

NEWSLETTER

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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.

Town Council Sets Tax Rate at 51 Cents: During their May 10th meeting, the Town Council lowered the Tax Rate from 54 cents to 51 cents. In taking this action, the Council slightly reduces the amount of revenue the Town will receive via property taxes, and on average keeps your Town Property taxes flat in FY2019.

The council was able to take this action because of the 2 I mistakenly omitted Sheila Salo from the list of strong financial position we are in with an almost 3M dollar fund balance. While there are still many investments required in the town; roads, sidewalks, vehicles, building maintenance and a new Public Works building the council felt that potentially dipping into the fund balance was the appropriate course of action for FY19

Of course some will ask, "If the tax rate is dropping from 54 to 51 cents, why are my taxes only staying flat?" That is because your property taxes are calculated as follows: Tax Rate * (Property Assessment / 1000). Cheverly property assessments continue to rise, therefore to keep your property tax bill flat we had to reduce the tax rate to 51 cents.

Erratum: In last month's FYI, I made a couple of mistakes that need correcting. Now I'm sure some of you are saying "Mike, there are always mistakes!" Well that might be true, but these are mistakes regarding the individual residents or organizations that need correcting.

- 1) I mistakenly stated that the Cheverly Baptist Church was holding its services in Judith P Hover. Actually the Cheverly Baptist Church is holding its services at Gladys Noon Spellman.
- the "Committee to Save our Woods" and I once again misspelled Christal Surowicz' name. Sheila of course was a leading member of the committee and for some reason I have a really hard time spelling Christal.

Kudos to Chief Robshaw and the Cheverly Police Department: It seems like every day we hear a news story about problems in Police Departments around the county. As more attention is given to issues, policing continues to change in America. I am frequently asked what is the Cheverly Police Department doing to respond to these issues and how are we changing to meet these challenges.

I ask everyone to pull May's Newsletter out of the draw or to the go to the Cheverly website and read the "Message from the Chief". Chief Robshaw is in the process of creating a Police Chief's Advisory Board".

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Mayor's FYI Continued...

This is a natural evolution of C-PACT and is a big step toward creating a forum for obtaining and disseminating information in the community. The Advisory Board will be composed of 14 members of our community that reflect our diversity.

Additionally, I'd like to thank the Chief for continuing to communicate to the community the significant amount of training that is on-going inside our Police Department. Many folks have asked me about the types of training and whether we have training on Implicit Bias. Once again read May's Newsletter to see the latest training and while our officers have received Implicit Bias training, the Chief is scheduling a refresher soon.

While our Police Department not perfect and issues do arise, I am very pleased to see that steps are continuing to improve the department and that increasing community engagement is a goal of our department.

What is Happening at Town Park and Town Hall?

Changes continue to happen in Town Park. Approximately five years ago the Town Council and the Green Infrastructure Committee hosted a series of well attended community meetings to modify the Town Park Plan. Some of aspects of the plan have already been implemented: a New Stage, Handicap access to the Pavilion, and with the help of the county storm water management concepts.

However, one of the biggest aspects of the plan was to move the existing basketball courts to the tennis court area. These new courts will be multi-use courts, but the primary purpose will be for basketball. This move also eliminates long standing issues between nearby neighbors and the existing basketball courts.

"What will happen to the area where the basketball courts are now?" This area was planned to be more of a park area where we might eventually place a pavilion. This would be a nice complimentary use to the Community Market which is in line with the Town Park Master Plan.

"Well, what about Town Hall?" As you all know Town Hall has received little investment over the years. Other than a new floor, accessible bathrooms, and a score board for the gym little has been done in the last 15 years. This year the council has allocated money to allow for keyless entry to the facility to improve security and convenience. However to implement this improvement the council needed to allocate addition funds to replace the doors as the old doors did not work with the new security system. Additionally, an automatic handicap door will be installed at the side entrance.

The council also allocated FY18 funds to replace the air conditioning in the main office and FY19 funds to replace the 1972 air conditioning unit that supports the gym. Did he say 1972? Yes, he did! This is a great example of how the town has always attempted to spend money wisely. Our talented staff has kept this system running for over 45 years.

Hey Check Out the Cheverly Ave Bump-Outs: I know, I know, many of you simply don't like the bump-outs and never will. While I was not on council when they were implemented, I am a fan! After being passed on the right by folks travelling 50MPH the bump-outs are a great deterrent.

Unfortunately, I will readily admit they have become an eyesore over time. The plantings have died, been over grown, or simply covered with weeds. Given the tremendous amount of other work done by Public Works, available employee hours prevent them from getting the appropriate attention. Well this spring the Town Council in consultation with the Green Infrastructure Committee approved a plan that will hopefully address these issues. We are attempting to plant low growing, colorful, drought resistant, low maintenance plants in the bump-outs that will improve the look of Cheverly Avenue.

With some luck the project will be completed by the time you read this Newsletter.

Going Down, around Town:

- We continue to work with the owner of the Craftsman property on a Bike Path access between the Pool Area and Kenilworth Avenue.
- We continue to work with SHA on getting the rights to build a Dog Park on the SHA property behind Public Works.
- We are working the County Redevelopment Authority on an RFP for the lot next to the Wyndham Hotel. The RFP closes in early June.

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- The owners of Capital Plaza are considering three buildings between 4K and 11K SF on the south east side boundary of their property in anticipation of bringing new businesses.
- DC Tours has purchased a site in the Cheverly Industrial park for the purpose of continuing their existing business and starting an incubator kitchen.
- The Council approved additional funding to augment a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust to implement storm water management in Boyd Park.
- The town is working with Maryland National Park and Planning to get a \$30,000 grant to get assistance in acquiring National Historic District designation.

What is Happening at the Columbia Park Bridge?: Well in the 8 years I've been Mayor I can never decide whether the Columbia Park Bridge (Metro Bridge) or the Cheverly Booms is my biggest headache. Cars, Trucks and Pedestrians make the Columbia Park Bridges a very dicey intersection and the Town Council continues to receive complaints.

Over the last 10 years, the State Highway Association (SHA) has tinkered with the timing of the lights in attempts to assist pedestrians. However, all of these changes have in some ways increased the congestion on the bridge without significantly improving pedestrian safety. Additionally, as the area south of the bridge continues to develop distribution centers more trucks are utilizing the bridge.

The Town Council has attempted to bring this issue to county and state officials in an attempt to radically reconstruct the bridge, but to no avail. There are so many traffic issues across the state and county that this bridge does not become a priority.

Last year at the Maryland Municipal League Conference in June, we had the opportunity to speak with the Director of SHA and ask for special attention. Since that time, our Police Department, Public Works Director, County Resources and SHA personnel have been working to identify options that would improve the intersection without major reconstruction. The process has been slow and full of interruptions. However, as I write this Newsletter we have received word from SHA that an option has been identified and will be moving to design.

Expect to hear over the next two months what changes can be expected and how they will improve the intersection.

UPDATE: Our Public Works Director is working with SHA to schematically diagram the proposal and at this time we hope to have it presented at the June 14th work session. The primary goal of the initiative is to improve pedestrian safety by reducing the amount of movement by vehicles at the same time that pedestrians are crossing.

So for those curious, please *google* "pedestrian scramble". This is a traffic management technique that has been recently re-introduced and I've seen in action in Washington, DC and California. Basically, all traffic is shut down while pedestrians are allowed to cross in any direction they desire. The good news is that it is extremely safe, potential downside is that there may be a longer waits.

"Cheverly Booms": Mystery Solved but What Now? On April 26th the University of Maryland Geology Department provided a presentation outlining their research findings at Town Hall. Their presentation can be found on the town website under broadcasts.

The UMD folks definitively identified the origination of the "Cheverly Booms" to within 5 meters using sensors placed throughout the western part of Cheverly. It is always important to note that not all "booms" reported in town meet the profile of a "Cheverly Boom". A "Cheverly Boom" is a low frequency sound that is heard almost exclusively to the west of Cheverly Ave.

Please also note that the UMD researchers conclusively proved that these booms are not seismic, they are sonic. So while many of us have noted that we "feel" the booms, this is because the frequency is extremely low and affects us as an extremely large subwoofer would.

The town then met with Paul Smith (owner of Jos Smith and Sons) the property owner and the University of Maryland to discuss the research and explore possible solutions.

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Paul Smith concurred with the research and attributed the root cause of the booms to explosions that occur inside the large conical metal shredder when objects such as airbags or propane tanks are trapped inside.

In an effort to eliminate the booms and reduce their impact to Cheverly, Paul Smith has agreed to the following changes in his business operations: 1) Increase the number of Inspectors, 2) Increase the number of surveillance cameras, and 3) Decrease the hours of operation from 7*24 to Mon – Saturday 7:00AM to 7:00PM.

How will these changes help?

- Increase the number of inspectors: The inspectors review the materials that are placed into the shredding operation. Increasing the number of inspectors lowers the risk of materials that can explode in the shredder from entering the shredder.
- 2) Increase the number of surveillance cameras: Increasing the surveillance cameras at the locations where individuals drop off materials will allow staff to identify people who are dropping off materials that can possible combust.
- 3) Reducing the hours of Operation: In reality this change does not address eliminating "booms", it simply changes how frequently you might hear a boom. The other changes directly impact the elimination of the booms. However, this change has a tremendous side benefit that addresses a serious complaint that residents on the west side of town have. It should eliminate the constant grinding noise that folks hear throughout the evenings, especially during the spring and fall months when windows are open.

Some questions I still hear:

- 1) Does this mean that Cheverly Booms are a thing of the past? I think we will see a dramatic reduction in the number of Cheverly "profiled" Booms. However, given that human error can still occur we might still experience one occasionally. Additionally, there are other "booms" that residents hear that are not attributable to this source.
- 2) How can an exploding propane tank or airbag cause a sound that can be felt so distinctly? Okay, before I answer let me be clear the UMD

- researchers, Paul Smith and I are NOT sound experts so we are simply hazarding a guess. We too find it hard to believe. However, given the conical shape of the shredder it could be that the sound is magnified in some way. However, I am attempting to work with Paul Smith to see if he can hire a sound expert to give us more information
- 3) Was five weeks an appropriate amount of time for the sensors to be in the ground? The UMD researchers are indeed experts in this type of research and feel this was an extremely valid test period. The duration of the test period was bounded by the battery life of the sensors as well the need to deploy the sensors elsewhere.
- 4) Did enough booms occur in this timeframe to draw this conclusion? The UMD researchers used the four most reported booms as their initial research points. Using the time stamps provided by Cheverly residents they were able to identify the sound wave signature of a Cheverly boom. Utilizing that sound signature to search the database, they identified at least four other reported booms as well as many other unreported booms.
- 5) Should I still report a boom via the electronic form if I hear one? YES! While I hope that this is an infrequent event this will allow us to continue to monitor Cheverly profiled Booms as well as other things that go Boom in the night.

RECYCLING TOTALS - April 2018

Curb Recycling - 41.45tons Electronic Recycling - 0 Appliances - 6



TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS

Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted

ACTIONS TAKEN

Town Meeting - May 10, 2018

☐ Motion: Cm MacKenzie Motion to excuse CM Stewart. Seconded CM Riazi. Approved 5-0

Work Session - May 24, 2018

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Town Meeting - June 14, 2018

- Adoption O-3-18 Ethics Ordinance
- Adoption OB-1-18 FY Operation Budget and CIP

Worksession - June 21, 2018*
*Date Changed



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

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DON'T FORGET TO JOIN TEAM CHEVERLY:

Team Cheverly is the Town's new Neighborhood Watch organization and resident crime solving partnership with the Cheverly Police. Please take a moment and send an email saying I want to join Team Cheverly. To do so, if you live in Ward 1, simply use Team1@cheverlypolice.org; Ward 2 residents would use Team2@cheverlypolice.org, and so on. To join, simply send an email with the words "I would like to join" to the Team address and we will add you.

STOP BURGLARS BEFORE THEY ENTER:

Burglary is defined as the breaking and entering of a dwelling with the intent to commit a crime therein, or some variation of this wording. The two words of most importance to deterrence initiatives are "breaking" and "entering." Breaking is nothing more than using force, however slight, i.e., pushing open an unlocked window, and entering is generally thought to occur when a suspect(s) comes into the interior of the dwelling. The most obvious entry routes are doors and windows.

To protect your home and its contents, be LEWD, or Lock Every Window and Door. For doors, utilize a deadbolt locking system and ensure that the door frame plate is enclosed like the picture (left) below. The metal cup is part of the plate and generally has pre-drilled holes inside the cup to allow easy attachment by screws to the 2x4 house framing.





For windows, always utilize the locking mechanism but also employ window sash vent stops whether you vent the window or not. These vent stops are in the frame (vertical) of the window just above window rail (horizontal), and when opened like above (right), al-

low the window to be vented but not completely opened. Leave these vent stops opened all of the time as a secondary measure behind the window lock to prevent unauthorized entry.

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE CHEVERLY PO-LICE DEPARTMENT WILL DISPOSE OF, FREE OF CHARGE, THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. All unwanted firearms, magazines, ammunition, or other weapons. Please call the station first to ensure a police officer is available to receive the unloaded weapon. In cases where a resident is unable or unwilling to unload any firearm, please call the station and an officer will be dispatched to take the weapon. This applies to all handguns, rifles, shotguns, BB or pellet guns, or any other dangerous weapon. It is the policy of the Department that all such weapons will be utilized by the Department or destroyed, and not traded in for discounted law enforcement weapons or purchases.
- 2. All unwanted prescription medicines with the exception of syringes. The station maintains a prescription medicine container in the lobby and residents may utilize this service unattended. Please cross out any names or addresses on the prescription container and ensure all lids are tightly fastened. All such medicines are destroyed.
- 3. All controlled dangerous substances (marijuana, cocaine, etc.). Resident who find such substances are encouraged to call the station first to ensure a police officer is available to receive the substance. In cases where a resident is unable or unwilling to collect the substance, please call the station and an officer will be dispatched to take such substances. Confidentiality will always be employed in these circumstances. Again, all such substances will be destroyed.
- 4. Other found property. The Department makes an attempt to identify the owner of all found or recovered property. All unclaimed property is auctioned or sold, if possible, with the funds used to purchase police equipment.

ALARMS: Many times when our officers are called out for a house alarm, we find that the alarms are not registered.

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Below a synopsis of The Prince George's County Alarm Law, Subtitle 9, Sections 9-130 to 9-141:

- Alarm users are required to register their alarm system with the Prince George's County Police Department, False Alarm Reduction Unit before using their system.
- Alarm companies must not request police response to alarm activation if the alarm system has not been properly registered with the County Police Department, False Alarm Reduction Unit.
- An alarm user permit is NOT transferable to another alarm user or premises.
- An alarm user must not use an audible system which can sound continuously for more than 30 minutes.
- Alarm systems that are not monitored, but may be heard outside of the alarm location, must be registered with the County Police Department, False Alarm Reduction Unit.
- Alarm companies must notify alarm users in writing within seventy-two (72) hours after the alarm business requests response to a signal from the user's alarm system.
- Failure to register an alarm system, pay alarm response fees or meet other requirements detailed in the County Code, will subject the alarm user to additional fines or the revocation of police response to future alarm activations.

The County assesses fines to homeowners for False Alarms:

False Alarm Occur-	False Alarm Re-
rence	sponse Fee
1^{st} , 2^{nd} , or 3^{rd}	No Fee
4 th , 5 th , or 6 th	\$50.00 each
7 th , 8 th , or 9 th	\$100.00 each
10 th , 11 th , or 12 th	\$150.00 each
13 th or greater	\$200.00 each

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
Cheverly Police Facsimile	(301) 341-0176
Cheverly Photo Enforcement	(240) 770-7641
Alley Cat Towing (Towing Vendor)	(301) 864-0323
Cheverly Investigators	(301) 789-7743

Come Join the Team

The Cheverly Police Department is currently seeking to fill two civilian positions.

Police Clerk – Full-time position.

This is a general clerical/typing position, under the supervision of the Chief of Police. The Police Records Clerk performs routine but highly responsible data entry, general records and communications assignments, and assists the Administrative Assistant and other personnel when necessary. Most work is carried out with a minimum of supervision. Performance is ordinarily evaluated annually.

Administrative Assistant - Part-time position. (24 Hours a week)

This is a part-time specialized clerical/typing position, under the supervision of the Chief of Police. The Administrative Assistant performs highly responsible data collection and record keeping, general case management and communications assignments, and assists the Chief of Police with grants and other sensitive administrative assignments. Most work is carried out with a minimum of supervision. Performance is evaluated annually

For more information on the open positions, please visit the town's website:

www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/ CheverlyMD_Employment/index Message from the Chief Continued...

Crime Report for APRIL 2018

*Note that all addresses are in Hundred Blocks

04/03/18	1305 hrs	Theft from Auto	2300 Parkway
04/08/18	1342 hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
04/08/18	1517 hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	6400 Landover Rd
04/09/18	2335 hrs	Assault (2nd Deg)	5800 Landover Rd
04/12/18	1620 hrs	B&E (Residential)	2700 Parkway Pl
04/14/18	1008 hrs	Vandalism	6500 Landover Rd
04/18/18	1959 hrs	Assault (2nd Deg)	2900 Hillside Ave
04/19/18	2121 hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	2600 Landover Rd
04/21/18	0248 hrs	B&E (Residential)	5800 Dewey St
04/21/18	1851 hrs	B&E (Residential)	6000 Hawthorne St
04/22/18	2146 hrs	Assault Domestic	6500 Landover Rd
04/23/18	2258 hrs	Robbery	2300 Cheverly Ave
04/24/18	0135 hrs	Vandalism	1800 62 nd Ave
04/24/18	0509 hrs	Theft from Auto	5800 Carlyle St
04/26/18	2212 hrs	Assault (2nd Deg)	5800 Landover Rd
04/27/18	2237 hrs	B&E (Residential)	6300 Landover Rd

Community Bulletin Board

Cheverly Recreation Council

There is no June meeting, our next meeting will be Tuesday September 25, 2018, at 7PM in the conference room at the Town Building.

Wish everyone a wonderful Summer!

WOMAN'S CLUB

Thank you to everyone who participated in PEACE MONTH. We hope you will choose to continue your efforts for peace throughout the year. Remember, peace begins with each one of us and extends out to the universe like a pebble that skims the water. It's up to me and you...and you...and you.

The next important item on the peace agenda is PEACE CAMP 2018. Camp is from Monday, July 23 - Friday, July 27 at the Cheverly Methodist Church (2801 Cheverly Avenue) from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Campers are 4 - 14 years old. Youngsters 15 and older can be helpers and counselors. You can find more information at www.lffp.org. Scholarship information

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can be found by emailing <u>joycelang@verizon.net</u> or at 301-773-2211.

Our next meeting is on Monday, June 11 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. We need your help to move our work to grow seeds of peace in our town.

PEACE CORNER - "THE PEACE TABLE RAP"

Got a problem? Talk it out. Work together, don't scream and shout.

Problems don't just go away, it all depends on what we do and say.

Tell what happened, say what's true.
Listen to the other point of view.
Be polite, don't name-call or fight.
Getting even just isn't right.
List ideas, things that will work.
Say sorry if needed, or fix what's broke.
Find a solution that we both can do,
Try to find one that fits me and you.

CHEVERLY GARDEN CLUB The weather has been great and even though it is warm, it's better than last year's cold and rain. We cherish seeing all of you at the Garden Club's Plant Sale. We thank those who are non-members and donated plants from their gardens. Our annual Plant Sale is a challenging task and we salute Casey and Dave Kneipp for chairing the event.

Our June meeting will be at Tom Foley's where we will be creating floral arrangements to be delivered to the shut ins and older residents of Cheverly. Please share a name or two if you know someone we can deliver flowers to in town. Call one of our members or notify one of the churches in town with the name and address of a person. There should be someone at home to accept the flowers.

On June 9th we will go to Hillwood Estate, Museum, and Gardens in DC. Admission for the car trip and High Tea at the Café is \$50. If you are interested, please let us know by the 5th of June. Our next meeting will be in September. Ann Gardenhour <u>Acgardenh@aol.com</u>, mark it Garden Club info in the subject line or call at 301-773-1991.

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Support for Tender Topics

It isn't easy to bid final farewells to dear ones or to prepare for our own life transitions. My family recently lost a beloved father and grandfather. We are grieving, remembering joyful times, laughing at old photos, thanking friends for their condolences and muddling through our lives for a while.

In Cheverly Village, we find that this certainty of life—that is, death—is something we can face. While nothing can take away the grief of separation, Chever-

ly Village offers help for preparing for end of life, for coping with a passing when the time comes, and of course for living fully right now.

We are committed to "Aging in Motion" by enabling Cheverly seniors to fully enjoy the best parts of aging, such as retirement or a new career; the chance to deepen relationships with family and friends; and opportunities to learn new skills, see new places, and support favorite causes. We want to help our neighbors overcome the obstacles that life can throw our way—from limited physical mobility and the need for medical appointments to uncertainty about decisions we know we need to make but often postpone.

Perhaps you attended the Village's June 1 presentation on "Lifesizing to Age in Motion" and are inspired to find ways to make more room in your home for what matters in your life. You are also cordially invited to these Cheverly Village events (please RSVP to village@cheverlyvillage.org or 240 770 1033):

- "First Day of Summer" Potluck on June 21—for Village members, volunteers, and other Cheverlians who would like to learn more about the Village while having fun.
- "A Master Aging Plan"—a presentation on July 15 to leave you and your family clear about the plans you should make so that your transitions—whatever they may be—go more smoothly. In the weeks following this presentation, Cheverly Village members who desire help will receive one-on-one coaching in how to prepare specific documents.
- "Hands-Only CPR" training provided on September 29 by Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department. All Cheverly residents are invited to this Cheverly Village volunteer training.

-- Teresa Williams, for Cheverly Village Board of Directors

God's Water Heroes: Splashing Into Living Waters

Mon, Jun 25 (9:00 am) to Fri, Jun 29 (12:30 pm) Fogle Hall—2801 Cheverly Ave, Cheverly, MD 20785-3125

Featuring interactive games, activities, and learning for elementary through middle school students.

Please register each child at suggested donation of \$20. Include name of any guest children that you are registering. You will not be charged more that \$40 for a of more than 2 children. Family Scholarships available.

Evening sessions are being planned. To volunteer please contact Joan Linstrom or the Church Office at 301/773-1314.

PROGRESSIVE CHEVERLY UPCOMING FORUM

Please join us for the final election forum of the spring, featuring candidates for State's attorney (PG County). As with our past candidates forums, Progressive Cheverly members in good standing will be emailed a survey about whether to endorse a particular candidate for this office. Results from previous surveys and endorsements are posted on our website at progressivecheverly.org and at facebook.com/ progressivecheverly.

Thursday, June 7th, 7:00-9:00pm State's attorney (candidates TBD) Hoyer Educational Center (cafeteria) 2300 Belleview Avenue, Cheverly (parking available)

Light refreshments will be served. Signing available. All our welcome

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CHEVERLY COMMUNITY MARKET BEGINS JUNE 2

www.cheverlycommunitymarket.org

Shop local beginning June 2! The Market is every other Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at the Cheverly Community Center.

2018 Market Season:

June 2, June 16, June 30, July 14, July 28, Aug. 11, Aug. 25, Sept. 8, Sept. 22, Oct. 6, Oct. 20

Holiday Markets: Nov. 17 and Dec. 8 Special

Events: Sept. 15: Sip Local Social

Nov. 13: Shop + Dine Out at Franklin's

We Want to Hear from You: Participate in a Market Survey

The Cheverly Community Market Board is striving to ensure Cheverly has a vibrant market that strengthens the community through providing fresh, nutritious food from local sources, and supports unique local businesses and artisans.

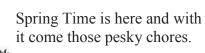
We want the Market to provide an atmosphere that fosters community, inclusivity, and educational activities, while encouraging the local economy. But we can't do it without you! We would like to hear about your experiences, interests, and "wish list" for the Cheverly Community Market so we can make sure the Market is a true representation of all Cheverly has to offer.

If you could help us by following the link below, and giving us 5-10 minutes of your time to answer our survey, it will be much appreciated! We'll let you know what the survey said in the next newsletter and what we'll be doing this season to make it better than ever!

https://goo.gl/forms/WcPpEHAikMjEgWii2 Volunteers Needed

The Market needs volunteers to help set up and break down. On Saturday mornings, that adds up to less than an hour of time. Coffee is on us! After the Market ends, it's also less than an hour of time needed. We will treat you to a cool drink! If you are able to help out, please email cheverlycommunitymarket@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

Reminder



Please remember that while we are excited about getting

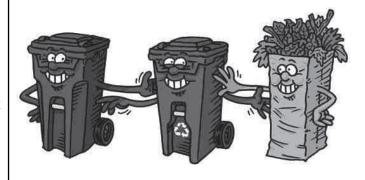
out and enjoying the nice weather, our yards are again going to need attention.

The town code states that the grass/weeds must be kept under 8 inches tall. This includes the area between the Sidewalk and the Street.

Yards that exceed this length are in violation and will receive a Notice of Violation giving the home owner 10 days to address the violation. If not corrected within the 10 days, the lawn will be cut at the owners expense.

Also, while you are planning and completing your landscaping projects and maintenance, please keep in mind the following policies:

- Yard Waste is picked up on Mondays and should be placed out at the curb no earlier than Sunday evening.
- Yard Waste may be placed out in paper bags, in a container or tied in small, manageable bundles.
- Bamboo is not to be placed out with Yard Waste.
 It is a Special Trash Item and should be placed out on your Bulk Pick-up day.
- If you plan to use power tools, you may not start work before 8 AM Mon-Sat and 9AM on Sun.



Cheverly American Legion Post 108

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,

Charitable Giving - The Legion family is excited to have our Boys and Girls State sponsored teenagers participate in their respective programs this month. The Auxiliary thanks everyone for their support during Poppy Month in May. The red poppy is a nationally recognized symbol of sacrifice to honor those who served and died for our country. The poppy funds raised by the Auxiliary at the Muffins and Mimosas table, and at Cheverly Day goes directly to assist disabled and hospitalized veterans in our communities. The Auxiliary is also donating a dollar for every member of the Legion family to the American Children's Welfare Foundation.

Hamilton Raffle Drawing – The Cheverly American Legion is raffling two tickets to see Hamilton at the Kennedy Center on opening weekend. Raffle proceeds will go to helping veteran causes and other American Legion programs. Drawing will be on June 6, 7:30 pm in the Legion Dugout. Watch live on Facebook. The winner will get to pick June 15 (Friday) or June 16 (Saturday) as their opening weekend tickets date.



New Website - We have a new website design! Find out even more about the Cheverly American Legion's history, upcoming events, or several of our charitable drives to help veterans and their families. - CheverlyAmericanLegion.com

Second Friday St. Ambrose Men's Club Game Night – Friday, June 8, 8 pm. Join the Cheverly American Legion and St. Ambrose Men's Club for pool, darts, and cards. This is a great evening to learn a little bit more about both of these great Cheverly groups.

Flag Day / US Army Birthday - Thursday, June 14, 7:30 pm. Beginning at twilight Post 108 will continue it's annual tradition of retiring US flags brought to the post throughout the year. This solemn ceremony is open to all members of the community. We encourage and welcome your participation. It's also the US Army Birthday, so stick around and celebrate with the Legion family.

Cheverly American Legion hosts many events open to the public! It's a great chance to ask about how to join or learn about our

Ladies' Night — Friday, June 15, 7:30 pm. This month's theme is Doo Wop night!

Come dressed in your finest 50s attire - break out the poodle skirts and dancing shoes. This evening is open to gentlemen and ladies. The Auxiliary ladies put on a very entertaining themed night for the Legion and guests.

Commander's Hours – Every Wednesday, 7:30-8:30 pm. Learn more about becoming a Legionnaire, Auxiliary or Sons member. Also find out about our charitable programs and how we can work with other Cheverly non-profits to make this neighborhood even greater.

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 CheverlyAmericanLegion.com or contact Joseph Pruden (301)

Upcoming meetings:

602-2117.

Monday, June 18, 7 pm. – Executive committee Monday, June 18, 8 pm. – General membership

Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary Unit 108

Membership (\$25/year; Jr. \$5/year): The ALA is open to women veterans and women service members, and to many women whose family member is/was a veteran or service member. If you are interested in joining or learning about the American Legion Auxiliary, email us at

cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com.

Upcoming meetings:

Tuesday, June 5, 7 pm – Executive committee

Tuesday, June 5, 7:30 pm - General membership (Elections)

Sons of the American Legion Membership (\$20/year): The SAL is made up of men and boys of all ages whose parents or grand-parents (including adopted and stepsons) 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 cheverlyamericanlegion@gmail.com. Tuesday, June 12, 7:30 pm - SAL meeting (Elections)

WHAY YOU NEED A HOME SECURITY SURVEY:

During a number of recent visits with residents, I took the opportunity to ask them why they had not committed to a survey. I expected the standard response – statistically, there is a greater chance I won't be burglarized then I will – for which I usually counter with the fact that target selection by burglars is usually varied and so unsystematic that no part of the Town is immune from this crime. The other answers were more problematic:

- I won't be burglarized because I really do not having anything worth taking.
- I have a safe for my valuables, no money lying around to speak of, and I have only costume jewelry.
- ◆ I have an alarm.
- ◆ I have a big dog.
- My house is a mess, or I need the Survey done on the weekend, and I probably can't afford to make the improvements anyway.

Now, let me take a minute to debunk these reasons as well so that they should not be impediments to have a free Home Security Survey performed at your residence.

- 1. Very, very few burglars have inside knowledge as to what a particular residence contains prior to deciding to enter said residence. More homes are entered based upon ease of entry and probability of discovery than on what assets could be found inside. In addition, the damage from a forced entry by a burglar is frequently greater than the value of anything removed from within.
- 2. Money is only one of the assets a burglar is looking for and very few burglars take the time to evaluate the authenticity of jewelry or other valuables in the few moments they spend inside a residence. In addition, safes are frequently stolen be-

- cause of the enticement they present rather than the contents they hold.
- 3. Alarms, generally, do not prevent burglaries but report crimes that would otherwise not be discovered until the homeowner gets home. Most burglars are not deterred by alarms but limit the amount of time they spend within a residence to that which they believe (with some justification) is less time than it ultimately takes for the alarm company to notify the police.
- 4. Dogs have not traditionally been a very good deterrent to burglars, principally because, most home pets are not sufficiently aggressive enough to deter a determined burglar.
- 5. We do not care what your house looks like, only your windows, doors, other places of entry, locks, and lighting look like. We also perform Surveys day or night, weekday or weekend.

So, there you go. There are now no excuses for why Home Security Surveys are not a top priority in Cheverly!

Call 301.341.1055 to setup a Home Security Surveys for your home.



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Town Offices: (Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM)

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Maryland Relay

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

WEB SITE: www.cheverly-md.gov

Email "Contact The Town" button at the Website

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Meetings & Events

GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Thurs June 14 8:00pm Town Meeting Thurs June 21* 7:30pm Worksession

*Date Change

July 12 8:00pm Town Meeting Thurs July 26 7:30pm Worksession Thurs

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

- Cheverly Village: Friday, June 1, Create Room for What Matters in Your Life
- Boy Scout Troop 257: Upcoming events
- Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp Reminder!
- 4th Ward Civic Meeting Reminder!
- Cheverly Recreation Council: Next meeting September 25, 2018
- Woman's Club: Monday, June 11 at 7 p.m
- Progressive Cheverly Forum: Thursday, June 7th, 7:00-9:00pm at Hoyer
- Cheverly Community Market: June 2, June 16, June 30,