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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.*

The Town Council Wishes Everybody a Very Happy Fourth of July: Although the fireworks will not be as good as those on Cheverly Day the Council wants to wish everyone a happy and healthy Fourth of July.

The Cheverly Town Council Sets the Budget for FY2019: Last month we discussed that fact that the Town Council lowered the tax rate from .54 to .51. Increasing Tax Assessments, allowed the Town Council to lower the rate.

The council was able to take this action because of the strong financial position we are in, as we currently have an almost 3M dollar fund balance. Additionally, our housing values continue to increase which translates into increased tax assessments. So while the Tax Rate was reduced, the net result was less than a 1% decrease in your overall Cheverly Tax Bill.

As everyone knows Cheverly's homes were re-assessed at the beginning of the year. Due to Cheverly's strong housing market the Town can expect to see a 5 to 6 percent increase in Tax Revenue over the next two years and can expect to see a lower rate of growth in operating expenses. Therefore, the Council decided to draw down on the fund balance this year in an effort to keep taxes flat or just slightly lower.

This coming year the Town Council budgeted for the

following projects; Paving of Lake Avenue, Paving of other trouble areas, a major investment in the rehabbing our sidewalks, Dog Park, three, two Public Works Vehicles, Improvements to Town Hall and our Town Parks, a handicap accessible playground at Woodward Park, minor traffic improvements based on the results of our traffic study, and new technology.

The Police Chief's Advisory Board is formed: Congratulations to Chief Robshaw for working with the Town Council in an effort gain even greater community input into the day to day activities of the Police Department and a very special "Thank You" to those citizens who have agreed to be on the Advisory Board agreeing to work with the Chief to ensure two way communication with between the department and our citizens.

Town Council Passes Police Hiring Incentives: As one of its first actions the actions the Citizen's Advisory Board and Chief Robshaw approved a recommendation to provide incentives to attract new officers to our force. Recently, we have lost a number of officers to other police department in the area, leaving our force 3 officers down. Additionally, we have three in the academy training, so we are currently very low staffed.

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The incentives include: a) priority be given to the town residents or residents of Prince George's County, 2) Increase the area that an officer can bring their vehicle home from 25 to 40 miles, 3) provide a signing bonus of \$5,000 (50% when the officer and certified and 50% six months later), 4) Any lateral transfer be given additional salary steps in recognition of their experience, 5) \$500 be given to any officer or resident who recruits an officer who becomes a certified Cheverly Police Officer.

Look for More County Police Officers in Cheverly: As noted above due to recent turnover, our Police Force is currently 6 officers from full staffing. Historically, we have never quite been at full staffing, but at this time we really are short staffed. The good news is that we have three officers in the academy, and further good news is that one of the trainees is number one in their class.

Due to this short term issue, we will be asking for county police support to help fill some shifts and perform backup. Unfortunately, this might impact response times slightly. So if you see a county officer at your door, please understand that the officer is helping us out.

"Hey, I heard the Council Went to Ocean City, What Gives?": It's true the Town Council headed off to its annual jaunt to Ocean City for the Maryland Municipal League Conference for three days. While it might seem like a junket to some, I guarantee that each Council Member attends learning sessions, visits with other councils, meets with folks providing municipal services and maybe spends an hour on the beach.

This year seemed particularly useful as Town Staff and Council Members initiated a number of projects that we hope will come to fruition over the next year or two. Projects like; beginning the conversion to LED lighting for our Street Lamps, developing a Styrofoam recycling program, developing improvements to our election process, installing electronic charging stations on town property, installing red light cameras at the Columbia Park Bridge and potentially accelerating the transfer of SHA property for the Dog Park.

If we can accomplish half of these projects, you'll have to admit it was well worth the time.

Curbside Composting... Where are we? Over a year ago the Town announced that we would begin a Pilot Program for Curbside Composting when 100 residents signed up to participate. Originally the program would have allowed residents to bring composting material to the curb once a week (Mondays) and town staff would pick it up and bring it to a county facility. Originally, the county program was free which was an incentive as avoiding the standard \$65 per ton tipping fee would have potentially offset the costs of collecting the composting and delivering it to the county facility.

Unfortunately, at this point the county raised the fee for accepting composting to \$45 per ton, dramatically impacting the cost benefit of implementing the program. We have also heard from a neighboring community that the costs of running the street side composting program are high. Therefore, we are not yet at a point where we can implement a street side composting program. Town staff is investigating other alternatives such as a private vendor.

Please remember that Cheverly has a very successful back yard composting program. We have distributed over 600 composters to residents throughout town at a subsidized price of \$20. Residents with composters are able to fruits, vegetables and non-meat items from their garbage stream saving the town thousands of dollars and creating their own fertilizer for gardens. The Town program designed by Doug Alexander has been copied throughout the county, and was mentioned at the MML conference as a best-practice. So if you want to participate call Public Works at (301) 773-2666.

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.

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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 allows for increased area for the courts and two full length courts. 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 and reduce the impervious surfaces at Town Park.

“Well, what about Town Hall?” As you all know Town Hall has received little investment over the years. Other than a new floor 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.

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 pedes-

trian 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.

RECYCLING TOTALS -

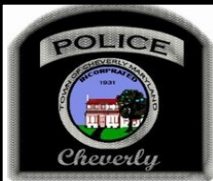
May 2018

Curb Recycling - 52.60 tons

Electronic Recycling - 0

Appliances - 0





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

TEXTING AND CELLULAR TELEPHONE USE IN A MOTOR VEHICLE:

Most residents are aware that texting or using a hand-held cellular device while driving are both primary offenses and punishable by fines. Engaging in either of these activities that results in a traffic accident with serious bodily injury or death also carries drastic consequences, including incarceration and loss of driver's license. In addition, any person under the age of 18 years who is found texting while driving may have their license suspended for 90 days at a time or receive a license restriction that allows driving only to and from school or work.

What some residents have difficulty remembering is that both of these activities are prohibited while a motor vehicle is on the travel portion of the roadway.

This includes when the vehicle is not moving or stopped at a traffic light, stop sign, or railroad signal, or while you are waiting for slow traffic, an accident, or while in line at a toll booth. In addition, school bus drivers and the holder of a learner's instructional permit or a provisional driver's license who is 18 years of age or older are never allowed to text or talk on a cellular while driving.

STAY LEWD: LEWD is an acronym that stands for Lock Every Window and Door. Even though the Department and the community can take great pride in the reduction of burglaries in the Town over the last few years, this type of crime happens in cycles. There are criminal groups out there right now looking to prey on Cheverly. Please continue to follow these five simple steps:

1. Appear to be home. Leaving a radio playing so that someone who approaches your home at the front door can hear it.
2. Employ lighting in your front and back yard. Low cost LED lighting on a photoelectric cell ensures light comes on at dusk and off at dawn.
3. Record the serial numbers of laptops, cameras, and other electronic equipment, and carefully photograph expensive jewelry items. This information is critical in tracking your stolen property.
4. Keep your vehicle panic alarm (on your key

chain) next to your bed at night. If you believe someone may be trying to enter your home, activate the panic alarm and call the police immediately. Dial 9-1-1 if you see a stranger in your and your neighbor's yard, alley, or private property.

RIGHT-OF-WAY ISSUES: One of the most frequent traffic violations that officers see in and around Cheverly concerns the issue of right-of-way. Right-of-way, according to the Annotated Vehicle Law of Maryland, Section 21-101, is the right of one vehicle or pedestrian to proceed in a lawful manner on a highway in preference to another vehicle or pedestrian. The most frequent violation of this preference occurs as vehicles exit ramps from one roadway onto another. The general belief is that, once a vehicle signals a merge from the ramp onto the highway, that vehicle is somehow given preference and other vehicles must slow down or yield to the merging vehicle.

I have witnessed dozens of near crashes as merging vehicle force their way onto a roadway in lieu of slowing down or stopping until such a merge can be made safely. For the record, the preference is not given to the merging vehicle but to the traffic already traveling on the highway a vehicle is attempting to merge onto. Failure to yield the right of way while merging is a traffic offense resulting in a fine of \$90 and 1 point on the violator's driver's license. If the failure to yield results in a traffic accident, the fine is \$130 and 3 points on a driver's license. In addition to being a specific violation, recent studies of road rage incidents has found that failure to yield is a frequent catalyst for such events.

SPECIAL HOME SECURITY SURVEYS – As you may be aware, the Cheverly Police Department regularly conducts free home security surveys for all residents of Cheverly. These surveys generally take about one hour and the cost of suggested security improvements generally ranges below \$200. In addition to regular security checks, we also have surveys tailored toward residents who live alone, who travel frequently, who are elderly, or who have been or are currently in domestic situations where there is a protective order or peace bond. Please call to make an appointment today at 301-341-1055. If you have any questions or need a consultation, please ask for Chief Robshaw.

WE NEED YOUR VEHICLE DONATIONS – Past vehicle donations have really allowed the Department to update technology in our offices and our vehicles and certainly helped us to facilitate a faster response to community problems. We are in an era facing the tough challenges of funding new technology and equipment through limited grant opportunities in these uncertain fiscal times. The biggest advantage to donating your vehicle to the Cheverly Police Department in lieu of a number of other worthy causes is that you can actually see your donation dollars at work in this community.

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.

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

Crime Report for MAY 2018

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

05/02/18	1738	hrs	Fraud (Theft)	6200 Wayne Ct
05/04/18	0841	hrs	Theft from Auto	6200 Lombard St
05/04/18	1933	hrs	Assault (2 nd Deg)	5800 Landover Rd
05/06/18	2259	hrs	Robbery	6000 Arbor St
05/07/18	1656	hrs	B&E (Residential)	2400 Cheverly Ave
05/12/18	1352	hrs	B&E (Residential)	3600 58 th Pl
05/12/18	2323	hrs	Robbery	3200 Hillside Ave
05/14/18	1030	hrs	B&E (Residential)	2900 Tremont Ave
05/14/18	1434	hrs	Vandalism	6000 Inwood St
05/15/18	0552	hrs	Theft from Auto	6000 Hawthorne St
05/15/18	1951	hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	2400 Lake Ave
05/16/18	0902	hrs	Theft (over \$1000)	6000 Arbor St
05/21/18	0606	hrs	Theft from Auto	2600 Parkway
05/21/18	0724	hrs	Theft from Auto	2500 Wayne Pl
05/21/18	0745	hrs	Theft from Auto	6500 Maureen Ct
05/21/18	0858	hrs	Theft from Auto	6500 Maureen Ct
05/22/18	1606	hrs	Theft from Auto	6300 Jason St
05/23/18	0951	hrs	Theft (under \$1000)	3200 Tremont Ave
05/24/18	0906	hrs	Theft from Auto	3100 Laurel
05/24/18	1525	hrs	Vandalism	6300 Jason St
05/27/18	1836	hrs	Vandalism	6400 Landover Rd
05/28/18	1030	hrs	Auto Theft	2800 64 th Ave
05/28/18	2118	hrs	Assault (2 nd Deg)	6100 Landover Rd
05/29/18	0116	hrs	Robbery	5800 Landover Rd
05/30/18	1646	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
05/30/18	1946	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
05/30/18	1948	hrs	Theft (shoplifting)	6500 Landover Rd
05/31/18	1641	hrs	Theft from Auto	6400 Landover Rd
05/31/18	1754	hrs	Robbery	MD 202 @ 63 rd Pl
05/31/18	1800	hrs	Robbery	6400 Columbia Park

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.

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**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

Town Offices will be Closed



No Recycling Pick-up on Wednesday the 4th.



PLEASE USE THE SIDE WALKS, IT IS THE LAW!

As the weather begins to get nicer and more and more residents are walking or jogging in town, we are taking this opportunity to remind you that it is illegal to walk or jog in the street when a sidewalk is available on a road. The State law reads:

21-506 Rules for pedestrians on roadways

(a) Where a sidewalk is provided, a pedestrian may not walk along and on an adjacent roadway.

(b) Where a sidewalk is not provided, a pedestrian who walks along and on a highway may walk only on the left shoulder, if applicable, or on the left side of the roadway, as near as practicable to the edge of the roadway, facing any traffic that might approach from the opposite direction.

The Cheverly Police have been receiving numerous complaints from residents fearing that they are going to hit a pedestrian or jogger as a result of those individuals not walking on the sidewalk.

We want all our pedestrians and motorists to be safe. So, please use the sidewalks. Not adhering to the above noted law will result in a fine being issued.

RESIDENTS PLEASE HELP THE RUNNERS STAY ON THE SIDEWALK BY TRIMMING YOUR BUSHES. Per Town Code:

Sec. 18-5. Nuisances.

It shall be unlawful and is hereby declared to be a public nuisance for any person or entity owning, leasing, occupying or having charge of any residential, commercial or industrial property in the town to maintain or fail to maintain such premises in such a manner that any of the following conditions are found to exist thereon:

(c) Overgrown vegetation on developed property;

TOWN MEETINGS & WORKSESSIONS

Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted

ACTIONS TAKEN

Town Meeting - June 14, 2018

Work Session - June 21, 2018

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Town Meeting - July 12, 2018

Worksession - July 26, 2018

Notice from the Department of Public Works

On June 5th, the town received a notice from the county reminding their customers of the regulations on what items are permitted or prohibited for disposal in the county landfill.

The following list of items are not permitted and can not be picked up by the town:

Construction and Demolition Debris

Stumps and Logs

Skids and Pallets

Drums/ tanks/ kegs/ and barrels unless emptied and flatten or crushed with lids removed prior to arrival.

Drums/ tanks/kegs/barrels that have held hazardous waste shall be emptied properly in accordance with COMAR 26.13.02.07

Hazardous and Biohazardous/Medical Wastes (no Red Bags)

Shingles and Roofing Materials

Yard Waste

Toner/Developer/Ink Cartridges

Ruthen I. Baker, III
County Executive

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT
Department of the Environment
Resource Recovery Division

Adam Ortiz
Director

June 5, 2018

The Prince George's County Department of the Environment, Resource Recovery Division (RRD), would like to thank you for your continued business at the Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill (BSRSL). In an effort to continually provide excellent customer service, the RRD is reminding customers of the following policies:


- The BSRSL is increasing the number of random load inspections to ensure unacceptable material is not being delivered to the landfill. Inspections will focus on mixed loads (yard trim or recyclable mixed in with trash), yard trim, hazardous waste and any other unacceptable waste.
- For safety reasons, personnel entering the BSRSL should not be dropped off and/or picked up at any location on the landfill. This includes the White House Road entrance.

Under no circumstance should haulers mix yard trim or recyclables in with trash for disposal at the landfill. Additionally, under no circumstance should hazardous waste be delivered to the landfill. Delivering and trying to tip unacceptable materials at the landfill violates the landfill permit requirements and County code.

Please speak with your crews and monitor the materials your company is accepting for disposal at the landfill. Violations and penalties will be in accordance to County code, RRD policy, contractual penalties, and may include rejection of future deliveries, fines, and or your responsibility to remove the material from the landfill.

For your convenience, enclosed is a list of some of the more common types of unacceptable items for disposal at the BSRSL. I look forward to a continued partnership and appreciate your immediate attention to this matter. If you should have any questions please contact Charles Schultz at (301) 952-7621.

Sincerely,


Marilyn E. Rybak, C.F.M.
Associate Director

Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill
3500 Brown Station Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20774

Compressed cylinders of any size, shape, type, or condition.

Exception --

household sized barbeque grill style propane tanks. These household size barbecue grill style propane tanks may only be delivered on Thursday, Friday or Saturday during operation of the Household Hazardous Waste Facility Site 2.

Asbestos

Liquids, to include Sewage and Septic Waste

Radioactive Material

Animal Carcasses

Automobiles or Related Parts

Chemical and/or Petroleum Cleanup Waste

Plastic Material

Soil, Rocks, Grubbing Material and Spoil

Ash/Soot

Pulverized Paper

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 after 7:00PM the day before your pickup.

Trash must be placed in cans with tight fitting lids to ward off rodents.

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

ELECTRONICS are picked up on Wednesday with recycling. TV's any size, computers (remove hard drive), monitors, keyboards, etc. Place these items next to your recycle bucket.

APPLIANCES - Washers, dryers, stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators/freezers (remove doors) microwaves (any size), A/C units (any size) - \$20 for removal (\$10 for additional appliance picked up the same day, contact Public Works at 301-773-2666

Community Bulletin Board

The Woman's Club

This summer, because of the growing violence in our world, it's even more important than ever to grow seeds of peace. We need to plant more seeds and work hard to grow the roots stronger and the blossoms more beautiful. Come to the **Cheverly Peace Camp** and work with us.

We will focus on giving young people time, space, and guidance to learn skills of peace and move towards creating a culture of peace for all of us. We will also offer a couple of **peace circles for adults** during that week. They are scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday from 10 - 11:30 a.m. Please come.

Do you want to make positive changes in our society? Learn how to accomplish this and take beginning steps at camp.

Cheverly Peace Camp
Sponsored by the Cheverly Woman's Club
And Little Friends for Peace
Monday, July 23 - Friday, July 27
9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Cheverly United Methodist Church
2801 Cheverly Avenue
Cheverly, MD 20785

Register now at www.lffp.org
Cheverly Peace Camp
Monday, July 23 - Friday, July 27
Scholarships are available - joycelang@verizon.net
or 301.773.2211.

CHEVERLY GARDEN CLUB will be on vacation for the months of July and August and returning in September. We will keep you posted where and when, as we sometimes have our meetings elsewhere when the opportunity appears. Thanks again for helping to make our plant sale a success.

Don't worry if your caladiums are slow to show, the frequent rains and lack of sunshine may have set them back, but they will turn out to be stunning. Hanging baskets will come around, just remember to deadhead the spent blossoms. We have seen expansive weeds and the perennials have exploded. Remember that everything averages out.

We shared another trip to Hillwood for the early summer garden and plan another trip to Hillwood after Thanksgiving for the Holiday decorations. If you have guests over the summer, the US Botanic Gardens and the National Arboretum offer interesting sights to share and enjoy.

Please join **Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek**, your friendly neighborhood environmental group, for our regular (last Saturday of the month) Work Party on Saturday, July 28 between 9 am to noon. Help to maintain the beautiful trail that so many town residents rallied to save from development this past fall.

We will meet at Macgruder Spring and will work on a very fun project: preparing the garden area around the Spring to meet Bay Wise environmental criteria. Tools, gloves, snacks and water will be provided. School community service hours are available, and all ages are welcome. For more information, call Joani Horchler at cell 301-802-7445.

SOLID ANIMAL WASTE ORDINANCE

Sec. 4-10 (a) It shall be unlawful for a person controlling an animal, except a seeing eye dog, to allow or permit solid waste of such animal to remain on the property of any other person without the consent of the owner or occupant thereof; or on such public properties as are prohibited by order of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Cheverly. Prohibited areas are sidewalks, Gast Park, American Legion Park, Boyd Park, & play areas of all other parks.



Community Bulletin Board



Spending Time

How do you like to spend your time? How did you spend it as a child, a teen, or later as a parent or as you age? Chances are that you think of both purely fun times and the neces-

sary parts of daily living that can also be surprisingly enjoyable.

Cheverly Village volunteers continually discover the joys of helping members with their day-to-day "must-dos": getting to a medical appointment, completing a household chore, learning to use their smart phone. We find that spending time with an older person can yield unexpected rewards.

For example, recently a Village volunteer visited a member not in response to a specific request but largely to understand what kinds of social interaction the member might enjoy. The volunteer knew that the member carried the "old country" close to her heart—and the volunteer was about to visit that country. She asked the member a bit about her homeland. Then, as the volunteer and her family traveled, she remembered the member's stories, and they visited the member's home city. Just after her return to Cheverly, the volunteer visited her older friend, this time presenting her with a bottle of vinegar from her old hometown. It was a special treat whose flavor reconnected the member to a region that was now special to them both.

Village members and volunteers enjoy purely fun times together, too. We surprise each other with cross-generational insights in discussions at the Book Group, and we gain new perspectives on our lives by getting to know each other at pot-lucks, outings, game-playing, and a 'for fun' singing group.

In the next few months we will tell more Village Stories that feature wonderful Cheverly Village volunteers as well as the perspectives of members who have received the gifts of volunteer time and talent. Enjoy the stories and let us know if you would like to invest some of your own valuable time in "being the Village"—as a volunteer, as a member, or as both!

On Sunday, July 15, join us all for "A Master Aging Plan" at the Community Center, 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All are welcome. The presentation will leave you, whatever your age, clear about the documents that you and your family should have in place. That way you can relax about the future and (to quote a fellow volunteer) "to get on with living!"

Please RSVP by email or phone to: vil-lage@cheverlyvillage.org or 240-770-1033.

Diane La Voy and Teresa Williams, for Cheverly Village Board of Directors

RESIDENTIAL BUSINESS LICENSES

If you are currently operating a business out of your home, you are required to obtain a **Town Residential Business License**.

Home occupations are under (Chapter 9 of Town Code) and (subtitle 27 of the Prince George's County Code) and do not include any retail business or trade, etc.

Town Residential Business Licenses are issued annually for the Fiscal Year (July 1 to June 30). Please call the Town Clerk at 301-773-8360 or stop by the Town Office to pick up an application form. *The yearly business license fee is \$20.*

CHEVERLY RENTAL LICENSES

All single-family, multi-family, and roomer rental dwellings in Cheverly are required by Chapter 5 of the Town Code to obtain a **Cheverly Rental Housing License**.

Licenses are issued annually for the Fiscal Year (July 1 to June 30). Call the Code Enforcement Office at 301-341-1055 or see the town website for an application.

The yearly rental license fee is \$100.00

NOTE: Failure to comply with Town Code licensing laws can result in a fine.

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2018 Volunteer Award – Save the Woods Team

Progressive Cheverly

Progressive Cheverly completed our series of well-attended candidate forums for the June 26th primary election, covering the races for Maryland General Assembly District 47, County Executive, County Council District 5 and State's Attorney. We had a total of nineteen candidates at the four forums. We hope you had a chance to join us and hear the candidates in person. We've distributed our endorsements door to door. You can also see our recommendations at www.progressivecheverly.org. Our issue forums will resume in the fall. Some of the topics we're considering include the criminalization of poverty and the movement to end mass incarceration, the influence of money in politics, the safety of our drinking water supply, and combating climate change at the local level. Your suggestions welcome. Contact us at chair@progressivecheverly.org with your ideas and questions or to sign up for our announcements listserv.

Saturday, July 21: Community Ice Cream Social
Our Cheverly neighbors are invited to the Annual Community Ice Cream Social, sponsored and hosted by the Tabitha Circle at **Cheverly UMC**. We'll gather at 7:00 PM in Fogle Hall for a time of fun and sharing. Please contact the church office for more information, cheverly@cheverlyumc.org or (301) 773-



IN CONCERT

CHEVERLY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018 AT 10:00AM
FREE CONCERT! A love offering will be taken.

Community Bulletin Board

Boy Scout Troop 0257

Cheverly Troop 0257 this spring participated in an earth day clean up along the Lower Beaver Dam and a Search and Rescue exercise focused on First Aid and first responder skills.

Boys learned about community service and environmental stewardship. The troop is going to camp twice in June, at Patuxent River Park and the north Chesapeake Bay, featuring swimming, boating and leadership skills. This summer the troop will conduct a BATTLE PADDLE, eight miles down Antietam Creek and walk the historic battlefield.

Next year the troop welcomes young women into the BSA family. The troop is for boys (and soon also girls) 11 – 18. Cost is \$100 a year. To join contact Membership Chair Mrs. Caroline cjarboe@theatlantic.com or Scoutmaster Dave, abramdavid@aol.com.

Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee July Monthly Meeting

Date: Monday, July 2, 2018

Time: 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Location:

Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center

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

All are welcome to join us!

Contact sheila.salo@gmail.com for a copy of the meeting agenda.

GREEN @ HOME – How Does Your Garden Grow?

- ◆ Controls stormwater runoff: install rain barrels, rain garden
- ◆ Provides food, water, and shelter for wildlife

- ◆ Reduces or eliminates use of chemical pesticides and fertilizers
- ◆ Composts yard clippings, leaves, and vegetable scraps
 - Uses native plants and trees
 - Converts lawn to a conservation landscape
 - Protects your neighboring stream or seep

Maybe this is your yard already. Maybe you need just a little encouragement.

Using the University of Maryland Extension's Bay-Wise Maryland Yardstick you can get credit for your environmentally-friendly landscape practices, even a cool sign for your yard.

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

Find the Bay-Wise Yardstick on www.greencheverly.org. Click on the LED lightbulbs to find more information and ideas for your yard. You can also pick up yardstick brochures and information at the Maryland Master Gardeners table or the Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek / Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee table at the next Cheverly Community Market, July 14. Put the date on your calendar.

Here's how to certify your yard.

- Download the MD Yardstick along with an application,
- Complete the MD Yardstick,
- Contact the Master Gardener program in your county to sign up for a site visit for certification.

Do not submit your completed Yardstick and application before you contact your local Master Gardener program.

Find even more information and a how-to video, as well as links and reading suggestions at www.greencheverly.org.

Let's make Cheverly a Bay-Wise community. How many of our Cheverly yards can we certify? Already several of our Cheverly neighbors have made appointments for Bay-Wise evaluations. Be wise, be Bay-Wise!

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Meetings & Events

GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Thurs June 14 8:00pm Town Meeting
Thurs June 28 7:30pm Worksession
Wed July 4 — Offices Closed
Thurs July 12 8:00pm Town Meeting
Thurs July 26 7:30pm Worksession

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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COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

- ◆ Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee July 2nd
- ◆ Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek July 28th
- ◆ Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp Reminder!
- ◆ 4th Ward Civic Meeting Reminder!
- ◆ Community Ice Cream Social Cheverly UMC July 21st
- ◆ MW in Concert Cheverly UMC July 29th (10AM)