

## FYI

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION by Mayor Mike Callahan

Call 301-789-8009 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.

**Happy Holidays to all in Cheverly:** As the holiday season approaches, the Mayor, Council and Town Staff wish every Cheverly resident a healthy, happy, and wonderful Holiday Season. Over the years a tradition of giving gifts to our wonderful Public Works staff has evolved. In the past many residents left items at the curb for the Public Works staff, but we have found it is much easier and fairer to have residents make donations at Town Hall. If, you would like to make a donation please stop by Town Hall between nine to five on Monday thru Friday.

**Cheverly Sector Plan Update:** So much has happened since the November Town Newsletter where Cheverly residents were challenged to a Call for Action regarding proposed changes to the Cheverly Sector Plan that would potentially alter zoning for the green space near Magruder Springs. In spite of being given only two weeks' notice Cheverly residents rallied by; having over 270 folks attend a Public Hearing, having over 60 people speak at the Public Hearing, and by writing over 600 letters of opposition.

What a show of opposition, and I want to be clear that your voice is being heard. I have spoken to staff in the County Executive's office, County staff members, and staff of Maryland National Capital Park and Planning (MNCPPC) and everyone I spoke to is aware of this issue, even if they are not directly involved.



### CHRISTMAS DAY & NEW YEARS DAY

**December 25, 2017  
& January 1, 2018**

**Offices closed &  
No trash pickup**

Many have relayed that they have never seen this type of opposition on any issue. Thanks to everyone for their efforts.

**Cheverly Sector Plan Letter Writing Campaign:** November 21<sup>st</sup> was the last day for written testimony to be submitted to the Clerk of the Courts regarding the Cheverly Sector Plan. Approximately 500 letters and postcards were hand delivered to the Clerk's office. The Clerk's office staff responded that they had received 10 to 20 letters a day via normal mail. It is reasonable to assume that the Clerk's Office received over 600 written testimonies, which means approximately 10% of Cheverly's population responded!

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Special thanks to Laila Riazi, Dan Smith, Sheila Salo, Joani Horchler, Christal Surowicz and Jack Warner for their organizational efforts to support this campaign.

**What happens to the Cheverly Sector Plan Map Amendment Now?** The Public Hearing that occurred on November 6<sup>th</sup>, was simply the beginning of the Map Amendment process. In order for the finalized Cheverly Sector Plan to be amended the District Council needed to kick off a brand new Public Process to ensure the adequate public comment. Now that the Public Comment period is completed, the timeline for a decision is below:

11/06/2017	District Council Holds Public Hearing:
11/21/2017	Last Public Comments (letters allowed)
12/06/2017	Planning Board staff distills Public Comment for review.
12/07/2017	Planning Board Public Hearing Review comment / makes decision.
12/21/2017	Planning Board decision forwarded to District Council.
01/09/2018	Planning Board Decision received accepted by District Council
1/23/2018	Earliest Date when District Council can make decision as to whether to include Map Amendment.

**Why is this Map Amendment So Important?** Some residents have asked what happens if this Map Amendment is eventually approved? Initially nothing changes. The Maps in the Cheverly Sector Plan will be adapted, and the green area surrounding Magruder Springs will be included in the Town Center area that runs along Tuxedo Road. Zoning does not immediately change.

However, the County Council is currently considering an initiative to Rewrite the County's entire Zoning Code. This initiative has been on-going for two years and is anticipated to be completed by November of 2018. If / When the Zoning Rewrite is approved, then any "pending" zoning maps will become effective. What this means is that the Magruder Springs area will be zoned the same as the Tuxedo Road area which means that it can potentially be developed for high density uses.

**What can be done if the District Council approves the Cheverly Sector Plan Map Amendment?** There are two paths of action available to the Town of Cheverly if the District Council approves the Map Amendment.

Since the vast majority of the property in the Magruder Spring area is owned by Prince George's County, a developer would need to acquire the county property to begin any development. The Town of Cheverly can attempt to acquire the property to preempt this effort. First Oxford (the developer) has requested the County to "surplus" the property. The County Surplus process requires the county to ask all government agencies, including the Town of Cheverly, whether they have a use for the property. Obviously, if no other agency requests the property the Town of Cheverly will. To this end, the Town of Cheverly has sent a letter of Intent to acquire the property.

If the town is unable to acquire the property, although there is no reason to assume that we couldn't. The town will certainly attempt to stop the development during the planning process. Given all the issues a developer would face; Historical assets, FEMA flood plains, and traffic issues of access to the property the Town of Cheverly have many ways to prevent development in the area.

**A Trust Act for Cheverly:** The Council continues conversations regarding the Trust Act.

Many residents have asked "Will this change how the police department operates?" As I understand, at this time this will not change how our Police Department operates. Today, based on existing federal law our Police Department cannot require documentation from anyone in the performance of their duties.

Undocumented Cheverly residents, or non-residents, should know: that Cheverly Police will not ask for documentation from victims, individuals reporting crimes or suspicious activities, or individuals being arrested.

*Mayor's FYI COUNTEED.*

Other residents have asked "what happens to a felon who maybe undocumented?" First, please understand that the Cheverly Police will arrest anyone who is committing a crime; documented or not. Again, the Cheverly Police Department does not get involved in documentation. However, please know that Cheverly like all surrounding municipalities does not have jail or holding facilities. So, when someone is arrested and detained in a county facility that documentation status is very much considered. At this point, a municipality has no control over the process.

I have come to think of this as a front-end process (our police departments) and a back-end process (jails and holding facilities). Most Police Departments I have spoken with (whether they have declared Sanctuary Status or not) do not require documentation from individuals at traffic stops, who call for assistance, or in any activity. However, when an individual is detained and is placed in jail facility documentation is considered.

The council has briefly discussed two options for moving forward on this matter either passing an ordinance or a resolution. An ordinance would have the effect of law, and while it simply would state the practice as it already is, many feels that this is needed. Another option is for the Council to pass a resolution without an ordinance. A resolution would voice the intent of the council.

In the August newsletter I published a Question and Answer with Chief Robshaw regarding Cheverly's existing policy. Rather than reprint, I suggest you check it out on-line at [http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD\\_Newsletters/08newsletter2017.pdf](http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD_Newsletters/08newsletter2017.pdf).

The gist of the Q&A is that the Cheverly Police does not consider an individual's documentation in the course of their activities. To be clear, *if an undocumented individual needs help of any type from the Cheverly Police they should reach out to the police without any fear of reprisal.*

**Curbside Composting:** Cheverly has a very robust backyard composting program, and everyone is encouraged to purchase a composter from Public Works for a reduced price. Peg and I have been composting

for six years and we are shocked at the reduction in the trash we bring to the curb. And yes, there are no negative impacts such as odors or animals.

However, not everyone wants to compost in their backyard, due to space and other concerns. For these people, our resident composting expert Doug Alexander is attempting to get a curb side composting program going. The program would be simple, for a small one-time fee the town would provide you a counter top container and a 10-gallon receptacle to place your compostable waste in. Once a week you would take it to the curb and public works will pick it up. Voila! What could be easier!

To start the program, we need at least 100 residents to join to make it cost effective and efficient for our Public Works staff. If you are interested, please call Public Works at 301-773-2666.

## TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS

*Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted*

### ACTIONS TAKEN

#### Town Meeting - November 9, 2017

- **CM Ivey** to excuse CM Eldridge from the meeting. Seconded CM Garcia. Approved 5-0.
- **CM Riazi** to send the letter to the Land Acquisition division with minor edits. Seconded CM Stewart. Approved 5-0.
- **CM Riazi** to adopt R-8-17 to regrading Climate Change as modified. Seconded CM MacKenize. Approved 5-0.

#### Worksession - November 16, 2017

- *No actions were taken.*

### TENTATIVE AGENDA

#### Town Meeting - December 14, 2017

**NO DECEMBER WORKSESSION.**

## RECYCLING TOTALS - October 2017

Curb Recycling - 38.14 tons  
Electronic Recycling - 0  
Appliances - 1





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

**CHEVERLY COPS, KIDS, and**

**FAMILIES:** Every year, the Cheverly Police Department identifies 10 individual children and 10 families that, because of financial problems, are unable to provide presents or personal gifts to family members during the holiday season. These children and families, in many cases, do not always have sufficient accommodations to meet daily living standards never mind make the holidays a special time of celebration. As part of our commitment to community-oriented policing as well as our personal and professional commitment to the welfare of the Cheverly community, the Cheverly Police Department sponsors a program called “Cheverly Cops, Kids, and Families.” As part of this program, the children are treated to a shopping experience sponsored by the CPD, followed by a luncheon and a visit by Santa at our police complex.

To aid in this effort, the Cheverly Police Department has created a GoFundMe account in an effort to raise funds beyond the donations from the officers and staff. If you would like to make a donation for this important cause, go to your computer or smart phone and type in the following URL - <https://www.gofundme.com/cheverly-cops-kids-and-families>. The Department is currently trying to raise \$3,500, so any donation amount will be greatly appreciated. All donations must be made by the close of business, Friday, December 15, 2017. Thank you very much for your consideration.

**LOOKING FOR POLICE OFFICERS:** As with most municipal police agencies, there is always a turnover of personnel as the new year approaches and experienced officers look to expand their careers in larger agencies with more employment venues and different specialized opportunities. You will notice that I did not say better salary or benefits in the previous statement simply because that is not the motivation. The CPD is very competitive regarding salary/benefits, and now has one of the best law enforcement retirement systems available through the State of Maryland. In addition, the CPD is one of the best equipped law enforcement agencies in Maryland.

If you or someone you know is interested in a law enforcement career, please call the office and ask for an employment application or call myself or Sergeant Jarod Towers for an interview. Sgt. Towers can be reached at 301-341-1055. In addition, applications can be downloaded from the Department’s website. The CPD is an equal opportunity employer, and continually strives to ensure the Department reflects the diversity of our community. We recently hired our first Town resident for police employment, a young man who is fluent in Spanish and hopes to become a big asset to the Department. Now is the time to apply! For applicants with no experience, a new police academy class is forming very soon. For experience officers, the hiring process can take as little time as a month. Please call today if you are interested. Thanks.

**Vehicle Donations – As we approach the end of the current tax year, we encourage all Cheverly residents who wish to donate a vehicle to the Department to do so by December 31,**

2017. The CPD works very hard to get the most we can for every donation and we frequently use a local government website to auction vehicles. This auction process takes several weeks and has, to date, been the most profitable way to turn your donation into usable dollars for the Department. All monies from donations are spent to purchase new equipment, such as the “Street Meets” trailer, and there are no hidden administrative costs. A very big thanks to everyone who has donated a vehicle this year!!!!

**THE PATROL TELEPHONE IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS PER DAY!! SAVE THIS NUMBER IN YOUR CELL TELEPHONE, MOBILE DEVICE, OR NEAR YOUR HOME TELEPHONE – 301-789-5090**

**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 Office (9am – 5pm)</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) 789-7743</b>

**Crime Report for OCTOBER 2017**

**\*Note that all addresses are in Hundred Blocks**

10/01/17	1423 hrs	Assault Domestic	6400 Landover Rd
10/03/17	1709 hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
10/04/17	0930 hrs	Auto Theft	6100 Montrose Rd
10/12/17	0741 hrs	Theft from Auto	6100 Montrose Rd
10/12/17	1128 hrs	B&E (Residential)	5700 Carlyle St
10/13/17	1119 hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
10/15/17	1618 hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
10/15/17	2230 hrs	Robbery	6500 Landover Rd
10/16/17	0802 hrs	B&E (Residential)	6100 Montrose Rd
10/16/17	0840 hrs	B&E (Residential)	3000 Crest Ave
10/16/17	1519 hrs	Theft (over \$1000)	3000 Crest Ave
10/19/17	0935 hrs	Assault Domestic	6500 Landover Rd
10/20/17	2052 hrs	B&E (Residential)	5700 Newton St
10/23/17	0730 hrs	Theft from Auto	3600 58 <sup>th</sup> PI
10/23/17	1030 hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
10/24/17	0930 hrs	B&E (Residential)	2900 56 <sup>th</sup> PI
10/25/17	1238 hrs	Theft from Auto	2300 Belleview Ave
10/28/17	1730 hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	6400 Forest Rd
10/29/17	1900 hrs	B&E (Residential)	3000 Parkway
10/29/17	1703 hrs	B&E (Residential)	2200 Cheverly Ave
10/30/17	1738 hrs	Sex Offense	2500 Wayne PI
10/30/17	2010 hrs	Assault Domestic	6500 Landover Rd

# Residential ZONE Parking Permits

- You must have Vehicle Registration (registered to Cheverly address) to register your vehicle
- Parking Permits cost \$5 / 1 Guest Parking Permit allowed per residence at no cost.
- \$2 for an additional Guest Parking Permit (*maximum of 2 guest permits per residence*)

**If you live in one of the following zones, you will need a parking permit:**

**Zone 1:** State Street, 61st & 62nd Avenues, as well as the 1800 Block of 64th Avenue.

**Zone 2:** N/A

**Zone 3:** 22-2400 blocks of Cheverly Avenue

**Zone 4:** Arbor, Crestlawn

**Zone 5:** 2300 block of Belleview

**Zone 6:** Benton Road; 23-2500 Blocks of Lake

**Zone 7:** 2400 block of Valley Way

**Zone 8:** 3300 Belleview; Medical Terrace

**SR:** The odd side of the 2200 Block of Cheverly Avenue

(This permit allows senior citizens 65 years of age or older to park their car in this area in order to utilize Metro)

Residential Parking Permits are displayed on the BACK LEFT bumper area.

If you have a regular zone permit and a SR permit display them next to each other on the back left bumper.

Guest Parking Permits shall be hung on Rear View mirror with information facing outward.

Citations may be issued to any vehicle not in compliance with Town Code 27-5.1: "Residential Zone Parking"

If you should have any questions, please contact the Photo Enforcement Unit at 240-770-7641.

**To apply for a Residential Zone Parking Permit by mail, please provide the following information AND a copy of your vehicle's registration\* and return this form with payment.**

\* If you have obtained a *Non-Resident Permit* from MVA, you MUST send a copy of that permit along with your request.

Number of Permits: \_\_\_\_\_ (x\$5.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(attach copy(s) of registration(s))

Guest Pass (one free per residence)  (free) \$ Free

One additional guest pass:  (\$2.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(maximum of 2 passes per residence)

TOTAL DUE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks or money order payable to:

# Community Bulletin Board



Mark Your Calendar!  
**Monday, December 11, 2017**  
*All Day!*

## **Franklin's Restaurant, Brewery and General Store**

Will donate to Cheverly Village  
20% of all that you spend there that day!

*When you and your friends enjoy a lunch or dinner,  
or gather up some great Holiday gifts at the  
General Store, just let them know  
you're supporting Cheverly Village!*

**Franklin's is located at 5123 Baltimore Ave.**  
Village members, call the Coordinator for a ride!

**If you can't come to Franklin's,  
Please consider Cheverly Village  
for your end-of-year giving!**

Please call or write us to find out how to support the Village as a volunteer,  
a member, or through your one-time or monthly donations.  
We are thankful for every gift—financial, time, and talent!  
Village@cheverlyvillage.org - 240 770 1033 - www.cheverlyvillage.org - 3416 Belleview Ave.  
Teresa Williams, for Cheverly Village Board of Directors

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On Saturday, December 30, **Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek** will--weather permitting--host its monthly work party at the usual time, 9 am-noon.

We'll meet at the trail's Arbor Street entrance, Directions: Starting at the Cheverly 7-11 store, drive one block north down Cheverly Ave. Make a right onto Arbor Street and go one long block until it dead-ends. On your right, you'll see the green-gate entrance to the trail. Or you can walk on the trail from Macgruder Spring just off Cheverly Ave to the Arbor Street green-gate on your left.

Tools, gloves, snacks, and water will be provided. As always, community service hours are available. For more information, contact Joani Horchler at cell [301-802-7445](tel:301-802-7445) or Gabe Horchler at 301-789-8086.

**The 4th Ward Civic Association's next monthly meeting will be on Monday, December 18th at 7pm - Town Hall.**

Thank you to all of Cheverly for helping out with the **Gladys Noon Spellman** Thanksgiving Food Drive!!! We raised a total of \$732 and filled bags for 40 families. Thanks for being such a generous community and supporting our efforts, time after time, in whatever way you can. We, the board of CPRC, truly appreciate it and we hope you have a joyous holiday season!

CPRC wants to wholehearted thank Ms. Nancy and the Prince George's County Memorial Library System for providing story time and a pop up library during the Cheverly Market season.

Please join us for a special Winter Holiday Playgroup Party on Sunday, December 17th. We will be having a holiday playgroup and a COOKIE EXCHANGE! this year from 2-4pm on the 17th. Mayor Mike will be reading a special story. Look for more info on the CPRC listserv!

Did you know we've been having a weekend Playgroup? Join us on Sundays from 2-4pm in the gym to play and hang out with local families.

**Want a safe place to conduct an internet transaction?** Don't want to conduct an internet transaction at your residence? A space in front of the Cheverly Community Center, near the police department, has been designated for transactions. It is a neutral site and it is under video surveillance. Look for the sign along the curb to park and conduct transactions.

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## **Cheverly Holiday Market: December 9th**

Is it the best time of the year? We sure think it is! We have a spectacular Holiday Market coming your way December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6401 Forest Road from 8:00am to 12noon. Our tried and true fantastic vendors will be joined by craft, bakery, and other vendors from Maryland and the surrounding areas to help us celebrate the Holidays with family, friends, and a little bit of shopping.

If you're of the older crowd, come for the music, food, and raffle baskets! Michael Severner will be providing the tunes for us on December 9th. We'll also have raffle baskets filled with Market goodies you can win for a hostess gift, a holiday gift for someone special, or just for yourself!

### **Special Activity: Holiday Celebrations Scavenger Hunt**

This activity is free! We want to make the Market as inclusive as possible, all the way down to the learning opportunities we have with our littlest citizens. Different representative symbols for a variety of holidays celebrated around this time of year will be 'hidden' all over the market and with some of our vendors. Kids will be given clues at each symbol to help find the next. Clues will be a simple fact about the culture, religion, or history related to the holiday, as well as a visual clue about the symbol. We'll also have some stand-in adults to answer questions as best they can about all the different, wonderful cultures, faiths, and events that are celebrated this time of year around the world and right here in Cheverly! Kids who complete the whole holiday celebration scavenger hunt will get a prize at the Market board table! Come to the Market Board table before story time to sign up and get your first clue.

Come join us in celebrating family, friends, Cheverly, learning opportunities for our littlest citizens, locally sourced goods, music, and more!!! See you Saturday, December 9th!

## **Cheverly Garden Club**

We hope everyone has finished in their gardens for the season and they are looking forward to raking their leaves. Tree leaves can either be mulched in place with a lawn mower, bagged in brown paper bags, or raked to the curb for vacuuming. The town grinds and mulches the leaves during the winter and will deliver leaf compost in the spring for a nominal fee. The Garden Club is still taking Life Long Learning Grant applications. The deadline is December 15<sup>th</sup> and applications are available in the community center. The club will have our annual brunch at Fratelli's at noon on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Contact Barbara Pejokovich (301-773-5883) to make reservations for members and guests.

Has your garden become overcrowded by perennials? Please consider sharing with the Garden Club so we can sell them at our spring plant sale. Proceeds are returned to the community through our grant program and donations to Cheverly schools and organizations. The Cheverly Garden Club has taken a stand to save the Green Space along the Lower Beaverdam Trail and the historic Magruder Spring. Keep informed of developing events in this area and be prepared for another letter writing campaign. We thank all of those involved in saving this part of Cheverly's forests and educational trail.

Be safe with your holiday tree and water it frequently. Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor Parlor Room on the Cheverly United Methodist Church. Our wishes for the coming year to be a happy and safe one for you.

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## **Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee**

### **December Monthly Meeting**

Date: Monday, December 4, 2017

Time: 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Location: Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center  
6401 Forest Road, Cheverly

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 us! Contact [sheila.salo@gmail.com](mailto:sheila.salo@gmail.com) for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### **Explore the Wilderness Next Door -- Cheverly East Park**

Cheverly has five natural areas awaiting your discoveries. Leave the car in the driveway – you can get there by bike or on foot.

Cheverly East Park borders Tributary 4, with a wooded area adjacent to Route 50. It also has some very old trees and a well developed shrub layer. Removal of the invasive plants could allow the previously rich herbaceous layer to recover. Tributary 4 is largely bereft of aquatic life due to the fact that it derives most of its input from several outfalls channeling polluted water from town streets. Some creek restoration was conducted by the Army Corps of Engineers for M-NCPPC. Additional tree buffer will help filter pollutants and prevent erosion of the stream banks.

The part currently has no trail, so you will be bushwacking. You can access the park from a desire path connecting the southern and northern parts of Hillside Avenue, or from the Cheverly East Park playground on Oak Street. Please take care on the strip between Hillside and the stream, where you will be walking near private property.

Cheverly East Park offers an opportunity to form a dedicated group of citizens working to remove invasive plants and blaze a trail. Please contact Sheila Salo, [sheila.salo@gmail.com](mailto:sheila.salo@gmail.com), if you are interested.

When you visit our natural areas, remember – Take only pictures, leave only footprints, and tread lightly to preserve our natural treasures. Learn more about this and our other natural areas at [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org)

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**WOMAN'S CLUB** - "If we are to teach real peace in this world, we shall have to begin with the children." - Mahatma Gandhi

With 2018 right around the corner, we ask you to begin thinking about our summer **2018 PEACE CAMP**. Camp will be held the last week in July at the Cheverly United Methodist Church. Watch for more details in this newsletter in the next few months.

The Woman's Club offers scholarships to camp for children who live in town. The camp is conducted by MJ & Jerry Park, founders and co-directors of Little Friends for Peace ([www.lffp.org](http://www.lffp.org)). They have been offering camps for almost 35 years.

MJ & Jerry have a book titled, **"LIVE PEACE, TEACH PEACE, Best Practices and Tools"**. This would make a wonderful holiday gift for your family.

Our gift to you during this holiday season is the dedication for this book:

"We dedicate this work to our children and grandchildren and all the children of the earth. May they grow up in a world of love, compassion, cooperation, and joy!

May we all thrive together in the peace of the beloved community.

We are grateful for all who have journeyed with us and helped us to put together this book of best practices.

Often we hear what people are against and angry about, and what we shouldn't do. This book is what we are **for** and the tools to help create it.

This is our gift to you: to share practices we can use to be at peace and to teach the skills of peacemaking in order to build together a worldwide culture of peace".

Our **next meeting** is on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. **Join us.**

## Progressive Cheverly

Watch for news about our **13th annual District 47A legislative forum** in January where you can hear from State Senator Victor Ramirez and Delegates Diana Fennell and Jimmy Tarlau about their legislative priorities for the upcoming Maryland General Assembly session and have the chance to ask your questions directly to your representatives. This annual event is one of our most popular forums. And we are also planning some candidate forums for the important 2018 Maryland and Prince George's County elections. More information to come.

As a new year is about to begin, please consider supporting Progressive Cheverly's commitment to bringing you monthly educational forums as well as our advocacy on important issues affecting our community. Membership is only \$20.00/year (individual), \$35/year (household). You can send a check, payable to Progressive Cheverly, to Treasurer, Progressive Cheverly, 5711 Euclid St, Cheverly MD 20785, or sign up on-line while checking out our newly updated web site, [progressivecheverly.org](http://progressivecheverly.org).

## Cheverly American Legion Family

The Cheverly American Legion Family is a vibrant and growing group of men and women who share an interest in supporting veterans, military service members and their families, youth, and our community.

The Cheverly American Legion will collect winter coats and blankets this year, to benefit veterans and veteran organizations. Items can be dropped off Tuesday through Sunday, between 4:30pm and 9:00pm. Through February.

The Legion is also collecting money for Hurricane Relief, with funds to go to the National Emergency Fund, where your donation helps displaced veterans in the aftermath of a natural disaster.

### **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day – December 7**

**Wreaths Across America** – The Post supports buying wreaths for Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery. To donate, go to [www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org](http://www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org), select “Donate Locally”. Our Group Number is MD0118. You can also sign up to place wreaths at grave sites on December 16. For every two wreaths you purchase (\$15 each), three will be placed at Cheltenham.

**Volunteer at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery on Christmas Day** – one hour or one shift. Many families visit the cemetery and the staff is usually short-handed that day. It’s a great way to give a gift to families of veterans.

### **New Year’s Eve Black and White Ball – December 31, 2017**

Celebrate New Year’s Eve 2017 in style (Truman Capote style) at the Cheverly American Legion in the Ross-Tayman Hall! \$25 per person, includes music by DJ, light hors devours, photo booth, and a champagne toast. Cash bar, Gift Basket Raffles, and more. Doors open at 8:30pm. 21 and older. Free parking.

### **Second Friday St. Ambrose Men’s Club Game Night** – December 8, 8:00PM, Dugout

Join the men of the Cheverly American Legion and St. Ambrose Men’s club for pool, darts, and cards.

### **Third Friday Ladies’ Night** - Friday, December 15, 7:30 PM, Dugout

All are welcome. Light refreshments served. Beer, Wine, and special theme drink available for purchase. Remember, Ladies Nights are not for ladies only!

### **Clean up and Set up the Hall** - Cheverly American Legion Hall - Wednesdays 7:30 pm

Members of the American Legion, SAL and ALA meet to get the Legion Hall ready for the weekend events.

### **Friday Night Queen of Hearts Game** - Fridays, 7:30 PM, Cheverly American Legion Dugout

Try your luck at finding the Queen of Hearts on the board of 54 cards. One drawing each week until the Queen of Hearts is found. Must be a Cheverly American Legion, Son of the American Legion, or American Legion Auxiliary member to play. Raffle tickets for sale in the Dugout daily, 4:00 PM – 10:00PM, up to the drawing.

### **Cheverly American Legion Post 108 Membership**

(\$35/year): The Legion is open to men and women who are serving or have served at least one day of active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States during time of war. Find eligibility dates, application form and documentation requirements at <http://CheverlyAmericanLegion.org> or contact Joseph Pruden (301) 602-2117.

Next Executive Committee meeting–  
Tuesday, December 12 at 7:30 pm.

Next General Membership Meeting:  
Monday, January 15, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

### **Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary Membership** (\$25/year; Jr. \$5/

year): The ALA is open to women veterans and women service members, and to many women whose family member is/was a veteran or service member. If you are interested in joining us or learning about the American Legion Auxiliary, email us at [cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com](mailto:cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com).

Next Executive Committee Meetings:  
December 5 at 7PM

Next General Membership Meeting:  
December 5, 7:30 – 9:00  
Cheverly American Legion Hall

**Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Membership** (\$20/year): The SAL is made up of men and boys of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and who are eligible for membership in The American Legion. All who would like to know more about the Sons are welcome to attend the general meeting. For meeting date and time or more information, please email at [SAL@CheverlyAmericanLegion.com](mailto:SAL@CheverlyAmericanLegion.com).

# Leaf Collection or Leaf Mulching



Every season has its beauty and specific tasks that must be performed by your department of public works. During the warm summer days, plans were made for the fall to plant trees, fix some of the flower beds, repair some sidewalks and prepare the equipment for the year's leaf vacuuming collection efforts. Somewhere in this newsletter you will find the leaf collection schedule. This is the time when the Town's crews will be in your area so that you can be ready to rake your leaves to the curb.



The leaf collection schedule is by no means perfect. Despite the yearly adjustments; the leaf collection crews cannot be at all places at the same time or when the leaves decide to fall. Some years the best scheduled plan for collection is too early, others times a little late; the leaves have yet to share their falling schedule with anyone. Nevertheless, if raked to the curb, bagged and/or containerized they will be collected. Now as you know and value, the Town of Cheverly can arguably be construed as unique within Prince Georges County. It is an eyesore to have the Town littered with bagged leaf at the curb prior to the scheduled Monday collection. Although it can be considered a violation of the Town's code this practice makes the Town look shabby over the weekend when the town has prospective buyers and visitors. Please keep the bagged leaves on your property until Sunday night.

On the other hand this might be the year that you can help with nature's perfect cycle. How about letting the trees and your lawn clippings come together to "self-fertilize?" Why not take your mower or ask the service that mows your lawn to run the mower over your leaves from north to south and from east to west? The mixture of nitrogen rich grass particles mixed with the carbon rich leaves that have fallen on your lawn make the best combination for you lawn and for the environment.



But you don't have to take just my words on this matter; read this excerpt: *"Raking and collecting leaves every autumn is a tradition without scientific basis."*

*"Based upon research at several uni-versities, the organic matter and nutrients from leaves mown into lawn areas has been proven to improve turf quality. At Michigan State, researchers set a rotary mower to cut at a height of 3 inches and then mowed an 18-inch-deep layer of leaves into test plots. That's the equivalent of 450 pounds of leaves per 1,000 square feet. The tests resulted in improved soil and healthy lawns with few remnant leaves visible the following spring."* <http://www.finegardening.com/improve-your-soil-raking-less> by Terry Ettinger.



The Department of Public Works will be picking up falls raked leaves just like last year. Once again residents will be provided with three ways to remove the leaves from the lawn: 1- bagged them in paper bags and leave by the curb for Monday's yard waste collection; 2- place them in a container for Monday's yard waste collection; 3- when your block is schedule for collection - rake them to the tree planting strip without blocking the sidewalk or allowing them to fall on the curbs and blocking the nearby storm drain.



**On the other hand: How about Nature's cycle and mulching them? This could be year that we as a Town permit the cycle to continue and thereby doing our part in the restoration and the nurturing of our piece of the earth.**

## **2017-2018 LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE**

### **October 17-27**

ENTIRE TOWN

### **October 31**

Monroe St. 6200-6202  
Laurel Ave. 3301-3407  
Lombard Ave. 6100-6205  
Montrose Road 6103-6136

### **November 2**

63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue 2800-3010  
63<sup>rd</sup> Place 2800-2825  
Inwood St. 6300-6407  
64<sup>th</sup> Avenue 2800-2825  
Inwood St. 6100-6215

### **November 3**

Cheverly Ave. 2200-2720  
Arbor St. 6100-6121  
Parkway 2400-2600 (even)  
Parkway Pl. 2701-2711  
Cheverly Circle #1-#27  
Cheverly Circle 6101-6105

### **November 7**

Parkway 2405-2601 (odd)  
Wayne Pl. 2500-2541  
Cheverly Park Dr. 6200-6232  
Wayne Court 6200-6204  
Parkway 2203-2309  
Crestlawn Ave. 2300-2311

### **November 9**

Belleview Ave. 2701-2719  
Forest Rd. 5901-6015 (odd)  
Lake Ave. 2700-2715  
Lake Ave. 2300-2510

### **November 14**

Jutewood Ave. 1607  
Reed St. 6000-6012 (even)  
State St. 6000-6204  
61<sup>st</sup> Ave. 1700-1817  
62<sup>nd</sup> Ave. 1701-1815  
64<sup>th</sup> Ave. 1800-1816

### **November 16**

63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue 3100-3142  
Joslyn Pl. 6300-6331

63<sup>rd</sup> Pl. 3102-3127  
Cheverly Hills Ct. 3200-3220  
Jason St. 6301-6325

### **November 17**

Cheverly Oaks Ct. 2900-2923  
Hillside Ave. 2800-3132 Oakton Way 6400-6403  
Oak Forest Ct. 6500-6508  
Cedar St. 6500-6514  
Woodway Place 2802-2909  
64<sup>th</sup> Ave. 2900-2907

### **November 28**

Hillside 3205-3211  
Maureen Ct. 6500-6509  
Oak St. 6501-6509  
Oak St. 6600-6604 (even)  
Oak St. 6601-6609 (odd)  
64<sup>th</sup> Ave. 3315,3321,3323

### **November 30**

Forest Road 6405-6459  
Forest Road 6200-6212 (even)  
Forest Rd. 6101-6219(odd)  
Parkway 2805-3131

### **December 1**

Belleview Ave. 2804-2815  
Belleview Ave. 3001-3500  
Medical Terrace 5901-5905  
Cheverly Ave. 2800-3510 (even)  
Cheverly Ave. 2801-3411 (odd)

### **December 5**

Forest Rd. 5900-6010 (even)  
Greenleaf Rd. 5700-5812 (even)  
Greenleaf Ct.  
Hawthorne St. 6000-6025  
Inwood St. 6006-6031

### **December 7**

Inwood St. 5600-5615  
Jason St. 5600-5716  
Lockwood Rd. 5600-5907  
Kilmer St. 6000-6021  
Lake Ave. 3001-3122

**December 8**

Landover Rd. 5611-6005 (odd)  
 Monroe St. 5625-5627 (odd)  
 Monroe St. 5702-5714  
 Newton St. 5518-5614 (even)  
 Newton St. 5700-5809  
 Quincy St. 5543-5545 (odd)  
 57<sup>th</sup> Ave. 3501-3507 (odd)  
 58<sup>th</sup> Pl. 3600-3605

**December 12**

57<sup>th</sup> Ave. 2500-2607  
 Carlyle St. 5703-5835  
 Crest Ave. 2500-2824  
 Dewey St. 5800-5841  
 Crest Ave. 3000-3215  
 Tremont Ave. 2900-3307

**December 14**

Euclid St. 5700-5735  
 Forest Rd. 5700-5721  
 Greenleaf Road 5601-5625  
 Greenleaf Road 5701-5809 (odd)  
 Hawthorne St. 5600-5622  
 56<sup>th</sup> Pl. 2902-2907

**December 15**

Benton Rd. 5900-5901  
 Belleview Ave. 2300-2358 (even)  
 Belleview Ave. 2301-2351 (odd)  
 Euclid St. 5901-6012

**December 19**

59<sup>th</sup> Avenue 2410-2421  
 59<sup>th</sup> Place 2400-2433  
 Valleyway 2400-2800

**December 21**

Laurel Avenue 2800-3141  
 Kilmer St. 6100-6220  
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**February 15-24** Entire Town

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## Meetings & Events

### GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Fri Dec 1 6:30pm Tree Lighting Ceremony  
 Sat Dec 2 11:00am Children's Holiday Party  
 Thurs Dec 14 8:00 pm Town Meeting  
**THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER WORKSESSION**  
 Mon Dec 25 **Christmas Day - Offices Closed**  
 Mon Jan 1 **New Years Day - Offices Closed**  
 Thurs Jan 11 8:00pm Town Meeting  
 Thurs Jan 25 7:30pm Worksession

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

- Residential Zone Parking Permit Reminder.
- Cheverly Village - Franklin's, Dec. 11th, All day.
- FLBC - Work Party, Dec. 30th, 9am.
- Gladys Noon - Playgroup Party, Dec. 17th, 2pm.
- 4th Ward Civic Assoc. - Meeting, Dec. 18th, 7pm.
- Cheverly Holiday Market - Dec. 9th, 8am.
- Garden Club - Fratelli's, Dec. 17th, 12pm.
- Green Infrastructure - Meeting, Dec. 4th, 7:30pm.
- Woman's Club - Meeting, Jan. 8th, 7pm.
- Progressive Cheverly - 13th Annual District 47A Legislative Forum.
- American Legion - Winter Donations, Pearl Harbor, Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery, Black and White Ball, Men's Club, Ladies Night, & much more!
- Leaf Collection Reminder.