Bladensburg High School.

6401 Forest Road, Cheverly, MD 20785-3197

Sept. 2015 301-773-8360

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION by Mayor Mike Callahan

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

School's Back in Session, Drive Safely: It's September and our school children are back in the classroom. Please be considerate and drive slowly near bus stops and schools. (Spellman, St Ambrose, Hoyer, and Cheverly United Methodist Church). Be particularly careful for our teens who have to walk along Cheverly Avenue and Route 202 to go to

# **Raised Crosswalks or Speed Humps?**

Approximately two years ago when raised crosswalks were installed on 63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue near Spellman and St. Ambrose as part of the Safe Routes to School Grant, the Town Council agreed that whenever a road was being re-paved that raised crosswalks should be installed, particularly in heavily travelled areas.

The Town Council made this decision because the two most common complaints we hear concern speeding and not stopping at stop signs. It is our hope that raised crosswalks will improve pedestrian safety by addressing these two issues.

The Public Works Department recently installed raised crosswalks on Forest Road at Lake Avenue and the majority of the feedback has been positive.

The Cheverly Sector Plan Begins: Members of the Planning Board and I attended a Bus Tour with Maryland Park and Planning and the consultants that have been hired to create the Cheverly Sector Plan. The tour was extremely informative.



We learned that the main focus of the plan would be the Tuxedo Area, Kenilworth Ave, Route 202 and of course the Prince George's County Hospital grounds.

For those of you unaware, the majority of the hospital complex will be moved (no more helicopters) when the new hospital is built (2018?), leaving a significant amount of land to develop. The focus of this Sector Plan is the development of the Prince George's Hospital grounds and the potential impacts to the surrounding areas.

Every Cheverly resident who participated in the Envision Cheverly planning executed two years ago, has already provided input to this plan and a major component of the Town's input is reflected in this document. However, there will be many Public Input sessions and all residents will be invited to participate.

Sad News: The Pointe@Cheverly: After thirteen years the vision of building a quality condominium building in the empty lot near Howard Johnsons has quietly faded away. This project was created prior to the economic downturn in 2008, and hope remained that when the economy returned so would this project. Unfortunately, the developer who had spent millions on the design of the building was unable to find funding from the financial community and the deadline for beginning construction was rapidly approaching. Given the circumstances the developer chose not to invest any further money in the project.

This clearly puts the Town and the County Redevelopment Authority back at square one on this effort. On the good news side of the ledger the Town has prevented any negative development on the property. The Town Council has long held the view that we will try to prevent any negative development in the area as we await positive development. As the New York Avenue corridor continues to boom, we hope to see that positive development sooner than later.

The other small silver lining is that this issue arises as we begin the Cheverly Sector Plan planning so this area will become a key area of focus in the Cheverly Sector Plan.

**Speaking of Road Safety:** The Council will be considering a project that would slightly narrow Cheverly Avenue between the American Legion and Montrose Road. This is an area where there is much pedestrian crossing because there are Bus Stops on either side of Cheverly Avenue. Additionally traffic flows at a very quick pace as it approaches and leaves Route 202.

The proposal calls for expanding the road to bring the sidewalk from Montrose Rd to the Bus Stop on the east side of Cheverly Avenue. While the sidewalk would end at the Bus Stop the expansion would continue to the American Legion and the resulting area would be used as some form of storm water area.

This concept is in its infancy and will be discussed for the first time in the August work session. Please contact your Councilmember or me if you have any questions.

# **Cheverly Council Considers Liquor Licenses:**

While the Cheverly Town Council has absolutely no authority on issues considering Liquor Licenses, we are asked to comment on permit requests in our area. In the last Maryland State Legislative session, the Legislature changed state law allowing many more

liquor stores to have Sunday Sales. Given this change, many liquor stores in our area (Landover Liquor, Champagne Liquor, Gee's) have asked for a Sunday Sales permit. The Cheverly Town Council will consider whether we will support, oppose or have no comment in our August Work Session.

Another Liquor License issue has recently been considered by the Council. De'Ranch, the restaurant in the strip mall near Aldi's requested a Liquor License. The Cheverly Council has long opposed this application (prior to 2007) for various reasons. However, the owner showed a willingness to annex into Cheverly in exchange for our support.

The Council and I agreed that allowing Cheverly Police to patrol this area (it is currently outside of town) would allow us to ensure there would be no issues. However, the owner's application was withdrawn, because no restaurant or store can have a liquor license within 500 feet of church, and there is a small church across the street.

**Pepco Tree Trimming – Just Say No!** At this time Pepco has yet to present a Tree Trimming plan to the Town Administration, so there is no further news on this topic. However, this is a reminder that Pepco must negotiate individually with residents to remove trees from their private property. Please remember it is your right to say no.

**Speaking of tree trimming**: The Public Works department will be performing its annual tree trimming of street trees. If you have an issue, please contact Public Works at 301-773-2666.

Private Yard Tree Removal Policy? Well before this Council's time (in the early 90's), the Town Council considered and approved a Private Yard Tree Policy that prevented home owners from removing old growth trees from their yards without a permit. This policy was quickly withdrawn when a number of residents complained that the policy infringed on their property rights.

Well twenty-five years have passed and many municipalities in the state have passed tree ordinances that require residents to acquire permits to remove old growth trees. The Town Council will begin considering a tree policy that better protects our old growth trees and our tree canopy.

Our tree canopy is one of our Cheverly's primary assets and contributes greatly to our street appeal and property values. As always, contact your Councilmember or myself if you have any input to this discussion.

# **Speaking of our Tree Canopy: Free Trees:**

Cheverly has an innovative tree planting policy. Our Public Works Department will deliver and plant a young canopy tree of your choice anywhere in your yard for FREE. This is a very important program that the Town Council encourages every Cheverly resident to participate in as the older trees in our community are dying of age and disease.

It is very encouraging to drive around town and see trees planted only four or five years ago to be growing to twenty feet tall.

The Auditors are Coming, The Auditors are Coming: All Maryland municipalities are required to undergo an annual audit. The Audit usually begins in August is completed by early November. When the Audit is complete we close the books on Fiscal FY15, and begin the budget process for FY17.

We are looking forward to the Audit this year as we hope to see a tremendous reduction in the previously stated \$800,000 deficit for FY15. End of year increases in revenues in the categories of Red Light Cameras, Income Taxes, Franchise Fees as well as cost savings should have a positive impact.

**Town Park Stage Almost Ready:** When finalized the stage will be a wonderful addition to Town Park. Already the ramps to the stage as well as the pavilion have been improved to assist with access.

The area surrounding the stage has been landscaped to improve viewing, and drainage improved to assist with run off. The stage also comes with an "event in a box" concept. Users will be able to use a portable sound system.

# What the Heck is Happening with Kilmer

**Park?** Special thanks to the Planning Board, especially Margaret McDonnell, for delivering a draft presentation regarding Kilmer Park to the Town Council on August 13<sup>th</sup>. The presentation provided an excellent overview on the project status, of community input, inventory of town parks and facilities, items that need to be considered as options are reviewed. This DRAFT presentation should be posted on-line prior to the publishing of the newsletter. So check out <a href="https://www.cheverly-md.gov">www.cheverly-md.gov</a>.

Meeting Agendas are updated on website: www.cheverly-md.gov.

Town Meeting broadcast available via your computer on the website; go the the homepage under Meetings www.chevelry-md.gov.

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted

### **ACTIONS TAKEN**

Worksession—July 23, 2015

- ☐ Motion CM Riazi to grant \$600 to the Cheverly Parent Resource Center to support the Gladys Noon Spellman School Supply Drive. Seconded CM Rodgers. Approved. 6-0
- ☐ Motion CM Eldridge to authorize the Mayor to negotiate with Mr. Agabuzo, owner of D'Ranch restaurant to sign a Consent Agreement for Annexation contingent upon support for their liquor license subject to an expiration date. Seconded CM Riazi. Approved. 6-0.
- ☐ Motion CM Riazi to amend the Public Information Request Policy based on changes made by the Maryland General Assembly. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved 6-0.
- ☐ Motion CM Riazi that the Town purchase a pallet of compost bins up to \$2,000 and re-sell them for \$25 each. Seconded CM Coolen. Approved. 6-0
- ☐ Motion CM Eldridge to close the meeting for a personnel matter to discuss Department Head evaluations. Seconded CM Rodgers. Approved 5-0. CM Stewart absent.
- ☐ Motion CM Rodgers to open the meeting. Seconded CM Eldridge. Approved 5-0. CM Stewart absent.

**Town Meeting - August 13, 2015** No actions taken.

Worksession - August 27, 2015 Not available at time of printing

# TENTATIVE AGENDA

**Town Meeting - September 10, 2015** 

Worksession - September 24, 2015



# **FALL FLEA MARKET**

The Fall Flea Market, sponsored by the Recreation Council, will be held on Saturday, October 3rd

from 8:30 am to 2pm at the Community Center. Tables \$15 and reservations start Tuesday, Sept. 1st. Call Barbara 301-773-5883. The money from the tables go to the Recreation Council Scholarship fund for High School Seniors going to College.

The Fall Market is very popular and tables go fast, so make reservations early! There will be plenty of bargains, good food and fresh baked goods for sale. See you **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3rd** rain or shine— Event is indoors.

# 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.

# PRIVATE PROPERTY PLANTING PROGRAM

The Town is once again sponsoring their "Private Property Planting Program". We will provide and plant a Tree in your yard at no cost to you. Go on line at www.cheverly-md.gov and find the Public Works site, print out the Tree Agreement and drop this form off at Pubic Works. We will call you when trees come in and will drop a yellow flag for you to designate where in your yard you want your new tree. Trees available this fall will include the following:

American Holly
Black Tupelo
Red Maple
Hackberry
Northern Red Oak
Swamp White Oak
Tulip Poplar
Pin Oak
Redbud
Redbud
Redbud
River Birch
Serviceberry
Serviceberry
Sycamore
Willow Oak

Sweetbay Magnolia Eastern Red Cypress

# **CHEVERLY RECREATION COUNCIL**

The first meeting for the year will be held on Tue. Sept 22, 2015 at 7PM in the Conference Room at the Community Center. It's an open meeting, we like to see new faces and new ideas. Topics of discussion will be the Fall Flea Market on Sat. Oct. 3, 2015.

**Need help with YARD WORK?** To assist our elderly, and other residents who need help with yard work, Cheverly maintains this list of teenagers who are interested in being hired for mowing lawns, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc. Cheverly teenagers can call the town office 301-773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list

 Malik & Tyreq McAdoo
 301-832-1576

 Andrew Priest
 301-772-6028

 Delonta Beard
 240-601-4271

 Anthony Lea
 202-674-0240





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

8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PUBLIC SAFETY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 17, 2015: The Cheverly Police Department is proudly holding its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Public Safety Day on Thursday, September 17, 2015, at the Town Park located at 6401

Forest Road, Cheverly, MD. The festivities will start at 5:30 PM, and feature free food prepared and served by the Cheverly American Legion Post #108. This year's displays will include a police helicopter, motorcycles, Extreme Teens sponsored by Maryland Park, police K-9 dogs, and fun and games for the kids. DJ music will also be provided. Cheverly residents are urged to bring a baked good, the sales from which will be donated to Concerns Of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.). Please see the flyer in the Newsletter for further information.

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

IN MARYLAND: October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Maryland, as celebrated in 30 U.S. states and Canada. As part of this awareness, the Cheverly Police Department is requesting that residents display a purple light (symbolic of domestic violence awareness) on their porch or that may be seen through a front window. Purple bulbs should be lit every night for the entire month and may be purchased from Home Depot, Target, or Walmart. As residents of Cheverly, let us show others that domestic violence has no place in our Town.

# ASK THE CHIEF: DOES A BICYCLE HAVE TO OBEY THE SAME RULES AS A MOTOR VEHICLE WHEN DRIVEN ON A PUBLIC STREET?

According to the Maryland Transportation Article, Section 12-1202, every person operating a bicycle on a public roadway has all the rights granted to and is subject to all of the duties required of the driver of a motor vehicle, including those rules about yielding to or warning a pedestrian in a crosswalk. That means that bicyclists must obey speed limits, traffic control devices (stop signs, yield signs, Do Not Enter signs, etc.), lane markings, right-of-ways, and indicating the intention to turn when making a turn.

This law also means that bicycles must be equipped with the appropriate lighting and reflectors for night-time driving, a bell or other device capable of giving an audible signal for a distance of at least 100 feet, and must be capable of stopping from a speed of 10 miles per hour within 15 feet on dry pavement. Most importantly, this and related laws means that any person <u>under the age of 16 years</u> operating a bicycle in a public area used by pedestrian or vehicular traffic

must wear a helmet. This helmet restriction also applies to passengers under the age of 16 years, either riding on a required seat, in a restraining seat attached to the bicycle, or in a trailer towed by the bicycle. More information on bicycle laws will appear in next month's Newsletter.

C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH RESIDENT RADIO PROGRAM MEETING – The next joint meeting of C-PACT (Cheverly – Police And Citizens Together), Cheverly's Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program is scheduled for Wed., September 9, 2015, at 7:00 PM, in the Conference Room at the police station. The meeting will center on the 2015 Public Safety Day.

### **TELEPHONE NUMBERS –**

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Police Emergency	9-1-1
<b>Nonemergency Calls for Dispatch</b>	(301) 352-1200
Nighttime Non-Emergency	(301) 789-5090
Cheverly Police	(301) 341-1055
Cheverly Police (Night Only)	(301) 789-5090
Cheverly Police Facsimile	(301) 341-0176
<b>Cheverly Photo Enforcement</b>	(240) 770-7641
P. G. Towing (Towing Vendor)	(301) 220-1170
<b>Cheverly Investigators</b>	(301) 789-8551
•	(301) 852-0537

# Crime Report for June 2015 (All addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)

07-01-15 1620 Hrs 2800 Laurel Ave. Theft	
07-03-15 0816 Hrs 6400 Oakton Way Theft	
07-03-15 0738 Hrs 6200 Chev Pk Dr Theft	
07-03-15 1035 Hrs 6000 Euclid St Theft	
07-03-15 1328 Hrs 3200 Crest Ave Theft	
07-07-15 1810 Hrs 5800 Landover Rd Assault	
07-09-15 0908 Hrs 6000 Arbor St Theft	
07-09-15 1508 Hrs 5600 Greenleaf Rd Theft	
07-09-15 1834 Hrs 6500 Landover Rd Theft	
07-11-15 1305 Hrs 6500 Landover Rd Theft	
07-13-15 1040 Hrs 6001 Arbor St Theft	
07-14-15 1413 Hrs 6400 Landover Rd Robbery	
07-18-15 1133 Hrs 6300 Landover Rd Theft	
07-20-15 1156 Hrs 2800 Woodwy Pl Theft	
07-23-15 1426 Hrs 2400 Schuster Dr Vandalism	
07-23-15 2255 Hrs 2400 Lake Ave B&E	
07-24-15 0915 Hrs Cheverly Circle Vandalism	
07-24-15 1812 Hrs 2300 Parkway B&E	
07-26-15 0816 Hrs 6500 Landover Rd Vandalism	
07-27-15 1350 Hrs 6400 Landover Rd Stolen/Rec A	uto
07-29-15 2223 Hrs 3600 58 <sup>th</sup> Place Assault	
07-30-15 1000 Hrs 3200 Hillside Dr Stolen Auto	
07-30-15 1909 Hrs 2900 Chev.Oaks Ct Assault	
07-31-15 1229 Hrs 6300 Landover Rd B&E	
07-31-15 1610 Hrs 6400 Landover Rd Theft	

# THE CHEVERLY POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND ITS LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS, PRESENT.....

# THE 8th ANNUAL CHEVERLY PUBLIC SAFETY DAY

When: Thursday, September	17, 2015, from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM
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Where: Town Park, 6401 Forest Road, Cheverly, MD 20785

Purpose: To celebrate the critical partnership that the public safety community

has with Cheverly and its residents.

Primary Partner: Cheverly American Legion Post #108 and Pepsi.

Everyone is invited to a wonderful evening of free food, music, police and fire department demonstrations, including a police helicopter, motorcycles, and horses, and for the kids, face painting, music, a moon bounce, and a variety of games. There will also be firearm displays and the opportunity to fire the CPD's FN 303 semi-automatic less-lethal launcher. Please post this flyer in a conspicuous place so you remember to attend.

Anyone who wishes to donate a baked good should contact Chief Buddy Robshaw at (301) 341-1055 or fill out the information below. All donations go to C.O.P.S. All C-PACT members are encouraged to attend the next C-PACT Meeting, scheduled for September 9, 2015, at 7:00 PM, at the police station. Planning for the Public Safety Day will take place at this meeting.

(Circle) Baked Goods	Volunteer	Other Vendor	Donation
Name		Telephone	
Address			

# - BUILDING USAGE -

The building usage meeting will be held Thursday. September 10, 2015 at 7 PM in the conference room. Have a list of dates and times that your group might like to use the gym. This will help to make the meeting move faster with this information on hand.

# **RECYCLING TOTALS July 2015**

Curb Recycling - 49.27 Electronic Recycling - 0 pallets Appliances - 19



# 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, Town Park & play areas of all other parks.





### STAY IN TOUCH! #KEEPITLOCAL

Stay in touch & tell us what you think!



### **VOLUNTEERS**

We need you! There are many ways you can support the Market. From reading children's stories or set up/break down to communications and fundraising, we have a variety of volunteer opportunities. To learn more, please email cheverlycommunitymarket@gmail.com.

MARYLAND MARKET MONEY The Cheverly Community Market continues its participation in the Maryland Farmers Market Association's "Maryland Market Money" incentive program—providing up to \$10 in Maryland Market Money per customer, per market to individuals who spend their SNAP, WIC-FVC, or FMNP (WIC/Senior) to purchase fresh, healthy, locally grown foods. These dollar-value vouchers will be distributed each week at the Market at the Board Table to eligible households that participate.

Sep. 5 • Sep. 19 • Oct. 10 • Oct. 24 Nov. 21 • Dec. 12

# SHOP IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Breads • Pastry • Sausage • Wine • Cakes Meats • Fish • Fruits • Vegetables Pottery • Cakes • Pies • Coffee • Flowers Jams • Jewelry • Tea • Plants • Spices

# **Community Bulletin Board**

**GARDEN CLUB** - We have NO IDEA what the weather will be on Monday Sept. 21, 7:00 P.M. but we know where we will be. Anyone reading this is invited to the Cheverly Garden Club meeting held at the Cheverly United Methodist Church on the 4th floor. Our speaker will be Barry Sperling of the Northern Virginia Chapter of the Azalea Society of America. He will speak about garden photography and will share pictures of azaleas and the National Arboretum. We live so very close to the Arboretum which is not only a great place for garden viewing, but lots of people safely walk, run and bike there. Treat yourself to a FREE Treat; it is right off New York Avenue as you cross into the District. Since you have been so generous buying plants in May we return some of the money to Cheverly Residents. The Cheverly Garden Club is offering a Lifelong Learning Grant. Applications for 2016 are due by December 15, 2015. The maximum award is \$500. The goal of the grant is to select and fund lifelong learners interested in attending a credit or non-credit course related to gardening, landscape design, environmental issues, floral design or horticulture. Applicants must be 18 years old or older and reside in Cheverly, Maryland.

For more information or to send an application email <a href="mailto:kay\_holloway@hotmail.com">kay\_holloway@hotmail.com</a> or mail Margaret Thrasher, 2406 59th Place, Cheverly, MD 20785. Still interested in scholarship information? And Gardening classes and courses? GO TO NCAGC, CLICK HOME AND CLICK SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION. This gets you into the State information and the scholarship is for the same interest as above and more and goes to college under and graduate programs. It can be VERY GENEROUS.

Remember, we are a "dirt under the nails club". Refreshments are served and the business meeting is held after the speaker or presentation. \$15 to join. October will be a class in Pumpkin/Fall arrangements. November will be Evergreen/Boxwood arrangements with a speaker who represents a documentary on her family WWII, remembering Veterans Day. More details in the next months.

**Progressive Cheverly -** monthly forums will resume in September. We will host Prince George's County State's Attorney Angela Alsobrooks, who will talk about issues of interest to the county and to the town of Cheverly. Discussion and light refreshments will follow. For more information call Margie Burns 301-386-5615 Thursday, September 3, 7:00 pm - Judith P. Hoyer Early Childhood Center Cafeteria - 2300 Belleview Ave. All are welcome! Bring a friend or neighbor. Parking available.

**St. Ambrose Men's Club** - September Features Men's Club Oktoberfest & Golf Tournament

The Saint Ambrose Men's Club provides an opportunity to men from Cheverly to come together for a brief business meeting followed by fellowship and socializing (friendly card game) every second Monday starting at 7:30pm at Fannon Hall at St. Ambrose Parish. Food and beverages provided free of charge.

All men are welcome.

SAMC supports activities in Cheverly and at the Parish which benefit the community as a whole. Please join us for the following events in September:

Saturday, September 12, 12-6pm: Oktoberfest will be in the parking lot of St Ambrose. Enjoy delicious food and tasty beverages, a strolling accordion player, and a puppet show. Fun for the whole family

Friday, September 25, a full day of Golf, Food & Fun, with the Saint Ambrose Men's Club Annual Golf Scramble! Registration starts at 8:30am with a 9:30am Shotgun Start at Bowie Golf & Country Club. Then, return to Fannon Hall in Cheverly for food, drinks and lots more fun. \$100/person, or for just the food and fun at Fannon Hall, \$25. Sponsor a hole for \$125. For details & registration, visit our Facebook page or contact Steve Paul at 301-883-7401 or sipaul@co.pg.md.us.

# September starts a new year at CPRC!

Come visit us at the Market on Sat., 8/22 or visit cheverlyparent.org to renew your membership! We will also be holding a potluck on Friday, September 18th to welcome new members, introduce the new board, and take membership renewals. Please watch the listserve for more details and signups!

A BIG THANK YOU to all who contributed to the Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary school supply drive. Together we were able to supply at least 78 children with back to school supplies, including new backpacks! We were also able to supply the school with spare essential items, such as composition notebooks, pencils and crayons. Thank You Cheverly for working together and making this possible!

# **Community Bulletin Board**

# COMPOSTING CAN SAVE YOU UP TO \$2,275 A YEAR FOR ONLY A \$20 INVESTMENT! PURCHASE & PICK UP A BIN FROM THE TOWN TODAY!

For residents, the biggest benefit to backyard composting is it will help you monitor and then reduce your **food** waste losses estimated at between \$1,350 & \$2,275 per household each year.\* You'll also help the Town save money.

EnviroWorld compost bins are available to Cheverly residents for only \$20. The low cost is made possible by the Town of Cheverly and BackyardComposting.org, which cover the rest of the bin cost and shipping.

You can purchase a bin by going to the Community Center to pay and then pick up your bin at the Public Works Department (9am to 4pm weekdays). Bins may also be sold at some Community Markets.

# Learn more and download the 3-page Composting Guide at: www.backyardcomposting.org

This is a comprehensive plan to encourage all residents to compost. We achieved our initial goal of 25%, 400 households out of 1,600, composting their food scraps and soiled paper waste at home. Please participate and help us increase that number.

The Composting Program is reducing Town tipping fees by about \$5,900 each year. Around 100 tons (200,000 lbs.) of food scrap and soiled paper waste (paper towels, napkins, tissues, pizza boxes, etc.) are being composted by residents each year. Of course, you'll also produce up to \$50 of great compost each year to amend your garden or mulch around bushes. (\*Source: Bloom, American Wasteland, page 187, family of 4)

# Cheverly United Methodist Church Annual Fundraiser Dinner & Silent Auction

Saturday, November 21, 2015 Time: 6:00 – 9:00pm Cheverly American Legion Tickets \$40.00 per person Auction & Appetizers begin at 6:00pm Dinner begins at 7:00pm

For information on tickets or to donate items or services for the auction, please notify Denise Carrigan at <a href="mailto:denisecarrigan@Hotmail.com">denisecarrigan@Hotmail.com</a> or 301 386 7678 or Candy Watkins at 240 604 6426 or <a href="mailto:clw747@Comcast.net">clw747@Comcast.net</a>

**Woman's Club** - Now that summer is almost passed, plans for the 2015-2016 club year are upon us. We continue to grow and invite you to join us in doing the important work for peace.

Once again, we plan to raise funds for Little Friends for Peace and the Cheverly Peace Camp 2016. We will operate the kitchen (including our renowned chicken salad sandwiches) at the October and April Flea Markets. We will also operate the Holiday Secret Shop and Kitchen in December.

Interest in our book and discussion group on racism is also growing and we invite you to join us and participate.

- 1) Wednesday, September 2 at 7 p.m. at the home of Pat Wickersty, 6103 Kilmer St. We'll be concluding discussion of "Sundown Towns" and deciding on next step(s).
- 2) Monday, September 14 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Join us for our regular meeting to begin plans for events for the year and to grow in friendship, love and peace.

Contacts: Joyce Lang, 773-2211 or Robin McClain, 773-1369

Cheverly Pack 257 came roaring back from summer with its annual "Aqua-Naught" pool event in August. Our Boy Scout Troop conducted Kayak rescues on the Potomac and dug up shark tooth fossils. This year our pack will execute a revised program with increased emphasis on fun and being outdoors. Come to our "Back to Scouting" night at the Cheverly American Legion, Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for Ice Cream, fun and to learn all about the power-packed programs we have. Scout Master Mike and Cub Master Dave will be on hand to explain both the younger and the older boys programs. For more information about the troop or the pack write to camslamom@me.com, check us out on facebook (Cheverly-Cub-Scout-Pack-257) and come to our Ice Cream Social.

Do you live in Ward 1 or Ward 3? If the answer is yes, chances are good that you live in the Quincy Run Watershed. Are you are concerned when rain water rushes down our streets, when Landover Road floods, that our beautiful Anacostia River is polluted? Don't know what to do about it? Join Friends of Quincy Run for Clean-Up, Green-Up to be held October 17th, and take a step toward a pollution -free Cheverly. Go to our website for more information and to volunteer. Whether it's planning or planting, we have a job for you. www.friendsofquincyrun.org.

# **Cheverly American Legion Family Post 108**

The Cheverly American Legion Family is a vibrant and growing group of local men and women who share an interest in supporting our veterans, military service members and their families, youth, & our community

# A Change in Command of our Sons of the American Legion

On August 12, Steven Brennan, Commander of the Cheverly American Legion, appointed Dave Kneipp as the Squadron Commander of our Post's Sons of the American Legion. Congratulations Dave!

A big thank you to Seth Zirkle who has served as the Squadron Commander for the past two years. Thank you for your dedication to the American Legion and to the Cheverly Community.

# **Legion Family Events**

# Third Friday Ladies' Night

Friday, September 18, 7:30 PM, Cheverly American Legion Dugout All are welcome!

# Cheverly American Legion Family at the Community Market

Saturday, September 19, 8:00 AM – Noon, Cheverly Town Park

The American Legion, Sons of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary will be at the Community Market to talk about membership opportunities and how each organization supports Veterans.



# **Charity Bash**

Saturday, September 19, 7:30 PM, Cheverly American Legion Hall

Celebrate Gary Frank's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday and enjoy the music of The Tom Principato Band and Black Marsala.

# Donations accepted and appreciated

All proceeds will benefit the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, which has awarded over \$11 million to organizations to assist children of the United States.

# Friday Night Queen of Hearts Game

Fridays, 7:30 PM, Cheverly American Legion Dugout

One of the fun benefits of being a member of our American Legion Family is playing our Queen of Hearts Game. Join our Family and try your luck at finding the Queen of Hearts on the board of 54 cards. One drawing each week until the Queen of Hearts is found. Raffle tickets for sale in the Dugout daily, 4:00 PM – 10:00PM, up to the drawing.

## Cheverly American Legion Post 108 Membership (\$25/

**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 on the Cheverly American Legion website: <a href="http://">http://</a>

<u>CheverlyAmericanLegion.org</u> or contact our First Vice Commander Joseph Pruden (301) 602-2117.

**NOTE**: Renew or Join soon. After 1 January 2016 our dues will increase to \$35 a year as a result of the increase to National dues

Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary Membership (\$20/year): The ALA is open to women veterans and women service members, and to many woman whose family member is/was a veteran or service member. If you are interested in joining us or learning about the American Legion Auxiliary, email us at cheverlyauxiliary@gmail.com.

**Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Membership (\$20/year)**: The SAL is made up of men and boys of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and 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 CheverlySAL@gmail.com.

# **Community Bulletin Board**



# VILLAGE VOICES

Cheverlians look toward a Cheverly Village

The advent of the Cheverly Village makes me more certain than ever of my decision to settle in

Cheverly. I had lived in Bladensburg in the 1970s, Cheverly in the late 80s and 90s, Landover for a year and District Heights for seven years. When I looked for a place to call home in 2008, I chose this little town of some 1600 households, with its friendly atmosphere and new, innovative ideas.

What I didn't see then, but can now see, is that Cheverly Village will provide me with the services that I need to wear my many hats: new senior citizen, new retiree, newly disabled and new student. I may need a ride to school, or to the library when my computer is slow and unresponsive. I always need a way to get to the doctor. I also look forward to experiencing new opportunities to serve others. Networking is also something I could benefit from. The village is coming to fruition at the right time for me!

Cheverly Village will benefit the whole community. Already it has sponsored a presentation on "Scams, Fraud and Trickery," which was highly informative and interesting. More presentations are in the planning—and the Village hasn't even launched yet.

Sometimes I feel like Dorothy, who clicked her heels twice and turned around three times. She was already home. Just didn't know it. – Lucille Gaither

"Village Voices" is brought to you by the Cheverly Village Planning Committee. For more information, contact us at ChevVillage@gmail.com or call Diane La Voy (240 599 6346) or Laila Riazi (202 258 6167). LIKE OUR NEW LOGO? Cheverly Village thanks its creator, our Cheverly neighbor Jessica Albert!

# CHEVERLY SPANISH CLUB

Hablas Espanol? Join the new Cheverly Spanish Club to practice your conversation skills with your neighbors. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 8pm at different homes. To join the email list, please contact Jennifer Daniels at <a href="mailto:jenniferhdaniels@gmail.com">jenniferhdaniels@gmail.com</a> or 202-243-9081All levels are welcome!

# **Green Infrastructure Committee—**

September Monthly Meeting, Mon., September 14, 2015 7:30-9:00 p.m., Small Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center

Note: Because of Labor Day, the meeting will not be on its usual First Monday schedule.

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.

GREEN @ HOME -- Gardening for Wildlife - It's a great time to take stock of your yard and plan for the future. Where are you finding birds? Do you have a planting that just isn't right? A newly cleared corner of your property you are dreaming about planting for wildlife next year? The Cornell Lab of Ornithology and YardMap invite you to send in photos of the areas of your yard you'd like to improve. If your photo is selected, landscaping experts and the online community will offer advice. Find out more at <a href="http://content.yardmap.org/learn/design-advice-submission">http://content.yardmap.org/learn/design-advice-submission</a>

More on the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan web site, www.greencheverly.org.

**Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp** - Kick off the school year with a new exercise routine! Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp has moved to the town gym, where we will hold our workouts throughout the year, rain or shine!

Town residents of *all* fitness levels are invited to join Cheverly Fitness Bootcamp, an organization that supports fitness and wellness all the while giving us a fun opportunity to get to know our neighbors. We meet in the town gym at 6 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and at 7 or 8 a.m. on Saturdays (we meet earlier on Cheverly Community Market days). There is no cost to join. Workouts are volunteer-led and combine strength and cardio movements for a great total body routine.

Stay up-to-date on 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.

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WEB SITE: www.cheverly-md.gov

Email "Contact The Town" button at the Website

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# Meetings & Events

# GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE

Mon	Sept 7	LABOR 1	DAY - Offices Close
Wed	Sept 9	7:00 pm	C-PACT Meeting
Thur	Sept 10	7:00 pm	Building Usage Meeting
Thur	Sept 10	8:00 pm	TOWN MEETING
Thur	Sept 17	5:30pm-8	NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
Tues	Sept 22	7:00 pm	REC council meeting
Thur	Sept 24	7:30 PM	WORKSESSION
Sat	Oct 3	8:30 am	Flea Market

# CHEVERLY WEBSITE cheverly-md.gov

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

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## **COMMUNITY EVENTS SCHEDULE**

- Compost bins available at Farmers Market & PWorks
- ◆ Spanish Club Tuesday Evenings 8 PM
- Village voices Lucille Gaither's take on Cheverly
- Green Infrastructure meeting -Sept. 14, 7-9 pm
- Garden Club Meeting Sept. 21, 7PM CUMC 4th Flr
- ◆ CUMC Fundraiser Dinner Silent Auction—Nov. 17
- Progressive Cheverly—Forum Sept. 3, 7Pm—Hoyer
- Woman's club Sept. 2, & 14, 7PM Discussion
- ◆ CPRC Sept. 18 Potluck
- Cheverly community Market Dates
- Pack 257 Back to Scouting Night Sept. 9 7PM
- ♦ American Legion Post 108 Events
- Fitness Bootcamp Tue & Thurs 6am, Sat. 7or 8 am
- Friends of Quincy Run Wateshed Oct. 17 cleanup