

# Cheverly

## NEWSLETTER

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### FYI

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

by Mayor Laila Riazi

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.

#### Hello Cheverly Neighbors and Friends, Are you receiving News and Announcements to your email? If not, sign up!



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#### It's "Back to School" time—safety first!

Safety comes first. This time of year, we need to be extra attentive to pedestrians crossing our streets. We need to be patient and wait for vehicles to turn rather than passing them and allow sufficient time so that we're not tempted to speed. We also need to practice proper school bus etiquette. Drivers **MUST** stop for school buses, even if the bus is in the oncoming lane. The danger is real, and the fines for passing a bus are significant. We, as pedestrians also need to do our part to be good neighbors and stay safe. Parents, please work with your students so that they understand to respect public and private properties adjacent to their bus stops, have a "missed the bus plan," and are prepared to cross streets safely.

**Let's make this a time for all of us to reconnect to education.** If you are not already involved in supporting our schools, I ask you to please make that stretch this year. Investment and involvement in offering quality education are central to the social and financial success of our community and our county, as well as to our global future. I am supporting bringing learning sessions on the Kirwin Commission, community schools, school boundaries, Specialty and Enrichment programs, and advocating and accessing support for student needs. Here in Cheverly, it's vital for all of us to learn and do more, whether or not we have students enrolled in PGCPs.

#### Mayor and Council are also in "Back to School" mode.

These next several months will also include learning sessions for Mayor and Council. In September, we will have a special Worksession (7:00 pm,

#### Building Usage Meeting

The usage meeting for the gym will be on Thursday September 12th at 7 p.m. in the conference room at the town building. Please bring all your information, times and dates you would like. (if available) The meeting is just one hour since the Town Meeting starts at 8 p.m. and some of us have to be at the meeting.

Thursday, September 19) at Town Hall, with presentations from both our Planning Board and Green Infrastructure Committee. We will have the opportunity to learn about both our built and natural environment, visioning into action, ideas for engaging development opportunities, environmental preservation and stewardship, municipal green practices, and the most effective roles for Mayor, Council, and staff. Future sessions will explore topics, including value-based budgeting, team building, strategic planning, and the 2020 census.

#### Help us be more welcoming!

Were you officially welcomed to Cheverly when you moved in? Here in Cheverly, we have an ambitious goal to make sure that all new town residents receive a Welcome to Cheverly Bag. Here's the strategy: 1) establish a recurring monthly opportunity for volunteers to assemble the Welcome Bags at Town Hall. You can come by to help just once, or help every month. You can come for community service hours, or just for the fun of it. 2) During the monthly assembling, Town organizations and Cheverly businesses will have the opportunity to drop off small inserts for the bags that are appropriate for welcoming new neighbors. Inserts could be a business card, brochure, or small token that represents the organization. For instance, the Master Gardeners provide a packet of seeds along with their contact info. 3) Neighbors, organizations or Councilmembers can pick up Welcome Bag(s) during this time to personally deliver to their immediate neighbors. Let's leave no new Cheverly resident unwelcomed! Welcome Bag Wednesday's are the first Wednesday of FYI Continued on next page...

every month at 4:00 pm in the large conference room in Town Hall. The community bag welcome has connected with over 300 new neighbors and is a product of volunteer vision and initiative. Hope to see you there!

**Your Notes Needed!—World Gratitude Day + International Day of Peace, September 21.**

There is so much to be grateful for in Cheverly. One more thing to appreciate is the opportunity to express your gratitude in a public and creative way. All around Cheverly look for 'Gratitude Stations' to write your note, or notes, of gratitude. Find the stations at Town Hall lobby, local churches, Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary, among other 'to be determined' locations. Let's collect 1,000 expressions of gratitude! And as we approach International Day of Gratitude on September 21, look for more chances to celebrate the community-building power of gratitude. A number of community organizations are coming together to make this happen and partnering with our schools and congregations to learn, give, and receive.

**Don't forget—Pepco will be visiting us in September!**

The Town has requested three opportunities for the community to speak with Pepco regarding their public and private property tree trimming and removal under their vegetation management plan. We have plans for a Pepco representative to join us at our televised Town Council Meeting (September 12) and our Council Worksession (September 26).

**Where are we in our Cheverly Police Chief selection process?**

By the time you receive this newsletter, we are forecast to have completed most of the elements of our Cheverly Police Chief selection process. We will refer our final candidate for completion of an intensive law enforcement background check. The timeline should support welcoming our new Cheverly Chief of Police by the end of September.

**Reminder! Connect—text, phone, email, in person!**

I want to hear from you and work with you on Town services and community needs. Monday evening office hours are from (7:30-9:00 pm) at Town Hall, 6401 Forest Rd., so please do stop by. My mobile, 202-258-6167, is almost always with me, and both calls and texts are welcome. My email is mayor@cheverly-md.gov. If you are ever in a situation where you do not hear back from me, please do reach out again or call the Town office, 301-773-8360 so that I can ensure that we connect. Thank you to those who have started regularly join us at worksessions and

meetings. I encourage your involvement and attendance. It feels good to have community in the room.

**I hope to see you soon and to regularly hear from you. The Mayor's office door is open, and I welcome your calls and texts. Until then—be Cheverly connected and Cheverly inspired!**



**No Trash or Yard Waste Collection on Holidays**

**TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS**

*Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted*

**Town Meeting on August 8**

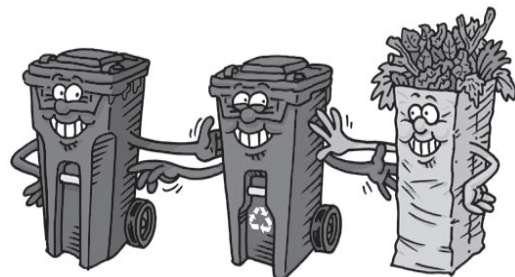
- Dylan O. Galloway, new Town Administrator sworn in.
- Motion to Approval 2018-2019 Bridget Mock Audit: CM Radloff, seconded by CM Garcia
- Motion for RFP for 2019-2020 Audit: Cm Fry, seconded by Munyeneh

**RECYCLING & TRASH TOTALS**

**July 2019**

Curbside Recycling	52.17 tons
Yard Waste	33.10 tons
Refuse	149.80 tons

<u>Recycling + Yard Waste</u>	=	<u>85.27 tons</u>	=	36.27%
Total Tonnage		235.07 tons		Percentage diverted from the landfill



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*Message from the Acting Chief*  
Jarod J. Towers  
([policechief@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:policechief@cheverly-md.gov))

**One team, One mission, Team Cheverly!**

### **Theft from Auto!!!**

In the last couple of weeks, the town has seen an influx in incidents involving theft from autos and auto tampering. For the 2019 year, there have been a total of 37 calls for these types of incidents, with 3 more months to go. For comparison, in 2017, there were a total of 40 theft from auto and auto tampering incidents, while 2018 had 45. Of the 37 incidents in 2019, 15 occurred in August alone. While not every one of the 37 calls may have involved an actual theft from the vehicle, these numbers are alarming.

In response to this influx, for the Month of September, the Cheverly Police Department will be conducting a campaign, throughout the town, focused on theft from auto and auto tampering awareness and prevention. We are asking the community to partner with us in our endeavor to bring awareness to these incidents and do everything in our power to prevent them.

One of the initial steps of our campaign is a request to the community. The Cheverly Department is asking the community to R.O.A.R:

R-emove any valuables from sight, or completely out of your vehicle

O-pt to park in well-lit areas

A-lways lock your doors

R-eport, Report, Report

In addition, throughout the month we will be broadcasting frequent reminders for residents to lock their vehicles and remove their belongings from plain sight. You may find officers patrolling your street and verifying vehicles are locked. Please don't be alarmed. Any unsecured vehicles will be secured, and officers will leave a notice on the windshield advising that the Cheverly Police secured the vehicle.

### **Crime Reporting**

I want to bring your attention back to the last step of our R.O.A.R request, reporting. I have heard, a few times, the reason for not reporting being related to the fact that individuals feel that doing so is a waste of time, or because the incident itself was too minor. Collection of data is a very important step in the investigatory process of a police department in combating crime. One of the best, and fastest, ways of obtaining this data is through reports. **Every** piece of information collected, including date, time, location, weather conditions, vehicle type (if a vehicle was involved), etc. can be an important factor for our investigations. Every incident that is reported, whether it be directly with a Cheverly Police officer or through Prince George's County, Public Safety Communication's (PSC) non-emergency line (301-352-1200), is entered into the Records Management System for the department to utilize in areas such as crime analysis.

In referencing thefts from autos, you may have heard our officers inquiring on whether the vehicle was secured prior. Some may not see the importance of this question and may view it as the officer trying to place blame on the victim. Please do not be put off. As stated previously, even this question has important implications to our investigations. If it can be determined, through analysis of all the theft from auto and auto tampering calls that are received, that a common factor in the incidents is that the vehicles were not secured, then it can be determined that one way of combating the incidents would be to raise awareness of the importance of locking vehicles throughout the community. However, if the opposite is true, and a majority of the vehicles were secured, then this notifies us that another explanation, that we may not be aware of, needs to be explored.

### **Crime Statistics**

In speaking of reports, recently, there appears to be concern in the community as it pertains to the reporting of incidents. The concern stems from whether incidents are being accurately reported in the department's statistical report that are presented monthly in the newsletter and displayed on our website. It goes without saying that the statistics the community are provided are indeed accurate. I believe the confusion lies in the understanding in what is provided in the monthly newsletter and on our website, as it pertains to our crime statistics. Below you will find answers to a few questions that I hope will help to clear some on the confusion.

#### **1. What crime statistics get reported to the newsletter and online?**

A. The Cheverly Police Department provides statistics to the FBI's Federal UCR/NIBRS Program. In accordance, we provide statistics on the FBI's "Part I" offenses which includes: Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Larceny-Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson, and Human Trafficking. In addition, the department provides statistics on Fraud, Kidnapping, Sex Offenses, and Vandalism.

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**2. Why are “Part 1” offenses the only crime statistics provided?**

- A. In the past, the department has been scrutinized, by UCR auditors, regarding the issue that the statistics we provide in the newsletter and website differed from that which was published by the FBI in their yearly UCR publication. Because the FBI’s UCR guidelines, in regard to what gets reported and how it gets reported, is a national guideline that the department can’t alter, it was decided that we would instead change the crimes we publish to match the UCR.

**3. What happens to the crimes that are reported but don’t fall into the “Part 1” category?**

- A. These crimes are not “tossed away” or “disregarded”. They are still utilized in our analysis of criminal incidents and investigations. As stated previously in my discussion regarding theft from autos, every incident reported is entered into the county-wide Records Management System to be utilized.

**4. Are reports that aren’t taken by a Cheverly officer included in the statistics?**

- A. Absolutely! The county-wide system is set up so that the jurisdiction where the incident occurs is responsible for the incident. If the crime occurred in Cheverly’s jurisdiction it is captured in Cheverly’s statistics, regardless of what agency takes the report.

**5. Why do crime stat sites, such as crimereport.com, show incidents that aren’t in the department’s statistics?**

- A. When it comes to sites, such as crimereport.com, their mapping system does not take into consideration the actual jurisdictional boundaries of towns. These sites usually label jurisdictions based on postal address. However, just because a location has a Cheverly mailing or postal address does not mean it is in the jurisdictional limits of the Town of Cheverly. For example, many people believe Prince George’s County Hospital to be in Cheverly’s jurisdiction, because it carries a Cheverly mailing address, however, any incidents that occur at PGH fall under the Prince George’s County Police Department’s jurisdiction.

**6. Why didn’t my incident appear in the Newsletter, despite occurring the previous month?**

- A. When it comes to the crime stats in the Newsletter, the community must be aware that the Newsletter crime stats are two months behind. For example, the crime statistics in this Newsletter, September 2019, are from July 2019’s incidents. The crime stats from last month, August 2019, are going to appear in October 2019’s Newsletter. The reasoning? The creation and publication of the Newsletter is usually performed by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the previous month. This leaves, most of the time, 10 or 11 days that will not be included where crime could occur. In addition, all reports go through a 3-step phase. In any of these phases the report could be rejected, and the crime reported in the report can be changed, due to UCR’s classification rules. Because of this, all reports must make it through all three phases, and marked as completed, before the statistic for that incident is included.

**Another Community Movie Night?**

That’s right. On Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, the Cheverly Police Department will be hosting its second Community Movie Night. Starting at 7:30 PM, at the Cheverly Station Apartments, the department will be screening Marvel’s “The Black Panther.” There will be free popcorn at this event. Come out and bring your family, friends, and neighbors. Let’s make this Movie Nights as successful as the first!

**Public Safety Day:**

Mark your calendars! Public Safety Day 2019 will be September 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 PM to 9 PM. There will be lots of games, entertainment, demonstrations, and free dinner!

**Cheverly Police Non-Emergency Calls for Service:**

Over the last ten months I have heard numerous concerns regarding the process of calling into Prince George’s County, Public Safety Communication’s (PSC) non-emergency line. Their personnel are required to follow strict protocol and unfortunately, we have very little influence on the way they operate. Mayor Riazi and I have spoken in depth about the issues surrounding this matter and what the town can do to improve services to our community moving forward. As we continue to evaluate the best course of action to improve our services, there are several significant liabilities we must consider. First and foremost, our staff, including our patrol officers, are not trained in taking calls for service, especially during emergency situations. Secondly, the police department’s administrative office is not currently capable of managing, recording, archiving, or triaging incoming calls, nor do we have the proper access to enter calls into our Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software as PSC does. Lastly, since officers are often handling calls for service and our station is not staffed 24/7, there are times there is no one available to answer town phones, including our patrol cell phone.

I sincerely appreciate both community input and feedback. Having this information allows me to make informed decisions that reflect the needs and values of our community. Please understand that while you may not understand our decisions, the safety of this community is our priority and we are always happy to answer any questions.

**Coffee w/ the Chief: \*Note Change\*** For the month of September, Coffee with the Chief will be held on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 4 PM to 6 PM, and Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, from 9 AM to 11 AM. The turnout to these events has allowed us to gain a better

understanding of issues that face the community, we've even had the honor of badging Junior Officers at these events. So Come out, voice your concerns, ask questions, and enjoy some coffee with donuts!

**House Check Program:**

If you are going out of town for more than one night and want peace of mind that everything is ok on the home front, sign up for a house check. Every single day that you are gone, a police officer will visit your residence to ensure that everything is ok. Officers will walk the perimeter of your home to ensure that every window and door is secure, just the way you left it. To sign up, call the station or sign up online at: <https://cheverlymd.pt7.civic-cms.com/police-department/webforms/house-check-request-online-submittal>

If you have a concern, an idea, or just want to introduce yourself, please don't hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at [jtowers@cheverlypolice.org](mailto:jtowers@cheverlypolice.org) or [policechief@cheverly-md.gov](mailto:policechief@cheverly-md.gov) or 301-341-1055.

One Team, One Mission, Team Cheverly!

**Cheverly's Mass Notification System is here!** CodeRED allows residents to receive emergency alerts via text, email, or phone call. Upon signing up for the service, users can create a Managed Account, which allows the user to create a username and password and control the following:

Types of alerts received:

Emergency Alerts (Mandatory)

General Alerts (Optional)

Weather Alerts (Optional, as provided by the National Weather Service)

Method alerts are received:

Via text message

Via email

Via phone call

Users can also perform a quick signup however, doing so would require the user to call CodeRED's customer service line in order to make any changes to the account.

Users are required to have either a residential or business address, within the Cheverly limits, in order to sign up for an account. The system supports multiple addresses, phone numbers, and emails.

In order to start receiving alerts, residents can sign up using any of the following ways:



By going to the Police Department's website and clicking on

By going to <https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BF05350699FE>

By scanning the following QR code with your smart phone or tablet:



**Anyone who would like assistance signing up for alerts can stop by the Cheverly Police Department, Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 5 PM and 7 PM.**

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## TELEPHONE NUMBERS –

**Police Emergency** **9-1-1**

**Police Non-Emergency** **(301) 352-1200**

**Cheverly Police Headquarters** **(301) 341-1055**  
(7am – 7pm Mon-Fri—Sat 8am - 4pm )

**Cheverly Photo Enforcement** **(240) 770-7641**

## Crime Report for July 2019

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

7/5/2019	0715	Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft (Shoplifting)
7/7/2019	2025	Hrs	2400 Parkway	Fraud
7/12/2019	0300	Hrs	1700 61 <sup>st</sup> Ave	Theft from Auto
7/14/2019	2235	Hrs	3400 Laurel Ave	Auto Theft
7/15/2019	0000	Hrs	3100 63 <sup>rd</sup> Ave	Theft from Auto
7/16/2019	2100	Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft (Under \$1000)
7/19/2019	1811	Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft (Shoplifting)
7/20/2019	0800	Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft (Over \$1000)
7/23/2019	1951	Hrs	6000 Arbor St	Theft (Shoplifting)
7/24/2019	0000	Hrs	Cheverly Cir	Auto Theft
7/30/2019	1215	Hrs	2300 Bellevue Ave	Theft from Auto
7/31/2019	0000	Hrs	6200 Forest Rd	Auto Theft
7/31/2019	0800	Hrs	2300 Crestlawn Ave	Auto Theft



## This Old House Got You Down?

Cheverly houses can sometimes do that. They can be homey and full of a lifetime of memories, but they become less convenient as we age. The good news is that affordable modifications can help your house meet your current needs for freedom, accessibility and safety.

Plan to attend “Home Modifications for Accessibility and Safety,” which includes a presentation by Certified Aging in Place Specialist Steve Hage – Tuesday, September 17, 5:30-8:00 pm, at the Community Center. All are welcome, and a light supper is included. Please let us know to expect you; see email and phone number below.

## What Are You Grateful For?

Speaking of things that can sometimes “get you down,” we invite you to join your neighbors in celebrating **gratitude** for a full month leading up to September 21<sup>st</sup> which since 1966 has been recognized internationally as World Gratitude Day.

How? Cheverly organizations are collecting colorful index cards on which we—all Cheverly residents—are invited to write something we’re grateful for. To create your card (or cards), visit one of the half-dozen Gratitude stations that you’ll find at Town Hall, Cheverly United Methodist Church, St. Ambrose Catholic Church, Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary School, and other places. All cards, and other local expressions of gratitude, will appear in a video that will be displayed at different locations throughout the month.

Why? Village volunteer Bonnie Priebe told me recently, “After reading *1000 Gifts* by Ann Voskamp some years ago, I started writing down my own blessings. I’m now beyond 1,700. I love looking back over my list when I have a down day: a husband’s love, the blue light before dawn, a silly cat—those are some of my earliest.” Sharing what we’re grateful for comforts us individually and helps multiply gratitude in our community—and we can agree that’s a good thing.

*Please call or write us to find out how to be a member, a volunteer, or a supporter of Cheverly Village—or to tell us you’ll attend the Home Modifications event: 240-770-1033, [Village@CheverlyVillage.org](mailto:Village@CheverlyVillage.org).*

*-- Diane La Voy, co-founder and Executive Director*

# Community Bulletin Board

## As You Were

### *Tidbits of Cheverly History*

What's with all the numbers?

There are four tributaries in Cheverly that run north to south to feed Lower Beaverdam Creek. They have no names, so rather than calling them all "unnamed tributary," we have been referring to them as Tributary 1, 2, 3, and 4, counting west to east, or left to right on a map.

#### **Tributary 1**

Running from about halfway between Greenleaf Rd and Hawthorne southward to Lower Beaverdam Creek, this tributary formed the eastern boundary of a 1685 patent named White Lackington, later Whitlentine, and the western boundary of the North Kenilworth subdivision (1910). It drains the western portions of Greenleaf Road and Hawthorne, as well as Euclid Woods, hospital hill and parts of the Kenilworth Industrial Park. The tributary is fed by hospital parking lot storm drains, runoff from Greenleaf, industrial park storm drains and direct runoff from industrial park properties. These areas were annexed to Cheverly in 1951 and 1958.

A spring also contributes to the tributary. First mentioned in a deed of 1885, in which Henry W. Darnall "reserv[ed] the right to use the spring and to protect the shade trees surrounding said spring for the space of twenty-five feet," this spring provided drinking water for Cheverly residents into the 1950s. The spring runs into "Millbrook wetland" on Cheverly's western buffer property.

The "Millbrook Wetland" is a portion of a former wetland area partly dried out by changes in hydrology due to the building of hospital additions (1950s) and the development of the Cheverly Industrial Park (1960s). In the past few years it has again become a wetland, supporting typical plants such as arrowhead and cattail.

The stream runs through a deep ravine, having plunged about 18 feet from its level at Greenleaf Road. A wall of large riprap between the upper and lower streams is intended to slow the water. Several types of ferns, dogwood, and native azaleas may be seen in and near the gorge. The soil in the stream, of mixed silt and clay, is easily eroded, and often forms picturesque but relatively short-lived grottoes and small waterfalls.

Comparing the 1685 boundaries with the present-day stream centers, we can see the result of the streambank erosion, as the stream has moved eastward into Euclid Woods. South of Euclid Woods, human intervention has changed the stream's route several times between 1886 and today. Whereas the stream once flowed directly into the Anacostia through a wetland at about where route 50 meets route 295, sometime before 1917 it was connected with a smaller stream flowing south to Lower Beaverdam Creek. Today it is piped in a straight line through the industrial area north of Tuxedo Road and east of 51st Place.

#### **Progressive Cheverly: Be Informed and Engaged**

After a summer hiatus, Progressive Cheverly's monthly Forums are back, with new topics and a new, mobility-accessible location! On the first Thursday of the month from September to June, we host interactive Forums where residents can ask questions and voice concerns. Join us for our first Forums of the 2019-2020 season:

#### **Thursday, September 5 at 7pm**

**What We Need to Know ... and Do About the Epidemic of Gun Violence in Our Country:** Action must be taken to stop the mass shootings and the daily killings that have tragically affected communities everywhere. Come hear Representative Anthony Brown (invited) and Jennifer Stapleton, a state leader in Moms' Demand Action Maryland talk about what is happening around gun reform legislation on the federal and state levels and what we can do to get involved.

#### **Thursday, October 3 at 7pm**

#### **Immigration: Details forthcoming**

**All monthly forums** will be held in the multipurpose room at **Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary School** (3324 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue), Cheverly. Parking is available. Refreshments will be served. Location is mobility-accessible and ASL interpretation will be provided.

Progressive Cheverly is a grassroots, volunteer-led organization that's been supporting democracy from the ground up since 2005. Progressive Cheverly focuses on several main areas, including: *education* on key issues; *advocacy* with local, state and federal legislators; and *collaboration* with local coalitions on progressive issues like the environment, health care, civil rights and government reform. Progressive Cheverly focuses on helping to *empower* our residents to effect *positive change* for our community.

Like Progressive Cheverly on Facebook. To join Progressive Cheverly or contribute, go online to [progressivecheverly.org](http://progressivecheverly.org).



# Community Bulletin Board

## **Saint Ambrose School, Annual Crab Feast & Fundraiser 2019**

Please plan to attend this year's St. Ambrose School, Annual "All You Can Eat" Crab Feast!

This fantastic event is hosted by the St. Ambrose Home & School Association and features a delicious menu of "all you can eat" steamed crabs, crab soup, fried chicken, meatballs, hot dogs, corn, baked beans, salad, mashed potatoes, fruit & desserts; this feast will also include "all you can drink" cold beer, wine, sodas & iced tea.

In addition to the grand menu above, join us for great music and plenty of fellowship with the St. Ambrose Community!

**Feel free to bring friends & family to this adult-only event.**

**Saturday, September 28, 2019 | 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm | Fannon Hall.**

Tickets (\$65) are advanced sale only and may be purchased online at: <https://sascheverly.org/>

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**Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee**  
**September Monthly Meeting, Monday, September 9, 2019**  
7:30-9:00 p.m. in Large Conference Room, 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, the 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.

### **H<sup>2</sup>O, Friend or Foe?**

Find out on November 9 at the Water Woes Workshop at the Community Center. The CGIC is planning a workshop with elements focusing on:

- ◆ The basics of hydrology, soils, and vegetation
- ◆ The division of responsibility for water issues
- ◆ Homeowners' options for improvement, including those qualifying for county rebates
- ◆ Financing of improvement projects.

Activities will include:

- ◆ Talks by University of Maryland faculty, Public Works Director, consulting engineer, and the Chesapeake Bay Trust.
- ◆ Practitioners' roundtable, for one-on-one consultation, since no one solution will fit all circumstances.
- ◆ Displays.
- ◆ On-site application for county rebates.
- ◆ And, we will have rain barrels for sale!

Remember the Great Cheverly Rain Barrel Event of 2016? Well, we're doing it again! The town has purchased rain barrels. You will pay \$57 per barrel at the workshop. The county will give

you a rebate for the whole amount, plus. Your final cost will be a whopping 0. What is the plus? The rebate may include extras needed for installing the barrels, such as cinder blocks. The total rebate is up to \$100 per barrel. You must have receipts for all your expenses. And remember to take before and after photos.

Best of all, the Chesapeake Bay Trust will help you apply for your rebate right at the workshop.

### **Bay-Wise Season**

The Cheverly Bay-Wise season is in full swing, and another yard has been certified.

What's Bay-Wise? The Maryland Bay-Wise Program is a state-wide program of the University of Maryland Extension Service. Through Bay-Wise you can get credit for your environmentally-friendly landscape practices, even a cool sign for your yard.

The CGIC and Maryland Master Gardeners are helping promote the Bay-Wise program right here in Cheverly.

There are now 14 yards certified, 11 private yards and 3 public areas. Ward 4 is still ahead in yards certified.

Bay-Wise yards:

- Control stormwater runoff: install rain barrels, rain garden
- Provide food, water, and shelter for wildlife
- Reduce or eliminates use of chemical pesticides and fertilizers
- Compost yard clippings, leaves, and vegetable scraps
- Use native plants and trees
- Convert lawn to a conservation landscape
- Protect your neighboring stream or seep

Maybe this is your yard already. Maybe you need just a little encouragement. We're here to give you that encouragement.

Using the Bay-Wise Yardstick you earn Inches -- like points -- toward the 36 (one yard) needed for certification.

Find the Bay-Wise Yardstick on [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org). Click on the LED lightbulbs to find more information and ideas for your yard.

You can also pick up yardstick brochures and information at the Cheverly Community Market. If you already have your yardstick, now's a great time to "measure" your yard and book the Master Gardeners certification team.

Here's how to certify your yard.

1. Download the MD Yardstick along with an application,
2. Complete the MD Yardstick,

Contact the Master Gardener program ([estherm@umd.edu](mailto:estherm@umd.edu)) to sign up for a site visit for certification. Do not submit your completed Yardstick and application before you contact your local Master Gardener program.

Find even more information and a how-to video, as well as links and reading suggestions at [www.greencheverly.org](http://www.greencheverly.org).

Let's make Cheverly a Bay-Wise community. How many of our Cheverly yards can we certify?

**Be wise, be Bay-Wise!**



# Community Bulletin Board

## Fall Flea Market

The Fall Flea Market sponsored by the Recreation Council will be held on Saturday October 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Town building. Come Rain or Shine, it's held indoors! Tables are \$15 each and reservations start Tuesday, September 3rd. Call Barbara 301-773-5883.

There will be lots of bargains, the Woman's Club Chicken Salad Sandwiches will be for sale. Come down for lunch and bring a friend. Plus lots of bake goods too.

**See you on Saturday, October 5th!**



The **Cheverly Garden Club** is offering a **Lifelong Learning Grants**. Applications for 2019 are due by December 15, 2019. The maximum award is **\$5,000.00**

The goal of the grant is to select and fund lifelong learners interested in attending a credit or non-credit course related to gardening, landscape design, environmental issues, floral design or horticulture.

Applicants must be 18 years old or older and reside in Cheverly, Maryland or be a full-time employee of the Town of Cheverly.

For more information or to get an application email Kay Holloway at [kay\\_holloway@hotmail.com](mailto:kay_holloway@hotmail.com)

## Cheverly Recreation Council

The September meeting is on Tuesday, September 24th at 7pm in the conference room at the Town Building.

This is our first meeting of the year. We are looking for new ideas, come to our meeting since they are open to everyone.

The topic of discussion is the October Flea Market (10/5/19) and the Children Halloween Party (11/2/19).

## WOMAN'S CLUB

Now that summer is coming to an end, our club's 100th birthday celebration event is quickly approaching. If you are a current member, have ever been a member, or are part of the family of a current or former member, you may have already received an invitation. If you fit a category and haven't received an invitation, we apologize. Please contact one of us or the town office. If you have gotten an invitation, please rsvp by Tuesday, September 10. At that time, we will send an "open" invite to others if we still have space. The event is on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Pavilion at Town Park where we will have a brief opening ceremony. We will then serve a spaghetti dinner at the community center.

Regular Meeting - Monday, September 9, 7:00 p.m. at the community center.

Planning Meetings - Wednesday, October 2, 9, and 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the community center.

For more information -

Joyce Lang, 773-2211, [joycelang@verizon.net](mailto:joycelang@verizon.net)

Robin McClain, 773-1369, [sweetbobbies@gmail.com](mailto:sweetbobbies@gmail.com)

**BE KIND & PASS LOVE ALONG !**

# Community Bulletin Board

## **CHEVERLY COMMUNITY MARKET**

6401 Forest Road

Cheverly, MD

[www.cheverlycommunitymarket.org](http://www.cheverlycommunitymarket.org)

The Market is every other Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at the Cheverly Community Center.

## **SIP LOCAL: A TASTING SOCIAL**

**Saturday, Sept. 21 / 8-11 p.m.**

Cheverly Community Center

Tickets: \$20 (\$10 tickets available for those not drinking)/ The event is 21+ only

Save the date & get your tickets for Sip Local! Sangfroid Distilling, Maryland Meadworks, BlueDyer Distilling Co., Supreme Core Cider and Twin Valley Distillers are just a few of the amazing local producers participating. The evening includes snacks and sweets highlighting Market vendors.

Tickets: <https://squareup.com/store/cheverly-community-market/> or you can purchase at the Market—just stop by the Market board table.

2019 Market Season: Sept. 14, Sept. 28, Oct. 12, Oct. 26

Holiday Markets: Nov. 23 and Dec. 14

Special Events: Sept. 21: Sip Local: A Tasting Social

## **Cheverly Garden Club**

It is boring writing about the heat and the lack of rain or about too much rain. I am afraid that in Cheverly it has been a lack of rain. If you have a young tree on your street that a hose will reach PLEASE water it and it will blossom or be shade for you one day.

The next meeting of the Garden Club will be September 16, 7:00 PM on the Fourth Floor of the Cheverly UMC. This will be very special with Donna Koczaja speaking. Ms. Koczaja is an entertaining speaker on the subject of HERBS used for Health and Home. She will bring samples that will deal with well being and allow you to have an intimate connection to the subject. It will be fun. She is well known via media shows and articles. There is NO charge for coming to the meeting and we are informal with refreshments served.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP WE OFFER? Check this newsletter for information. We do have a trip planned to Winchester Va. on September 28. It will include the bus leaving the parking lot at CUMC and visiting the Shenandoah

Valley Museum, lunch at Piccadilly Pub and visiting the Virginia Arboretum. Charge is \$80 payable by Sept 1st. Email [Acgardenh@aol.com](mailto:Acgardenh@aol.com) if you are interested. It is not too early to think about ordering and buying bulbs for your Spring Garden and planting in October. Give us a chance to be your Garden Club.

## **FRIDAY, Sept 27th**

### **Saint Ambrose Men's Club Golf Tournament**

Bowie Golf & Country Club

7420 Laurel Bowie Road, 301-262-8141

Friday, September 28, 2018

Registration: 8:30 a.m.; Shotgun Start: 9:30 a.m.

Prizes for 1st and 2nd, Place, Longest Drive (Men & Women) & Closest to the pin

Tournament Fee Includes: Range balls, Greens fees, Box lunch, Beer, soda and snacks on course, Door prizes,

Dinner following at Fannon Hall, Open Bar at Fannon Hall

For Reservations contact: Steve Paul:

[sjpaul@co.pg.md.us](mailto:sjpaul@co.pg.md.us) or 301-883-7401

## **SATURDAY, Sept 28th**

### **4th Annual Saint Ambrose School Crab Feast**

6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Fannon Hall 3107 63rd Avenue

Cheverly, MD 20785

### **\$65 PER PERSON**

(Advanced ticket sales end September 25, 2019)

For Online Sales, go to:

<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/stambroseschool/crabfeast2019>

## **SUNDAY, Sept 29th**

### **Open House**

Following the 10am Mass all are welcome to visit Saint Ambrose School.

All classrooms will be open to tour and refreshments will be served.

# Community Bulletin Board

## Happy Summer from the Cheverly Parent Resource Center (CPRC)!

CPRC's volunteer Board is so excited to plan activities and events for all of Cheverly's families! Please feel free to reach out to any of the Board members if you have questions about any of our activities or services. The Board members' names and positions are below.

To reach **New Baby Meals**, please email [cprcbabymeal@gmail.com](mailto:cprcbabymeal@gmail.com), and to reach Community **Outreach/Membership**, please email [cprcmembership@gmail.com](mailto:cprcmembership@gmail.com). To reach **all other Board Members**, please email [cprcpresident@gmail.com](mailto:cprcpresident@gmail.com).

CPRC "Coordinators"	Brie Boswell Fayola Felix-Gunn
Events Lead	Brie Boswell
Playgroup Lead	Fayola Felix-Gunn
Community Outreach/Membership	<b>NEED SOMEONE</b>
Book Keeper/ Treasurer	Susan Schmidt (for now)
Communications	Jeni Merino Stefanie Jones Doyle
Weekday Playgroup Volunteers	<b>NEED PEOPLE</b>
Weekend Playgroup/Coffee Hour Lead	Joana Perales
New Baby Meals	Kate Filer Dorothea Lawrence
Community Gifts	Megan Ruyle
Welcome Bags	Alison Kootstra

## Upcoming CPRC Activities

**Annual School Supply Drive and Potluck/Pizza Party!** It's back to school season, and CPRC wants to give a **HUGE THANK YOU** to all in the Cheverly Community who donated your money, your school supplies, and your time to making this effort a success! Thank you all for all your assistance and support!

**Join CPRC at the Weekly Market!** Every Market weekend, CPRC staffs a table to provide members of the Cheverly Community information about CPRC's events and services. We would love to have you join us to share your knowledge with other Cheverly parents! For additional information, please contact Megan Ruyle.

**Baby meals!** If you're expecting a baby, CPRC would love to help with the transition by providing meals! Email us at [cprcbabymeal@gmail.com](mailto:cprcbabymeal@gmail.com) to request meals or volunteer to make a dinner. Volunteers can also watch the CPRC listserve for signup calendars!

\*\*\* **Keep An Eye Out For Our Pumpkin Patch Trip in October!!!** \*\*\*

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**The Ward 4 Civic Association** will meet at 7:00 PM on September 16 (the third Monday of the month), in the Cheverly Community Center conference room. We meet on the third Monday of the month in January, March, May, June, September, and November, at the same time and location. Meetings last for one hour, and are open to all. **ALL FOURTH WARD RESIDENTS ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.**

**What does the Ward 4 Civic Association do?** We identify issues affecting the Cheverly community and Ward 4 in particular. We encourage residents to become involved with and participate in civic matters at all levels of Government --Town, County, State, and Federal. We also foster an environment to improve communication among all residents of the Ward and Town officials. We are currently looking for volunteers to serve on various committees.

**How do I know if I live in Ward 4?** This map ( [http://cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD\\_Council/ward4](http://cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD_Council/ward4) ) and this street-by-street description ( [http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD\\_Clerk/WARD-STREET%20LISTJan2014.pdf](http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/CheverlyMD_Clerk/WARD-STREET%20LISTJan2014.pdf) ) indicate the Ward boundaries. Roughly speaking, it spans from the southern border of Cheverly south of Route 50, northward to Forest Road, and includes the eastern side of 63<sup>rd</sup> Place up to Inwood Street... but check the map boundaries, especially for borders cutting partway through blocks or streets.

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Ward 3:	Nicole Bryner	301-892-6384
Ward 4:	Kayce Simmons Munyeneh	240-478-4077
Ward 5:	Jenny Garcia	240-604-1081
Ward 6:	Amy Fry	301-678-3796

Town Offices Hours	M-F, 9AM-5PM
Town Hall	301-773-8360
Police Headquarters Hours	M-F, 7AM-7PM Sat, 8AM-4PM
Police Headquarters	301-341-1055
Police Tip Line	301-789-5090
Code Compliance	240-770-7647
Photo Enforcement	240-770-7641
Public Works Hours	M-F, 7:30AM-4PM
Public Works	301-773-2666
Maryland Relay	711
FAX	301-773-0173
Police Dispatch (Non-Emergency)	301-352-1200
Website:	www.cheverly-md.gov

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## Meetings & Events

### GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Mon	<b>Sep 2, 2019</b>	<b>Offices</b>	<b>Closed</b>
Thurs	<b>Sep 12, 2019</b>	8:00 p.m.	Town Meeting
Thurs	<b>Sep 26, 2019</b>	7:30 p.m.	Worksession
Thurs	<b>Oct 10, 2019</b>	8:00 p.m.	Town Meeting
Thurs	<b>Oct 24, 2019</b>	7:30 p.m.	Worksession

### 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

- ◆ Thur. Sep. 5, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.  
Progressive Cheverly Forum GNS Elementary
- ◆ Mon. Sep. 9, 2019  
Woman's Club - 7:00 p.m.  
Green Infrastructure Committee - 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- ◆ Thur. Sep. 12, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.  
Building Usage Meeting
- ◆ Sat. Sep. 14, 2019  
Cheverly Community Market - 8:a.m. - Noon
- ◆ Mon. Sep. 16, 2019  
4TH Ward Civic Association - 7:00 p.m.  
Garden Club - 7:00 p.m. 4th Fl. of the Cheverly UMC.
- ◆ Sat. Sep. 21, 2019 - 8:00-11:00 p.m.  
Sip Local: A Tasting Social
- ◆ Tue. Sept. 24, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.  
Cheverly Recreation Council
- ◆ Sat. Sept. 28, 2019  
St. Ambrose Crab Feast (Fannon Hall) - 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
Cheverly Community Market - 8:a.m. - Noon
- ◆ Thur. Oct. 3, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.  
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- ◆ Sat. Oct. 5, 2019 - 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Fall Flea Market