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FOR YOUR INFORMATION by Mayor Mike Callahan

Call 301-772-3197 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.

. Congratulations to the 43rd Cheverly Town Council: On May 1st Cheverly held town elections for six council seats. The winners were as follows: Ward 1: Laila Riazi, Ward 2: Robert Julian Ivey, Ward 3: RJ Eldridge, Ward 4: Maurielle Stewart, Ward 5: Jennifer Garcia, and Ward 6: Elizabeth MacKenzie.

The new Council was sworn in at the May 11th Town Council meeting and began their two year terms. We also thanked former council members Mary Jane Coolen, Megan Daly and Sandra Rogers for their service to the town.

Cheverly Day was a Blast: Of course the fireworks were the best, but the rest of the weekend was spectacular as well. The weekend began with the fabulous ChevProm. One of the hardest tickets to get in Cheverly and from the stories I've heard the event far exceeded its reputation. The ChevProm Committee truly outdid themselves, so please say thanks to: Britt Deveraux (chair), Adam Silvey, Jason Pheobus, Britt Pheobus, Robin Kaye, Denise Carrigan, Lane Thompson. Special thanks to The Garden Club for flower arrangements, Liz Esposito for a custom cake, and Jessica Albert for graphic design

Cheverly Day began at 10:00 AM with an amazing parade and just kept on going. The West Side eked out a win in the softball game, the 3 on 3 tourney was

a success, and then from 2PM to 6PM everyone enjoyed corn hole, bubble soccer, laser tag, the midway, face painting, the beer garden, a great music stage and much, much more.

Special thanks go out to the Cheverly Day Committee: Megan Daly, Glen Barton, Pat Nelson, Dave Konieczko, Nick D'Angelo and Kathryn Andrews.

Please consider contacting Glen or Megan to help the planning for next year.

Volunteers of the Year: Every Cheverly Day the Mayor is honored to select two individuals who have gone above and beyond in service to the Town of Cheverly. The Jack Wheat Award, named in honor the former Code Enforcement Officer, is frequently given to a town employee or a citizen who has contributed to the built infrastructure of the town. The second award is the "Volunteer of the Year Award" and is typically given to someone(s) who has enhanced the character of our town.

Mayor FYI Continued...

Volunteer of the Year: Cheverly Refugee Assistance Effort

This year the Town of Cheverly welcomed 16 Syrian and Afghanistan families and 28 students to our community and schools. The support for this effort was simply overwhelming. While the entire Town of Cheverly could be given this award, there are a few leaders who deserve special recognition: Diane Beedle, Chase O'Brien, Lowri DeJager, and Margaret MacDonnell.

These individuals were instrumental in communicating, coordinating and implementing a series of activities that created a warm and welcoming environment for these families. Thanks to their efforts, the entire Cheverly Community rose to the challenge and provided new uniforms and winter coats, enhanced the Principal's lunch fund to assist the students, provided Thanksgiving Baskets, provided school supplies, provided welcome kits, provided translation services and provided furniture, household goods and groceries for these families.

More than two hundred Cheverly families participated in this welcoming effort, and virtually every town organization participated in some way. The Cheverly Refugee Assistance Effort represents what is great about the Town of Cheverly. Special thanks to Chase, Lowri, Diane and Margaret for their efforts to make this happen.

Jack Wheat Award: Antwoine Harvey

Antwoine was hired in 2013 to take over the day to day responsibilities of the Red Light and Speed Camera program. Antwoine performed this role magnificently, utilizing IT skills to automate every aspect of the program. Since then Antwoine has become the Police Department IT specialist, automating many time consuming activities, such as: parking citations, code enforcement, the property database, online police schedule and the department's crime mapping program.

Antwoine has an amazing ability to work with residents in difficult situations when they are unhappy about receiving a ticket. Antwoine is always extremely professional and courteous in his interactions with

citizens.

For going above and beyond, time after time, Antwoine Harvey is awarded the Jack Wheat Award.

Cheverly Town Council Sets FY18 Tax Rate at 54 cents: During the April 27th Work Session the Town Council set the FY18 Tax Rate at 54 cents. This is a reduction 2 cents from the current rate of 56 cents. Please note that while the council reduced the rate by 2 cents, home assessments will increase this year yielding the average taxpayer a 3.75% tax increase.

On average a Cheverly home's assessment value will increase by increase by 7.0 in FY 18. Therefore, the Council would have had to reduce the tax rate to 52 cents to have taxes remain flat

The chart below shows the Total Property Tax collected by the town of Cheverly since FY12. The amount of taxes collected in FY18 will be 12% higher than collected in FY12 (7 year period). Please note that from FY12 through FY15 property tax collected by the town was virtually flat. During this period assessments dropped by 21% and then remained flat, and the Town Council raised the tax rate by 10 cents simply to keep total taxes collected flat.

During that period the town continued its high quality of service, and was able to increase the fund balance. However, other than purchasing vehicles and repaving roads the council was unable to address many needed projects. The council allowed the increase in taxes collected beginning in FY16 to begin addressing many of these projects while continuing to maintain the high quality of services.

FY12 3.084M

FY13 2.944M

FY14 2.928M

FY15 2.928M FY16 3.184M

FY17 3.337M

FY18 3.464M

Town Council continues to consider the FY18

Budget: During the April Work Session and the May Work Session the Town Council will work to finalize the FY18 Budget. The Town Council will then approve the budget during the June 8th Town Meeting.

Mayor FYI Continued...

Heading into the May 25th, meeting the budget reflects the following. (In thousands)

Fiscal Year	Revenue	Expenses	Deficit/ Credit	Fund Bal-
ance				
16 17 18 (prj)	6,019 6,008 6,106	5,192 5,642 6,745	827 365 - 639	2,498 2,863 2,224

As I always caution, we budget very conservatively revenues are low and expenses a tad high. So while the budget calls for a 639K deficit in FY18, I am sure it will be much less.

That said, we are addressing a number of capital and operating projects in FY18 that we have been waiting to address:

Converting Police Retirement to LEOPS (\$65,000): This is the standard retirement system for Maryland officers. Converting to LEOPS should improve both retention and acquisition of officers.

Town Hall Security System (\$45,000): While Town Hall is constantly in use there is little security surrounding who is in the building and when.

New Air Conditioning for Business Office (\$160,000): The existing air conditioning is failing and repairing it is simply wasting money.

Drainage near Public Works (\$38,000): During the next rain storm check out the storm drain near Public Works. It backs up sometimes flooding the building.

New Staff Position for Front Office (\$65,000): The Front Office Staff has worked for years with a smaller staff than in 2005.

Police Vehicles (\$150,000): The town must constantly rotate police vehicles to ensure that our fleet doesn't become too old.

New Design Plans for Public Works (\$45,000): The Town Council is committed to replacing the existing and antiquated Public Works building. Developing Plans is the first step.

Re-Developing the Basketball / Tennis Courts at Town Park (\$35,000): This item was identified during the Town Park Re-Planning effort 5 years ago.

Re-Paving Roads (\$159,000): Annual fund to repave roads. This year we plan to re-pave the entire length of Lake Avenue.

New Public Works Vehicles (\$130,000):

Washington Gas Replaces Gas Line at Town Park: Even while Cheverly Day Planning was in full swing, Washington Gas finally came to replace the gas pipe from Forest Road to the Public Works department.

Replacing this pipe will address long standing complaints from residents who have reported gas smells throughout the area. We believe that this work will address these concerns.

SHA RESURFACES LANDOVER ROAD: As I am writing this FYI, SHA is resurfacing Landover Road (Route 202) from Cheverly Avenue to Route 50. The Town Council was approached by SHA just prior to our April Work Session. At the time SHA proposed implementing a Road Diet, going from 6 lanes to 4 lanes in this stretch of Landover Road. The Road Diet would provide for bike lanes and better turning areas in this area.

While there would be some improvements, the Council wanted to have SHA to do more community engagement prior to moving forward with the Road Diet. The Council felt strongly that this project should not go forward without community approval. SHA did not have the time to engage the community prior to releasing their contracts so they decided to re-pave without implementing the Road Diet.

SHA Agrees to Public Meeting Focused on Route 202 Safety: The conversations with SHA regarding the Road Diet yielded a very positive result. While everyone agreed not to go forward with the Road Diet, SHA did agree to a Public Meeting focused on safety issues along Landover Road from Route 50 to Route 450.

SHA will be in Cheverly Town Hall on June 8th from 6:30PM to 8:00PM to hear from citizens in the area about pedestrian, bike and traffic issues along the roadway. We will publish News and Announcements as the date nears, but please consider attending.

Mayor FYI Continued...

Cheverly Police begin Street Meets: Chief Robshaw once again identifies a new way to engage the community. The Chief has pioneered methods of engaging the community, beginning with CPAC, then the "citizen radio program", then the "phone the duty officer", and now "Street Meets". Congrats to the chief for continuing to be at the leading edge of community engagement and look for a Street Meet near you!

What's happening with Boom Reporting? We continue to await the results from the University of Maryland. Please be patient and remember this is a student project.

6301 Kilmer, Progress at Last: After a long wait for the utilities to be removed or altered Public Works began the process of removing the home at 6301 Kilmer. Public Works did an outstanding job pushing this project along, while still making Cheverly Day a success.

There is still a lot work to be done prior to removing the fence. The garage needs repair, the fish pond will remain but the depth will be changed by placing stone in the bottom, and the grounds need to be graded after the demolition effort. However, the opening of the park is near.

On a Personal Note:

The entire Cheverly Community and I are deeply saddened by the passing of **David Watkins.** David was a large part of our community and will be deeply missed. Many of you will know of David from his participation at CUMC where he could always be found. However, most of my interaction with David occurred coaching basketball to 6 to 8 year olds for the Boys & Girls Club. While David was the finest coach, his real magic was creating a great atmosphere for his players who always had fun.

I'd also like to say goodbye to a Cheverly institution Dian Carter, Principal at St Ambrose School. Dian was principal for nine years and has been instrumental in the success of the school. Dian could always be counted on to assist the town when needed. We will miss her greatly as she moves on to Bishop McNamara High School to become an Assistant Principal.

TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS

Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted ACTIONS TAKEN

Town Meeting - May 11, 2017

No Actions Taken.

Worksession - May 25, 2017
All votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted

- MOTION CM Stewart to support the Cheverly Woman's Club grant request for \$800 for materials to be used at Peace Camp. Seconded CM Ivey. Approved 4-0. CM MacKenzie and Garcia absent.
- MOTION CM Eldridge to nominate CM Riazi to serve as Vice-Mayor. Seconded CM Ivey. Approved 6-0.
- MOTION CM Riazi to close the meeting to discuss a potential land acquisition and to get a legal update. Seconded CM Eldridge. Approved 6-0.
- MOTION CM Eldridge to open the meeting. Seconded CM MacKenzie. Approved 6-0.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Town Meeting - June 8, 2017

Worksession - June 22, 2017

RECYCLING TOTALS April 2017

Curb Recycling - 38.64 tons Electronic Recycling - 0 Appliances - 3



Administrative Assistant parttime for the Cheverly Police Department is now open.

Details and application on the Cheverly website:

www.cheverly-md.gov.

Residential Parking Permits

Certain areas of Cheverly have been designated as Zone Parking Permit Areas due to heavy parking for the Cheverly Metro. Parking is limited to three (3) hours between 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM, Monday through Saturday, except for residents of the area who obtain and display Zone Parking Permits or a Guest Permit. A PERMIT IS ONLY VALID IN THE ZONE DISPLAYED ON THE PERMIT. Each Zone Parking Permit costs \$5.00. Two (2) Guest Permits are issued for each residence (not per vehicle) in a specific zone.

Zone Parking Requirements

- Zone parking applicants MUST have their vehicle registered to an address in Cheverly.
- Zone parking stickers are good for one (1) year and must be renewed annually.
- Zone parking permits must be affixed to the vehicle's LEFT REAR BUMPER, in a visible position.
- Visitor/Guest Permits are to be displayed on the interior rear view mirror, in a visible position.
- Visitor/Guest Permits are for Bona Fide visitors only. They are not to be given to friends and relatives to park while they use the Cheverly Metro.
- Visitor/Guest Permits ARE NOT to be displayed on vehicles that are registered to addresses within Zone Parking Areas.

Senior Citizen Parking

Cheverly residents 65 years or older may obtain a Senior Citizen parking permit. The permit is valid only for the short stretch of the east side of Cheverly Avenue (2200 Block). Senior Citizen Permits are NOT valid in any other area.

Residential ZONE Parking Permits

- You must have Vehicle Registration (registered to Cheverly address) to register your vehicle
- Parking Permits cost \$5 per vehicle / One Guest Parking Permit allowed per residence at no cost.
- \$2 for each additional Guest Parking Permit (MAXIMUM 2 GUEST PERMITS PER RESIDENCE)

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

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

Zone 3: 2200, 2300, & 2400 Blocks of Cheverly Avenue

Zone 4: Arbor, Crestlawn

Zone 5: 2300 Belleview

Zone 6: Benton Road, as well as the 2300, 2400, & 2500 Blocks of Lake

Zone 7: 2400 Block of Valley Way

Zone 8: 3300 Block of Belleview, Medical Terrace

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

[This permit allows senior citizens 65 years of age or older to park your car in this area in order to utilize Metro].

Residential Parking Permits should be displayed on the back left bumper area.

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

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

Citations may be issued to any resident not in compliance with Town Code 27-5.1: "Residential Zone Parking" If you should have any questions, please contact the Photo Enforcement Unit at **240-770-7641**.



Message from the Chief

Buddy Robshaw

(policechief@cheverly-md.gov).

POLICE NIGHTTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER: 301-789-5090

OUR SECOND STREET MEET: The second Street Meet is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2017. This Street Meet will take place at Gast Park located at the intersection of Laurel Avenue and **Inwood Street in Ward 3**. This format was created to make C-PACT more accessible to Cheverly residents and to showcase a number of interesting topics about the Police Department that are not generally made available outside of Public Safety Day. A Street Meet is an opportunity for residents to walk to the meeting. obtain handout materials on Ride-Alongs, house checks, home security surveys, and vehicle donations, and an opportunity to interact neighbor to neighbor. It is also an opportunity to discuss local crime issues specific to the streets and homes of Ward 3. There will be equipment displays, handouts for the kids, and an opportunity to meet members of the Cheverly Police face-to-face. Hope to see all local residents there.

NEW COMMUNITY SERVICES TRAILER: The

Police Department recently purchased a brand new 8' x 12' enclosed trailer that will be used for a wide variety of tasks, most importantly, as a vehicle to transport signs and equipment for Street Meets. This trailer was purchased with funds derived from vehicle donations by Town residents and was not a budget item. This trailer, black in color, will soon be emblazoned with the Department's logo and will be hauled by the Department's HUMVEE truck which will also be used as a display item.

"TWENTY IS PLENTY" – One of the CPD's summer initiatives this year is called "Twenty Is Plenty." The "twenty" in the phrase refers to the 20 mph speed limit that is applicable to most streets in Cheverly and the "plenty" indicates that this speed is more than enough given the narrow, curvy nature of so many Cheverly streets. As part of this initiative, CPD officers will be issuing Maryland State Citations for speed-

ing in lieu of warnings in an effort to ensure the safety of all drivers and pedestrians who utilize our streets. Please obey the speed limit throughout Town and have a safe and prosperous summer.

PARKING ISSUES AND THE LAW – The Cheverly Police Department operates under and enforces a number of inter-related state and county laws as well as the dictates of the Town Code. Regarding parking in the Town, all three sources of law are quite similar and only the corresponding manner of enforcement and fines are different. Please be aware of the following violations regarding parking in the Town. It is illegal for any person to park a vehicle in the Town of Cheverly:

- 1. That blocks the flow of traffic on any street;
- 2. Is parked to obstruct a driveway, alley, sidewalk, fire lane, or intersection;
- 3. Has not been moved in the public right-of-way for over 72 consecutive hours;
- 4. Has an outstanding parking ticket over 30 days old;
- 5. Is inoperable, abandoned, or unregistered (expired tags) on public or private property;
- 6. Any dual-wheeled vehicle in a R-55 zone;
- 7. Any commercial vehicle without a permit between 7:00 PM and 7:00 AM;
- 8. In violation of any "No Parking" or restricted parking sign;
- 9. In a fire lane;
- 10. In a marked handicap parking space;
- 11. Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
- 12. Within 15 feet of a bus stop marked by a sign; or Within 25 of an intersection's curb lines.

Most violations result in a \$50.00 fine, however, fire land and handicap parking violations are \$200.00 each.

Message from Chief Continued...

TELEPHONE NUMBERS –

Police Emergency 9-1-1

Police Nonemergency Calls for Dispatch (301) 352-1200

Cheverly Police – Main Line (301) 341-1055

Cheverly Police (Night/Weekend Only) (301) 789-5090

Cheverly Police Facsimile (301) 341-0176

Cheverly Photo Enforcement (240) 770-7641

Alley Cat Towing (Towing Vendor) (301) 864-0323

Cheverly Investigators (301) 789-8551

(301) 852-0537

Crime Report for APRIL 2017

*Note that all addresses are in Hundred Blocks

04/01/17	1225	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
04/02/17	1732	hrs	Auto Theft	6100 State St
04/02/17	1803	hrs	Vandalism	6100 State St
04/04/17	1755	hrs	B&E (Residential)	6500 Landover Rd
04/05/17	2205	hrs	Theft (under \$100)	6500 Old Landover Rd
04/06/17	1812	hrs	Theft (over \$1000)	5800 Annapolis Rd
04/07/17	1428	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
04/08/17	1930	hrs	Domestic Assault	6500 Landover Rd
04/09/17	2121	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
04/10/17	1024	hrs	B&E (Commercial)	5900 Medical Terr
04/11/17	1035	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
04/12/17	1546	hrs	Fraud (Theft)	N/A
04/16/17	0301	hrs	Domestic Assault	6300 Landover Rd
04/18/17	2116	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
04/19/17	1350	hrs	Assault (2 nd Deg)	6500 Landover Rd
04/19/17	2102	hrs	B&E (Commercial)	4800 Lydell Rd
04/22/17	0135	hrs	Assault (2 nd Deg)	6400 Landover Rd
04/24/17	1130	hrs	Theft (under \$100)	6500 Landover Rd
04/27/17	1830	hrs	Domestic Assault	6500 Landover Rd
04/28/17	1830	hrs	Robbery (armed)	6300 Landover Rd
04/29/17	2130	hrs	Theft (under \$100)	6500 Landover Rd

Community Bulletin Board



The Cheverly Recreation Council will sponsor the John "Dent" Wilson Scholarship. This is a \$500 College scholarship awarded to a Cheverly resident who is enrolled full time in a aca-

demic or vocational post secondary education program for the 2016-2017 academic year. For applications call Judy DeLeonibus at 301-386-4251. In the last 3 years we have given 9 scholarships out to Cheverly Teens. The money for the scholarship comes from the sells of the Flea Market Tables.

Hello Neighbors,

On Monday, May 15th, 2017, the 4th Ward Civic Association Election was held.

Please welcome our newly elected **President**, **Mrs. Kaycee Simmons Munyeneh**.

The 2017-2019 Elected 4th Ward Civic Association Board Members are:

President - Kaycee Simmons Munyeneh

Email address: <u>kaycesimmons@yahoo.com</u>

Vice President - Edward Reddick Email address: refereeed@yahoo.com

Secretary - Monique Catlett

Email address: cheverly4thwardca@yahoo.com

Parliamentarian - Leila Price

Email address: pleila@verizon.net

Also NOTE the re-election of Maurielle Stewart (<u>councilmemberward4@cheverly-md.gov</u>) as our 4th Ward Councilmember for the 2017-2019 term.

And a Special Thank You to Mr. Fred Price, Jr., our outgoing President. We thank you for all that you've done and still do for our community!!

NEW! House Check online submission form! Are you going out of town and would like service request from the Cheverly Police Department for house surveillance but forgot to submit a house check form? Don't worry you can now submit it online in just a few simple steps!

- 1) Go to www.cheverly-md.gov.
- 2) Select forms, under Quick Links Menu.
- 3) Select House Check (Online Submission Form), located under Police Department Forms.
- 4) Complete form and submit form by clicking send.
- * Note: All forms are electronically submitted once pressing send.

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MON Town Wide YARD WASTE

MON East side Regular Garbage Pickup only

TUE West side Regular Garbage Pickup only

WED Town wide RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)

THU East side Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (at curb)

FRI West side Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (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, (no consoles), 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

<u>HOLIDAYS</u>? Public Works crews DO NOT work on holidays. Collections on holidays are **CANCELLED**.

Outdoor Burning Reminder: Sec. 12-3.

- a) No person shall burn or cause to be burned any trash, lumber, leaves, straw, tree branches, trees, logs or other combustible material on any improved street, gutter, parking strip, parkway, park, alley or any other town property within the corporate limits of the Town of Cheverly.
- (b) No person shall burn or cause to be burned any trash, lumber, leaves, straw, tree branches, trees, logs or other combustible material within the corporate limits of the Town of Cheverly, without first obtaining a permit from the Town of Cheverly, excluding outdoor cooking devices.

(Ord. No. 11-77, 8-11-77)



Charter Reference -

Authority to control and prevent fires, § C-23A(26).

Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp

Did you catch someone wearing a Cheverly Moves shirt at Cheverly Day? They may have told you about Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp, a town organization that supports fitness and wellness all the while giving us a fun opportunity to get to know our neighbors. (You also might have met someone from Cheverly Village, our partners and the other half of Cheverly Moves! Make sure you check out all the wonderful things they're doing in town).

Bootcamp meets 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 before joining us. There is no cost to join this group. Workouts on Tuesdays and Thursday are led by volunteers in the neighborhood and combine strength and cardio movements. On Saturdays we set up timed stations throughout the gym. We have a great time, and each workout is scalable so you can get a good sweat regardless of your starting fitness level!

Get the latest group news and schedule changes by subscribing to the Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp Google group at www.bit.ly/cheverly-fitness. With any questions, contact Amanda Szabo at aglensky@gmail.com.

Cheverly Garden Club...It is almost summer and the plants are growing. We are still in business to help in Cheverly and we used last year's poppies for the parade to celebrate Cheverly Day. The theme of our float was 'We're off to see the Wizard' and we were honored with the Judge's Award.

On June 19th, we will meet at the Foley's home to create arrangements for Shut Ins. Once again, we ask for names and addresses in town of someone you think would like an arrangement. Please send to Ann Gardenhour (Acgarndenh@aol.com) the name, address and phone number of Shut Ins. This is June and it will be getting hot and dry. When you take care of your plants, remember the street plantings too – they also need watering and weeding. Henry White has a crew that does lawns and he said that they have never seen so many snakes as this year. Snakes are beneficial reptiles in the ecosystem and manage the mice and rat populations. Be careful when you compost yard waste and remember the ticks are plentiful this year. Enjoy your gardens and hope you have some great salads from your labor.

We find that our members are growing older and we do not want to isolate ourselves. If we do not interest you, please let us know what we can do and what you would like to see and do on the third Monday night of each month. We can bring in speakers of interest and we will be doing Pumpkin arrangements in October and holiday arrangements in December. Learn how to use Oasis floral foam to your advantage and save money by doing it yourself. In the Spring, we will be starting seeds and pruning. We have had wonderful speakers on planting containers. Remember we have several Master Gardeners and an authority on the care of Azaleas. We know you are busy but we will do our best to share with you. As our seed packs from the Cheverly Day parade say, 'We Are A Dirt Under The Nails Club'.

Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee

June Monthly Meeting Date: Monday, June 5, 2017 Time: 7:30-9:00 p.m.Location: Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center, 6401 Forest Road, Cheverly

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

All are welcome to join us! Contact sheila.salo@gmail.com for a copy of the meeting agenda.

Cheverly Day 2017 Photo Contest Winners

For the third year, the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee sponsored a Cheverly Day photo contest. The contest for 2017 focused on Cheverly's streams, springs, and wetlands -- and all that live in, on, or near them. Dave Kneipp organized the contest.

The winners in the adult category are: First place, Matt T. Salo, "Wetland and Streamside Life," black swallowtail butterfly and swamp milkweed, photographed at Lower Beaverdam Creek; second place, Pam Page, "A Small Cheverly Stream," taken at the Arbor Street/Parkway entrance to Woodworth Park; third place, Daniel Daughtry-Weiss, "Ice on flowers on a flowering tree in our yard after a snow shower, Winter 2017." In the youth category, first, second, and third places were taken by Liam Heneghan, for photos taken at Tributary 3, titled "Yellow Chain," "Green Stream," and "Orange Oil," respectively. Matt T. Salo's "Wetland and Streamside Life" also won Best in Show. All first place winners received Ledo's Pizza gift certificates. Thanks to all who entered the contest and to the judges, Theresa Castracane and Joseph Pruden. We hope all the photographers enjoyed learning about Cheverly's streams.

All entries were exhibited in the Community Center during Cheverly Day. You will be able to view them online at www.greencheverly.org.

<u>The Woman's Club</u> – As summer approaches and the Woman's Club takes a much needed break, we'd like to offer some ideas for you and your family to grow seeds of peace in the next few months.:

- <u>Peace Camp</u> Register your child / children ages 4 14 for Peace Camp. Camp is Monday, July 24 Friday, July 28 at the Cheverly United Methodist Church from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. We serve a midmorning snack and lunch. The Woman's Club has raised funds for scholarships. You can register with Little Friends for Peace (www.lffp.org) or contact us joycelang@verizon.net for scholarship information.
- <u>International Day of Peace</u> What Is It? Find out at http://internationaldayofpeace.org. "As societies become ever more multi ethnic and multi religious, we need political, cultural, and economic investments in cohesion, so that diversity is rightly seen as richness, not a threat. Together, let us stand up against bigotry and for human rights. Together, let us build bridges. Together, let us transform fear into hope." UN Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres.
- Montessori Peace Corner The purpose of a peace corner is to create an inviting place for a child to find peace; a safe haven where children can communicate to solve their conflicts through respect and patience. Start by choosing 3-5 items from our suggested list. Teach your child how to use and respect the materials as well as the space. a calming jar (watch for details next month), a table or shelf, a comfortable chair or floor pillows, a rug to define the space, and a peace rose or rock.

We wish you all a wonderful summer!

Spellman PTA Update - June 2017

Thank You, Cheverly! The PTA would like to thank all the supporters of our successful ZUMBATHON fundraiser on May 12th. We raised more than \$5,000 to help fund the learning lab and outdoor playground to be built by nonprofit REAL School Gardens! We are one step closer to making this tremendous learning opportunity a reality for our students and teachers. Many thanks to all!

Welcome New PTA Board Members! The Spellman PTA elected new board members for the 2017-2018 school year. They are: Miriam Mengers, President; Irma Guevara and Daniel Bellamy, Co-Vice Presidents; Lowri DeJager, Treasurer and Giselle Richards, Secretary. We are thrilled to get started and excited for a terrific new school year.

Reminder: the last day of school for students is June 13th. Have a great SUMMER everyone!

Volunteers Needed! Do you have some free time and an interest in supporting your neighborhood public school? Fall is just around the corner and it's not too early to get involved. There are many ways that you can volunteer from gardening/landscaping, grant writing, and planning support for the school year. Please contact us at spellmanpta@gmail.com for more information.

Earn \$\$ for Spellman while doing your everyday shopping! It's easy. Online or in stores, you can support Spellman Elementary in these ways:

- **Amazon Smile**: Link your Amazon account with Spellman Elementary and earn money for the school each time you make a purchase. Visit https://smile.amazon.com. Sign into your Amazon account and search for Spellman PTA.
- **Box Tops for Education:** Look for the pink "Box Tops for Education" label on hundreds of participating grocery products, clip them out and drop them off at the main office at Spellman. The school will receive 10 cents for each Box Top collected!

Stay in the know! Like us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/GNSPTA/ and follow us on Twitter: https://twitter.com/s pellmanpta. And please feel free to contact the PTA Board with any questions about Spellman Elementary and PTA activities at spellmanpta@gmail.com. Many thanks for the support!



Let's Play a Game!

Who do you think of when you hear or see the word "Aging?" Is it yourself or someone else?

If you first thought of yourself, your spouse or your Cheverly parents, **GO DIRECTLY** to www.cheverlyvillage.org or call 240-770-1033 for a brochure or membership application. Do not wait another turn to consider what Cheverly Village offers you or your loved ones.

If you thought of a Cheverly neighbor or friend who might like some help in getting around and staying actively engaged in the community, **MOVE** as many spaces as necessary to let them know that Cheverly Village volunteers can enable them to engage in Cheverly more fully and for longer than they might think. When we play this game, we are all winners!

The Village isn't just about meeting a need for help; it's also about fun. Our May 10 *Pot Luck and Trivia Game* at Town Hall has already happened. **LOSE A TURN** if you were not there. But stay tuned because we had such a great time that we're promising another chance to test your trivia knowledge. **SKIP AHEAD** to join us at Busboys and Poets in July for a viewing and discussion of *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande (check our website for details).

Choose your winning moves, and let's all play the game!

To learn how to become a Cheverly Village member or volunteer, or how to make a tax-deductible contribution, please call us at (240) 770 1033, write us at village@cheverlyvillage.org, or check out www.cheverlyvillage.org.

-- Teresa Williams, for Cheverly Village Board of Directors

Progressive Cheverly

All are welcome to our events.

Thursday, June 1, 7:00 pm: Immigrant Rights --- defending vulnerable populations in our community. Speakers include Kamal Essaheb, Director of Policy & Advocacy, National Immigration Law Center, and Julio Murillo, Policy Analyst in CASA's Housing and Community Development Program. Plus, Senator Victor Ramierez will be joining us.

Hoyer Education Center (cafeteria), 2300 Belleview Ave. (Parking Available). Light refreshments will be served.

Sunday, June 25, 3:00 - 6:00 pm: Join Progressive Cheverly as we celebrate with our annual summer picnic. All are welcome. Please bring a dish to share. We will provide burgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, rolls, condiments and soft drinks. BYOB.

Boyd Park (intersection of 64th Ave. and State St.)

We'll be taking a summer break with our forums but will resume in September.

ST. AMBROSE NEWS

Camp, BOOST, and a Summer of Service

<u>Summer Camp</u> - 5 Weeks of Camp: June 26– July 28, 2017; We have so many fun and exciting activities planned for this year, including: Before & After Care Program, Daily Morning Enrichment Program, Certified Teachers, Official Camp T-Shirt, HSPT Book (8th grade only), Free Lunch on Mondays & Fridays, Free Ice Cream on Fridays and more! \$285.00 per week/per child for Rising Pre-K thru Rising 8th Graders

*Registration will close on June 11, 2017 at 11pm, it will reopen on June 12, 2017 with an increase in camp fees of \$25 per week. To register, visit:

www.sacheverly.org/summer-camp

<u>BOOST Scholarships</u> - The State of MD has recently re-authorized a scholarship program called BOOST to provide funds to families to enroll their children in Catholic or private schools. Scholarships last year ranged from \$1,400 to \$4,400 per student. The enrollment deadline is June 15, and any child that applies for BOOST must apply to a particular school first. Visit www.educationmaryland.org/BOOST for more information or call our school of-fice at (301)-773-0223. The school computer library will be open in the evenings to assist with the application process in the next few weeks; please call the school for more details.

<u>BOOST Scholarships</u> - El estado de MD recientemente ha re-autorizado un programa de becas llamado BOOST para proporcionar fondos a las familias para inscribir a sus hijos en escuelas católicas o privadas. Las becas del año pasado oscilaron entre \$ 1,400 y \$ 4,400 por estudiante. La fecha límite para inscribirse es el 15 de junio, y cualquier niño que solicite BOOST debe solicitar primero una escuela en particular. Visite

www.educationmaryland.org/BOOST para más información <u>o llame a nuestra oficina de la escuela al (301) -773-0223</u>. La biblioteca de computadoras de la escuela estará abierta en las tardes para ayudar con el proceso de solicitud en las próximas semanas; Por favor llame a la escuela para más detalles.

A summer of Service

<u>In Our Community</u> – Check out the St. Ambrose Saint Vincent de Paul & Ladies of Charity coffee & juice booth at the Cheverly Market this summer! Both groups provide assistance to the local community mostly in the form of food delivered to the homes of families in need. They also provide special baskets at Thanksgiving, Christmas & Easter. Stop by to learn more about these great ministries or simply for a cup of coffee knowing your purchase will bring light to a local family in need.

<u>Refugee Family Finding a New Home</u> – The Global Solidarity Team is leading the St. Ambrose parish in preparations to welcome a new refugee family to our area by the end of the year. We will be matched with a specific refugee family assigned for relocation to our area. We will furnish & stock their apartment, meet them at the airport, and help them transition to life in the United States by helping them navigate our community! Join us in our first step and consider donating gift cards for: Target, Giant, Walgreens, CVS or Amazon. Donations can be made after each mass or contact Margaret MacDonald (<u>macdonahan@yahoo.com</u>). Thank you!

<u>Mission Trip to El Salvador</u> – Every year a team of about 13 parishioners visit our sister parish in El Salvador, bring supplies to help the physical needs of the community and to develop each other spiritually and grow in faith. We fill 100 bags with critical personal hygene & first aid supplies. Please consider donating the following to help us reach our goal & provide for this wonderful community: deodorant, hair elastics, combs, washcloths, Band-aids, & socks in children's sizes.

St. Ambrose - Did you Know?

Young Adult Group — We are starting a young adult group for ages 19-35! Join us for weekly summer gatherings starting Wednesday June 7th at 7pm in the church meeting room. We will kick off with a 6 week bible study; call the church office for more information: 301-773-9300.

Feast of Corpus Christi – This year on June 18th the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of the Sacred Body and Blood of Jesus which is given to us in the Most Holy Eucharist. It is a profound, prophetic and powerful Feast in the liturgical year reminding us that Jesus Christ still gives Himself to us, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. He comes to live within us, and we live in Him through our Baptism into His Body, the Church. To celebrate this rich feast day there will be a procession through the neighborhood following the 12:30 Mass, a tradition da-

Weed Killers and Pesticides



Besides the purchase and planting of vegetables, garden flowers, and trees, spring has many residents attempting to rid their yards of weeds and pest. To this end, many will

make a visit to the nearest "big box store" and purchase either a weed killer and/or a pesticide that promises to eliminate the problem with one application. In newspapers and television, manufacturers of these products boast the effectiveness of their individual

goggles
gloves
lab coat

product and how quickly the results can be identified. However, until the label of the product is thoroughly read, the negative environmental effects the methods in which it will be absorbed by the body, and how long they will linger are seldom addressed in their respective commercials.

It is therefore incumbent upon the consumer and critical that before you buy a product, before you use any of

these chemicals, the label is read. Read as to how long it will stay in the environment, how you can protect yourself and your neighbors and what is the best time to apply it. Read as if your life, the life of your family and friends is in immediate danger; for it might be.

Three weeks ago public works was asked to investigate what appeared to be a simple fence application of weed killer. The homeowner that did not call public works, had applied liquid week killer near the fence on a windy day killing not only the weeds by his yard but wilting the neighbors

plants. Perhaps if the label was read the blowing wind would have been considered.

Please, before you buy, before you apply ensure your safety and the safety of those around you. Above all con-

sider the environment and evaluate the use of safer products. Go online and find a suitable environmentally friendly product that will satisfy your needs before buying a dangerous chemical.

"According to the survey, more than 16.5 million pounds of pesticides were used throughout Maryland in 2011. The majority – more than 11.2 million pounds or 68 percent of the total – were pesticides used as wood preservatives. Wood preservative are pesticides com-

monly used to protect decks, raised garden beds, telephone poles, road signs, marine pilings, etc. from the damage insects and mold can inflict. Wood preservatives are applied to wood in a controlled factory environment prior to its sale to contractors.

Herbicides accounted for 3.4 million pounds or 21 percent of total usage; insecticides accounted for 5 percent; and fungicides for 3 percent. Since the last pesticide survey was conducted in 2004, fungicide use has declined 84 percent; herbicide usage has declined 46 percent; and insecticide use declined 5 percent" (Maryland <u>Department of Agriculture Website</u>).

Each one of us can help ensure the present and the future environment of the Town of Cheverly. Perhaps this spring could be the spring that chemicals with negative impacts are not applied in Town. Before you buy a weed killer or a pesticide, consider the possible environmental setbacks to your family, your savings, your neighbors, your Town, your state, our bay.

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WEB SITE: www.cheverly-md.gov

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Meetings & Events

GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Thur June 8 8:00 pm TOWN MEETING Tues June 13 6:30 pm Street Meet Thur June 22 7:30 pm WORKSESSION Tues July 4 FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY

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

- Parking Permit Reminder.
- Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp Meetings: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays.
- Garden Club June 19th: Shut Ins.
- Green Infrastructure Committee Meeting: June 5th @ 7:30 pm.
- Woman's Club Peace Camp, International Day of Peace & Montessori Peace Corner.
- Spellman PTA June 2017 Update.
- Cheverly Village Let's Play a Game!
- Progressive Cheverly June 1st: Immigrant Rights & June 25th: Summer Picnic.
- St. Ambrose Camp, BOOST and a Summer of Service.
- Weed Killers & Pesticides!