. Dues are \$15 per family. We will have a table at the Community Market on July 30. Each member child can select a free book, while supplies last, when their family pays their dues. We will accept cash or check at the market. You can also join or renew online (and pay via Paypal or check) at: <http://cheverlyparent.org/CPRC/membership.html>. In addition to dues, CPRC members are asked to donate time and/or materials to at least one event or activity during the year. Your annual dues help CPRC to provide and/or organize:

Playgroup on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings

Fun events/outings (often subsidized or free for members). This year's events included: - Bowie Bay Sox games - Open Gym at the Sports and Learning Complex

- Hay Ride at Watkins Park - Family Dance Party

- Holiday Party - Story time at the community market Education (subsidized for members).

This year we offered:

- CPR course - Babysitting course
- Welcome Baskets to new babies
- Meals to families with new babies
- Member Directory (only available to dues-paying members)
- Active Listserves
- \$50 gifts to child-focused organizations such as
- Boy Scouts - Girls Scouts
- Youth Garden at the National Arboretum
- Cheverly Boys and Girls Club
- Cheverly Young Actors Guild Thanks for your support!

Progressive Cheverly. What's In Store for the Maryland Special Session? The Maryland General Assembly is going to convene for a special session in the Fall to decide on electoral redistricting. Some Annapolis-watchers think there might be other issues on the agenda as well -- such as state revenue. To learn more, please save the date and plan to come to Progressive Cheverly's public forum on Thursday, September 1, to hear from our 47th legislative district delegation. Already confirmed: Senator Victor Ramirez, Delegate Jolene Ivey, and Delegate Michael Summers. There will be time for Q&A and discussion. 7 pm, Cheverly Montessori School, 2300 Belleview Ave. A short business meeting follows the Forum. Watch for information about Progressive Cheverly events October 6 and November 3. Visit www.progressivecheverly.org too!



During the months of April and May, members of **Cub Scout Pack 257** sold remembrance cards to recognize the lasting impact of the devastating earthquake suffered by northeastern Japan earlier this year. The artwork was designed by the Cubs themselves, and all proceeds of the sales went to relief charities. During a June visit to the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D.C., the Cubs presented the funds directly to an Embassy official, who then presented a token of gratitude to the Cubs. Throughout the Cub Scout curriculum (grades 1 through 5), Cubs are encouraged to think about the diverse world around them and then act to make a positive change in it. If you're interested in cub scouting in Cheverly, please contact Micah Watson at 240-603-9366 or micah@cheverlyday.org

Join your friendly neighborhood environmental group, **Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek**, on Sat, August. 27 between 9 am & noon for our monthly Work Party. This month we will continue working on extending our trail to Magruder Spring. We will meet at the Arbor St entrance to the trail. (Directions: From the 7-11, go down Cheverly Ave and make your first right onto Arbor St. At the end of the block, you'll see the entrance to the trail on your right.) Tools, gloves, snacks, and water will be provided As always, school community service hours are available. Hope to see you there! For more information, contact Joani Horchler at 301-322-2620 (office) or cell 301-802-7445. (Note: Looking ahead, please mark your calendar for our regular monthly Work Party on Saturday, Sept. 24, 9 am to noon.)

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Ward 3: RJ Eldridge	301-773-7828
Ward 4: David Thorpe	301-773-7888
Ward 5:	
Ward 6: Carolyn Cook	202-256-2795

Email contact links at the website

Town Offices: (Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM)

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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The Town of Cheverly does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability or sexual orientation.. If you are a person with a disability (vision, hearing, or speech impairment) and wish to participate in Town activities or programs, please contact the Town Office at 773-8360 (voice), or the Maryland Relay System at 1-800-735-2258.

Meetings & Events

Tue	Aug 9	7:00 PM	Planning Board Meeting
Wed	Aug 10	7:00 PM	C-Pact/Cheverly Watch Mtg
Thur	Aug 11	8:00 PM	TOWN MEETING
Thur	Aug 25	7:30 PM	WORKSESSION

CHEVERLY WEBSITE 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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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 & yellow bins)
Thur	East Side	Garbage & Special Trash (at curb only)
Fri	West Side	Garbage & Special Trash (at curb only)

Residents should place trash at the curb after 7:00 PM the day before pickup day. 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 no longer than 4'.

ELECTRONICS are picked up on Wednesday with recycling. TV's(any size), computers, monitors, etc.

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