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Denton Town News

Celebrating the Life of Dean Danielson



On September 11, 2021 former Mayor and friend to all, Dean Danielson, passed away.

In April, 2022 a celebration of life was held at the Wharves of Choptank Visitor and Heritage center for family and colleagues to gather and share their fond memories of Dean.

Dean was a longtime resident of Denton, a past member of the Denton Town Council, and former Mayor.

Dean also organized the summer car shows in downtown Denton. Car enthusiasts from around the Eastern Shore came to those car show because they at one point or another met Dean and he invited them to attend.

He was born April 13, 1951. Dean was such a pillar of our community. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family. His Town of Denton family will miss him very much.

SAVE THE DATE Caroline Summerfest



August 19 & 20, 2022 5p.m.-9p.m. Downtown Denton Visit www.CarolineSummerfest.com

2nd Annual Pride Fest May 28



UTILITY BILL ALERT!

Utility bills will be mailed around June 28, 2022. To avoid having your water turned off **payment must be received by July 25, 2022.** Payments can be made in person Monday - Friday from 8:30AM to 4:00PM, online, by mail, at our drivethru window, or by placing it in the night drop box located to the left of the front door.

Acceptable payment methods include cash, check, money order or cashier check. You can also pay by credit card at the office or online. The next utility bill will be mailed around October 1, 2022 and will be due in full by October 25, 2022.

Caroline County will be celebrating Pride Festival on Saturday, May 28, 2022 at 3pm. During this event there will be live music, performances, vendors, community resources, food, speakers, and games for the enjoyment of families.

The purpose of this

event is to celebrate diversity in an environment of inclusion, respect and family entertainment. This event raises awareness and educate our community on these three topics: diversity, inclusion, equity, and respect towards all residents of our county,

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Town Meeting Calendar

Town Council Meetings

7p.m.

May 5

June 2

Town Council Working Session

6:30p.m.

May 16 June 27

Planning Commission

6p.m.

May 31 June 28

Historic Review

6p.m.

May 18

June 15

Utility Commission

4p.m.

May 11 June 8

Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

May 30—*Memorial Day*June 20—*Juneteenth*

Trash Pickup

Collection day will be every Tuesday, unless otherwise noted in the Times Record. Trash must be outside for pickup by 6a.m.

Web Page Address:

www.dentonmaryland.com Or find us on Facebook.

Tax Sale Reminder

The 2021 - 2022 Real Property Tax Sale process will begin soon. If you have not paid your real property taxes, water and sewer billings or any other miscellaneous service charges to the Town of Denton, please do so immediately to avoid losing your property during the Tax Sale process.

All real property taxes were due in full by December 31, 2021 and are to be paid at the Caroline County Tax Office, located in the Caroline County Court House. To verify that your real property taxes have been paid, please call the County Tax office at 410-479-0410. If you want to check to see if you have any other outstanding bills due on your property within the Town of Denton, please contact the Finance Dept. at 410-479-2050.

Town of Denton 2022-2023					
Months of Service	Billing Date	Due Date	1% Interest Added	Shut Off Date	
April—June	06/28/2022	07/27/2022	07/28/2022	08/06/2022	
July - September	10/01/2022	10/25/2022	10/28/2022	11/07/2022	
October - December	12/31/2022	01/27/2023	01/28/2023	02/06/2023	

July-August
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High Water Bills?

Check your faucets and toilets for leaks!

Denton Public Works 410-479-2050

Calendar of Events

May 2022

1—Caroline Jazz Fest

12p.m.-6p.m. Cow Barn, Ridgely. Featuring Jeff Washington, Ronny Smith, Sara Jones & Friends, food, beer and wine, vendors. \$10 per person, free parking. Doors open at 11:30a.m. Sponsored by Caroline Co. Council of Arts.

5—Stitch & Sew at Fiber Arts Center. 10a.m.-2p.m. 7 N. 4th ST. Denton,. A monthly gathering of stitchers for a few hours of project work, camaraderie, and fun. \$5 for FACES members, \$10 non-members. Email info@fiberartscenter.com or call 443-448-4611.

5—Town Council Meeting

7p.m. Town Office 4 N. 2nd Street.

8—Happy Mother's Day

11—Beginners Paint Pouring

5-6p.m. Foundry Building
Artist Melody Prairie will teach
students about acrylic paint
pouring. \$15 each. Visit
www.carolinearts.org to regis-

ter

11—Candlelight Vigil

6-8p.m. Calvary Baptist Church, Denton.

11—Police Unity Tour
1p.m. Through Downtown
Denton

14—Food Truck Wars

Hosted by Caroline Chamber.

1a.m.-4p.m. Downtown Denton.

Visit
www.carolinechamber.org
for details.

18—Mosaic Tile Beginners Class

5-6p.m. \$15 per person. Foundry Building. Learn basic mosaic art with Joanne Gelles. Learn tile cutting, adhesives, and design. All materials included. Visit www.carolinearts.org to register.

19—Third Thursday in Downtown Denton *6-9p.m.* Come down to the 200 block for corn hole tournament, live music by Reagan Kent, Ritas



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Ice Cream, and more. Shops and restaurants open with specials and extended hours.

21—Movie Night

8-10:30p.m. at 3rd and Market St. lot. Hosted by YMCA.

28—Pride Fest

3-8p.m. Downtown Denton. Celebrate diversity, respect, inclusions, and equity at this family friendly event. Food, music, vendors, and more.

30—Memorial Day.

The Town office will be closed today.



- Adkins Arboretum

#410-634-2847 www.adkinsarboretum.org

> -Caroline Co. Arts Council #410-479-1009

www.carolinearts.org

-Caroline Co. Public Library # 410-479-1343 www.carolib.org

-Caroline Co. Recreation & Parks

#410-479- 8120 www.carolinerecreation.org

-Fiber Arts Center of the Eastern Shore (FACES) #410-479-1009 www.fiberartscenter.com

June 2022

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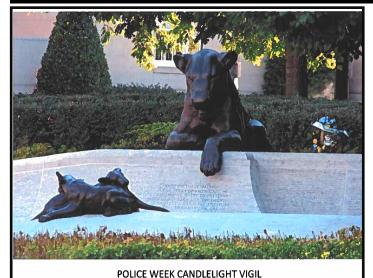
19-Juneteenth

19—Happy Fathers Day

20-Town Office Closed

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Police Department...



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 ${\it Join us as we Honor Fallen \, Law \, Enforcement \, Of ficers \, with \, a \, candle light \, vigil.}$

Where: Calvary Baptist Church 1120 Market Street, Denton, MD. 21629 Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

There will be a lite fare reception after the service.

Boat Ramp Permit Season

Boating season is here. Just a reminder, effective April 1, 2009, a permit is required to launch any vessel, via boat trailer, at all Caroline County boat ramps and public landings.

Permits may be purchased for one day use or annual use and vary in price.

A one day pass is \$10. Annual pass fees are \$25. Annual permits are valid only when displayed on the driver's side of the boat trailer tongue, within 12 inches

of the hitch. Daily permits must be hung on the inside mirror facing the windshield. Fines for a first offense are \$50, and a second offense is \$100.

Permits are available at the Denton Town Office, Caroline County Recreation and Parks Office, Caroline Co. Planning and Codes Office, Bullocks Deli, Denton Pharmacy, Caroline Co. Tax Office.







Corn Hole Tournament | Music | Food | Rita's Italian Ice

Thursday is Trivia Night at Market Street Public House Check out Patti's Petals Florist and Gift Shop Caroline's in Denton 406 Market Street

Public Works...

Special Collection Reminder

Household Items: All special collection items to be picked up on Wednesdays must be called in by 12 noon on Tuesday. Effective January 1, 2003, there is a \$5.00 collection fee for each item to be collected. This fee must be paid prior to pick up date. Reminder that all mattresses and box springs must be wrapped in plastic and sealed with tape.

<u>Yard Waste</u>: All bagged leaf and brush pickup requests must be called in by 12 noon on Tuesday for Wednesday pickup. Call all requests in to the Town Office at 410-479-2050. Leave a message after normal business hours.



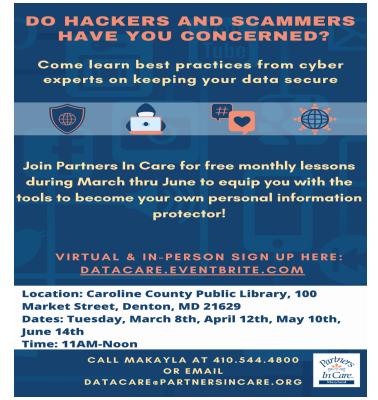


Food Truck War May 14



Join the Caroline County Chamber of Commerce May 14, 2022 11:00 AM-3:00 PM as they host the first Battle of the Foodies Food Truck/Chef War! Come out and taste these chefs' delicious food and vote for your favorite! No admission to get in! DJ, vendors, cash prizes, fun

activities and more! If you are a chef and want to compete please reach out to Tracey Snyder at tracey@carolinechamber.o
rg or give us a call at 410-479-4638.Visit our Facebook page for complete deails www.facebook.com/CarCoChamber.



Planning & Codes...

Swimming Pool Permits

The Town of Denton requires property owners to obtain permits for all swimming pools above 24 inches deep. Accessory swimming pools may occupy a rear or side yard provided they are

not located closer than 6 feet to a rear lot line or 10 feet to a side lot line.

Pools are required to be protected by a safety fence or barrier of at least 4 feet in height equipped with a self latching closure mechanism. A walk space of at least 3 feet wide shall be provided between pool walls and fences. Where an aboveground pool structure is used as the protective barrier, the top of the barrier shall be at

> least 4 feet above grade, and the access gate is required to

be secured.

Permits can be obtained at the Town of Denton Office, Department of Planning and Codes, 4 N. Second .



Permit Reminder

A reminder from the Housing Department: Before you make improvements to your home, call the Denton Town Office Planning & Codes Department at 410-479-3625 or stop by 4 N. Second Street for permit information. Thank you.

Permits

The following is a list of permits issued by the Town of Denton between February 2022 and April 2022:

Overtime Investments, LLC, 104 Franklin Street, Deck Federalsburg Builders LLC, 513 Lincoln Street, Renovations

Escoe, 409 Lincoln Street, Mechanical Brenton, 413 Caroline Street,

Windows
Nier 301 South Second

Nier, 301 South Second Street, Roof

Mid-Atlantic Real Estate Investments, 33 Denton Plaza, Tenant Fit-Out

Wales, 701 South Second Street, Fence

Denton Main Street, 323 Market Street, Banner Mid-Atlantic Real Estate Investments, 61 Denton Plaza, New Commercial Building Morrow, 1211 Market Street, Solar

Wright, 411 Lincoln Street, Deck

Gardens Land Group, 325 Morning Glory Drive, Single Family Dwelling

Gardens Land Group, 323 Morning Glory Drive, Single Family Dwelling

Gardens Land Group, 102 Morning Glory Drive, Single Family Dwelling

Gardens Land Group, 309 Morning Glory Drive, Single Family Dwelling

JV Land Holdings LLC, 343 Meadowvale Lane, Patio HD Enterprises US, LLC, 405 Market Street, Renovations Papamihail, 1225 Fairfield Court, Accessory Building 406 Market, LLC, 406 Market Street, Deck

Brenton, 413 Caroline Street,

Fence

Pagan, 1104 Ruddy Duck Court, Patio

Conteh, 1117 Osprey Lane, Patio & Fence

Castro, 220 South Second Street, Deck

Balling, 1106 Rudy Duck Court, Walkway

Downing, 345 Meadowvale Lane, Patio

Duckworth, 313 South Third Street, Roof

Denton Restoration Properties, LLC, 114 South Third Street, Deck

Garland, 1152 Osprey Lane, Pool & Patio

DiBlasi, 1111 Whistling Pine Road, Roof

Barnett, 420 Woods Lane, Windows

Tate, 623 Camp Road, Fence Plinke, 538 North Sixth Street, Fence

Sood, 305 Fountain Avenue, Fence

Quick, 1306 Trice Meadows Circle, Fence

Clifford, 1509 Cattail Commons Way, Roof

Buckler, 1606 Cattail Commons Way, Roof

J&T Market Street Rentals, 411 Market Street, Deck Bruce, 1205 Painted Fern

Road, Roof Scott, 1709 Cattail Commons

Way, Roof Wellen, 1109 Weeping Willow

Court, Roof
MD District Court, 207 South

Third Street, EV Chargers
Tillery, 313 Morning Glory
Drive, Fence, Patio & Pool
59 Tags & Title, 4 Denton Pla-

za, Signs Bonner, 920 Pine Drive, Pool

Main Street & The Artsway...

Denton Main Street News

What is a Trex Challenge? The Trex Challenge is to collect 500 pounds of plastic film in 6 months and downtown Denton will receive a bench made from plastic film! We are doing this to bring awareness to the importance of recycling and keeping these items out of landfills. We began this challenge January 15th and will continue until July 15th. We currently have collected 83 pounds of plastic film. We have two drop off sites right here in Denton: The Caroline County Library & Caroline County Recreation Parks.



We would like to thank: Keep Maryland Beautiful,



Forever Maryland Foundation, Maryland Environmental Trust & the



Maryland Department of housing and Community Development.

This year we were awarded money to continue to beautify our green-



space right here in our downtown. We will have all this completed by April:

We have a new picnic table that seats 6-8 people in the ArtsWay Pathway, we will also have a new garden shed in the Denton Community Demonstration Garden along with plants planted native around the inside and outside of the garden to help beautify and help with storm water management.

The one other item that was supplied with this grant is a new bicycle rack that will be located by the bus stop on N. 3rd Street.

We had a clean-up day on March 26th in the pathway and the garden. We got a lot accomplished that day and thank our volunteers who came out and helped.

If you'd like to know more about these projects or more about DDMS, downplease go to towndenton.com



Eagle Scout Project at the Community Demonstration Garden



Eagle Scout, Oms Korat from Troop 165, chose the Community Demonstration Garden as his Eagle project. He and his volunteers removed the platform and replaced it with a beautiful patio.

Fiber Arts Class—Patriotic Sampler



Join the Fiber Arts Center for an upcoming quilt class—Patriotic Sampler Quit. The class will have 2 sessions. July 21 and August 18, 10a.m.-3p.m. Students will celebrate

their patriotism by learn-

ing techniques how to sew patchwork and paper pieced quilt blocks as well as machine applique.

For more information and to sign up for this class contact Kay at 410-829-5136 or visit www.fiberartscenter.com

Stop, Shop, Explore Downtown Denton

Permits, from page 6

ATC Development Group, 527 High Street, Renovations & Mechanical

Balling, 1106 Ruddy Duck Court, Roof

DeLonge, 1122 Osprey Lane, Mechanical

Morris, 106 Briarwood Circle, Fence

Snyder, 308 Sydney Lane, Fence

Purple Peake, 322 Market Street, Sign

Hummel, 1 Butler Drive, Renovation

JV Land Holdings LLC, 1216

Trice Meadows Circle, Accessory Building

Carmichael, 708 Randolph Street, Roof

Martin, 1219 Trice Meadows Circle, Patio

Holsclaw, 1207 Painted Fern Road, Roof

Harris, 1609 Cattail Commons Way, Roof

Adams, 1243 Painted Fern Road, Roof

Joseph, 1234 Painted Fern Road, Roof

Farmer-Grace, 706 South Second Street, Renovations Armstrong, 112 Briarwood Circle, Accessory Building





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Upcoming Stitch & Sew Events



Do you have sewing, needlepoint, or knitting projects you need to get finished? Do you find it hard to get these things done at home? We have the answer for you. Bring your unfinished items to the Fiber Arts Center in Denton where you will meet like-minded individuals like yourself working on their projects.

Location: Fiber Arts Center, 7 N 4th St., Denton, MD 21629.

Cost: \$5.00 Member, \$10.00 Non Member Dates: Thursday, May 5,

Thursday, June 2, 2022 Thursday, July 7, 2022 Thursday, August 4, 2022 Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022 Thursday, Oct. 6, 2022 Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022 Thursday, Dec. 1, 2022 Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Call Kay Butler to sign up: 410/829-5136

Service Fees for Utility Calls

All calls for utility service for properties located in the Town of Denton are assessed the following service fee. This fee applies for all water shut off/turned on, and other miscellaneous calls for service. Paying utility bills on time can help the property owner avoid these fees.

Special Attention: Any water that is turned off will be assessed this fee to have the water turned back on. Tenants will need to pay this fee before water service is turned back on. (This may not apply for emergency situations pending the nature of the call.)

\$50.00 fee during normal business hours. \$100.00 fee after normal business hours.

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO TAMPER WITH THE TOWN OF DENTON UTILITIES. DOING SO CARRIES UP TO A \$1,000 FINE AND POSSIBLE ARREST. PLEASE CONTACT THE DENTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. AT 410-479-2050 IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR SERVICE.

Pride Fest—from page 1

especially the LGBTQ community.

"A community where there are no labels, where each person respects their neighbor regardless of their sexual preference, will be a strong, united and thriving community" said Angel Perez, Festival Chair.

This year the festival will be dedicated to Mrs. Nicole Fisher, CCPS for her dedication to the LGBTQIA students in Caroline County and her efforts through the Equity Committee. In addition, Caroline County Pride launched its website last February with more than 900 visits in 30 days.

This website will not only serve to promote the festival but also to connect the community with LGBTQIA community resources, community events, educational information and more.

The Caroline County Pride Festival will also run the Preston Pop-up Market for the 2022 season, thereby serving the community and supporting local businesses.

The festival will celebrate the beginning of summer in a Luau atmosphere featuring over 60 vendors and community resources, 4 main stage performances including The G Method Band, Ellie Rose, Tina Holt and Sammati Dance and a Fashion Show and other presentations around the festival.

"Having an event in our County where not only diversity is celebrated but at the same time educating about inclusion, respect and equity for those who are classified as not being normal is an opportunity to show the rest of the world that Caroline County is one where there is no discrimination and everyone is welcome" Said Mr. Peres, Festival Chair.

Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities available. For more information, please contact Caroline County Pride Festival Committee by email at <u>carolinecountypride@gmail.com</u> or visit <u>www.carolinecountypride</u> festival.com



2022 GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION INFO.

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Mark Your Calendar:

Primary Election Day - Tuesday, July 19, 2022 General Election Day - Tuesday, November 8, 2022

7 AM - 8 PM

Important Dates and Deadlines

Gubernatorial Primary Dates:

Deadline to File for Candidacy 9 PM	April 15, 2022
Last Day to Register and Change Party Affiliation before Primary Election	June 28, 2022
Deadline to Request a Mailed or Faxed Ballot	July 12, 2022
Deadline to Request an Electronic Ballot	July 15, 2022

On March 15, 2022, The Court of Appeals of Maryland, pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 5 of the Constitution of Maryland, issued an order *In the Matter of 2022 Legislative Redistricting of the State* moving the 2022 Primary Election date from June 28 to July 19, 2022.

Gubernatorial General Dates:

Last Day to Register before General Election	October 18, 2022
Deadline to Request a Mailed or Faxed Ballot	November 1, 2022
Deadline to Request an Electronic Ballot	November 4, 2022

Online Voter Services

Register to vote, update voter registration information, request a mail-in ballot and check your polling place location on-line at www.elections.maryland.gov



Cell Phone Text Features

Text **VOTE** to 777-88 and a link will be sent to register to vote and/or update your voter registration. Text **VBM** to 777-88 and a link will be sent to request a mail-in ballot application online.

Early Voting

2022 Primary Election Early Voting Schedule:

Thursday, July 7, 2022 – Thursday, July 14, 2022 Early Voting Center is open 7AM – 8PM

2022 General Election Early Voting Schedule:

Thursday, October 27, 2022 – Thursday, November 3, 2022 Early Voting Center is open 7AM – 8PM

Caroline County's Early Voting Center:

The Caroline County

Health and Public Services Building

(Health Dept. Building)
403 S. 7th Street
VOTING Denton, MD 21629

Caroline County Board of Elections

403 S. Seventh Street, Suite 247, Denton, MD 21629 Phone: 410-479-8145 www.carolinemdelections.org Fax: 410-479-5736

Updates on Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance #728 - An Ordinance of the Town of Denton to Repeal and Reenact Chapter 128 Article VIII Special District: Critical Area Overlay District and amend Chapter 128 Article II definitions, Article III Zoning Districts and Zoning District Maps, and amend Article XX Amendments of the Denton Town Code with respect to Critical Areas. Introduced 02/03/22, passed 03/03/22, effective 03/13/22.

Ordinance #729 - An Ordi-

nance of the Denton Town Council to Repeal and Reenact a new Official Critical Area Map for the Town of Denton. Introduced 02/03/22, passed 03/03/22, effective 03/10/22.

Ordinance #730 – An Ordinance of the Town of Denton Repealing and Reenacting with amendments Chapter 49, Erosion and Sediment Control of the Town Code. Introduced 02/03/22, passed 03/03/22, effective 03/13/22.

Ordinance #731 – An Ordinance of the Town of Denton Repealing and Reenacting with amendments Chapter 105, Stormwater Utility of the Town Code. Introduced 02/03/22, passed 03/03/22, effective 03/13/22.

Ordinance #732 – An Ordinance of the Town of Denton Repealing and Reenacting with amendments Chapter 106, Stormwater Management of the Town Code.

Introduced 02/03/22, passed 03/03/22, effective 03/13/22.

Complete copies of all Resolutions and Ordinances may be viewed at the office of the Town of Denton, 4 North Second Street, Denton, Maryland, during normal working hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To inquire or obtain additional information regarding these amendments please contact the Clerk-Treasurer at (410) 479-2050.

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Attention Settlement Attorneys

Reminder to all settlement attorney's and agencies to please contact the Denton Town Office for fees due to the Town when handling settlements for properties being sold or transferred with in the Town limits. There may be water/sewer fees or miscellaneous charges that need to be collected at the time of settlement. This will keep the Town's records up to date and better serve the resident's of the Town of Denton. This will also eliminate problems after settlement of any outstanding balances for the new property owner.

Please note: Any property that transfers ownership and the utility fees are not collected at settlement and forwarded to the town that result in the water being turned off for non-payment, the water turn on fee will still be charged. This charged maybe passed on to the settlement attorney. Currently the fee to turn water service back on during regular business hours is \$50.00 and after 3:30 PM the fee is \$100.00. Forms are available to use when requesting information. Any questions, please call