

#### 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.

New Homes Coming to Joslyn Place: As everyone knows a local developer built 3 new homes on Joslyn Place in the last two years. The same developer owns all of the undeveloped lots on either side of Joslyn Place. He has had plans to develop these lots since the early 2000's.

Two years ago, the Town of Cheverly asked the county to ensure that there was a holistic storm water plan for the area, prior to allowing the remaining homes to be built. It was the Town's position that there were already significant storm water issues downhill from these lots and that any development required attention to existing problems as well as any new storm water problems that might be caused.

The county agreed and required the developer to develop a holistic plan. That plan has been completed and approved by the county and addresses many issues. The county and the developer expect the plans to be approved soon, so expect new homes to be built along Joslyn Place.

**Town Park Improvement Plans:** In 2013 the Town together with the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee and the Neighborhood Design Center worked together with the community to update the Master Plan for our Town Park. Recent improvements to the stage area and disabled access to the pavilion were the first steps in this plan. These improvements were

made utilizing Program Open Space grants which pay for 75% of all costs associated with project.

Well, Phase II is about to commence. The Town will be moving the existing basketball courts to the Tennis Court area, expanding the area for basketball. These courts will be multi-use courts so they will be striped for games such as futsal and street hockey as well. An example of this type of court can be found behind the Cheverly Station Apartments along Oak Street. This project will also be 75% funded by Program Open Space grants.

So of course the question is what will happen to the area where the basketball courts are today. This will be converted to a "gathering space" or pavilion. This will be a passive community space which should be a great complement for our community market.

Is Addison Row actually happening? A long time ago when I was in my first months as a Cheverly Councilperson (2007) the Jemal Development Corporation approached the Cheverly Town Council asking for our support to convert a large Industrial lot in the 4700 block of Addison Road to allow for Mixed Use Development. The Industrial lot had been vacant for a while and there had been talk of placing a prison or landfill at the site. Obviously, the Town Council jumped at the opportunity.

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At the time, the Jemal Development Corporation was looking to place over 2,000 units on the site and a large amount of commercial. Given the size and scope Mayor Mosley negotiated a Green Space agreement for the town with the approval of the Council.

Today's incarnation of Addison Row is significantly smaller, currently calling for only 650 units and approximately 40,000SF of commercial space. While this development was not discussed very much during the Cheverly Sector Plan process, the site was reserved for Mixed Use Development.

The site is equidistant to the Cheverly and Deanwood Metro Stations, although access to the Deanwood Station is more direct by foot and by car. The Cheverly Town Council and Planning Board plan to ask for walking paths to the Cheverly Metro and improvements to ameliorate traffic issues.

Metro Pointe is Going Up Fast!: Just a couple of months ago I mentioned that the development of Townhomes and Condominiums on Landover Road near the Landover Metro Station was about to be constructed. Wow! Construction has taken off, and the units are springing out of the ground. There will eventually be over 360 units built here, approximately 70 condos and the rest three level townhomes.

Being the nosy fella, I am I stopped in this week to talk to the sales folks. They have already sold 96 units and apparently the units are selling fast. So it appears we will have new neighbors soon.

Doo Your Doody – Scoop that Poop! An email with this title just crossed my mailbox, so I just had to use it. Seriously, nobody loves your dog as much as you do, and I guarantee nobody loves your dog's poop in their yard, park, street or elsewhere. Please be a good neighbor and Scoop that Poop. It has also come to my attention from the Public Works staff that many folks are walking their dogs in the 6301 Kilmer Park. That's great! However, please remember that children are playing in that park as well, especially given its proximity to the Gladys Noon Spellman School. A dog waste center with bags and a receptacle has been installed. So please, be a responsible pet owner.... Doo Your Doody – Scoop that Poop!

Do you Walk Your Dog Off-Leash? Walking your dog off leash is simply Not Cool! When I talk to folks who walk their dogs off leash, they talk about the dog's freedom, how well trained the dog is, or how the dog is totally under control. These are all reasons that are about you, they do not consider your neighbors. Your neighbors can be very fearful of dogs, or have had a bad experience with dogs. It is simply inconsiderate to walk your dog without a leash.

Columbia Park Road Re-Paving: I've had a few folks ask when this will happen. The Town has spoken to State Highway Administration and the County and this effort is planned for this paving season. I know that sounds vague, but at least it is planned.



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

**2018 CRIME REDUCTION INITIATIVE:** Overall crime rose in Cheverly for the first time since 2012, with the majority of this rise coming in the second half of the year. August 2017 in particular recorded a total of 34 incidents, 10 more incidents that any other month in 2017. The crime of theft accounted for the largest increase in 2017 (146 incidents versus 103 in 2016), especially in the form of shoplifting in the commercial areas in the 6500 block of Landover Road. There were also minor increases in assault and burglary. Assaults against the police were responsible for the assault increase, and a late year string of related burglaries for which arrests was made accounted for that increase. On a positive note, there were no car -carjackings (3 in 2016) or homicides (2 in 2016) in 2017. The current crime rate is approximately 10 percent above the Town's five-year average.

### **Strategy Implements**

No single strategy tends to be effective when attempting to reduce crime, in part, because the causation of crime is so variable and particular to a geographic region. The Cheverly Police Department has exercised two particular deterrent methodologies in the last several years, but there is insufficient data at this time to determine the effectiveness of either. The first is heavy traffic enforcement and police activity near the Town boundaries as a means of deterring criminals from selecting Cheverly as a location to commit a crime. The majority of crimes in Cheverly have historically been perpetrated by non-residents.

The other methodology concentrates on pocketed crime where temporal activity is generally known. For example, the concentration of police surveillance for residential theft activities takes place late at night into morning when such crimes are generally found to occur. The 2018 crime reduction strategy will continue to utilize these two methodologies, but will also introduce reduction strategies in four separate areas: Personnel Allocation, Investigation, Crime Prevention, and Community Engagement.

#### **#1 Personnel Allocation**

The full staffing complement for the Cheverly Police Department is fifteen (15) sworn members. This complement includes three supervisors (Chief and two Sergeants), and twelve (12) officers ranging through the ranks up to Senior Corporal. While this number is generally sufficient to address most Town criminal activities, staffing has been intermittent in the last five (5) years. Currently, the Department employs thirteen (13) experienced officers, including a new officer that graduated this month. This lack of staffing is attributable to many causes, for example, positions held open for administrative reasons, personnel leaving the Department to join larger law enforcement agencies, and the fact that police academies for new recruits now span some seven months of training. From date of hire until a new officer is fully field trained currently spans almost one year.

The Department is currently in a recruitment drive to fill all open positions and announcements for such positions have been made by electronic message board, electronic bulletin boards at local colleges and military installations, the local newspapers, employment agencies, the Town Newsletter, and by word of mouth. Recruitment is an important personnel tool because it is tied directly to the Department's strategy of creating three-person patrol squads for full Town coverage. Three-person squads allow for the following patrol improvements:

- \* Increase of uniformed patrol.
- \* Compensation of lost manpower (leave, court, training, etc.) that dilutes police visibility.
- \* The ability to reconfigure squads quickly for Department-wide events such as Cheverly

Day, Public Safety Day, Street Meets, etc.

- \* The ability to reconfigure squads to quickly address crime issues, long-term
- investigations, surveillance activities, or emergency situations.
- \* The ability to reduce unintended overtime.

Three-person squads are particularly important because the current two-person configuration reduces the Department's enforcement capability by more than 50 percent when one officer is on leave or in court. Without an instant back-up afforded by two-person

Message from Chief Continued...

#### **#2 Investigations**

Currently, a patrol sergeant doubles as an investigator to ensure proper patrol coverage. This configuration works well in most investigative circumstances but falls short when a patrol officer(s) must participate in larger or more complicated investigations. This situation will be somewhat minimized with the three-person squad configuration, but the Department must seek in the future the creation of a full-time investigator position. A full-time position allows for specific training and expertise, the development of further crime reduction efforts, expanded crime mapping, and expanded crime analysis. The Department currently has an open position for a part-time administrative assistant that could, with the proper training, also participate in crime analysis and mapping.

In the interim and as part of this 2018 Crime Reduction Strategy, the Department will expand or seek to incorporate:

- \* Mapping that attempts to anticipate crime based upon volume and day of week.
- \* Develop a report format that records environmental design features and the presence of

deterrence features at a crime scene.

- \* Coordinate with other area law enforcement agencies, especially regarding "strings" of crimes.
- \* Work with residents to incorporate residential video applications to identify crime

suspects.

- \* Ensure a focus on code enforcement as a crime reduction instrument.
- \* Identify chronic or recidivist offenders for presentation to the State's Attorney's Office.
- \* The Department will institute a local crime solvers or reward program to encourage the

reporting of suspect information on crime in Cheverly.

#### **#3 Crime Prevention**

The success of crime prevention is reliant on a number of factors that have varying success ratios, such as type of crime, location, and environmental issues. Citizen robbery is a typical example of a crime of opportunity that may be resistant to police patrol that is not

in the immediate area at the time of occurrence. Conversely, burglary and theft have higher deterrence ratios, because deterrence measures such as target hardening, lighting, and property removal and protection all play important roles in reducing the benefit of these crimes (stolen property) versus the cost (arrest, prosecution). The old axiom that it is easier to prevent crime than arrest an offender, and easier to arrest an offender than investigate a crime is a very true statement.

It is also a true statement that approximately 70 percent or more of the crime in Cheverly has the capability of being prevented. Approximately 50 percent of the Town's burglaries and thefts from auto involve no forced entry; residential lighting is poor in many parts of the Town; objects of value were observed in plain sight in many thefts from vehicles; and, crime prevention programs such as home security surveys and campaigns such as "Cheverly is a L.E.W.D. community" have not been fully utilized. The Department has a duty to partner with the community to assure that deterrence is fully employed and recognized.

As part of this partnership, the Department will seek to:

- \* Offer and promote a greater number of home security surveys and demonstrations.
- \* Look for ways to improved street and residential lighting.
- \* Foster an increase in the use of resident-owned video camera systems.
- \* Fully utilize electronic message boards, social media, road signs, and the Town's

Newsletter to broadcast deterrence measures and offer programs designed to reduce crime.

\* Employ enforcement schemes with plainclothes and uniformed officers in temporally

known "hot spot" areas.

- \* Investigate the possibility of utilizing tag reading cameras at Cheverly's entry/exit locations.
- \* Provide "The Club" anti-theft steering wheel lock free to each auto theft victim.
- \* Improve and expand the use of the Cheverly Patrol Telephone (301-789-5090).

Message from Chief Continued...

# **#4 Community Engagement**

The single most important crime deterrence and reduction tool available to the Cheverly Police Department is the population of the Town. The Town's 6,000 residents provide the Department with extraordinary presence and the ability to coordinate a fast and measured response to crime. Harnessing this population as a whole can be cumbersome and can fail to provide the type of individual service that brings about prompt change. However, breaking the Town down by geographic regions enables the Department to address specific needs and problems peculiar to certain areas.

Since the Town already administers and directs political action by ward, it makes sense to turn this ward application into a team concept with individual officers and ward residents acting as team members. As part of the community engagement strategy, Teams 1 through 6 would be established following the ward template. For each Team, individual patrol officers from the Department as well as resident Team Representatives and volunteers would establish communications channels via telephone and the Department's email system (cheverlypolice.org). Within each Team structure (i.e., Team 1, utilizing the email address of Team1@cheverlypolice.org), the officers and team reps would work to establish a larger communications network to ensure that crime prevention materials, lookouts, statistical data, and other important communications are shared to deter and reduce crime.

Two-way communication will be critical. All Team members will be encouraged to provide information in a timely fashion, and in a confidential manner when appropriate. All residents from a certain Team would be encouraged to submit their email addresses to their particular Team email so that gang emails addressing crime issues can be distributed in real time. In addition to emails and telephone communications, Street Meets would also be tailored to individual Teams and their problems. Street Meets are opportunities for the police and Town residents to meet at various locations around Town in a convenient manner, and also an opportunity for Team members to meet and introduce themselves to each other.

Team policing not only allows the Department to take advantage of the collective "eyes" of the community,

it allows our residents to be true partners in problem identification and crime reduction. Team Representatives and other volunteers will be encouraged to attend Departmental staff meetings, enforcement actions, some training opportunities, and regularly participate in the Department's Ride-Along Program

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 -

Police Emergency	9-1-1
Nonemergency Calls for Dispatch	(301) 352-1200
Cheverly Police Office (9am – 5pm)	(301) 341-1055
<b>Cheverly Police Facsimile</b>	(301) 341-0176
<b>Cheverly Photo Enforcement</b>	(240) 770-7641
P. G. Towing (Towing Vendor)	(301) 220-1170
<b>Cheverly Investigators</b>	(301) 789-7743

### **Crime Report for JANUARY 2018**

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

01/01/18	1753 hrs	Theft (Shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
01/03/18	1043 hrs	Fraud (Theft)	2900 64th Ave
01/05/18	1108 hrs	Fraud (Theft)	6500 Landover Rd Cheverly Ave @
01/09/18	1150 hrs	Assault	Montrose Rd
01/18/18	1003 hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	2400 59th Ave
01/19/18	1547 hrs	Fraud (Theft)	2900 64th Ave
01/22/18	1256 hrs	B&E (Residential)	2800 Parkway 2200 Cheverly
01/22/18	1257 hrs	B&E (Residential)	Ave
01/22/18	1343 hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	2900 Hillside Ave
01/25/18	0008 hrs	B&E (Residential)	Cheverly Cir
01/31/18	1735 hrs	Auto Theft	5600 Landover Rd

# **Cheverly Recreation Council**

The March meeting will be Tuesday, March 27th at 7 p.m. in the conference room at the Town Building. The Spring Flea Market and the Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday March 31st) will be discussed.

# RECYCLING TOTALS - January 2018

Curb Recycling - 49.12 ton Electronic Recycling - 0 Appliances - 2



#### JOHN DENT WILSON SCHOLARSHIP

The Cheverly Recreation council is pleased to sponsor the John Dent Wilson \$500. College scholarship. The scholarship is open to all high school students entering their first year of college in the fall of 2018. All eligible applicants must have participated in at least one Cheverly Recreation council activity for the past year. For more information please contact Judy DeLeonibus at 301 641-5104. Deadline for applications is May 31, 2018.

#### TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS

Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted

#### **ACTIONS TAKEN**

Town Meeting - February 8, 2018

- ☐ CM Stewart Motion to excuse CM Eldridge and Garcia. Seconded CM MacKenzie. Approved 4-0.
- ☐ **CM Riazi** Motion to adopt O-2-17 Traffic Calming Devices. Seconded CM Ivey. Approved 4-0.

Work Session - February 22, 2018

□ Not available at the time of printing.

#### TENTATIVE AGENDA

**Town Meeting - March 8, 2018** 

Work Session - March 22, 2018

The annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Recreation Council will be Saturday March 31st at 11 A.M. Children from toddlers up to 9 years of age are invited to come and visit with "The Easter Rabbit". We start in the gym of the Town Building before going outside to look for Eater eggs. Please bring your own basket or bag to put your found eggs into. There will be goodies for all, with some surprises!

The Spring Flea Market, sponsored by the Cheverly Recreation Council, will be on Saturday, April 7th from 8:30 A.M. to 2 P.M. at the Town Building, Come rain or shine it's held indoors! Tables are \$15.00 each, for reservations call Barbara 301-773-5883, starting Monday March 5th.

Come enjoy lots of bake goods, food and bargains.

**Woman's Club** - You are invited to our Annual Black History Celebration on Sunday, March 4 at 4 p.m. at the American Legion. Dinner will be served. This event is for all ages and families are encouraged to attend. The program will include speakers and presenters who will focus on young people as well as those of us who are seasoned.

<u>PEACE CORNER</u> - Register your child(ren) for Peace Camp. Flyers will be sent by email and posted in town. Partial scholarships are available. Contact <u>joycelang@verizon.net</u>. You can register at <u>www.lffp.org</u>.

Each day at the beginning and end of camp, all participants come together and recite this pledge -

I am a Peace Builder. I Pledge...

To Talk to Others with Respect

To Treat People with Care

To Make Peace not Break Peace

To BUILD PEACE at Home, at School

and in my Neighborhood

Each day !!

Now, more than ever, we need to teach our children skills of peace!

Spring Break is coming up fast! **CPRC** will be hosting fun events every day of Spring Break starting on Friday, March 30th-April 6th. CPRC will be hosting a Franklin's Fundraiser on Monday, April 9th to support scholarships for

Peace Camp (save the date: July 23rd-27th).

There have been so many babies born this year already. Keep a lookout for baby meal schedules on the listsery. It's a great way to meet new Cheverly families and to give back to our community.

# JOIN US FOR FLBC's WORK PARTY-SATURDAY, March 24

Join your friendly neighborhood environmental group, Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek, for our monthly work party on Saturday, March 24 between 9 am and noon.

We'll meet at 9 am at Magruder Spring just below the bus stop on Cheverly Ave., a half block north of the Cheverly 7-11. We'll work on native plants adjacent to the Spring. Tools, gloves, snacks, and water will be provided. School community service hours are available. We welcome volunteers of all ages.

For more information, contact Joani Horchler at cell  $\underline{301}$ - $\underline{802-7445}$ .



CHEVERLY UNITED METHODIST MEN

# **FISH FRY DINNER**

MARCH 16, 2018 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

ST AMBROSE CHURCH – FANNON HALL CHEVERLY, MARYLAND

Adults - \$10.00 (single serving) - Children - \$5.00 (12 years and under)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: BILL CARRIGAN - 301-789-4945

Pay at the door or online at https:/tinyurl.com/UMMFishFry2018



# Generation to Generation

By interacting with young people, older adults can learn new innovations and technologies and improve their memory. By engaging with older people, children can improve communication skills and gain positive attitudes about aging, greater problem-solving abilities and higher reading scores. Bringing diverse ages together also helps dispel stereotypes.

Cheverly Village offers many opportunities for intergenerational contact. Best known is that the Village enables people of all ages to help seniors with specific services. Among the over 60 trained Cheverly Village volunteers are teen-agers and young adults who have provided valuable help in areas such as technology and outdoor chores. Younger children have delighted seniors when they have accompanied their parents on visits with seniors or in raking leaves.

Less well known are the new clubs and activities sponsored by the Village. A Games group plays Scrabble and other board games monthly at the Community Center. Village members and volunteers are invited, and we also welcome friends including high schoolers (home schoolers or others during vacations) who would enjoy spending an afternoon making friends or perhaps finding lively competitors among the older adults.

At last month's meeting of the Cheverly Village Book Club, volunteers and members ranging in age from their 30s to 90s shared their own families' experiences with immigration, from Ellis Island and covered wagons to the Great Migration. The Book Club will be meeting monthly on Wednesday afternoons. A singing group expects to start meeting monthly as well.

Finally, Cheverly Village and Cheverly Parent Resource Center (CPRC) are currently planning activities to involve our preschool-age community members with residents who are young at heart, if not in age.

For more details on all these opportunities, please check the calendar on cheverlyvillage.org. If you are not yet a Cheverly Village member or volunteer but embrace the value of multi-generational fun, please contact <a href="mailto:events@cheverlyvillage.org">events@cheverlyvillage.org</a> to let us know of your interest in joining the fun with our generation mingling!

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



# Monight Congels: AND HISTORY

2018 SPRING TOUR CONCERT SERIES • ADLAI BINGER, CONDUCTOR

March 11, 5:30 p.m.

Cheverly United Methodist Church, 2801 Cheverly Ave., Cheverly, Md.

Dinner to follow concert at 7:00 p.m.



# 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 March.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! The 108 Music Series Presents Johnny Seaton and Bad Behavior – March 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm to 10:30pm – Featuring the music of Elvis, Jerry Lee Lewis, Chuck Berry, Johnny Cash, Stray Cats and more. Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. For tickets, visit <a href="www.The108MusicSeries.com">www.The108MusicSeries.com</a> Italian Dinner from Three Brothers from 6pm to 7:30pm or until food runs out - \$10.

SAVE THE DATE – The 108 Music Series Presents King Soul Band (8 Piece Soul/R&B band) Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup>. Boys State and Girls State are summer leadership and citizenship programs sponsored by The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary for high school juniors headed into their senior year, respectively. If you have a student who might be interested, please email CheverlyAuxiliary@gmail.com.

Second Friday St. Ambrose Men's Club Game Night – March 9, 8:00PM, Dugout

Join the men of the Cheverly American Legion and St. Ambrose Men's club for pool, darts, and cards. Open to all.

Third Friday Ladies' Night - Friday, March 16, 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 get the Legion Hall ready for the weekend events.

**Commander's Hours** – Dugout Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30pm. Questions about your membership, or how to become a member are welcome.

# **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.com or contact Joseph Pruden (301) 602-2117.

Next Executive Committee meeting—Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm.

Next General Membership Meeting: Monday, March 19 at 8:00 pm.

 $\textbf{Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary Membership} \ (\$25/\texttt{year}; Jr.$ 

\$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 <a href="mailto:cheverlyauxilia-ry@gmail.com">cheverlyauxilia-ry@gmail.com</a>.

Next Executive Committee Meetings: March 6 at 7PM

Next General Membership Meeting: April 3, 7:30PM Cheverly American Legion Hall

NOTE: The Auxiliary is planning to vote on moving to monthly meetings. Please keep an eye out for an email or letter in the mail.

**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.

# **Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee**

**March Monthly Meeting** 

Date: Monday, March 5, 2018

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 <a href="mailto:sheila.salo@gmail.com">sheila.salo@gmail.com</a> for a copy of the meeting agenda.

**GREEN @ HOME -- Gardening for Wildlife** 

It's a great time to take stock of your yard and plan for the future. Where are you finding birds? Do you have a planting that just isn't right? A newly cleared corner of your property you are dreaming about planting for wildlife next year? The Cornell Lab of Ornithology and YardMap invite you to send in photos of the areas of your yard you'd like to improve. If your photo is selected, landscaping experts and the online community will offer advice. Head over to the YardMap advice page to find out how to submit your photo or to learn more about landscaping for wildlife (http://content.yardmap.org/learn/design-advice-submission/? utm\_source=Cornell+Lab+eNews&utm\_campaign=d0d3e354f8-Cor-

nell\_Lab\_eNews\_2015\_8\_10&utm\_medium=email&utm\_term=0\_47588b5758-d0d3e354f8-304152181).

More ideas at www.greencheverly.org.

Boy Scout Troop 0257 this winter conducted its annual Ice-Man challenge. During January, Scouts lived in sub-zero temperatures, learning to navigate through the woods with a map and compass, making fire, cooking and cold weather survival skills. Congratulations to Brady, Emanuel and Leo who earned the ranks of Star, Tenderfoot and Scout respectively. Scouting aims to build moral character, citizenship and outdoor skills in young men. Coming in 2019, our troop will be open to young women also. Thank you to all those who purchased wreaths and wood at the holiday market to support sending our scouts to camp this summer. For more information or to join contact Scoutmaster Dave at abramdavid@aol.com or 202 744-7100.

# **Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp**

Need fitness motivation? Want to meet your neighbors? Come exercise with us! Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp is a town organization that supports fitness and wellness all the while giving us a fun opportunity to get to know our neighbors. We meet in the town gym at 6 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 8 a.m. on Saturdays (Please join our email list via the information below to ensure you have the most up-to-date schedule).

There is no cost to join this group. Workouts are volunteer-led and combine strength and cardio movements. Bring a yoga mat, hand weights, and a jump rope if you have them. If not, we share!

Stay up-to-date on group news and schedule changes by subscribing to the Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp Google group at www.<u>bit.ly/</u>cheverly-fitness. Or find Cheverly Bootcamp us on Facebook. We hope to see you at the gym!

For the next four months, join Progressive Cheverly for our candidate forums. This is your chance to hear and meet the candidates for local offices. After each forum, members will be invited to weigh in on the candidates for possible endorsement by our organization. All forums are the first Thursday of the month from 7-9 pm at Hoyer Education Center.

Thursday, March 1 -- District 47A candidates' forum. Hear the state senate and state delegate candidates Thursday, April 5 -- County Council District 5 candidates' forum.

Thursday, May 3 -- County Executive candidates' forum.

Thursday, June 7 -- States Attorney candidates' forum.

7:00 -- 9:00 pm

Hoyer Education Center (cafeteria)

2300 Belleview Ave. (Parking Available)

Cheverly

Light refreshments will be served.

# **Cheverly Baptist Church has opened to the public:**

The congregation of Cheverly Baptist Church warmly invites you to join us for worship on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. We are a new gospel-preaching congregation seeking to love God and love our neighbors. Our services are held at Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary in Cheverly. If you have any questions please visit our website at www.cheverlybaptist.org or reach out to Pastor John Joseph at john@cheverlybaptist.org.

With Casino Night, the Sweetheart Charity Ball and the Men's Club Spaghetti Dinner, February was full, and thank you to so many in the community who made these events a huge success! But, just wait, March is another very busy month at Saint Ambrose! We continue with Lent, transition to Holy Week, and end March just on the Eve of Easter. In addition to many Lenten activities, look for new opportunities to learn about the Catholic Faith and grow in fellowship with your community. Everyone is welcome at Saint Ambrose Parish!

## St. Ambrose Presents: Catholicism Video Series Every Thursday Night

THE CATHOLIC FAITH AS YOU'VE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE.

For the first time, in breathtaking and high-definition cinematography, the truth, goodness, and beauty of Catholicism are illustrated in a multimedia experience. Journey with Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 16 countries. Be illuminated by the spiritual and artistic treasures of this global culture that claims more than one billion of the earth's people. Learn what Catholics believe and why. Discover the full

meaning of the faith. Meet in Room 106 of the ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL every

**Thursday at 6:30 pm.** Light dinner and child care will be provided. All are welcome! Learn more about the series here: <a href="http://catholicism.wordonfire.org/">http://catholicism.wordonfire.org/</a>

# **Women's Morning of Recollection**

All women are invited to attend a morning of recollection sponsored by the Ladies of Charity on Saturday, March 10 from 8:30 a.m. - noon. Our speaker will be nationally recognized Catholic author and speaker Kathleen Beckman. Kathleen will speak on the book that she edited and co-authored entitled When Women Pray: Eleven Catholic Women on the Power of Prayer. Kathleen has appeared on EWTN, Radio Maria, and other media outlets and has spoken both nationally and internationally for over 25 years. We will begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by breakfast and two talks. The morning will conclude with Eucharistic Adoration and confessions. There is no cost, and RSVPs are not required but are helpful to plan for breakfast. Please contact the parish office at ambroserectory@gmail.comto RSVP or for further information.

# Lent 2018: Adoration, Confession, Stations & More!

ADORATION & CONFESSION: Beginning Tuesday, February 13 - March 27th, there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament along with confessions every Tuesday from 6:00—7:00 pm before the Spanish Mass and following the Spanish Mass from 7:40-8:30 pm.

STATIONS: Beginning Friday, February 16 -March 3rd, there will be Stations of the Cross in English at 6:30, followed by soup in Fannon Hall. Stations of the Cross in Spanish will begin at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in assisting with Stations or with preparing or serving the soup, please contact the parish office.

#### Looking Ahead to Easter, we invite you to join us as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ!

- March 24-25th The Holy Week will begin with the schedule will be the normal Mass schedule on Palm Sunday weekend,
- Thursday March 29th There will be a bilingual Mass on Holy Thursday at 7:00 pm with Adoration until midnight.
- Friday March 30th On Good Friday we will have living Stations of the Cross at 5pm going through Cheverly and a bilingual Veneration of the Cross at 7:00 pm.
- Saturday March 31st On Holy Saturday there will be a bilingual Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm.
- Sunday, April 1st Easter Sunday Masses are at 10:00 am in English and 12:30 pm in Spanish.



The following is a brief synopsis of some of the municipal ordinances and tips for homeowners in Cheverly. Residents can access the Municipal Town Code from our website <a href="http://www.cheverly.com">http://www.cheverly.com</a>.

BUILDING PERMITS: County as well as Town building permits must be obtained to construct, or make any major improvement to your home. Homeowners must first obtain a Prince George's County Building Permit (301-883-5784) in Largo, and then apply for the Town Building Permit.

General repairs do not require permits unless they include cutting walls, partitions, or bearing supports; removing or changing exits; installing, moving, or removing any pipe used for water supply, sewer, drainage, gas, waste, or venting; installing or moving any electrical, mechanical, or other work that could affect the public health and safety. Cheverly requires a building permit for constuction of any wall or fence, storage sheds, & paved areas. **DRIVEWAY APRONS** need special approval and permit from the Public Works Dept.

**FENCES** are <u>NOT</u> permitted in the front yard (*corner lots must respect the front building line on both streets.) Cheverly only allows backyard fences and requires a Cheverly building permit. The County requires a permit for fences over 4ft. and fences over 6ft. require a variance.* 

**ACCESSORY STRUCTURES / DECKS** must be maintained safe & sound in good repair. They must be at least 2ft. from rear or side property lines. Only 30% of a lot may be covered by buildings, including accessory structures and parking areas.

**EXTERIOR wood or metal surfaces** must be painted and free of holes, breaks, loose or rotting boards or any other condition that might admit rain or dampness.

**PORCHES & STAIRS** more than 2 risers high must have handrails & balustrades fastened securely and in good condition.

**POOLS** must be at least 8 ft. from rear or side property lines. All pools 24" or deeper require a 6ft. secured fence. Pools may not drain across a neighbor's property.

MOTOR VEHICLES must be licensed and operable and parked or stored on a PAVED surface.

Performing heavy repairs, painting or body work on automobiles is prohibited.

**PARKING:** Vehicles parked on any Town street for a continuous period longer than 72 hours, without being moved can be ticketed.

One CAMPING TRAILER or BOAT may be stored in side or rear yards only. These vehicles may NOT be parked on the street or in a front yard driveway.

**COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING:** Parking or storage of commercial vehicles on the street or front yard driveway is **NOT PERMITTED**.

Any truck or van larger than 80"x240", or vehicle displaying commercial lettering or equipment (ladder racks, tool boxes, etc), will be considered a commercial vehicle. Stake platform trucks, dump trucks, crane or tow trucks or vehicles with dual rear wheels, etc. may not be stored on residential lots in Cheverly at any time.

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 301-773-8360

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 301-789-5090

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 240-770-7647

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 301-773-2666

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FAX 301-773-0173 If you need a Police Officer call: 301-352-1200

WEB SITE: www.cheverly-md.gov

Email "Contact The Town" button at the Website

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

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# Meetings & Events

# GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Thurs Mar 08 8:00pm Town Meeting
Tues Mar 22 7:30pm Worksession
Tues Mar 27 7:00pm Council Meeting
Sat Mar 31 11:00am Easter Egg Hunt
Sat April 7 8:30am Spring Flea Market

# CHEVERLY WEBSITE cheverly-md.gov

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

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#### COMMUINTY EVENT SCHEDULE

- Woman Club: Annual Black History Month Celebration.
- CPRC: Spring Break Events & Franklin's Fundraiser.
- FLBC: Monthly Work Party.
- CUMC: Fish Fry Dinner.
- Cheverly Village: Generation to Generation.
- CUMC: Albright Angels Mane Men.
- American Legion: Save the Date, Men's Club, Ladies Night, 108 Music, etc.
- St. Ambrose: Catholicism Video Series, Women's Morning of Recollection, Lent 2018, Looking Ahead to Easter.
- Green Infrastructure: March Monthly Meeting.
- Boy Scout Troop 0257: Annual Ice-Man Challenge.
- Fitness Bootcamp: Tues., Thurs., & Friday's.
- Progressive Cheverly: Upcoming forums.
- Cheverly Baptist Church: Worship on Sundays.