

NEWSLETTER

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BOARD OF ELECTIONS CHEVERLY MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Monday, May 2, 2022 7am-8pm

> Town Hall 6401 Forest Road



MAYOR'S CORNER

MAYOR KAYCE MUNYENEH



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

By Mayor Kayce Munyeneh

Call 301-773-8360 to contact the Mayor

Message from the Mayor

VOTE!

I am super proud of town staff for a number of reasons. One reason in particular is that they have been able to get the newsletter in your hands on time and sometimes before the new month starts! That is why I hope you get this in time for the May 2022 election, but if not, please consider it for the next town election.

For many people, voting is a civic duty. Many people show up to polls knowing exactly who they want to vote for and leave with a sense of pride. Many others view voting as a burden, a hassle, or even useless. There are a lot of reasons why people do not vote, but it is so important to ensure everyone's voices are heard on election day.

There are a few things to consider when voting:

- 1. Never assume that your candidate will be elected if they are unopposed. Anything can happen! The only way you can make sure your intentions are clearly stated is to make sure you vote.
- 2. It has never been easier to register to vote! Our Board of Elections has done a phenomenal job at getting rid of red tape. You can register to vote on election day as long as you bring proof of residency (bill, lease, or some other government document that shows you live in town) and identification.

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Visita la página web de la Ciudad de Cheverly en www.cheverly-md .gov o escanea el código QR debajo para la traducción al español del Boletín.



- 3. Voting for a candidate is not an endorsement, it is a preference. You are never going to agree with any candidate on every issue, but you want to pick the candidate that is aware of issues and cares about the things that concern you. When you choose not to vote, you are letting others decide who makes the decisions around you.
- 4. The most important reason to vote for me is knowing that so many people fought for the right for me to cast my vote. Whether evidenced by the Women's Suffrage Movement, the 24th Amendment, or the many changes we are seeing to voting laws around the country, other people have bled and died for my right to vote. I have to take that right seriously.

So, I know-life is complicated and going to vote is just one extra thing to add to your plate. Just remember, voting is one of the few chances you have to directly impact your community.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH!

May is a time to raise awareness of those living with mental or behavioral health issues and to help reduce the stigma of mental illness. So many people suffer in silence with illnesses the naked eye cannot see. Our community has not been immune to being rocked by suicide and other negative experiences that can occur because of inadequate mental health care.

Most people who are undiagnosed may be afraid to say anything or seek the necessary help that is available. Many of you may recall that I had a speaker series about mental illness last year. I invited local service providers and clergy to talk to the community about resources and ways to cope. I will be doing the same again this year. Why? One of the most essential things we can do to reduce the stigma around mental health is to talk about it. Some of you may remember me

sharing the following on the Cheverly Exchange when Prince George's lost a magnificent mayor to suicide. It definitely bears repeating:

- 1. Take care of yourself. You cannot pour into anyone if you are an empty cup.
- 2. Seek professional help. One of my favorite sayings is that I have never seen anyone pull themselves out of quicksand.
- 3. Find someone, anyone you can trust, to share your feelings with. That person could be a complete stranger: The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available 24 hours at 800-273-8255.
- 4. Live. Life is so short, live on purpose and find something to enjoy about each day because tomorrow Is not promised.

I SPY-A NEW TOWN SEAL!

Cheverly!!! We have a town seal!!!! On March 10, 2022, Council voted for the final seal design which was the most selected option. After a year of collaborating with consultants and providing feedback, we finally have a town seal. I am so proud of this effort and thank each and everyone of you for your participation. This was the most engaged survey process we have ever had. You may just be seeing the press release and the official design as we had to wait to get the final image and guidebook from the designers. Thank you to everyone who made this possible!

MAYOR'S MENTION

Did you see all of the Earth Day activities we had last month? That was a tremendous lift of both our staff and community. This mention is for all the volunteers that came out to help us clean up Cheverly. You rock!

Government Meetings & Worksessions

Thursday, May 12, 2022	8:00 pm	Town Meeting
Thursday, May 26, 2022	7:30 pm	Worksession
Thursday, June 9, 2022	8:00 pm	Town Meeting
Thursday, June 23, 2022	7:30 pm	Worksession



COUNCILMEMBERS UPDATE

WARD 1: COUNCILMEMBER MARVELY NETTLES

The Alzheimer's Association is returning to present the 2nd topic of the series: **DEMENTIA CONVERSATIONS**

This program provides tips for breaking the ice with your family so you can address some of the most common issues that are difficult to discuss: going to the doctor for a diagnosis or medical treatment, deciding when to stop driving, and making legal and financial plans for future care. To register, call 800.272.3900. Or sign-up at the link on the Cheverly website.

Thank you to everyone who participated in a very fun and successful Plant Swap! Because of you and neighbors, we were able to raise nearly \$500 for Operation Comfort Warriors! Special thanks to Cheverly Garden Club, Cheverly Women's Club, and the Cheverly Auxiliary! We appreciated our table vendors: Cheverly Native Planting Project, Mozart Gardens, Beyond Grass, Arteasy, PG Master Gardeners, and the Franchot/Anderson-Walker Campaign. Thanks to American Force Coffee for serving coffee and pastries.

WARD 4: COUNCILMEMBER JOSEPH DALAKER



Greetings neighbors! My website, **DalakerPublicAffairs.com**, provides additional context around issues before the town, reminders and debriefs of town events, and links to various resources on other websites. At the bottom of the homepage you can sign up to receive my updates by e-mail (DalakerPublicAffairs.com/#contact). The QR code shown here takes you to that page as well. Hope you find it helpful in staying up to speed!

WARD 6: COUNCILMEMBER AMY FRY

Cheverly neighbors, I encourage you to use this link https://linktr.ee/FryWard6 or the QR Code to find ways to receive regular updates from me. I have a variety of ways I can be reached or deliver updates and want to ensure that I am accessible and communicative. Thank you!



THE TOWN: NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting Agendas are updated on the Town website: www.cheverly-md.gov and virtual meeting information will be posted online in News & Announcements. If you have questions, please call the Town Hall.

Town Meetings are broadcast LIVE on Cable 71 & Fios 35. They are re-broadcast every day at 12:00 noon, 6:00 pm and 10:00 pm. Meetings can also be viewed on the town's website at www.cheverly-md.gov.

Votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted CM= Councilmember

ACTIONS TAKEN

Town Meeting—April 14, 2022

- ☐ Motion to allow Mr. Galloway to proceed with contract for new HVAC system for police department made by CM Watson. 2nd by CM Nettle. Approved unanimously.
- ☐ Motion to allow TA to begin applying for CDA option for financing made by CM McCann. 2nd by CM Nettles. Approved unanimously.
- ☐ Motion to approve employment agreement made by CM McCann. 2nd by CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.
- ☐ Motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-03 made by CM Watson. 2nd by CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.
- Motion to accept changes made to Ordinance
 2022-02 -Traffic Calming made by CM Nettles.

 2nd by CM Dalaker. Approved unanimously.



GET ALERTED!

Would you like to receive Town updates in real time? If so, subscribe on the Town website to receive an email sent directly to you when News and Announcements are posted.

Signing up is easy. Simply visit cheverly-md.gov. Go to the brown banner where you see Home, Public Safety, Public Works, Administration, Board of Commission, and Subscribe. Click "Subscribe..." and fill in the necessary information.

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.

VACATIONS & HOME SECURITY

Residents planning to be away for vacations should visit https://www.cheverly-md.gov/cheverly-police-department/webforms/house-check-request to arrange to have their homes checked while they are gone.

The following items should also be checked to make sure your residence is safe and looks as much as possible like someone is there:

- Cancel newspaper & mail delivery or have a neighbor pick it up for you.
- Arrange for lawn care.
- Store valuables, preferably in a bank.
- Store lawn mowers, bicycles, and lawn furniture

inside.

- Set lights inside the house on a timer.
- Set telephone bells as low as possible.
- Draw shades and drapes.
- Lock cars left in the driveway.
- Make sure smoke detectors are working.
- Lock all windows and doors.
- Give your house key & itinerary to at least one friend or neighbor.

GRASS, WEEDS AND OVERGROWTH



Obstructions:

- 1. Residents are reminded that with the nice weather more and more residents are out walking. Please keep the walkways and sidewalks clear of overgrowth, obstructions and hanging limbs.
- 2. If the tree obstructing the sidewalk or roadway is in the planting box, please contact the Department of Public Works.
- 3. Keep vegetation from obstructing the view near intersections.

Lot Maintenance:

- 1. Residents are reminded to make sure your grass is cut before it reaches 8 inches in height.
- 2. Also, the planting strip between the sidewalk and the street is your responsibility to maintain
- 3. If you are going on vacation, make sure you make arrangements to have your grass cut for you.
- 4. Be sure to take into consideration that the weather can be unpredictable, but the grass still needs to be cut

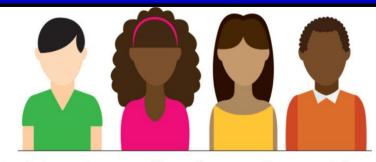
TOWN OF CHEVERLY ORDINANCE No.: 2022-1

An Ordinance whereby the Mayor and Council of the Town of Cheverly amend Chapter 8-9(f)(3) of the Town Code for the purpose of creating right of special exceptions for corner lot properties.

TOWN OF CHEVERLY ORDINANCE No.: 2022-02

Of the mayor and council of the town of Cheverly amending chapter 24 "streets, sidewalks and other public works projects" of the town code, by repealing and re-enacting § 24-16.1(c) and (d), to require a meeting between residents and the traffic engineer after a petition to install speed humps is validated and requiring the traffic engineer to submit its recommendations to the mayor and council for consideration; and eliminating the requirement that a technical study be performed with each petition to install speed humps.





1 in 4 Americans suffers from a diagnosable mental disorder. Minority populations are less likely to receive diagnosis for their behaviorial health issues and have less access to mental health services.

COVID-19 Updates are ONGOING

How to get current information

Visit the Town of Cheverly website (<u>www.cheverly-md.gov</u>) for more resources and information regarding COVID-19. Also **please sign up** for the News and Announcements emails.

We are also sharing information via Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Town-of-Cheverly-MD-100731471406679. To receive our CodeRed notifications, subscribe at https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BF05350699FE.

We ask that Town residents be patient regarding these matters and during these unprecedented times while the Town continues to strive to provide essential services for our community.

Thank you for your help and cooperation during this social distancing time. Guidance and recommendations are changing rapidly. We will provide updates as they are received from state and local health officials. If you need to contact the departments, please see hours of operation and phone numbers below.

Town Hall	301.773.8360	Monday - Friday, 9 a.m 5 p.m.
Police Department		
Emergency	911	
Non-Emergency	301.352.1200	
Administrative Office	301.341.1055	Monday – Friday, 9 a.m 5 p.m.
Public Works	301.773.2666	Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m 4 p.m.



RESIDENTIAL ZONE PARKING

Residential ZONE parking permits are now available. The price of the permit is \$5 per vehicle with 1 free guest pass per address. A second guest pass may be obtained for \$2. (Only two guest passes per address.)

Applications can be downloaded from the Town website at www.cheverly-md.gov under the Form and File tab.

Please drop completed applications in the Permits Box located at Town Hall or mail to: Code Enforcement, 6401 Forest Road, Cheverly, MD 20785.

Cheverly Residential Zone Parking Permit Application

<u>Due to the Covid19 restrictions, applications for Zone Permits will only be accepted by US Mail or placed</u>
in the Permit Box located on the left-side wall of the main entrance at Townhall.

- Permits can only be issued to vehicles registered to a Cheverly Address.
- A copy of your vehicle registration must accompany the Application.
- Cost of the Permit is \$5 per vehicle | 1 Guest Parking Pass is allowed per residence at no cost.
- An additional Guest Parking Pass is available for \$2. (No More Than 2 Guest Parking Pass per Address)

If you live in one of the following areas, you will need a Parking Permit: Please check the zone that applies.			
Zone 1: State St, 61st & 62nd Ave, as we	ell as the 1800 Block of 64th A	live	
Zone 2: Eliminated		a ministration	
Zone 3: 22-2400 Block of Cheverly Ave			
Zone 4: Arbor St & Crestlawn Ave (22-23	300 Block Parkway Eliminated		
Zone 5: 2300 Block of Belleview Ave		Colorador de la colorador de l	
Zone 6: Benton Rd & 23-25 Lake Ake			
Zone 7: 2400 Block of Valley Way		Towcoot III III III III III III III III III	
Zone 8: 3300 Belleview Ave; Medical Te	r		
SR: This permit allows senior citizens 65 Ave in order to utilize the Metro	years of age and older to Par	rk in the Odd Side of the 2200 Block of Cheverly	
Residential Parking Permit are to be Display	ed on the Back Left Bumper ar	rea.	
If you have a regular and a SR permit, displa	y them next to each other on	the Back Left Bumper.	
Guest Parking Permits shall be hung on the R	REARVIEW mirror with inform	ation facing outward <u>.</u>	
	ued to ANY Vehicle not in com		
Town Code 27-5.1 Residential Zone Parking			
If you have any questions, p	olease contact the Office of Co	ode Compliance at 240-770-7647	
To apply for a Residential Zone Parking Permit by mail, please provide the following information AND a copy of your *vehicle's registration. Return this form to Residential Parking at the Town of Cheverly with the payment. *If you have obtained a Non-Resident Permit from MVA, you MUST send a copy of that permit along with your			
request. Number of Permits	(x \$5.00)	\$	
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Guest Pass (one free per residence)	(free)	\$FREE	
One additional guest pass: (maximum of 2 passes per residence)	(\$2.00) TO	\$ DTAL DUE:	
		Emails	
Name:Tele	phone:	Email:	
Make checks or money orders payable to: <u>Town of Cheverly</u> (Please do NOT send cash in the mail) Payments may be placed in the mounted Permits Box outside of Town Hall or mailed to The Town of			
Cheverly, Attention: Resi	dential Parking, 6401 Fores	st Road, Cheverly, MD 20785	

FY23

TOWN OF CHEVERLY NOTICE OF A PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Cheverly proposes to increase real property taxes for real property excluding apartments.

- 1. For the tax year beginning July 1, 2022, the estimated real property assessable base will increase by 3.9% from \$744,613,456 to \$773,623,491 for real property excluding apartments.
- 2. If the Town of Cheverly maintains the current tax rate of \$.4899 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues will increase by 3.9% resulting in \$142,120 of new real property tax revenues.
- 3. In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$.4715, the constant yield tax rate.
- 4. The Town is considering not reducing its real property tax rate enough to fully offset increasing assessments. The Town proposes to adopt a real property tax rate of \$.4899 per \$100 of assessment for real property excluding apartments. This tax rate is 3.9% higher than the constant yield tax rate and will generate \$142,120 in additional property tax revenues.

A public hearing on the proposed real property tax rate increase will be held at 7:00 p.m., on May 10, 2022, at the Town Hall 6401 Forest Road, Cheverly Maryland and remotely via video teleconference. To join the Zoom video conference:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83462253907?pwd=aTBFYU5uWkFnakd4TTVGNTBwYk10UT09

To join with audio only: (301-715-8592) US, Meeting ID: (834 6225 3907)

The hearing is open to the public, and public testimony is encouraged.

Participants who join the video/audio conference will be enabled to speak by the meeting chair. Speakers will be allowed to address the Council for three (3) minutes. Public Comment may also be made via emailing (townclerk@cheverly-md.gov). All electronic comments must be submitted by 6 PM on May 10, 2022.

Comments received will be read by Town of Cheverly staff during the public comment portion of the meeting.

Persons with questions regarding this hearing may call (301) 773-8360 for further information.

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: May 10, 2022, 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83462253907?pwd=aTBFYU5uWkFnakd4TTVGNTBwYk10UT09

Webinar ID: 834 6225 3907 Passcode: 276192

Or One tap mobile: US: +13017158592,,83462253907# or +16465588656,,83462253907#

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EVENT Start your weekend relaxing with friends! Movie & Snacks **Town Hall Park** 7pm - 10pm for middle and high school ages

PUBLIC WORKS

JUAN TORRES CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Every day is a new opportunity to choose joy, despite the sorrow that we endure. After all, "what is grief, if not love preserving."

The Torres family has planned a celebration of life for our former Director of Public Works, Juan Torres, to celebrate a life well lived.

Please join us in honoring him. Let us remember that we are coming together to recognize him and his

achievements and not to mourn a life lost. Come ready to share memories, laugh at the good times, and remember the full life he lived.

Where: The Town Park Pavilion in Cheverly, MD

When: May 29, 2022

Time: 1:00 PM until approximately 3:00 PM

Please bring your own chairs.

We look forward to celebrating with you soon.

TRASH SCHEDULE

Mondays (Town Wide) Yard Waste Pick Up

Mondays (East Side) Trash Pick Up

Tuesdays (West Side) Trash Pick Up

Wednesdays (Town Wide) Recycling Pick Up

Thursdays (East Side) Trash Pick Up, including Bulk Trash Pick Up (3 Items Limit)

Fridays (West Side) Trash Pick Up, including Bulk Trash Pick Up (3 Items Limit)

Note: Bulk Trash is limited to 3 items and only on the days listed above.

Please have your Regular Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling at the curb before 7AM. Crews will start at 7:30 AM. Please help the Public Works crew out by <u>not</u> parking in front of the yard waste, trash, recycling, and bulk trash. The picture below, shows how difficult it can be for the crew when there's a vehicle parked. Please do <u>not</u> put Yard Waste and Recycling in plastic trash bags.

If you have any questions, call Public Works, 301-773-2666.



RECYCLING & TRASH TOTALS March 2022

Curbside Recycling Yard Waste 48.43TNS (\$27 per ton) 34.59TNS (\$25 per ton) 130.51TNS (\$70 per ton)

<u>Recycling + Yard waste</u> = <u>83.02</u> = 38.88% Percentage Total Tonnage. 213.52 diverted from landfill

Total Landfill Tipping Fee Savings for Diverted Materials = \$3,639.04

4 Appliances



Mulch Deliveries Delayed

The Maryland Environmental Service has been delayed in grinding our leaves into Mulch. They have had significant mechanical issues with their grinding machine. There for that means that we won't be able to start Mulch deliveries until approximately the beginning of June.

We are taking request forms and already have over 20. Once we have started deliveries and get to you on the list, the Administrative Assistant will call to schedule a date for your delivery.

Do those old broken-down trash cans and recycling bins have you in a dump?

If you would like to dispose of an old and/or damaged recycling bin or trash can, please call Public Works (301-773-2666) to schedule a pickup. Make sure that it is all plastic with no metal parts and that it is clearly labeled with a sign saying "Dispose of Bin or Can." Then put it at the curb for pickup.

Find us on Facebook | Town of Cheverly Department of Public Works | www.facebook.com/Town-of-Cheverly-Department-of-Public-Works-106361871845265

Department of Public Works

WE'RE ON **FACEBOOK!**





Please call Public Works, 301-773-2666 to schedule a delivery. Any fees will be billed to you.

Recycle Toter \$20 Small Recycle Bin Free

Compost Bins and Rain Barrels

Compost Bins and Rain Barrels will be available soon. Please call Public Works at 301-773-2666 to be added to delivery list.

\$20 **Compost Bins** Rain Barrels \$57



Report Street Light Problems to Pepco

If you are having any problems with street lights (they are out, blinking on and off, etc.) you can contact Pepco directly. Go to www.pepco.com, go to Outages, and click on Report a Street Light Outage. Enter either the address or pole number. A map showing the street lights in the area will appear. Click on the street • light you wish to report. You will be directed to enter information about the light and your contact I information. Or Scan >>>>>>>>



Monday, May 30, 2022





Town of Cheverly Public Works Memorial Day Holiday Schedule

Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, 2022 Public Works and Town Offices Closed No Trash and Yard Waste Pickup

Tuesday's (Town Wide), May 31, 2022, Yard Waste Pickup
Tuesday's (Town Wide), May 31, 2022, Trash Pick up
Wednesday's (Town Wide), June 1, 2022, Recycle Pick up will be on a Normal Pickup Schedule.
Thursday (East Side), June 2, 2022, Trash Pickup, and Bulk Trash Pickup –Limited to 3 Items
Friday (West Side), June 3, 2022, Trash Pickup, and Bulk Trash Pickup –Limited to 3 Items

MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBER AND HONOR



TRASH COLLECTION REMINDER

Sec. 10-7 Except for household trash, which the town may collect from side or rear yards, all collectible trash shall be placed at the street side or curb, but shall not be placed there earlier than 7:00 p.m. on the day before it is scheduled to be collected. All containers or uncollected trash and waste must be removed from the street side or curb by 7:00 p.m. of the day it was scheduled for collection. Upon request of a resident to the town administrator and for good cause shown, the town may collect recyclables from a side or rear yard of the property.



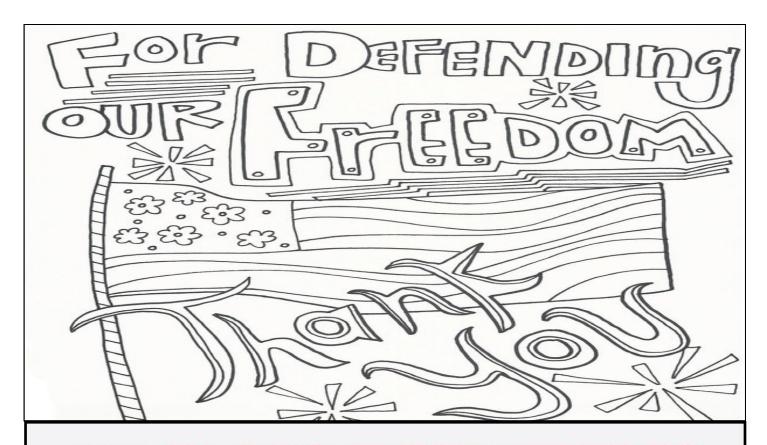
CONTAINERS NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY-TWO (32) GALLON CAPACITY.

Just a reminder, and as stated on the Town's website, "Containers not to exceed thirty-two (32) gallon capacity."

Public Works will not pick up nor empty trash containers larger than 32-gallons. This is for the safety of our Public Works employees who manually lift each and every trash can.

*In the interim, until you purchase a 32-gallon trash can with a tight-fitting lid, please remove all trash bags from cans larger than 32-gallons and place them on the curb prior to trash collection.

If you have any questions, contact Public Works directly at 301 773-2666.



ALL BLOOD TYPES NEEDED



Blood Drive

Town of Cheverly Cheverly Community Center

Gym 6401 Forest Rd, Cheverly Cheverly, MD 20785

> Gym 6401 Forest Road Cheverly, MD 20785

Wednesday, May 11, 2022 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

To Register Visit: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results? zipSponsor=Town%20of%20Cheverly



DEMENTIA CONVERSATIONS

Is it Memory Loss?



WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 | 7 P.M.

Alzheimer's disease often hides in plain sight—struggling with conversation, isolating oneself, forgetting familiar tasks. Know where Alzheimer's and all dementia hide.

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PLEASE CALL 800.272.3900 TO REGISTER PRIOR TO THIS VIRTUAL PROGRAM TO RECEIVE LOGIN INSTRUCTIONS.

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24/7 HELPLINE | 800.272.3900



Message from the Chief Carl Miller (policechief@cheverly-md.gov)

One team, One mission, Team Cheverly!

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police Emergency 9-1-1

Police Non-Emergency (301) 352-1200

Cheverly Police Headquarters (301) 341-1055

Hours: 9:00am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday

Message from the Chief

Department (CPD) continues to rely on the cooperation of community members to provide information on "Safe Community" matters of mutual concern and to work to devise solutions to traffic safety and crime. Ensuring the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists and maintaining the safe and orderly flow of traffic in and around Cheverly remains one of the primary missions of CPD. As promised, this month's Chief's Message will focus on pedestrian safety, in our community:

Walking Safety Tips:

- Look both ways before stepping off a curb.
- Cross a street in a designated crosswalk.
- If there's no sidewalk, always walk facing oncoming traffic.
- If walking at night, wear light-colored clothing or reflective tape so you're more visible to other travelers.
- Be aware that drivers may be blinded by sunlight or by the headlights of oncoming traffic. Never assume that a driver sees you!!
- When walking with children, always grasp their hands firmly to ensure they don't break away and dart into traffic.
- If you're not sure you have enough time to get across the street before the light changes, wait for a 'fresh' green light or walk signal, as it will give you the most time to cross.
- Developmentally, most kids can't judge speeds and distances until at least age 10, so younger kids need to cross with an adult.
- Did you know most walking injuries happen mid-block or someplace other than intersections? Whenever possible; specifically, those crossing State route 202, Columbia Park Road and Cheverly Avenue, cross the streets at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- When crossing any street always look left, right, and left again before crossing the street, and keep looking and listening while crossing.
- It's always best to walk, jog on sidewalks or paths, but if there are no walkable sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
- Remove headphone, wireless devices when crossing the street.
- If you must use your mobile phone/device, stop walking (distraction)
- Distractions among drivers are at an all-time high today, so try to make eye contact with the driver before stepping into the road.

Tips for Drivers:

- Slow down and especially alert in residential neighborhoods and school zones, before and after school hours
- Most pedestrians (walkers and joggers) are injured mid-block, not intersections, so watch out for kids who might dart into traffic or cross where they shouldn't.
- Using mobile phones, even hands—free, makes it harder for drivers to be alert to walkers and pets.

Remember Safety While Driving with Pets:

• Loose pets inside of vehicles can become a deadly distraction for drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists.

- Never leave pets unattended inside vehicles. Remember that cars heat up fast even with the windows cracked!
- Never allow your pets to sit on your lap or remain on the front seat while driving.

Just a gentle reminder, keeping pets safe is every pet owner's responsibility. Equally as important, pedestrians crossing highways, streets, roads, etc. shall always have the right-of-way over vehicles making turns onto roads being crossed by pedestrians. Being a safe driver is not only an obligation – it's both the law and right thing to do, while traversing throughout the town and on area roadways. I look forward to developing and sharing strategies to minimize crime and traffic safety concerns in our community. Together, along with Town leadership, civic groups and the support of the community, the Cheverly Police Department will remain responsive, dedicated, and professional.

~Chief Carl Miller

3/3/2022 18:05 HRS Kilmer Street & Landover Road Arrest (DUI) 3/5/2022 21:37 HRS Columbia Park Road/Cabin Branch Arrest (Gun) 3/7/2022 12:00 HRS Fraud 3/13/2022 15:20 HRS 5800 Landover Road (WB) Theft from Auto 3/16/2022 12:33 HRS 6300 Landover Road Indecent Exposure (Cheverly Apartments) 3/20/2022 19:34 HRS Landover Road (EB)/ 62nd Place Arrest (CDS & Handgun) 3/24/2022 20:39 HRS John Hanson Hwy/Landover Road EB Arrest (CDS) 3/26/2022 12:30 HRS 5800 Landover Road Theft from Auto 3/28/2022 16:30 HRS Landover Road EB/Hospital Drive Arrest	Crime Report for March 2022 *Note that all addresses are in Hundred Blocks				
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Community Bulletin Board



CHEVERLY PARENT RESOURCE CENTER (CPRC)

We have had a busy few months as the temperature starts to warm up. See the flyer below for the details of the spring festival in May (co-sponsored by District Cutlery and the Cheverly Recreation Council). With the return of the Cheverly Market and lots of fun activities we are desperately looking for some volunteers to spend a few hours a month to sit at a market table, host a playgroup/ baby meet up or lend a helping hand to coordinate one of our events! Remember CPRC is a community run organization and it only works because of our amazing group members! As always you can help welcome our newest Cheverly residents and help support a neighbor by nourishing them when they need it most with a baby meal.



CHEVERLY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

The Cheverly Boys and Girls Club's Baseball and Tee Ball seasons are now in full swing and registration is closed. Our next sport to be open will be Soccer. Registration will open in July and play will begin in August. Please check our website regularly for updates at www.cheverlybgc.org.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 108

- Auxiliary 108 will be celebrating its 80th Anniversary with an Open House at Post 108. The celebration will take place on May 4, 2022. 1940s drinks and appetizers will be served from 7:00 pm -9:00 pm
- Auxiliary members, May 2022 is Election month for the Auxiliary. Please submit your interest or nominations for the offices of President, First Vice, Second Vice, Treasurer, Sgt. at Arms, and Historian. Submissions can be sent to,

<u>chevauxpresident@gmail.com</u>. You must be present for the final vote and tally at the June meeting.

- May 7th is the Mimosa & Muffin and Plant Sale. The event starts at 8:30 am and the Plant sale starts at 9:00 am
- May is also Poppy Month Poppies will be available at Post 108

BOY SCOUT TROOP

Have your son join us for outdoor adventures this spring/summer! – Boy Scout BSA Troop 257 is expanding and has fun activities planned for boys 11 to 18 (sixth to twelfth grade.) In May and June, we are planning three overnight campouts in Maryland and Virginia, and a week of BSA summer camp in Resica Falls, PA in mid-July. Our upcoming activities include camping, backpacking, hiking, swimming, kayaking all while having fun and building life skills. Please contact Micah Watson at micah@cheverlyday.com or 240-603-9366. (We can also connect boys and girls 11 and under with Cub Scout Pack 257, and we can connect girls 11 to 18 with a neighboring BSA Girls Troop.)

CHEVERLY GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

May Monthly Meeting Date: Monday, May 2, 2022

7:30-9:30 p.m. This will be an *all-virtual* meeting via Zoom, watch for announcements on the Cheverly town website.

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 or see the Cheverly town website for a copy of the meeting agenda.

Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan on the web: www.greencheverly.org

GREEN @ **HOME** -- **Plant** Trees to Limit Global Warming

The 2022 United Nations report on climate change warns that we are not doing enough to limit global warming from rising carbon dioxide emissions. According to a Washington Post editorial of April 5, to offset these emissions, "countries will have to remove carbon dioxide directly from the air. The easiest way to do this is to stop cutting down trees and other plant life — and, indeed, to grow more."

How can we in Cheverly respond to climate change?

We need to preserve our forested areas, the naturalarea hubs designated in the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan.

Through the Cheverly Green Climate resolution of 2017, the town committed "to the protection and restoration of the remaining green infrastructure hubs, their biodiversity, ecosystem services, and social and economic benefits to our Cheverly community."

We need to add canopy trees, as also recommended in the Green Infrastructure Plan. The Cheverly Public Works tree-planting program plans to add 1000 trees on public and private lands over 10 years.

What can we do in our own yards?

Preserve your large trees. Do not be bullied into removing your older trees.

Plant more trees. The Town of Cheverly will plant up to two trees in your yard absolutely free of charge. To arrange for spring or fall planting, fill out the tree agreement form at https://www.cheverly-md.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif401/f/uploads/tree_agreement_form.pdf. On page 2 of the form, you will find a list of available trees and a ranking of trees by their value to the environment. Most of the trees are native species, a definite plus. You can also arrange tree planting by calling Public Works at 301-773-2666.

CHEVERLY DAY

WATCH THIS SPACE
*** CHEVERLY DAY IS OCT 1st ***

There will be a Cheverly Day fundraiser at Franklins Brewery on June 6th. Stop by for lunch or to shop, or have dinner. Tell your server you are there for the Cheverly Day fundraiser, give your receipt to the hostess. Franklins is a great place to buy gifts for Dad.

THE WOMEN'S CLUB

Together We Can Create a Safe & Loving Community That is Compassionate, Caring, Kind, and Defines Love in Action.

Can a little felt egg save the world?

Of course not, but since March 14 Cheverly neighbors and friends have been helping the people in Kharkiv, Ukraine by donating money to Anastasia, an artist there, who then passes the money on to people who are buying food, medicine, blankets, and rubble removing equipment. In return, Ann Barsi has made 3.5" felt eggs in the bright blue and yellow of the Ukrainian flag using Anastasia's pattern and given one to each donor.

Anastasia's immediate neighborhood has been bombfree, but there are many who have been living in the underground railway station nearby, having totally lost their homes. They come up for a bit of fresh air once a week. So, food, medicine, and blankets for one neighborhood will not save the world, but it is a tiny drop of kindness that will ease a bit of suffering. To date (4/5/22) Ann Barsi has sent over \$2200 to help them.

This week Anastasia has been transferring all the money lately to volunteers who help the Kharkiv rescue service. Since the shelling of Kharkiv has now intensified, there are even more who have lost their homes, and the rescuers have more work to do than ever. As of the last update they were not able to go outside, as their area was fired upon by time mines that detonate spontaneously. The recommendation has been to stay home until mines have been neutralized.

May tranquility be returned to their people and nation.

Contact Joyce Lang for more information at 301-773-2211 on Anastasia or if you want to join the club and become a member: \$25 individual/\$35 immediate family / additional \$10 for extended family group.

Next meeting in person and virtual phone -

425-436-6320 / access - 796-406 (Watch for changes)

- Monday, May 9, 2022, at the Community Center at 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at the Community Center at 10 a. m.

Cheverly African American Community Organization (CAACO)

CAACO will host our 3rd annual Juneteenth celebration on Sunday June 19, 2022. The event will take place at Cheverly Town Hall at 10:00 AM. The Buffalo Soldiers Organization will conduct the Juneteenth flag raising ceremony. Come out and enjoy the festivities, good food, guest speakers, and more!

Share this save the date information with your friends, family, and neighbors as all are encouraged to attend and enjoy.



Barbara Brown
CAACO Convening Coordinator
OfficialCAACO@gmail.com
202-670-6418



ST. AMBROSE SCHOOL

St. Ambrose School News!

We are opening a PK 3 program for the 22-23 school year!

Applications for grades PK3-8 are being accepted on our website at <u>sascheverly.org</u>. You may also call 301 -773-0223 for more information.

RECREATIONAL COUNCIL

The Rec Council would like to thank you for coming to the Easter Egg Hunt. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Our next meeting is an open meeting on May 24th at 7:00 pm in the large conference room. Anyone with any ideas, please come down and join the meeting.

and flower vendors!

We also offer yoga at every market at 10am, interactive story time at 10:30, and host a musical guest throughout the morning.

The Market is located at 6401 Forest Road.

Please watch our website - www.cheverlycommunitymarket.org for more updates.

Ledo Pizza Fundraiser

for Cheverly United Methodist Church



Tuesday, May 24th 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Ledo Pizza 6510 Landover Rd. Cheverly, MD 301-772-5336



2022 Opening Day – May 7^h

We're back! Cheverly, mark your calendars now for our opening market on **Saturday**, **May 7 from 8 am - 12 pm**.

We are excited to bring back your old favorites and some new options this season, including coffee, wine,

POLICE CHIEFS ADVISORY BOARD

Ask the Chief! Calling all Cheverly Youth! Do you have a police policy/procedure question? Email your question to cheverlypcab@gmail.com!

Join us for the May Monthly Meeting on May 10 at 8pm

Register here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvfuiprTssE9SYj5LrBGLqqClUC5bVBqI6





The Cheverly Garden Club will be returning to the Town Park pavilion this year for their Annual Plant sale. The sale will be on Saturday, May 7th from 9:00am until noon or until we sell out of plants. Our focus will be on native perennials, but we will also have veggies and plants from our members' yards – Cheverly grown winners. The Cheverly American Legion Auxiliary will be on the stage selling mimosas and muffins. The Community Market will be holding their first market of the season so make sure you shop at both locations.

The club is planning a visit to historic London Town and Gardens on May 21st. A docent will lead a tour of the area and lunch will be catered. Club members are eagerly looking forward to more field trips in the spring and summer.

The Cheverly Garden Club's Life-Long Learning Grant is still taking applications. If you are interested in gardening, flowers, environmental issues, programs, and workshops to further your education, apply for one of our Lifelong Learning Grants. The maximum award is \$500. You can apply if you are 18 years old or older, reside in Cheverly or are a full-time employee of the Town. Grant applications are available by email. December 15th is the annual deadline for applications. For an application or further information, please e-mail the club at CheverlyGardenClub@verizon.net

Stay healthy, stay hydrated, and enjoy the seed catalogs!



CHEVERLY VILLAGE

Conversation for All Ages

Inviting Cheverly families to learn about this important conversation—with mom or dad, your spouse, siblings and grown children

According to a CDC study and one of the nation's largest providers of hospice and palliative care, only 56% of people have discussed their end-of-life wishes with their loved ones. That conversation can be hard to start, and it needs to take place over many empathic and compassionate moments. It's also important to have a well-thought-out plan.

On Saturday, May 14, from 2:00 to 4:00pm, Cheverly Village will host an informative, online presentation by Attorney Cheryl Chapman Henderson called "It's

All in the Family: Five Must-Have Legal Documents and Your Wishes." Experienced in Elder Law and Estate Planning, Attorney Henderson will talk and answer questions about four legal documents that deal with your wishes while you are alive—Power of Attorney for Finances and Decision Making; Healthcare Power of Attorney; Advanced Directives; and the HIPAA Authorization—as well as a fifth legal document—your will.

The event is open to all. Register online at Cheverlyvillage.org, "Events List," to receive the Zoom link and a reminder email.

During the weeks following the May 14 event, members of Cheverly Village will also be able to participate in small group sessions to discuss topics related to these documents. For example, should I have a joint owner of my bank account? What is a MOLST document? When should I downsize?

What else does Cheverly Village help members with, when we're not dealing with such a challenging subject as end of life? Well, for one thing, we help members with "tech" problems such as learning how to use a new smart phone or figuring out how to set the clocks in their car for daylight savings time.

To become a member, a volunteer, or a supporter of Cheverly Village, contact us at Cheverlyvillage.org or 240 770 1033.

--Clareen Heikal, Cheverly Village Program & Events Team --Diane La Voy, Cheverly Village Vice President



Cheverly American Legion Post 108

Comedy in Cheverly - Every Thursday evening is comedy night. Doors open at 7pm and the shows kick-off at 8pm sharp. Look to social media posts, our website, and the exchange for additional details.

Food Trucks / Beer Garden - Friday, May 27th, 5-dark pm. We will have several food options, and beer garden style taps flowing on the back parking lot. Look to our website or social media for updates on live music, food and draft beer options as we get closer to the date. The 108 Music Series Live at Food Truck and Fresh Air presents Mama Moon and the Rump Shakers. Full band playing blues and R&B. They are playing for tips so please be as generous as you can.

Coffee with American Force Coffee - Friday mornings are coffee and pastries with local coffee company American Force Coffee out of Annapolis. You can also purchase whole beans, ground, and k-cups directly from them. 8-11:30am.

Food by Para Hita - Para Hita is sells food to dine-in for our members and guest, and take-out for any and all. He has Burgers, Chicken Sandwich, Bean Burgers, Chicken Tenders and Fries on the menu with occasional specials.

Hand Dance - Local DJ's Ernie "G" and Lil' Anthony are playing great hits and providing great entertainment every Tuesday and Thursday from 12 to 4pm, and every Monday 5 to 9pm, respectively. Hand dancing aka DC Swing is an upbeat, mostly retiree crowd that absolutely knows how to get moving. The group members don't mind offering dance lessons on the spot or you can sign up for one of the local instructors who typically offer Saturday lessons.

Become a Member - Current or former servicemembers with at least one day in the armed services and being honorably discharged or those still in the military are eligible to join. Family members of an eligible servicemember may join too.

Email <u>CheverlyAmericanLegion@gmail.com</u> for more information.

CHEVERLY NATIVE PLANTING PROJECT

We are so excited for the warm weather and spending more time outside! Not only can we enjoy a taste of the great outdoors in our yards, and an added bonus is that being an environmental steward can start at home.

CNPP's top backyard goals include 1) eliminating all invasive plants; 2) having 70% of our native plants, shrubs, and trees be natives; 3) cutting the turf grass by half; and 4) using more effective and less harmful mosquito/pest management practices.

These goals were chosen because they are key to restoring ecosystems and regenerating biodiversity.

- 1) Approximately 80% of invasive species threatening our natural habitats are escapees from landscaping at homes, businesses, municipalities, etc. While they may seem manageable in our yards (don't we wish!), they are destroying natural areas. If we get rid of invasives in our yards, we stop contributing to the spread.
- 2) Nobody's perfect and no yard will be either. Recognizing this, we look to research and what's the minimum we should strive for. Because of their place in the food web, what's good for birds is what's needed for a healthy ecosystem. Research has shown that for birds to be able best support their young, 70% of the plants should be native. That is because baby birds are fed caterpillars and insects not seeds or anything we put out and caterpillars and insects need native plants for their food.
- 3) Because 83% of land in the U.S. is privately owned, we cannot regenerate biodiversity or create healthy ecosystems by only focusing on public lands. If we got rid of turf grass on 50% of private land, we could create 20 million acres of ecologically productive mini-habitats. The network of these mini-native havens form a "Homegrown National Park."
- 4) All is for naught if our attempts to control mosquitos relies on spraying. There is no "mosquitocide." The sprays used to kill adult mosquitos also kill fireflies, butterflies, dragonflies, bees, and other pollinators and beneficial insects. More effective mosquito management is to find and get rid of breeding grounds in our yards and target larvae by using GAT traps or BTI dunks in any standing water including buckets you set out intentionally to bait them!

If you are interested in any of these goals, CNPP is available to help you with questions you have. Our volunteers include master gardeners, master naturalists, watershed stewards, master composters, habitat advisors, and more! We are happy to have someone come to your yard and help you figure out what you can do to reach your backyard goals. Contact us at cheverlynativeplantingproject@gmail.com.

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PUBLIC WORKS

301-773-2666 Hours: M-F, 7:30 am -4 pm **MARYLAND RELAY 711**

Town of Cheverly Website: www.cheverly-md.gov Email "Contact The Town" links on the Website

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Meetings & Events

Visite el sitio web de la Ciudad de Cheverly en www.cheverly-md.gov o escanee el código QR para obtener la traducción al Español del Boletín.

COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

Monday, May 2nd 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Tuesday, May 3rd 7:30 pm

Saturday, May 7th 8:00 am

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Tuesday, May 10th 8:00 pm

Wednesday, May 11th

Saturday, May 14th 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Friday, May 20th 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Monday, May 23rd 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 24th 11:00 am - 10:00 pm

Tuesday, May 24th 7:00 pm

Friday, May 27th 5:00 pm

Monday, May 30th

Green Infrastructure

Planning Board Meetings

Community Market Town Hall Parking Lot

Mimosa & Muffins /Plant Sale

Town Park Pavilion **PCAB** Meeting

Blood Drive - Town Hall

Cheverly Village Presentation

Youth Development Yoga and Movie Night

CAACO Meeting

Cheverly United Methodist Ledo Pizza Fundraiser

Recreational Council Meeting Lg. Conf. Room

American Legion Post 108 Food Trucks/Beer Garden

Town Office and Public Works Closed