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FOR YOUR INFORMATION by Mayor Mike Callahan

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

Cheverly Day and the Community Market Together Again: What a winter, record cold tempera- tures and lots of snow. As I sit here writing the FYI, it's hard to believe that Spring actually will come. However, we all know that Spring is right around the corner and so is Cheverly Day and the Community Market. Mark your calendars! May 31 st is the day!	clean our streets if cars are not parked appropriately. Have you ever seen a narrow street that had cars parked on both sides? Instead of a clean street, we end up with a narrow path that winds down the road. Worse yet, our plows are much more likely to damage a car. The Snow Emergency Parking Rules are:	
Many of you have asked, how can I get involved? One great "gateway" volunteer activity is to get involved in Cheverly Day. Do you have thoughts on how we can improve Cheverly Day, activities you would like to see become part of Cheverly Day, a new twist or wrinkle? If so please contact David Thorpe <u>dcthorpe@yahoo.com</u> or Mike Callahan <u>mhcallahan@gmail.com</u> . There's just one catch. We need you to help make that activity a reality!	 no parking on any cul-de-sac portion of any street; 2) on any courts; 3) on the odd numbered side of 59th Ave and that portion of Inwood St. between Cheverly Ave and Belleview Ave; 4) on even numbered side of all other streets; and 5) on any street except at the curb pursuant to this section. The snow emergency parking restrictions outlined above do not: 1) Override existing no-parking zones; 2) authorize 	
Speaking of Snow and Ice: The Town Council and I, once again offer our "Thanks" to the Public Works Depart- ment, for the outstanding job. This winter they've done a marvelous job keeping Cheverly's streets clean and safe. This task was particularly difficult given the extremely cold weather that kept certain areas of town frozen for days at a time specifically due to WSSC leaks, natural springs, and summer summer	parking where it is prohibited; 3) apply to those streets or parts of streets where enforcement of this snow emergency ordinance would allow all parking on the particular street or portion of street because of a no-parking zone on the side of the street where a car should park and 4) apply to those streets or parts of streets with any barrier or strip di- viding the lanes of traffic.	
 and sump pumps. However, Public Works was up to the task and worked many hours of overtime keeping our roads safe. Cheverly Snow Emergency Policy: Cheverly has a snow emergency policy that goes into effect whenever snow accumulates to 1 inch. It is important that everyone follow the policy, because Public Works cannot adequately 	That Town Council is a Bunch of Sissies: Did the Town Council really cancel the February 13 th meeting because of snow? Gosh they only live a couple of blocks away. Yes, the meeting was cancelled, but the reason for the cancellation was that our invited guest from WSSC, Pepco and Maryland Department of Energy all cancelled on us.	

Mayor FYI cont'd

Special Guests at the March 13th Town Meeting:

Please consider attending the March 13th Town Meeting as we will have the following guests;

- Empower Maryland: Maryland Department of Energy and Pepco will be at Town Hall from 7:00pm to 8:00pm to discuss energy efficiency programs offered by the state. Topics will include Weatherization Grants, Energy Savings and Programs offered by those pesky door knockers that want to replace your light bulbs.

- Maryland National Park and Planning: Will discuss the draft of the Kenilworth Avenue Industrial Study.

- WSSC: Will be on the agenda to discuss residents questions regarding their water bills. Please forward any questions you would like answered to <u>Mayor@chverly-</u><u>md.gov</u> so that WSSC can be prepared to discuss.

What If I Can't Make the Meeting?: Did you know that you can now watch Town Meetings via the internet. Yup, it's true! The meetings are still available via your cable channel, but the good news about watching via the internet is that the meeting is indexed by Agenda Topic so you can go directly to the item you are interested in. So if you can't make the March 13 Meeting, please tune in at www.chverly-md.gov. Go to homepage under Meetings

Weatherization Grants: Cheverly recently passed a resolution that would allow Cheverly residents to apply for low to moderate income Weatherization Grants. These grants allow families to not only have energy audits performed for free, but also to potentially replace insulation or even appliances. While there are many families in town that will not qualify based on income, this is a great opportunity for some who may qualify. Information will be available from MDE on March 13th or you can find out more at <u>http://www.mdhousing.org/website/Programs/</u> <u>lieep/Default.aspx</u>.

Saint Ambrose Group Home Conclusion: As

most residents know Saint Ambrose Church has decided to not pursue using the old convent building as a group home for Disabled Veteran's. Based on initial discussions with members of the school community it was decided not to pursue this course of action. **Looking for College Scholarships?:** Did you know that each member of the 47th District State Delegation has a limited number of scholarships available to offer college students that attend Maryland schools. Generally the scholarship awards are between \$250 and \$1,500 depending on the number of applicants, their qualifications and their need. Please check out the websites for Delegates Ivey, Summers and Niemann, as well as Senator Ramirez for more information.

Route 202 Corridor Study: The Maryland National Park and Planning Commission is in the process of completing this study. The project team met with the Cheverly Planning Board on February 11th, to discuss the draft plan and receive comments. The Cheverly Planning Board, led by Councilperson Eldridge, provided detailed comments about the plan.

I want to give a special Shout Out to the Cheverly Planning Board. The Cheverly Planning Board has instigated the kickoff of both the Route 202 Corridor Plan and the Kenilworth Avenue Industrial Study. Additionally, they also instigated the soon to be launched Cheverly Planning Study. While these plans have frequently fallen short of the aspiration goals of the Cheverly Planning Board, they do create forward momentum.

If you see a Cheverly Planning Board Member please thank them for their volunteer activities.

Route 202 Corridor Study: <u>http://www.pgplanning.org/</u> <u>Projects/Ongoing_Plans_and_Projects/</u> <u>Community_Plans_and_Studies/LMAMD202.htm</u>

Kenilworth Avenue Industrial Study: http://www.pgplanning.org/Projects/ Ongoing_Plans_and_Projects/ Community_Plans_and_Studies/ Revitalization_Study_for_the_Kenilworth_Avenue_Town_of_Cheve rly_Industrial_Areas.htm

Green Infrastructure Tip of the Month:

Remember you can always visit <u>www.greencheverly.org</u> to review the Green Infrastructure Plan and find helpful tips to incorporate on your property. During the month of March try to minimize the use of lawn fertilizers, pesticides, salt or other toxic substances in your yard. Minimizing the use of these chemicals prevents them from leaching into the ground or running off your property and into the municipal storm drains. Remember our city storm drains are the "on ramps" to the creeks and streams that run into the Chesapeake Bay. Keeping chemicals out of our storm drains is one simple way to "Save the Bay".



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

WHAT DOES THEFT MEAN? A typical acronym of theft may go something like this: Theft may well be described as...

- T Taking something;
- H Having value;
- E Eager to profit;
- F From Somebody Else's;
- T Toil and Hard Work.

The first two letters of this acronym may well be the easiest to deter. If we hide from clear view everything, i.e., GPS devices, cameras, loose change, CDs, clothing or footwear, especially items that can be easily concealed in a backpack, we can greatly reduce the chances that a thief can take (or be interested in taking) something. Secondly, if we never leave expensive items in our vehicles, hidden or not, we can greatly reduce the profits of theft and deter future attempts. One last thought: If we get in the habit of locking our car doors whenever we leave our vehicles, we will get in the habit of locking our doors.

C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH RESIDENT RADIO PROGRAM MEETING – The next joint meeting of C-PACT (Cheverly – Police And Citizens Together), Cheverly's Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Department's conference room. The topic of discussion will be crime in 2013 and related topics..

RECYCLING TOTALS January 2014



Curb Recycling— 59.29 tons Electronic Recycling—6 pallets Appliances— 10

TELEPHONE NUMBERS –

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

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

01-07-14	1811 Hrs	2800 Cheverly Ave	Assault
01-13-14	0640 Hrs	5800 Dewey St	Theft
01-13-14	1420 Hrs	5800 Dewey S	Theft
01-15-14	1803 Hrs	2500 Lake Avenue	Theft
01-17-14	1729 Hrs	6300 Landover Rd	Theft
01-25-14	1204 Hrs	5700 Monroe St	Stolen Vehicle
01-26-14	1320 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	Theft
01-28-14	2000 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
01-28-14	1016 Hrs	5800 Annapolis Rd	Assault
01-29-14	1022 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Stolen Vehicle
01-31-14	0730 Hrs	2500 Wayne Place	Theft
01-31-14	0935 Hrs	6200 Chev Pk Dr	Theft
01-31-14	1015 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	Theft



Cheverly RECREATION COUNCIL

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 25th at 7:00PM in the conference room at the Community Center. We'll discuss the Saturday April 19 Easter Egg Hunt. We will need volunteers.

Arbor Day is scheduled for **April 2th**. Join Public Works to help plant a tree, contact PW for time and place.



The SPRING FLEA MARKET, sponsored by the Recreation Council, will be on **Sat**, **April 5th from 9:00AM to 2:00PM** at the Community Center. Come rain or shine, it's held indoors! Tables are \$15 and reservations start Sat, March 1st. **Call Barbara at 301-773-5883**. There will be lots of great bargains, good food and wonderful baked goods.

When filling out your MARYLAND TAX RE-TURN, Please remember to fill in the COUNTY AND CITY boxes just under your address label. It is important that you print in <u>CHEVERLY</u> as your city, so that the town gets its correct share of Maryland Income Taxes. 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 raking leaves, shoveling snow. Cheverly teenagers can call the town office at 773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list.

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

The Cheverly RECREATION COUNCIL

is proud to sponsor the *John Dent Wilson College Scholarship*. This is a \$500. scholarship awarded to a Cheverly Resident who is enrolled full-time in an

academic or vocational post-secondary education program for the 2013-2014 academic year.For information call Judy Deleonibus 301-386-4251 or judydeleon@aol.com



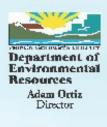
EASTER EGG HUNT

The annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Recreation Council will be on **Sat, April 19th at 11:00AM.** Children, from toddlers up to 9 years of age, are invited to visit with "*The Easter Bunny*." Come first to the gym at the community center and then we'll go outside in age groups to look for Easter Eggs. <u>Please bring your own basket</u> to put your found eggs into. There will be goodies for all and a surprise, too! There will be time before we go out looking for eggs for your parents to take a picture of your with the Easter Bunny.





Roshem I., Baker, DI Courty Executive Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources Waste Management Division **Recycling Section**



Source Reduction Tips Grass Cycle: Use a mulching mower to finely shred your mowed grass and leave it on the lawn. Start a backyard compost pile.

BROWN IS THE NEW GREEN

Effective January 1, 2014, Residential Curbside Yard Waste Collection will no longer be accepted in plastic bags. Residents should place yard waste loose in a collection can or use large yard waste PAPER bags.

For more information, please call County Click 311

or CAN IT...

Save money and use reusable containers, such as trash cans. Be sure to clearly mark the can/container

YARD WASTE

PRIVATE PROPERTY PLANTING PROGRAM

The Town will provide and plant a tree in your yard at no cost to you. Please go to the Public works Depart site on the Cheverly wibsite: Cheverly-md.gov and print out the Tree Agreement form and return it to be included in the Spring 2014 plantings. Trees available this spring are as follows:

American Holly
Black Gum
Flowering Dogwood
Fringtree
Hackberry
Serviceberry
Tulip Poplar
Willow Oak
Eastern Red Cedar

Northern Red Oak Pin Oak Redbud Red Maple River birch-clump Swamp White Oak Sycamore/London plane Sweetbay Magnolia Bald Cypress

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MON Town Wide YARD WASTE—Paper Bags ONLY MON East side Regular Garbage Pickup only TUE West side Regular Garbage Pickup only WED Town wide RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins) THU East side Garbage & <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb) FRI West side Garbage & <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb) Residents should place trash at the curb after7:00PM the day before your pickup. Trash must be placed in cans with tight fitting lids to ward off rodents.

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

ELECTRONICS are picked up on Wednesday with recycling. TV's any size, computers (remove hard drive), monitors, keyboards, etc. Place these items next to your recycle bucket. **APPLIANCES-**Washers, dryers, stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators/freezers (remove doors) microwaves (any size), A/C units (any size) - \$20 for removal, contact Public Works at 301-773-2666

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

Meeting Agendas are updated on Cheverly Cable Channel 71 and website: www.Cheverly-md.gov

Town Meetings broadcast Live on Cable 71 or Fios 35.

Re-broadcast everyday at noon, 6:00 PM & 10:00 PM. Also available via your computer on the website go to the homepage under Meetings.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Worksession - January 23, 2014

- □ Motion CM Eldridge to excuse CM Rodgers. Seconded CM Thorpe. Approve. 5-0.
- Motion CM Cook to approve an exception for a commercial vehicle at 6315 Jason St. due to the hardship based on the representations of the applicant. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved 5-0.
- Motion CM Riazi to send a letter to the alley policy petitioners in response to their alley maintenance request. Seconded CM Eldridge. Approved 5-0.
- □ Motion CM Thorpe to amend the Cheverly Take Home Policy. Seconded CM Cook. Approved 5-0
- Motion CM Coolen to approve R-1-14 to approve Cheverly's participation in the Municipal collaboration, for the purpose of allowing residents to obtain EmPower weatherization grants for low and moderate income families. Seconded CM Eldridge. Approved 5-0.
- Motion CM Cook to close the meeting to discuss a potential land acquisition and personnel matter. Seconded CM Eldridge. Approved 5-0.
- □ Motion CM Cook to open the meeting. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved. 5-0.



Spring into shape with **Zumba Gold** (low- impact) & Zumba Basic (high-impact), easy- to-follow latininspired cardio dance fitness party. I,

Ronald Johnson use to weigh 280lbs., now I weigh 140lbs. & you can lose weight too.

Cheverly Community Center, Tuesday 9-10am. & Friday 12:30-1:30pm., \$60.00 monthly, go to <u>www.pgparks.com</u> then click smart link on left-side to register ... Your State & Local certified Zumba-Gold/ Basic instructor, personal trainer, sports nutritionist & cpr, Ronald Johnson.

CHEVERLY GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

February Monthly Meeting: Monday, March 3, 2014 7:30-9:00 p.m., Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center

Monthly meeting to report progress on Cheverly greening efforts and plan next steps and new initiatives. In implementing the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan, your Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee is working on projects in education, planning, and research.

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

Woman's Club - Our Black History Program was highly successful. More than 100 children and adults attended. We'd like to thank the American Legion for their hospitality; Fratelli's, members and guests who donated food and helped; everyone who appeared on the program and all who came.

A sense of positive history and feelings of "Beloved Community" filled the evening. The food was great and the program informative and fun.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, March 11 at Fratelli's at 7 p.m. We'll be planning the kitchen at the April 5th Flea Market, talking about Peace Month in May and enjoying each other. Please come join us.

Challenger British Soccer Camp returns to

Challenger Town Park June 23-27 for lots of soccer fun, including the World Cup Challenge:

First Kicks (ages 3-4) 9:00 - 10:00 \$95 **Mini Soccer (ages 5-6)** 9:00 - 10:30 \$100

Half Day (ages 5-16) 9:00 - 12:00 \$147 **Half Day (ages 5-6)** 1:00 - 4:00 \$147

Full Day (ages 7-16) 9:00 - 4:00 \$209

Register your camper at <u>http://www.challengersports.com</u> Early-bird registrants will receive a free jersey!

For more information, please feel free to contact camp coordinators, Jill and Dave Konieczko jill.konieczko@proquest.com, dlkonieczko@yahoo.com

Cheverly Garden Club – Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with us at our March meeting. We will meet at the Cheverly United Methodist Church on Monday, March 17th at 7:00 PM in the fourth floor Parlor Room. Our guest speaker is Mr. Don Hyatt, a distinguished expert on native azaleas and rhododendrons (www.donaldhyatt.com).

The Caladiums have been ordered and are available on a 'first come, first served' basis. Contact Ann Gardenhour (<u>Acgardenh@aol.com</u>) to put your name on the list. Please place '**Cheverly bulb order'** in the subject line so it will not be deleted.

Please come, we are a 'dirt under the nails' garden club.

Progressive Cheverly

Join us on Thur, March 6 for our monthly Progressive Cheverly Forum. This month's topic will be **Juvenile Justice in Maryland.** Featured guests will be Kara Aanenson of Maryland Just Kids, and Ebony Harley of Advocates for Children & Youth, who will speak on whether the current channeling of youths into adult courts and their detention in adult penal facilities serves the cause of justice or the interests of society. The Forum will take place at 7 pm at the Hoyer School Cafeteria

2300 Belleview Ave. Everyone is welcome. Please bring your neighbors and friends. Refreshments will be served, followed by a business meeting at 8 p.m.

On April 6, our Forum topic will be the Anacostia River and Watershed. What's next for this potentially great local resource? Watch the April newsletter for details.

Cheverly United Methodist Church

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Fogle Hall 3^{rd} Floor March 4, 2014, 5:30 – 7:30pm Adults \$8.00, Children 4 – 10 \$4.00 Children 3 and younger free

Ash Wednesday - Cheverly United Methodist Church 7:30pm. This special evening worship service sets the stage for the rest of the season of Lent.

The United Methodist Men are having their Annual Fish Fry. Friday, March 21^{st} @ St Ambrose Catholic Church. This event is a wonderful collaboration between Cheverly United Methodist Church and St. Ambrose, with a delicious meal. Time: 5:00 - 8:00pm Cost: Adults - 8:00 per serving, Children - 4.00 per serving

Cheverly Working Moms (CWM) Civic Association

Who are we and what are we about?

A collective group of women, their families, and supporters in Cheverly, Maryland and the surrounding communities, striving to improve conditions for today's working mothers fostering community connections, facilitating career networking and growth, and sharing ideas on children and family, career, and *achieving a healthy work-life balance*.

What activities do we hold?

Educational events and field trips, career focused workshops, community building social events, and monthly playgroups/open gyms on weekends or holidays for kids 0-10 yrs. old (siblings always welcome).

Who can become a member of CWM?

Any person having an interest in supporting the purposes and objectives of the organization are eligible for membership.

How do you become a member of CWM?

You can register to become a member of CWM by going to our online registration at survey monkey, <u>https://</u><u>www.surveymonkey.com/s/FG2JW8N</u> Following registration you'll be added to our email updates list.

Upcoming Events

March 23rd: Playgroup/ Open Gym (member registration required) April 8th: Franklin's Fundraiser. Come out and give us your support! April 26th: Field trip to Mount Rainier Nature Center. Open to members and non-members. *Contact us at CWMevents@yahoo.com*

The Old **4th Ward Civic Association** will hold it's next meeting on **Monday, March 17th, 2014**, at **7pm**, at the **Cheverly Community Center 6401 Forest Road, Cheverly, MD.** We welcome all 4th Ward residents to come out and join us. If you have any questions, please email the 4th Ward Secretary at cheverly4thwardca@yahoo.com.

Cheverly Community Market Announces a New Market Manager! Her name is **Kim Nemire** and comes to us via Liz Tuckermanty and her connections with the Crossroads Farmers Market in Takoma Park. It is then no surprise to know she hails from Michigan and now lives in Washington D.C. working in event planning aligned with fundraising. As a recently certified health coach, her passions are farmers markets, nutrition and food justice. You may have already met Kim as she has traveled to Cheverly meeting some of our growers during their winter customer drop offs and also meeting with current and future CCM board members. We are **truly excited to have Kim onboard and look forward to introducing her at a fundraiser to be announced soon!**

We also welcome new board member **Annalisa Meyer**, a seasoned public relations professional who currently manages communications for the Smithsonian's National Zoo and proud Cheverly resident. Annalisa will be heading up our outreach efforts to bring in new customers and keeping all of us in the know.

Contracts and policies for the 2014 season are currently being written and deadlines for applications set. Kim will be attending both Prince George's County and Maryland farmers market conferences in the next few months to get a better grasp of her new job.

Our 2014 Market days are:

May 31 -- Opening Day & Cheverly Day

June 14, June 28 July 12, July 26 August 9, August 23 September 6, September 20 October 11, October 25 November 22 -- Thanksgiving Market December 13 -- Holiday Market

When you refer to our website <u>www.cheverlycommunitymarket.com</u> please note **our new mailing address: P.O. Box 1412, Cheverly, MD, 20785**. New information will be posted soon there as well as on Facebook and Twitter. All inquiries should be sent, as usual, to **cheverlycommunitymarket@gmail.com**.



Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary

Girls State. Do you know of a promising young woman currently in her junior year of high school? The Auxiliary is taking applica-

tions to sponsor two local girls for a scholarship to attend the prestigious Maryland Girls State week long civics camp this summer. This is a wonderful opportunity for attendees to develop leadership skills while learning lifelong lessons about democratic government and civic involvement in a fun environment with their peers. Potential college credit is available, and selection to this camp is a plus for college applications. Please contact Aimee Olivo at <u>aimeeolivo@gmail.com</u> or 202-210-0380 for more information without delay- the application deadline approaches!

Third Friday Ladies' Night. Please join us for our March, Third Friday Ladies Night at the Cheverly American Legion Dugout bar on Friday, March 21, from 7:30pm - 10pm. All are welcome!!

Membership. The Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary is a vibrant and ever-growing group of local women interested in supporting our veterans, military service members and their families, youth, and community. Membership is open to women veterans and service members and also to many women family members of veterans and military. Whatever talents and time you have to give, we'd welcome your participation. If you are interested in doing more for veterans and military families in our community, please contact Lane Thompson (202-674-6898) or Aimee Olivo email us at <u>cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com</u> or (202-263-1355), to learn about becoming an Auxiliary member.

Cub Scout Pack 257 congratulates all the winners of our 2014 Pinewood Derby. Special thanks to American Legion Post 108 and the Dickman family for making it possible. Congratulations also to the Bear Den who honed their skills at the Quantico Orienteering Club event, finding all the points on the Yellow Trail. Calling all Scouts (Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts) to join us March 30th at Watkins Regional Park for our annual Search and Rescue training day. Scouts will learn first aid, Map and Compass and Search and Rescue skills. For more information on joining Cheverly Scouts contact Cubmaster Dave <u>davidja2@dni.gov</u> (202) 744-7100.





Boy Scout Troop 257 has had a busy winter. Our fund raiser at the Cheverly Thanksgiving and Holiday markets was very successful thanks to the members of the community who bought wreaths, greens, poinsettias, nuts and popcorn. The troop went winter camping in the cabins at Camp Sinoquippe in PA the weekend after New Year's. On Feb 15, Matt Salo of the PG/AA Chapter of the Maryland Native Plant Society took the troop on a hike in the Lower Beaverdam Creek area, where they identified birds: a crow, Carolina chickadees, red bellied and downy woodpeckers, a turkey voucher, a red shouldered hawk and cardinals; and plants: high bush blueberry shrubs, American beech trees, chestnut trees, a southern magnolia sapling, mountain laurel shrubs, English Ivy, holly trees, a sassafras tree, pine trees, and a yew tree. The Scouts were surprised at how much could be seen and identified in the middle of winter, and they were able to pass off several requirements for their next ranks. On Feb 22, the troop joined with the Cheverly Garden Club to work on a landscaping project at the American Legion, and on March 30 the Scouts will be participating in Search and Rescue training at Watkins Regional Park. We're starting to plan for summer camp and spring camping trips. Come join us for the fun and adventure—call Scoutmaster Jeffrey Felten-Green at 301-807-4137 or come to a meeting at the American Legion on Wednes-

Join your friendly neighborhood environmental group, **Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek**, on Saturday, March 29 between 9 am and noon for our monthly Work Party. We'll be spreading wood chips on the trial, picking up trash, and removing invasive plants such as wisteria. We'll meet at the Arbor Street (green gate) entrance to the trail. Directions: Starting at the Cheverly 7-11 store, go one block north down Cheverly Ave. Make a right onto Arbor St. and go two blocks until it dead-ends. On your right is the Arbor Street entrance to the trail. 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 301-802-7445 (cell) or horcpool97@aol.com.

Cheverly Parents Resource Center (CPRC)

Friday, March 7th, 10am: Playgroup Storytime Join us at Playgroup on March 7th for our very special story time day! One of our favorite New Carrollton children's librarians will read a story, sing songs, and play games. And don't forget to join us every Mon, Wed, and Friday for indoor playtime at the community center! *Fri, March 28th, 10am – 12pm: Field Day at Cheese Park* Come say "hello" to spring at Gast AKA "Cheese" Park on March 28th! We will have lots of fun outdoor games and activities to enjoy (weather permitting.) Bring a snack or drink to share if you can!

Have any used toys or gear to get rid of? Donate your goods to CPRC! We will be holding a toy sale at the April Flea Market and are accepting gently used toys and baby gear (no clothes this time, but we are planning a clothing swap soon.) Please consider donating and/or stopping by our table at the Flea Market to support our organization! Contact Liz Esposito at cprc@cheverlyparent.org for more information. Finally, stay tuned for our exciting week of Spring Break activities coming up next month! Keep your eye on the CPRC listserv for details.

Spellman PTA Update

We Are Heroes! Spellman Student Art Showcase -- On Tuesday, March 11th at 7:00pm, please join us for a special evening to celebrate our new partnership with Art Works Studio School, based in nearby Mt. Rainier. The Spellman PTA Board identified art education as our fundraising priority for this school year, and our efforts have paid off! In February, all 500 students in the school received an additional unit of art instruction with a guest instructor from Art Works. The students used various collaged materials to create masks of their very own superhero identity. On March 11, we will host a "gallery opening" for parents and the broader community (and hopefully a few VIPs!) to view the students' wonderful completed creations. Please join us!

Also, mark your calendars for another **Franklin's fundraiser on Monday, April 7th** to benefit the Spellman PTA.

Questions? Contact Spellman PTA President Jen Eldridge at jalleneldridge@yahoo.com or 240-271-9737

Cheverly American Legion – March 2013



Saint Patrick's Day Party in the Dug-Out. Saturday, 15 March (Food and Irish music).

You know we are serious about our Irish! While not as big as our Sept

Half-way-to-St.-Patrick's Day, it is a perfect time to put on green, to relax, and to add zest to your weekend. **FOOD: 5-7pm, or until gone!** Corn Beef n Cabbage! Buy a special Guinness glass! Dugout open until 10pm.

Second Annual Chili Cook-Off.

Saturday, April 5 – Cheverly American Legion Post 108 We will again host a chili-cook-off that will leave your taste-buds reeling! Entries from all over are desired, not just our uprooted Texans – here is your chance to shine, earn some bragging rights, and a cash prize! You can make a run at it solo, or team up with neighbors, friends, and family. Number of entries is limited, don't delay!

Registration will be open from February 21 - March 21, and the competition entry fee will be \$20 plus a required quantity of chili. Guest tickets at the door will be \$15, which includes chili and one free drink. For more information and to register online, visit http:// www.cheverlyamericanlegion.org/ chili_cookoff_2014.html or stop by the Dugout to pick up a registration form. We hope you'll join us and be part of this one-of-a-kind event.



Every Friday at 7:30 PM – Queen of Hearts Game and Open Night. The Dugout (downstairs) is open to friends, families and neighbors of Cheverly. We encourage everyone to be special guests of the American

Legion Family, including all nonprofit organizations in Cheverly to join us. Let's have fun in our close -knit community! The Queen of Hearts Game is simple – each week one lucky person gets the chance to search for the Queen of Hearts on a Board (from a deck of cards). The game continues each week until a winner finds the Queen of Hearts.

Post 108 welcomes the community to visit anytime. The dugout is open 4pm-10pm daily. Call 301-773-0108.

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Meetings & Events

GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Thur Tue Thur March 13

March 25

March 27

8:00 pm T 7:00 pm R 7:30 pm W

TOWN MEETING REC Meeting WORKSESSION

CHEVERLY WEBSITE 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

- □ Challenger Soccer Camps dates & cost breakdown
- □ Green Infrastructure March 3 7:30-9 pm meeting
- □ Zumba Tue 9-10 m, Fri 12:30-1:30 pm
- □ Garden Club March 17 meeting w/speaker, 7 pm
- □ 4th Ward Civic Assoc.- March 17 meeting, 7pm
- □ Progressive Cheverly March 6, 7 pm Forum
- □ CUM Who are we? Playgroup—March 23
- □ CPRC March 7, 10am Storytime, March 28 10-am - 12pm Field day (Cheese Park)
- □ Woman's Club March 11 7pm, Meeting, Fratelli's
- □ American Legion St. Patrick's Day Party, March 15, 5-7 pm. Chili cook off registration & fee info
- □ American Legion Aux 3rd Ladies' Night, March 21, 7:30pm—10pm.
- □ Cub Scout Pack 257 March 30, Search & Rescue Training Day
- □ Boy Scout Troop 257 Meet every Wed. 6:30-8 pm
- □ FLBC Work Party, March 29, 9am-noon

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