

Denton Town News

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Critical Area Program Update

Denton residents are urged to review the recently adopted legislation for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program to understand its potential impacts upon land and home owners. This article is an overview of the most significant changes in the law as published in the Critical Area Commission's Overview document issued May 20, 2008.

OVERVIEW

New legislation affecting the Critical Area program was recently enacted. The provisions of House Bill 1253 generally take effect on July 1, 2008, and the provisions of the legislation are applicable as of that date regardless of whether Denton has amended its Critical Area program, ordinance, plan, or regulations.

The legislative changes were necessary to fill gaps in operational structure and enhance state-local coordination; clarify and strengthen enforcement procedures; streamline the Critical Area Program in order to enhance consistency, predictability, and fairness; and protect Maryland's tidal shoreline from negative impacts of growth and development.

There are specific grandfathering provisions relating to many aspects of the legislation that will allow flexibility for certain projects that have been formally submitted to Denton for review prior to July 1, 2008.

Applicants are encouraged to discuss grandfathering relating to specific project applications with Denton's Planning and Codes staff.

LAND DESIGNATION LOT COVERAGE IMPACTS

Changes in lot coverage apply to properties located within Denton's Limited Development Areas (LDA) and Resource Conservation Areas (RCA), but not Intensely Developed Areas (IDA).

It is important to note that the law now utilizes the term "lot coverage" to replace the term "impervious surface" utilized before.

Lot coverage is defined to include areas covered by a structure, accessory structure, parking area, driveway, walkway, or roadway. Gravel, stone, shell, impermeable decking, pavers, permeable pavement, and any other manmade materials are included in lot coverage calculations (MDE water quality credits still apply).

Lot coverage does not include walkways and stairs in the buffer, a wood mulch pathway, or decks with gaps to allow water to pass freely.

Existing legally developed structures, accessory structures, parking areas, driveways, walkways, or roadways will be "grandfathered," even if the overall lot coverage exceeds the limits in the legislation.

Existing man-made impervious surfaces percentage limits remain the same for lots in existence before December 1, 1985, e.g., 25% of most parcels or lots less than one-half acre and 15% for lots greater than one-half acre and less than one acre.

Lot coverage in a subdivision approved after December 1, 1985, may not exceed 15%; however the

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Caroline Summerfest Celebrates 20th Anniversary

Twenty Years and Counting....

"We've been doing this for 20 years!?!" exclaimed Recreation & Parks Director Sue Simmons, as she considered the start of an event that is the signature end-of-summer celebration in Caroline County.

Caroline Summerfest occupies a four-block section of Downtown Denton and G. Daniel Crouse Memorial Park on Friday August 15th and 16th. This free family festival started as a one-block, one-night celebration with one stage, one band and a handful of non-profit street vendors. The 600 touring bicyclists were overnight guests in Denton as participants in the 600-mile, inaugural cycle across Maryland event, and Summerfest was created to provide some "entertainment."

"It was a Wednesday evening," Simmons recalls, "and over 1,500 people showed up!" WJZ Channel 13 TV had a few news anchors participating in the tour. As local residents tuned into the 6 o'clock programs, they realized the "news" was downtown Denton. "TV in Denton is as unusual as it is irresistible," according to Simmons, "and people had to satisfy their curiosity." She noted Mother Nature even delivered a lunar eclipse, and Denton was awarded the Cycle Maryland Outstanding Hospitality Award.

Since its 1989 beginning, the event expanded to three stages, 25 entertainment acts, and over 100 community and corporate sponsor vendors. In years past, the event has been produced with a variety of

and themes – from "Summerfest Goes Hollywood" to "Planet Caroline." The 2008 event simply focuses one the 20th anniversary. Vendors are invited to recreate their favorite theme and decorate their booths to compete for the \$100 cash prize for the best dressed booth.

The festival officially opens on Friday, August 15 at 5:00p.m. and closes at 10:00p.m. Saturday, August 16 with a fireworks display. For a complete schedule, visit carolinesummerfest.com or check out the August issue of the Caroline Review.

WHO'S GONNA BE AT SUMMERFEST?

The short answer is "You!" But if you are curious about who will be "on stage," check the complete schedule on the event website at Carolinesummerfest.com.

Stage performances are booked to appeal to a wide variety of musical interests and include bluegrass, rock and roll, country, blues, and jazz. To date, the production committee has

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Town Calendar

All meetings are held in the Denton Town Office Conference Room at 13 North Third Street, unless otherwise noted.

Town Council Meeting at 7 p.m. Police Department

July 7 August 4

Planning Commission Meeting at 6 p.m.

July 29 August 26

Historic Review Meeting at 6 p.m.

July 16 August 20

<u>Utility Commission Meeting</u> **7p.m.** Wastewater Treatment <u>Plant on Legion Road</u>

July 10 August 14

Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

July 4 August 18

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

Web Page Address: www.dentonmaryland.com

Water Bills Mailed Out July 1st

Utility Bills will be mailed around July 1, 2008 and are due to be paid by July 25, 2008. Interest at the rate of 1% is added on July 26, 2008.

Past due notices (red cards) will be mailed on July 28, 2008 for any account that has an overdue balance. This is the **FINAL REMINDER** prior to having the water service shut off.

Payments can be made during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or after hours by placing the payment in an envelope in the night deposit box located to the

right of the front door or outside the Town Office building.

Water that is turned off for non-payment will be assessed a service charge in order to have the water turned back on. The water turn-on service charge is \$50.00 if turned back on before 3:30p.m. and \$100.00 for after hours. This fee is subject to change.

As always, it is the property owner's responsibility to ensure that payments are made in a timely manner.

Landlords and property managers who have arrangements for the tenants to pay the bills, please be sure to forward the bills to the tenants immediately upon receiving them to ensure prompt payment and to avoid shut off issues. In the past several tenants have stated that they do not receive the bill until the day it is due or when late notices have been sent.

Failure to receive the bill does not relieve the responsibility of the payment that is due. If a citizen is unable to make their payment by the due date, please contact the Finance Department at 410-479-2050 prior to July 25, 2008.

Water service will be shut off for non-payment.

It's Not Too Late to File for The Homestead Tax Credit

It's not too late to file the Homestead Tax Credit Applications.

As mentioned in the March-April 2008 issue, the Maryland General Assembly enacted a law that requires all homeowners to make a one-time application in order to be eligible and/or to continue to receive the Homestead Tax Credit. This law became effective October 1, 2007. The Homestead Credit limits the amount of assessment increase on which a homeowner will pay property taxes in that tax year on the one property actually used as the owner's principal residence. Properties in the Denton area were reassessed earlier this year. The property owners should have received an assessment notice from the State beginning in January 2008 containing the Homestead Tax Credit Application. In order to receive the Homestead Tax Credit, property owners are required to

file the application with the Maryland Dept. of Assessments.

Residential properties that are used for other purposes, such as rental units or vacation homes, are not eligible for the Homestead Tax Credit.

Even though the initial deadline for filing was April 1, 2008 it is still not too late to file the application. Current recipients of the Homestead Credit are grandfathered in for the upcoming tax year to continue receiving eligibility. No owner will lose the credit for July 1, 2008. However, to ensure that the credit continues for future years, the application must be filed with the State. Homeowners whose properties are not in that one-third of the county being reassessed this year can wait until their properties are assessed in the next two years to submit an application. Homeowners failing to apply by December 31, 2012 will lose their Homestead Tax Credit.

The quickest and easiest way

to file the application with the State is online at www.dat.state.md.us/sdatweb/Homestead_app.htm. To complete the application you will be required to enter the account and access numbers that were provided on the notice from the State. Applications filed online will receive confirmation of the submittal at the time of processing.

Those without access to a computer can visit our local Maryland Assessment Office located at 207 S. Third St in Denton and submit the application using the public access computer. Anyone that has not received an application or needs help to process may contact the local Maryland Assessment Office by calling 410-819-4450 for assistance. Application can also be mailed to the Department of Assessments and Taxation, Homestead Tax Credit Division, 301 W. Preston St., 8th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201.

FY 2009 Tax Rate set at 65 cents

The Denton Town Council has reduced the tax rate by 1 cent. This becomes effective July 1, 2009 and will be reflected in the FY 09 real estate tax bills.



High Water Bills? Check your faucets and toilets for leaks!

Denton Public Works 410-479-2050

Calendar of Events

4th - Independence Day

9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th - Farmers Market

3 p.m.-6 p.m. Every Wednesday. Downtown Denton at 2nd and Market St. In front of the Courthouse. Farm fresh, local produce, flowers, bison meat, yeast, and quick breads.

10th - 12th Pittsburgh PA artist Jason Lambert of Eye Candy Tattoo (http://www.eyecandytattoos. com) will be Tattooing at Black Anchor Tattoo.

11th - Free Movie Night, Cars

8:30 p.m. on the Caroline Co. Courthouse Green Movies begin at dark, roughly 8:30 p.m. An adult age 21 or older must accompany children under the age of 10. Bring a picnic or purchase refreshments on site.

24th - 26th Black Anchor Gallery Event

Columbus, OH artist JR Tubbs will be Tattooing at Black Anchor Tattoo.

1st -Internet for Beginners

1st - Free Movie Night, Finding Nemo 8:30 p.m. on the Caroline Co. Courthouse Green Movies begin at dark, roughly 8:30 p.m. An adult age 21 or older must accompany children under the age of 10. Bring a picnic or purchase refreshments on site.

1st,8th - Friday Summer Reading Camp - Entertainer Tracey Eldr. 10:30a.m. - 12:15p.m. Large meeting room, Central Library, Denton. Children in grades K-2nd enjoy fun activities and programs to celebrate the summer reading theme, "Catch the Reading Bug." Limited sign up begins June 2.

1st, 8th - Friday Summer Reading Camp - "Scales & Tales"

10:30a.m. - 12:15p.m. Large Meeting room, Central Library, Denton. Description: Children in grades K-2nd enjoy fun activities and programs to celebrate the summer reading theme, "Catch the Reading Bug." Limited sign up begins June 2.

2nd- Black Anchor Tattoo will be hosting the International Tattooing to Save Babies Day. This first annual March of Dimes fund raiser was founded by Black Anchor Tattoo owner Ken Mattan and his wife Callage Mattan in manager

10a.m.-12p.m. Computer Lab, Central Library, Denton

The classes will cover such basics as using the mouse, using the library's online catalog, and searching for information on the internet. Call 410-479-1343 to register.

2nd 9th, 16th, 23rd - Baby Steps Story Time

10:15a.m.-10:45a.m. & 11:00a.m. Small Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton. Songs, stories, finger plays and a craft for children ages 2 1/2 to 5 years and their caregivers.

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd. - Giant Steps Story Time 10:15a.m.-10:45a.m. & 11:00a.m.-11:30a.m. Small Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Songs, stories, finger plays and a craft for children ages 2 1/2 to 5 years and their caregivers.

3rd - Blood Pressure Testing

10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.Main Library Area, Central Library, Denton Free blood pressure testing is provided by the Caroline County Health Department the first

Thursday of each month. For more information call 410-479-1343.

8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th - Tutuoring Internet or Word 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. Maryland Room, Central Library, Denton Individual 1/2 hour tutoring sessions in using the Internet or Microsoft Word. Please call the Information Desk to register or for more information 410-479-1343 ext 1.

9th - Origami

2:00p.m.-4:00p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Learn to make paper insects. Please come in or call to register 410-479-1343 ext 1.

10th - Thursday Fun Group - Catch the Reading

2:00p.m.-3:00p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton. "Books, Bugs & Bogs" Summer Readers meet and enjoy fun activities.

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of their two daughters, Gabrielle and Abigail. bison meat, yeast, and quick breads. Please see website!!! http://blackanchortattoo. com/tattooingtosavebabies.html.

5th - Basic Word Processing

10a.m. – 12p.m. Computer Lab, Central Library, Denton. Free introduction to word processing using Microsoft Word. Pre-requisite: must know how to use a mouse. Please call 410-479-1343 to register.

5th - DNR Duck Blind Licensing

9a.m. - 5p.m. Small meeting room, Central Library, Denton. Off shore blind licensing.

6th - Baby and Giant Steps Storytime

10:15a.m. – 10:45a.m. & 11a.m. - 11:30am. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton. Songs, stories, finger plays and a craft for children ages newborn to 5 years and their caregivers.

7th - Blood Pressure Testing

10a.m. – 12p.m. Main Library Area, Central Library, Denton. Free blood pressure testing provided by the Caroline County Health Department the first Thursday of each month.

6th, 13th, 20th, 27th Farmers Market

3 p.m.-6 p.m. Every Wednesday. Downtown Denton at 2nd and Market St. In front of the Countlesses Form fresh local madres flowers

6th - 10th Caroline Dorchester Co. Fair

4-H Park 8230 Detour Rd. off Route 16, Denton.

Ages 13 and over \$2, ages 12 and under accompanied by an adult are free. Admission price includes parking, carnival rides and games are extra. Exhibits, displays, livestock shows, horse shows, live entertainment, livestock aution, amusement rides, food. For hours and more info. visit www.caroline-dorchestercountyfair.org.

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- Caroline Co. Public Library # 410-479-1343 www.caro.lib.md.us/library

- Caroline Co. Recreation and Parks #410-479-8120 www.carolinerecreation.org

> - Adkins Arboretum #410-634-2847 www.adkinsarboretum.org

Denton Police Department...



May 23rd: Officer Dan Franklin and Bart (K-9 patrol dog) meet the kind and generous people who helped Bart become a new member of the Denton Police Department.

The Denton Police Department has a new K-9 police dog named Bart. Bart is a Belgian Malinois narcotics and patrol dog. He has been on patrol with Officer Dan Franklin since December 2007 but was recently introduced to the community at a meet and greet event.

Bart was bred in Belgium and purchased from Canine Consultants

Inc of Inman, South Carolina.

Bart trained for 10 weeks before Officer Franklin joined him for two weeks of training.

Bart was obtained with the assistance of two grants and donations from 25 local businesses and individuals from the community.

Officer Franklin's K-9 partner. Hero, retired a year and a half ago due to orthopedic problems.

Helping Hands Neighborhood **Association News**

The Helping Hands Neighborhood Association hosted a Spring Cleaning Day on Saturday May 3. The Denton Police Department and a town maintenance crew

assisted in the endeavor.

Helping Hands Neighborhood Association walked around their neighborhood and picked up trash.

The Denton Police Department and The Helping Hands Neighborhood Association also sponsored a trip to the Shorebirds Baseball Game on

May 17. Approximately 50 people were in attendance. The trip included tickets to the game, a picnic buffet, and fireworks after the game.

Upon arrival the group was pleasantly surprised that their tickets were upgraded at no cost

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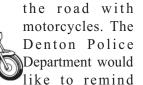
the picnic area to the Ball Café right behind plate. A thank you

goes to Joe Green for providing transportation to and from the game. A good time was had by all.

Denton Police Department 410-479-1414 or tips@todpolice.com

Summertime Safety Tips

Motorcycle Safety- Share



drivers to be cognizant of motorcycle riders during the busier riding months.

Bicycle Safety- With school out, there will be an increase in number of children on bicycles. Riders are encouraged to be safe, know your hand signals, have a bicycle safety checklist, store it safely, and to wear your safety equipment properly.

Safe riders today are safe drivers tomorrow.

Hot Cars and Pets Don't Mix

A hot car is no place for a pet. Leaving a dog or cat in a parked car during the warmer months can cause serious

injury or death within minutes.

Temperatures inside a car can reach 120 degrees in a matter of



minutes, even with the windows partially open. Shade and having water will do little to help.

Please don't leave any animal or child unattended in a hot car for any reason. The results can be deadly.

Lockerman Street Crossing Guard Passes Away at Age 86

Robert T. Acree of Denton Army Reserves. passed away May 7 at John Hopkins Medical Center in Baltimore at age 86.

He was educated in the Maryland school system and graduated from Lockerman High School.

He was married to the late Alice Moaney with whom he had five children.

Mr. Acree served in the Army as a Master Sergeant and later in the

He served for many years as a crossing guard for Lockerman Middle School.

Mr. Acree leaves behind four children, five grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and one greatgreat-grandchild as well as his special niece, Melissa.

Mr. Acree will be greatly missed in the Denton community.

Mark Your Calendars...

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 4 p.m.- 9 p.m.

Police Department Press Releases

Date: 03/30/2008

Classification Theft less than \$100 Location: 300 block S SECOND

Denton Police are investigating a theft. James Dillon reported that person(s) unknown removed his wallet from his van, a 1991 Dodge, while it was parked, unsecured, in Dillon's driveway. Total loss is approximately \$70.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/02/2008

Classification Theft Under \$500 Location: 0 block DENTON PZ

Denton Police are investigating a shoplifting. Police responded to Roses where employees reported that Two (2) African - American females and an African - American male left the store with merchandise (comforter sets) from the store and did not pay for it. The property taken is estimated at \$150.00. Anyone with information regarding the identity of these subjects or this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/03/2008

Classification Possession W/ Intent to Dist

Location: 400 block LOCKERMAN ST

Denton Police charged a 13 year old male of Goldsboro with drug violations. Police were called to Lockerman Middle School after staff became suspicious of two boys' actions. A staff member followed the two boys into a bathroom where suspected drug deal was taking place. Suspected marihuana was recovered from the above mentioned 13 year old. The suspect was charged with possession and possession with intent to distribute marihuana on a referral to the Department of Juvenile Justice and released to a guardian.

Date: 04/07/2008 Classification DWI / DUI Location: S FIFTH AV

Denton Police arrested Bruce Dean. 57 year old male of Newark for DUI. Police were conducting a speed enforcement detail in the area

when a 1998 Nissan pickup was stopped for speeding (40 MPH in a 25 MPH zone). The operator was identified as Dean. Police noticed a strong odor of alcoholic beverage on Dean's person. Dean refused to cooperate when police requested him to perform standardized field sobriety tests and he was placed under arrest without incident. A check of MVA records revealed that Dean's driving privilege had been suspended and that the tags on the vehicle were not valid. Dean was issued citations for DUI, Driving Suspended, Driving an Unregistered Motor Vehicle, and speeding and released on his signature.

Date: 04/07/2008

Classification Theft Under \$500 Location: 100 block MARKET ST Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Brenda Guida reported that her son had ridden his 24" Harley Davidson boy's mountain bike to the library at approximately 4 p.m. and parked it on the bike rack. When the boy returned at approximately 6 p.m. the bike was gone. The bike was later located and returned to the owner. Anyone with information on who may have taken the bike is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/07/2008 Classification Robbery

Location: 300 block N SIXTH ST Denton Police are investigating a strong armed robbery. Logan Haddock, 32 year old male of Denton, reported that he was assaulted by two unknown African American males while walking north on N. Sixth Street. Haddock also stated that \$60.00 was taken from him during the attack.

Date: 04/09/2008 Classification DUI Location: LEGION RD

Denton Police arrested Jander Velasquez, 19, of Denton, for DUI. Police observed a 1993 Mercury stopped at the traffic light on Legion Road at S. Fifth Ave. with an equipment violation (brake light out). The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Velasquez.

of S. Fifth Ave. and Fountain Ave. Police observed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage upon making contact with Velasquez. Velasquez was requested to perform standardized field sobriety tests to which he agreed; after which Velasquez was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. A check of MVA records revealed the Velasquez did not posses a driver's license. Velasquez was issued citations for DUI/DWI and driving without a license and released on his signature of the citations.

Date: 04/12/2008

Classification Theft less than \$100 Location: 100 block S THIRD ST Denton Police are investigating the theft of motor vehicle tags. Raymond Gray reported that person(s) unknown removed the registration plates, MD NBE309, from his 2002 Ford while it was parked at the rear of his residence. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/12/2008

Classification Driving w/o license Location: N SIXTH ST

Denton Police charged Evelin Deleon, 31, of Denton, with driving without a license. Police observed a 1999 Ford 4 door being operated with an equipment violation (parking lamp out). The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Deleon who was unable to produce a driver's license. A check of MVA records revealed that Deleon did not have a license to drive in MD. Deleon was issued citations at the scene and released on her signature.

Date: 04/14/2008 Classification:

Location:

Driving on a Suspend License Denton police charged Syrinthia Foster, 35 year old female of Easton, with driving on a suspended license. Police stopped a 1986 Honda for speeding (65 mph in 50 mph zone) and found the operator to be Foster. A check of MVA records revealed that Foster's privilege to drive had been suspended in Maryland. Foster was issued citations for speeding and driving suspended and released on her signature.

Date: 04/15/2008

Classification Motor Vehicle/

Unlawful Taking

Location: 200 block S SECOND

ST

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a motor vehicle. Stephanie Adkins, 38 year old female of Denton, reported that sometime between 9:30 p.m. on April 14, 2008 and 7 a.m., person(s) unknown took a 1990 Ford Aerostar Van, maroon in color, displaying MD tags 09930M2, from the rear of her residence. The vehicle was unsecured and the keys were in the vehicle at the time it was taken. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

The suspects are further described as approximately 6 feet tall, thin build and both were wearing collage basketball style jerseys (unknown teams). Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/15/2008

Classification Theft Under \$500 Location: 100 block S FOURTH

Denton police are investigating the theft of copper guttering. Police were called to the site of the Denton Armory where remodeling is taking place. Workers reported that person(s) unknown took approximately 15 feet of copper guttering valued at \$225.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/15/2008

Classification Burglary 4th Degree Location: 400 block S FIFTH AV Denton Police charged two 13 year old males and one 12 year old male with Burglary Fourth Degree, Malicious Destruction of Property under \$500 dollars and Trespassing. Police were called to the area of S. Fifth Ave. and Seventh Street (a vacant commercial building) in reference to a possible burglary in progress. Police found

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Housing and Community Development...

Housing Rehabilitation Program

Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Programs provide rehabilitation funds for housing or plumbing repairs for single family owner-occupied properties and one to four unit rental properties. The program is funded by the State of Maryland and is administered by the Single Family Housing (SFH) of the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

Who is eligible for SFH's Housing Rehabilitation Programs?

Those eligible for SLP's Housing Rehabilitation Programs must:

- •Be a Maryland resident, if an owner occupant; and
- •Own and occupy the dwelling to be repaired as a principal residence, (or rent to an income eligible tenant); and
- •Be a family at or below limited income or rent to a family with a limited income.

Types of properties eligible for SFH's Housing Rehabilitation Pro-

Eligible properties may be owner-occupied single family homes or rental housing with one to four units. Indoor plumbing loans may also be made for rental properties up to 100 units which do not have indoor plumbing. Properties receiving indoor plumbing funding must be structually sound. The properties upon completion of work must meet minimum housing quality standards for safety and livability.

Types of improvements per-

Funds may be used to pay for the actual costs of rehabilitating the property to correct deficiencies, energy conservation, and handicapped accessibility improvements, plumb-



40 percent of the loan may be used for general property improvements such as remodeling of kitchens and bathrooms, carpeting and landscaping. Homeowners may finance all costs associated with closing the loan. Landlords are required to pay all closing costs.

To apply, applicants should contact the local Caroline County representative at 410-479-3000.

MHRP-SF and IPP loans are originated, packaged, and closed by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development Single Family Housing (SFH) network of local administering agen-The network includes the county housing and community development offices as well as nonprofit organizations.

For more information please

Maryland Department of Hous ing and Community Development

Single Family Housing/Special Loan Programs

100 Community Place Crownsville, MD 21032-2023 800-638-7781 or 410-514-7530

www.mdhousing.org

Building Permits

The following is a list of permits Vonville, 313 S. Third St., Deck issued by the Town of Denton between April 8, 2008, and May 30, 2008: Garland & Hobbs, 1708 Cattail Commons Way, SFD Wright, 316 S. 2nd St., Patio Pearsall, 308 S. Third St., Steps

Strawcer, 424 E. Wesley Circle, Siding

McDonalds, 605 N. 6th St., Rehab Kelley, 1612 Cattail Commons Way, Accessory

Posey, 710 Randolph St., Accessory

Bay Rose Florist, 5 N. 3rd St., Sign Chesapeake Bluff, 216 Market St.,

Hershey Creamery, 9640 Legion Rd., New Building Villar, 207 S. 2nd St., Fence Shortall, 717 Gay St., Roof

Dodge, 505 Kathryn Ct., Deck Zepp, 309 Sydney Lane, Deck Stafford, 305 Fountain Ave., Roof Brooks, 1113 Daylilly Lane, Fence Bertling, 500 Kathryn Ct., Fence Snyder, 1109 Ruddy Duck Ct., Accessory

Kreiner, 1107 Honeysuckle Drive, Fence

Perry, 1100 Canvasback Lane, Fence

Lil' Taste of Dresden, 222 Market St., Sign

Somerville, 1113 Coursey Lane,

Bradley, 200 Kerr Ave., Fence Stanler, 1610 Cattail Commons Way,

Lord, 325 S. Third St., Roof Peach, 115 Gay St., Roof Wesleyan Camp, 424 E. Wesley Drive, Siding

Garland & Hobbs, 1118 Whistling Pine Rd., SFD

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total lot coverage on an individual lot one acre or less may exceed 15%.

CATEGORIES OF **PROJECTS**

There are three categories of projects and provisions related to lot coverage for future projects:

- 1) The new law does not apply if the building permit is issued before July 1, 2008; and construction is initiated and an inspection is performed before July 1, 2009.
- 2) Projects under design may be exempted if by October 1, 2008, an application for a building or grading permit is filed, and the permit is issued by January 1, 2010; or an initial application for development is filed, and the development plan is approved by Denton on or before July 1, 2010; provided that ALL of the following conditions apply:
- · There must be a Dentonapproved lot coverage plan by July 1, 2010 showing the proposed amounts of impervious and partially pervious

areas;

- The development plan must remain valid in accordance with Denton procedures, except that a local moratorium or Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance cannot terminate an approved development plan for purposes of lot coverage;
- · Development plans can be changed in accordance with Denton procedures, but cannot increase the amounts of impervious and partially pervious areas. Reductions in impervious area and partially pervious area are acceptable.
- 3) New law applies if the project does not satisfy all the conditions specified under number 1 or number 2 above.

Properties within the Resource Conservation Area (RCA) are affected by a new 200-foot buffer requirement for specific projects: 100-foot buffer is expanded to 200

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Swimming Pool Fence Requirements



Don't let a water tragedy ruin your summer - make sure your pool is secured with a fence and gate. We want to keep you safe and

it's a town law. All pools require a permit, except wading pools. Every swimming pool shall be protected by a safety fence or barrier at least 4

feet in height and must be equipped with a self latching closure mecha-

nism with a lock at height above the reach of



toddlers. For more information please contact the Housing Office at 410-479-3625.

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feet for new subdivisions in the RCA that remain RCA; 100-foot buffer is expanded to 200 feet for projects requiring site plan approval and involving a change in land use in the RCA; Denton may reduce the 200-foot buffer under procedures approved by the Commission; and the 200-foot buffer does not apply to residential development on existing lots.

VARIANCE PROCESS

Denton's ordinance allows variances and may revise existing administrative variance procedures. The Critical Area Commission requires written notice of all variance decisions within 10 working days, so that if the Commission believes that a decision is inconsistent with the law or local program, a timely appeal can be filed. A local government cannot issue a permit for an activity that was the subject of a variance request until the applicable 30-day appeal period has elapsed.

VIOLATIONS

One important aspect of the legislation affects the licensing and violations by contractors and others. Shore erosion control projects are now considered a type of "home improvement," and contractors performing this type of work are now included in the licensing regulations in the Business Regulation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Licensed home improvement contractors, marine contractors, builders, tree experts, landscaping others firms, and can lose their licenses for Critical Area violations.

- A contractor, property owner or any other person who committed, assisted, authorized, or participated in a violation may be held liable.
- Each violation is considered a separate offense and a fine of up to \$10,000 may be assessed.
- Each calendar day that a violation continues is a separate offense and a fine may accrue at \$10,000 per day that the violation

continues.

- · Payment of all penalties and guarantee of restoration will be required prior to issuance of any permit, approval, variance, or special exception.
- A local government must consider the environmental impact and costs of site restoration and local government inspections in determining a penalty.
- Local governments must establish an administrative enforcement program, or other local procedures of at least equal strength.
- There will be a three-year statute of limitations to take processes enforcement action.
- Local governments are given the right to enter a property if a violation is reasonably suspected, and if entry is refused, may seek a court injunction. (Jurisdictions may use different local procedures if they are equally effective.)
- Prosecution of violators may include jail time up to 90 days.
- · Commission Chair may seek enforcement in the courts.

SHORE EROSION

An important aspect of the legislation is designed to protect shore erosion. In coordination with changes made to Maryland Department of Environment's regulations, improvements to protect a person's property against erosion shall consist of nonstructural shoreline stabilization measures, such as marsh creation, except in areas where it can be demonstrated that these measures are not feasible or are otherwise authorized by MDE.

MDE will develop maps to identify areas that are appropriate for structural shoreline stabilization measures. In making the feasibility determination, MDE will consider areas of excessive erosion, areas subject to heavy tides, and areas too narrow for effective use of nonstructural measures. A waiver process will be part of the regulatory

structure.

REGULATIONS

The Critical Area Commission now has the authority to adopt regulations to make it more efficient, understandable, and predictable and to provide flexibility for differences in local Critical Area programs.

Several specific categories for regulations are listed in the legislation and are based solely on areas of existing Critical Area jurisdiction. Some examples are:

- Buffer planting standards
- Buffer exemption areas
- Shore erosion control
- Growth allocation

- Buffer protection
- Enforcement and penalties
- Water-dependent facilities
- Public water access
- Critical Area mapping
- Notice of local decisions
- Clustering to promote

conservation

- Habitat Protection Areas
- State and local development projects
 - Surface mining
 - Variances
 - Program administration

GROWTH ALLOCATION

Commission approval Growth Allocations is now based on standards rather than guidelines before. Standards include provisions, 300-foot location setback, minimization of impacts to Habitat Protection Areas and RCA uses, and optimization of benefits to water quality; however, there is flexibility for local governments to use alternative measures if approved by the Commission as part of a local Critical Area program.

For new Growth Allocations, the Commission must consider certain factors:

- · Consistency with the local Comprehensive Plan
 - Priority Funding Areas
- Type of water and sewer service and other public infrastructure

- Clustering
- Density
- Sensitive habitats including local, state, and federally protected lands
 - Coastal flooding
- Impacts on designated Priority Preservation Areas (ag preservation)
- Economic benefit to the
- · Completion of an existing subdivision
- Expansion of an existing business
- Environmental impacts associated with wastewater and stormwater discharges.

MAPPING

The Critical Area boundary throughout the State will be updated based on current aerial imagery, and the Commission, DNR, and MDE will work cooperatively with local governments to develop these maps for each jurisdiction.

The maps will be part of the Statewide Base Map and will include a State-determined shoreline and landward boundary of tidal wetlands and a digitally generated georeferenced 1,000-foot Critical Area boundary.

A pilot project to develop procedures, identify source documents, and draft regulations is underway for Baltimore County and Talbot County. Following completion of the pilot project, regulations will be developed to address the mapping methodology, the designation of new Critical Area lands, and grandfathering.

GRASS CUTTING

Please remember to keep your lawn trimmed to 10 inches or shorter. This reduces rodent and insect infestations.

To avoid storm drain clogs, please keep the grass clippings out of the street. Thank you.

Denton Public Works...

Public Works Poster Contest Winners



Mark Chandler and John Lehmann from the Denton Public Works Department are pictured with poster contest winners. 1st place Mackenzie Short, 2nd place Audrey Schirmer, and 3rd place winner Katie Joy.

Denton Public Works sponsored their second annual Public Works Poster Contest. More than 60 students from Denton Elementary School participated. The posters depicted many aspects of the services provided by the Public Works employees. The first place poster was submitted by Mackenzie Short, showing one of the Denton water towers and the many ways people use water. Audrey Schirmer placed second with a poster incorporating the American flag in a design to thank the Town employees for all of their efforts in making Denton an attractive community. Placing third was Katie Joy whose poster encouraged people to use the recycling cans available in the community. The first, second, and third place winners each received a certificate and trophy. All participants received certificates.

The Public Works Department would like to thank all of the participants for the posters and the teachers at Denton Elementary School for encouraging their students to participate. Posters will be on display in the store-front window at 3rd & Market Streets. Stop by and take a look at the display of posters.

Hurricane Watch and Warning: Know the Difference

If a HURRICANE WATCH is within 24 hours. Once this warning issued for your part of the coast this has been issued, your family should indicates the possibility that you could experience hurricane con-

ditions within 36 hours. This watch should trigger your family's disaster plan, and protective measures should be initiated-especially

such as securing a boat, leaving a barrier island, etc.

If a HURRICANE WARNING is issued for your part of the coast this indicates that sustained winds of at least 74 mph are expected

be in the process of completing protective actions and deciding the saf-

> est location to be during the storm.

This information has been provided by the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA). To

those actions that require extra time find out more info, contact MEMA at 1-800-422-8799, online at www. mema.state.md.us. or visit the Caroline County Emergency Management web site at www.carolineem. org.

Bagged Leaf Pick Up

One of the many services provided to the residents of Denton by the Department of Public Works is weekly pickup of bagged leaves. The facilities crew would like to suggest a few guidelines for citizens to follow:

· Do not put flowerpots, gloves, soda bottles or cans, ashes, pet waste, or other debris in the bags. The bagged leaves are taken to the landfill and emptied for recycling. Foreign objects must be removed and taken to a trash receptacle.

This reduces the productivity of the Public Works crew and increases the time necessary to get all of the pickups completed.

- · Do not put limbs or other debris in the bags.
- Do not overload the bags. If the bags are too heavy or too thin, they break and spill in the street making a mess that takes time to clean up.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Thunder Storms and Lightning

Thunderstorms often come up suddenly and can present a variety of hazards, including power outages caused by lightning, heavy rains, hail and wind. Such storms usually affect Maryland in the late spring, summer, or early fall, but can happen any time cold and warm air masses collide. Thunderstorms are

sometimes even associated with snow showers. About 2,000 thunderstorms are in progress around the world at any given moment with lightning striking about 100 times every second. And yes, lighting can, and does, strike twice! Each

year lightning kills 80-100 people and injures hundreds more.

Thunderstorms and lightning are very common for Maryland. Here's what you can do to protect yourself:

- · Before a storm be aware of weather forecasts at all times.
- Watch for signs of approaching storms.
- Keep a battery operated radio handy.
- Postpone outdoor activities if thunderstorms are likely during a storm.

- Remember, if you can hear thunder, you are close enough to the storm to get struck by lightning. Get to shelter immediately.
- · Get out of boats and away from water.
- Unplug appliances, avoid using the telephone
 - Do not bathe or shower.
 - · Get to higher ground if flash flooding is likely to occur from the storm.
 - If out doors and shelter is not nearby, find a low spot away from trees, fences and poles.

If you feel your skin tingle or your hair stand on end, you are about to be struck by lighting! Squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Place your hands on your knees with your head between them. Make yourself the smallest target possible, and minimize your contact with the ground.

The above information provided by the Maryland Emergency Management Agency website www. mema.state.md.us. For additional storm information log on to this website.

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER ISSUE DEADLINE...

Please submit your articles of interest to the Denton Town Office via email: lorendorf@dentonmaryland.com or fax: 410-479-3534 by August 1st. Thank you.

Mosquitoes - General Information to Help You Enjoy the Outdoors

The Town contracts with the rapid increase in numbers becomes dogs. County to spray the entire Town. This is a bi-weekly spraying which is done when the temperature is below 85 degrees and when the wind does not exceed 10 mph. Spraying usually takes place in the evening to minimize exposure to the public. Adverse weather conditions sometimes cause a backlog in the County's spraying program. When this occurs, the Town may request spraying once a week to help alleviate mosquitoes. The County also may place out pellet cakes in areas where there is standing water to eliminate eggs. according to County personnel, mosquito eggs can lay dormant for up to five years before they hatch. A wet period increases the adult mosquito population.



The website <u>www.rci.rutgers.</u> edu/~insects/njmos.htm by Donald Sutherland, Research Professor in Entomology and Wayne J. Crans, Associate Research Professor in Entomology provides additional information on the biology of the mosquito. Their article included the following information:

Mosquitoes Need Water:

All mosquitoes have one common requirement – they need stagnant/standing water to complete their life cycle. There are four stages to the life cycle of a mosquito: egg, larva, pupa, and adult. Mosquitoes spend their larval and pupal stages in water. The females of some mosquito species deposit eggs on moist surfaces, such as mud or fallen leaves that may be near water but dry. Later rain or high tides reflood these surfaces and stimulate the eggs to hatch into larvae. The females of other species deposit their eggs directly on the surface of still water in such places as ditches, street catch basins, tire tracks, streams that are drying up, and fields or excavations that hold water for some time. This water is often stagnant and close to the home in discarded tires, ornamental pools, unused wading and swimming pools, tin cans, bird baths, plant saucers, and even gutters and flat roofs. The eggs deposited on such waters soon hatch into larvae. In the hot summer months, larvae grow rapidly, becoming pupae, and emerge one week later as flying adult mosquitoes. A few important spring species have only one generation per year. However, most species have many generations per year, and their a problem.

Only the Female Can Bite:

When Adult mosquitoes emerge from the aquatic stages they mate, and the female seeks a blood meal to obtain the protein necessary for the development of her eggs. The females of a few species may produce a first batch of eggs without this first blood meal. After a blood meal is digested and the eggs are laid, the female mosquito again seeks a blood meal to produce a second batch of eggs. Depending on her stamina and the weather, she may repeat this process many times without mating again. The male mosquito does not take a blood meal, but feeds on plant nectar. He lives for only a short time after mating.

Winter Survival **Important:**

Most mosquito species survive the winter, or over winter, in the egg stage, awaiting the spring thaw, when waters warm and the eggs hatch. A few important species spend the winter as adult mated females, resting in protected, cool locations, such as cellars, sewers, crawl spaces, and well pits. With warm spring days, these females seek a blood meal and begin the cycle again. Only a few species can over winter as larvae.

Mosquitoes Can Transmit Disease:

Mosquito-borne diseases, such as malaria and yellow fever, have plagued civilization for thousands of years. Organized mosquito control in the United States has greatly reduced the incidence of these diseases. However, there are still a few diseases that mosquitoes can transmit, including Eastern Equine Encephalitis and St. Louis encephalitis. The frequency and extent of these diseases depend on a complex series of factors.

Mosquito control agencies and health departments cooperate in being aware of these factors and reducing the chance of disease. It is important to recognize that young adult female mosquitoes taking their first blood meal do not transmit diseases. It is instead the older female, who, if she has picked up a diseased organism in her first blood meal, can then transmit the disease during the second blood meal. This is also true for the mosquito transmitted heartworm disease in

You Can Reduce **Mosquito Annoyance:**

When mosquitoes are numerous and interfere with living, recreation, and work, you can use the various measures described in the following paragraphs to reduce their annoyance, depending on location and conditions.

Reduce the Amount of Standing Water:

The most efficient method of controlling mosquitoes is by reducing the availability of standing water suitable for larval and pupal growth. Large lakes, ponds, and streams that have waves, contain mosquito-eating fish, and lack aquatic vegetation around the edges do not contain mosquitoes. The newly emerging mosquito has to stand on still water for a few minutes to dry its wings before it can fly away. That is one reason why mosquitoes do not bread in rapidly moving water such as running brooks and streams or even a pond that has a fountain.

If mosquito breeding is extensive in such areas as woodland pools or roadside ditches, the problem may be too great for individual residents. In such case, call the organized mosquito control agency in your area. These agencies have highly trained personnel who can deal with the problem effectively.

Use Insecticides Safely:

Several commercially available insecticides can be effective in controlling larval and adult mosquitoes. These chemicals are considered sufficiently safe for use by the public. Select a product whose label states that the material is effective against mosquito larvae or adults. For safe and effective use, follow the instructions for applying the material. The label lists those insects that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) agrees are effectively controlled by this product. Read the label.

For use against adult mosquitoes, some liquid insecticides can be mixed according to direction and sprayed lightly on building foundations, hedges, low shrubbery, ground covers, and grasses. Do not over apply liquid insecticides—excess spray drips from the sprayed surfaces to the ground where it is ineffective. The purpose of such sprays is to leave a fine deposit of insecticide on surfaces where mosquitoes rest.

Such sprays are not effective for more than one or two days.



Some insecticides are available as premixed products or aerosol cans. These devices spray the insecticide as very small droplets that remain floating in the air and hit the flying mosquitoes. Apply the sprays upwind, so the droplets drift through the area where mosquito control is desired. Rather than applying too much of these aerosols initially, it is more practical to apply them briefly but periodically thereby eliminating those mosquitoes that recently flew into the area.

Repellents Can Offer **Relief:**

Various commercially available repellents can be purchased as creams, lotions, or in pressurized cans and applied to the skin and clothing. Some manufacturers also offer clothing impregnated with repellents; coarse, repellentbearing particles to be scattered on the ground; and candles whose wicks can be lit to release a repellent chemical. The effectiveness of all repellents varies from location to location, from person to person, and from mosquito to mosquito. Repellents can be especially effective in recreation areas, where mosquito control may not be conducted. All repellents should be used according to instruction.

What Attracts Mosquitoes?

Mosquitoes are attracted by perspiration, warmth, body odor, carbon dioxide, and light. Mosquito control agencies use some of these attractants to help determine the relative number of adult mosquitoes



in an area. Several devices are sold that are supposed to attract, trap, and destroy mosquitoes and other flying insects. However, if these devices are attractive to mosquitoes, they probably attract more mosquitoes into the area and may, therefore, increase rather than decrease mosquito annoyance.

Denton Main Street...

Denton Receives Grant for ArtsWay

The Town of Denton has received a \$100,000 Community Legacy grant award for the rehabilitation of the structures in the Arts Way at Denton. These funds will be specifically used to initiate the rehabilitation of the facades of two of the structures on Fourth Street, between Gay and Market Streets.

The Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Legacy program provides local governments and community development organizations with funding for essential projects aimed at strengthening communities through activities such as business retention and attraction, encouraging homeownership, and commercial revitalization. The Town of Denton's approved Community Legacy plan includes the Fourth Street Redevelopment project. The Fourth Street project, namely the ArtsWay at Denton, is located in Denton's Arts & Entertainment (A&E) District. National Historic District, and Central Business District. This area is additionally strategically located adjacent to the Town's Main Street community. The Fourth Street Redevelopment project involves

the acquisition, rehabilitation, and adaptive re-use of existing historic structures for artisan small business entities between Market and Gay Streets. The Town has been awarded previous Community Funds which have been used primarily for the acquisition phase of this plan.

The Town of Denton and the Denton Development Corporation (DDC) have formed a strategic partnership to revitalize the Town's Business and Historic Districts. The DDC is a nonprofit corporation established in 1998 to facilitate, manage, and execute the redevelopment efforts targeting vacant and/or underutilized buildings in the Central Business District and provides project management and oversight for the ArtsWay at Denton project. The Caroline County Council of Arts is additionally collaborating with the Town and the DDC and grant funds from the Community Legacy program were allocated to assist in the acquisition of their new headquarters and gallery space at 401 Market Street.

To learn more about the ArtsWay at Denton please contact Abigail McNinch, project manager, at 410-479-4305.

Black Anchor Summer Events & Tattooing to Save Babies Day



Local Denton artists Ken Motter and Mike Stevens of Black Anchor Tattoo and Gallery would like to announce this summer's list of events being held by their business.

- July 10th 12th Pittsburgh PA artist Jason Lambert of Eye Candy Tattoo (http://www.eyecandytattoos.com) will be Tattooing at Black Anchor Tattoo.
- July 24th 26th Columbus, OH artist JR Tubbs will be Tattooing at Black Anchor Tattoo.
- On August 2nd Black Anchor Tattoo will be hosting the International Tattooing to Save Babies Day. This first annual March of Dimes fund raiser was founded by Black Anchor Tattoo owner Ken Motter and his wife Colleen Motter in Memory of their two daughters Gabrielle and Abigail. Please see website!!! http://blackanchortattoo.com/tattooingtosavebabies.html
- August 23rd Bluesman Jake LaBotz from California will be playing at Black Anchor Tattoo. He is well known for his blues and acting roles. Please see website!!! http://jakelabotz.com

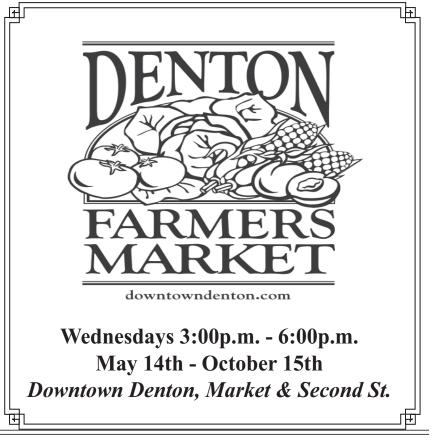
Modeling School Celebrates 1 Year Anniversary

On June 1, 2008, The Freddie Bell Jones Modeling & Finishing School, Inc., located at 212 Market Street, Denton, Maryland, previously named Freddie Bell Jones Finishing School, is one year old. Its first incoming class, the 2007-2008 students, completed their first year on May 31, 2008, during which the parents met with the instructor to discuss each student's progress. In addition, students received an end of the year report card, which rated them on skills taught such as Poise, Posture, Speech, Hygiene, Stance, Composure, Manners, Social Etiquette, Participation, Modeling and Basic Etiquette. All students received participation certificates and Special Awards were given to some of its star students: Ummu Irene Leila Thomas, Mia Moselev, Machiara' Johnson, Katherine Rose Adkins, Brittany Jeffers, and others. Classes will resume on September 6, 2008. The school will hosts its first Modeling Boot Camp for girls ages 5-16, August 11-15, 2008, 9 a.m.

– 4 p.m.

The Freddie Bell Jones Modeling & Finishing School, Inc.'s objective is to facilitate a program in which children can learn to resolve conflicts peacefully, socialize appropriately, and build skills to succeed at home, at school, and in all walks of life. The school's program sets out to create winning results!

The school initially focused on providing personal refinement skills, etiquette, modeling, and pageantry training to children in the Caroline County area, but has since expanded its program to include workshops, on-site classes, and seminars to local businesses, government agencies, churches, and schools. The school is currently searching for volunteers for its newsletter, end of the year events, parent meetings, fundraising, and scholarship program. For information on the volunteering, contact Sigourney Wheatley at 410.479.2208.



Downtown Denton Summer Business Hours and Events

Some of the local downtown businesses will have special hours and events this summer. Please take a moment to see if your local favorite businesses have extended hours.

Lil' Taste of Dresden, a recenly opened business in downtown Denton, will be hosting in-store Longaberger Basket parties with hostess benefits. The store is located at 222

Market Street and can be reached at 410-479-9393.

The Lily Pad Cafe and Catering is now serving lunch and dinner outside in their garden as well as inside their dining room. Lunch hours are Monday thru Saturday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Dinner is served Fridays and Saturdays 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Menu items include burgers, grilled chicken, steamed shrimp, crab cakes, beer, and wine.

Private events during their Saturday open hours are available without an additional site rental

charge as well as catering for your special events. Lily Pad Cafe is located at 104 S. Second Street. For more information call 410-479-0700 or on the web at www.lilypadcafe. net.

Market Street Public House located at 200 Market Street is now open for breakfast Monday thru Saturday 7:30 a.m.- 11 a.m. Lunch and dinner are served until 10 p.m. and their bar is open until ?? Call Market Street Public House at 410-479-4720 for more info.



Denton Spring Gala



The Denton Spring Gala held on Saturday May 17 in Downtown Denton was an evening to remember. It was a nice outdoor evening which included carriage rides, food and wine samplings, live music, dancing, and socializing.

Aproximatly 260 people attended the Spring Gala which raised \$4,000 for the Downtown Main Street Program. We would like to thank all of the businesses that participated and donated items for the silent auction. And a special thank you to all of the volunteers for their hard work, and to everyone that attended the event.

Thank you to the following

sponsors: The Maloney Companies, Kent Island Dentistry, T&T Jewelers, PNC Bank, Boat U.S., Inn at Perry Cabin, Cowdrey, Thompson, & Karsten Attorneys, St. Michaels Food & Wine Festival, Denton Bank and Trust, Moore Memorials, Adkins Arboretum, and Centreville National Bank.

Thank you to the following silent auction sponsors: Schrader's Bridgetown Manor, Defining Moments Hair Salon, Market Street Public House, What's New Shop, Black Anchor Gallery, Suzanne Watson - Longaberger Baskets, Donna Piatt, Lil' Taste of Dresden, T & T Jewelers, Carol Pierman,

Barbara Martin & Jessica Perez - Mary Kay Cosmetics, Caroline Co. Country Club, Ottey Automotive, Barbara Storey Designs, Kent Island Dentistry, Barbara Little, Generations of Hair, Boat U.S., Inn at Perry Cabin, St. Michaels Food & Wine Festival, Sparkle Pools, Patti's Petals, Chapel's Country Creamery,

Smoky King, Bryant Todd House Inn, Pat Barts - Home Interiors, Emerson House Restaurant, Boaters World, Tuckahoe Sail and Canvas, and S.B. Farms.

We look forward to next year's event and hope you can join us.

Annual Community Arts Block Party



Children enjoying one of the many art projects offered at the Community Arts Block Party

There was dancing in the streets Saturday June 28th at the Community Arts Block Party held at Market and 4th Street in Denton. This annual event supports the restoration of the historic Wilson's Foundry Dwelling at 401 Market Street in Denton.

Many activities took place during the event, including a BBQ, live entertainment from Comfort Zone, art demonstrations, kid's art activities, as well as a silent auction.

The building was open for

viewing to show the progress of renovations. Renovations started last year after the first Community Arts Block Party. This building will hold the Arts Center and Community Art Gallery once completed.

Volunteers are welcome and always needed for CCCA events. If you would like to donate your time to future events or need more information about the Artsway, please contact the Caroline County Council of Arts (CCCA) at 410-479-1009 or www.carolinearts.org

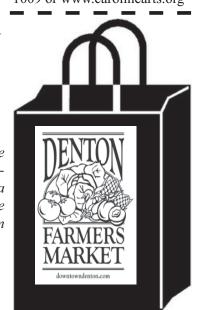
Reusable "Green" Bag Day

Denton Farmer's Market.

July 19th 3p.m. - 6p.m.

The first 200 customers to purchase an item from the Downtown Denton Farmers Market will receive a free reusable "green" bag with the Denton Farmer's Market logo on the side.

Limit one per person.



Ordinance No. 558

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AND ESTIMATE INCOME IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUDGET ADOPTED FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2009.

Be it Ordained and Enacted by the Commissioners of Denton, Maryland, that the following tax rates and fees, revenue and expenditure estimates are enacted for Fiscal Year 2009:

- Sec. 1 General Fund
- Sec. 2 Rate of Taxation on Real Property
- Sec. 3 Rate of Taxation on Corporation

Activity Title

Total General Fund Appropriation

Sec. 4 Rate of Taxation on Railroad and Utility Property

Sec. 1 General Fund

A. That the following amounts shall be and hereby are appropriated for the expenditures designated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009 for the General Fund:

Approved Budget and Appropriation

3,134,888

General Fund Reserve	401,026
General Fund Debt	111,102
Public Works Department - Total Highway Fund Contribution	356,660 28,437
Parks Tennis Courts	56,164 600
Mosquito Spraying	1,250
Trash Collection	158,485
Street Lighting	49,500
PUBLIC WORKS Street Sanitation	74,173
	10,000
Community Development - Total	139,358
Summerfest	9,500
Holiday Lights	47,478 800
Community Development Main Street	81,580
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Public Safety - Total	1,757,422
Zoning, Codes & Inspections	379,773
Volunteer Fire Co.	92,013
Police Department	1,285,636
PUBLIC SAFETY	
General Government - Total	339,839
Financial Administration	186,329
Municipal Building	13,350
Election	17,037 1,995
General Administration Town Council	62,288
General Government	58,840
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	

B. That the following revenues are, in the considered judgement of the Town Commissioners, a fair appraisal and estimate of the revenues available to finance this budget and these appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009.

Source	Estimated Revenues
Taxes	2,468,493
Licenses and Permits	35,558
Revenue from Other Agencies	111,350
Miscellaneous Income	89,083
General Fund Reserve	430,404
Total FY 2009 Revenues	3,134,888

Sec. 2 Rate of Taxation on Real Property

That the rate of taxation on real property to be taxed within the boundaries of the Town of Denton, Maryland shall be and hereby is established as:

Sixty-five cents (\$.65)

on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of value for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and including June 30,2009.

Sec. 3 Rate of Taxation on Business Personal Property

That the rate of taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and including June 30, 2009, on any personal property to be taxed by the Town of Denton, Maryland, shall be and hereby is established as:

One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50)

on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation, unless otherwise provided for by Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Sec. 4. Rate of Taxation on Railroad and Utility Property

That the rate of taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and including June 30, 2009 on any railroad and utility property to be taxed by the Town of Denton, Maryland, shall be and hereby is established as:

One Dollar and Seventy cents (\$1.70)

on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation, unless otherwise provided for by Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Sec. 5. Service and Administration Fee Collected by Caroline County Treasurers Office

That the rate of service and administrative fees on semi-annual billings assessed by the Caroline County Treasurers Office shall be and hereby is established as:

1.24% Service Fee and 10% Administrative Fee.

THE TOWN OF DENTON



Downtown Denton and along the beautiful Choptank River

Friday, August 15, 5-10 p.m. Saturday, August 16, 2-10 p.m.

> Call 410-479-8120 or 888-SUNFEST (888-786-3378) or visit www.carolinesummerfest.com.

Media Sponsors:













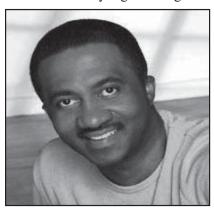








SUMMERFEST from page 1 confirmed Mike Hinds and THE LOOK for Friday night – a regional



R&B favorite and guaranteed to get you out of your seats and dancing no matter how hot it is outside. On Saturday before the fireworks, Denton will host the United States Navy Band, The Commodores, a nationally acclaimed 18 – piece ensemble that performs the best in jazz and Big Band music.

Count on seeing a mix of the best local and regional talent around, thanks to the support of the Caroline County Council of Arts and the Maryland State Arts Council. Of course Caroline Summerfest is all about "You," but it's the music and the arts that give us the reason to celebrate.

FOR THE BEST PARKING

SPACES

Consider being a part of the annual Caroline Summerfest Car Show and Cruize-In on Friday and Saturday evenings. Sponsored by Denton businesses Ottey Automotive and the Hot Rod Garage, the Friday evening Cruize—In and Saturday judged Car Show puts you right in the heart of the downtown festival with perfect seating for people watching.

Thankstotheexpertorganization of the Caroline Cruizers under the direction of Jan McMichael, automobile enthusiasts can display their cars for the two-day event for less than \$10 if pre-registered. Dash plaques awarded for the first 60 registrants and over 15 Choice awards will be presented.

Registration forms are posted on carolinesummerfest.com under the How to Get Involved tab or contact festival headquarters at Caroline County Recreation and Parks at 410-479-8120.

ENTERTAINMENT CRUISES
DOWN THE BEAUTIFUL
CHOPTANK RIVER ON THE
DOROTHY MEGAN PADDLE
BOAT

Caroline Summerfest features Saturday riverboat cruises on an authentic replica of the 80-foot turn of the century paddle-wheeler vessels that historically navigated the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. These 60 minute tours of the Choptank River include themed festival entertainment, refreshment sales, and a fully enclosed airconditioned cabins and an open air deck. Tickets are \$8 per person, \$4 for ages 4 to 12 and free to children under 3.

Although the entertainment themes for each cruise are still "under construction," you can count on a Gospel Music Cruise early in the afternoon, a Kids Cruise with variety entertainer Paul Belanger and the Moot Point Jugglers, a Bluegrass Cruise with performers from Bittercreek and Big Al's New and Used Bluegrass, and more.

Tickets are available for purchase in advance through the Recreation and Parks office at 410-479-8130 and major credit cards are accepted. They will be sold at the festival and are limited to 130 passengers per cruise. Last summer cruises sold out before the scheduled departure so advance ticket purchase is encouraged. For a complete schedule, check the event website at carolinesummerfest.com

DO YOU REMEMBER THAT SUMMERFEST THEME?

Festival producers began an internal electronic conversation many months ago to remember all the festival themes that have been implemented the last 20 years. For those readers over 45, it should be no surprise how often "it all blends together.. The staff producers between the County Recreation & Parks Department and the Town of Denton certainly have their favorites and their share of behind the scenes and on the street festival stories. The 2007 apartment fire on Market Street just before the fireworks will likely be retold for years to come; rainstorms and stranded passengers on the Choptank Lady passenger boat, dancing to the 40s music of the Blue Moon Big Band, dressed up llamas in the first pedestrian parade, and festival marriage proposals are among our stories. We wonder ... what are your stories? The festival themes are listed below just in case they spark a memory. If you could take time to write it down, please send it to ssimmons@co.caroline. md.us.

CAROLINE SUMMERFEST THEME - THE HUMAN RECORD







2007- Summerfest Island Escape 2006 – Summerfest Goes Hollywood 2005 - Visiting the Orient 2004- Summerfest Celebrates Mardi Gras (first pedestrian parade and Mummers) 2003 - Under the Sea (it really rained) 2002 - Summerfest Safari (very hot!) 2001 - South of the Border (Very, very hot) 2000 – Millennium Magic

1999 - Dancing in the Streets 1998 – The Sky's The Limit (10th Anniversary and first fireworks display)

1997 - Goes Under the Big Top

1996 - Planet Caroline (the first themed event)

1995 - (No Theme)

1994 - RAIN (No Theme)

1993 - RAIN (No Theme)

1992 - Saturday event

1991 – Friday night

1990 – Friday night one-day event

1989 – The First Event Ever

PARADE?

Enter to win a \$100 cash prize or a trophy by displaying the best dressed costume or creating the best "wagon float" in the fifth annual Caroline Summerfest Pedestrian Parade! Pick your favorite theme from years past and go crazy with the possibilities. You'll be accompanied by the Band of Blue from North Caroline High School, variety entertainers, step dancers, jugglers, strolling drummers, and musicians.

The Pedestrian parade is



sponsored by MTS Broadcasting – home of some of the local favorite stations like WAAI 100.9 Country, ESPN Radio 1240, 107.9 THE DUCK, and 106.3 The HEAT- and DON"T YOU JUST LOVE A Ottey Automotive and Performance of Denton. Parade registration is ready and waiting at 6:00 p.m. with

parade line up at 6:30 and set-off promptly at 7:00. The four block route starts at Market and Third and runs through the festival to end at Crouse Memorial Park. There is no registration fee and parade entries are limited to walking entries or golf cart. Vehicles are not permitted.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Once Again, Summerfest will be a successful community event because of adult and teen volunteers like you. We are currently seeking volunteers for this years Caroline Sumerfest event. The event is Friday August 15th and Saturday August 16th.

Volunteers needed at the following locations: TEEN ZONE GRAFFITI WALL KIDZART STATIONS BOX TOWN USA COMMUNITY MURAL COMMUNITY SAND PIT

If you would like to volunteer 2 hours of your time and earn a free t-shirt please contact Joe Brown at Recreation and Parks at 410-479-8120 or email jbrown@co.caroline.md.us for more info and a volunteer application.

Café & Catering

Now Open for Dinner...

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT'S

5:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

July 4th/5th

Closed for the holiday

July 18th

Friday Night Summer Dinner

Barbeque Ribs and Grilled Chicken with Sweet Chili Spice Rub.

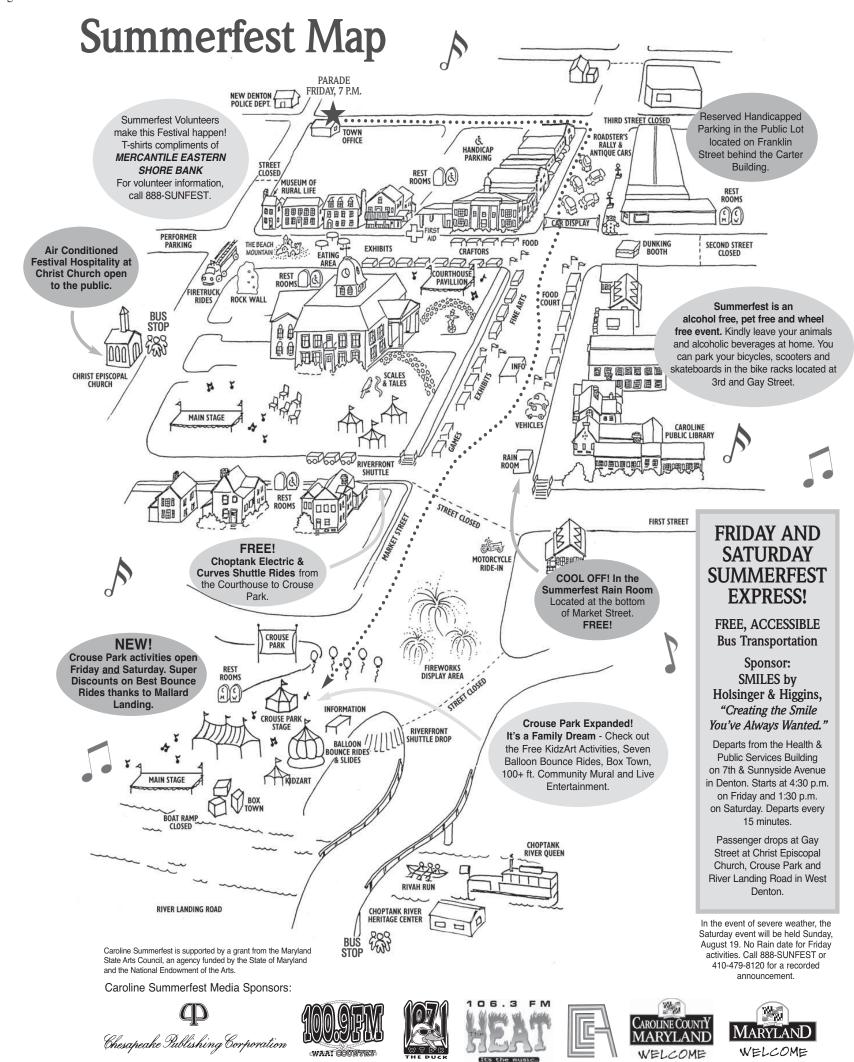
July 25th

United Way Fundraiser 5:00p.m.-7:30p.m.

August 15th & 16th

Beer Garden open until 9:00p.m. during Summerfest.

(410)-479-0700



Annual Choptank Rivah Run Set for Saturday, August 16



Boaters enjoy a morning paddle along the Choptank River at the 2007 Rivah Run event, held the morning before the Caroline Summerfest.

Fitness and fun come together with the traditional pre-Summerfest event: the Choptank "Rivah" run sponsored by Boater's World and produced by Caroline County Recreation and Parks on Saturday, August 16. On-site registration and check-in begins at 9 a.m. at Martinak State Park located on Sharp Road in Denton. Canoes and kayaks depart from the Martinak Boat ramp at 10 a.m.

Explore two miles of one of the longest Eastern Shore rivers at this eleventh annual event that is perfect for the water and fitness enthusiasts and families just out for a good time. The "race" is a poker run. Each paddler stops at a series of checkpoints staffed by the Coast Guard Auxiliary #34 and the Choptank River Yacht Club flotilla. They receive a playing card and at the finish, the best five-card poker hand wins the top prize, donated by Boater's World. Local businesses have also contributed many other prizes for distribution to other winning poker hands.

Registration is recommended

in advance, but will also be accepted on Friday, August 15 at the Caroline Summerfest event located in downtown Denton around the Caroline County Courthouse green and on-site the day of the event. Registration fees the day of the event increase to \$15 per person. Pre-registration is \$9 per person and includes a t-shirt for the first 100 registrants compliments of Impressive Printing in Hillsboro. A limited supply of canoes is available for rent and should be reserved prior to the day of the event.

"Paddlers of all skill levels can enjoy this event and all entries have the chance to win great prizes," says Rick Weber, event organizer with Caroline County Recreation and Parks.

For more information, contact Caroline County Recreation and Parks at (410) 479-8120 or visit the website to download the registration flyer at www.carolinerecreation. org or www.carolinesummerfest. com This event was created by the Old Harford Town Maritime Center. Visit their website at www.riverheritage.org for more information on other river based activities and trail and attraction information on the Choptank, Tuckahoe, and Marshyhope Rivers.

LOST AND FOUND

- * A set of keys has been found Please contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 if they belong to you.
- * A nice baby doll has been found. It can be claimed at the Town office between 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

MOVIE MATINEE MONDAYS AT THE LIBRARY

July 7th - I AM LEGEND. 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Come in out of the heat and watch "I am Legend" PG-13. Please come in or call 410-479-1343 ext 1 to sign up. Popcorn and drinks provided!

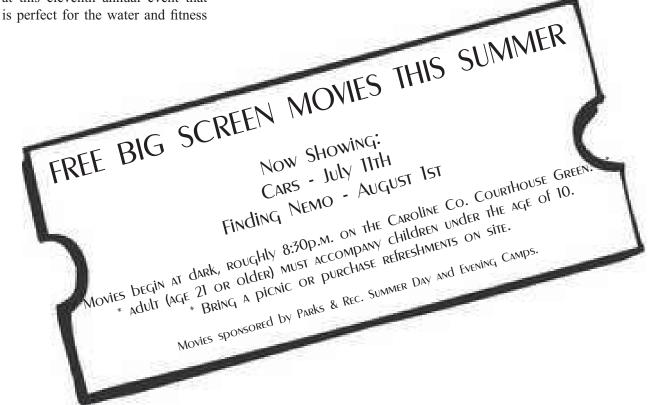
July 14th - 27 DRESSES 2 p.m.- 4 p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Come in out of the heat and watch "27 Dresses", PG-13. Popcorn and drinks provided. Please come in or call 410-479-1343 ext. 1 to register

21st - CLOVERFIELD

2 p.m.- 4 p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Come in out of the heat and watch "Cloverfield" with us, PG-13. Please come in or call 410-479-1343 ext 1 to register.

28th - THE SEEKER.

2 p.m.-4 p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Come in out of the heat and watch "The Seeker", PG with us. Popcorn and beverages provided. Please come in or call 410-479-1343 ext 1 to sign up.



AUGUST CALENDAR OF EVENTS from page 3

12th, 19th, 26th - Tutoring - Internet followed by a craft for children ages or Word

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Maryland Room, Central Library, Denton. Individual 1/2 hour tutoring sessions using the internet or Microsoft Word. Please call the Information Desk to register or for more information 410-479-1343 ext 1.

13th-Puppet S h o w 10:15a.m.- 11 a.m. & 11 a.m.-11:45a. m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton. Puppet show presentation of "The Frog Prince"

newborn to 5 years and their caregivers.

14th - Thursday Fun Group

All Day, Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton. Summer Readers meet for crafts, books, and special programs.

15th - Caroline Summerfest

5 p.m.-10 p.m. Downtown Denton. Celebrating the 20th anniversary of Summerfest, a free family festival, free shuttle transportation, classic car & motorcycle show, live music,

food, Kidzart, river cruises, fine arts, games, fun for the whole family.

16th-Choptank Rivah Run

On-site registration and check-in begins at 9 a.m. at Martinak State Park located on Sharp Road in Denton. Canoes and kayaks depart from the Martinak Boat ramp at 10 a.m. Ends at Summerfest location in downtown Denton, for more info. contact Parks & Rec. at 410-479-8120.

16th- Caroline Summerfest 2 p.m.-10 p.m. Downtown Denton Celebrating the 20th anniversary of Summerfest, a free family festival, free shuttle transportation, classic car & motorcycle show, live music, food, Kidzart, river cruises, fine arts, games, fun for the whole family. Fireworks at 10 p.m. by the Courthouse green.

23rd-Bluesman Jake LaBotz from California will be playing at Black Anchor Tattoo. He is well known for his blues and acting roles. Please see website!!! http://jakelabotz.com.

Denton Spring Gala Photo Highlights















MARK YOUR CALENDAR... The Denton Holiday Parade is **Thursday December 4th**

If you would like to participate in the parade please contact the Denton Town Office at 410-479-2050 or lorendorf@dentonmaryland.com



Denton Town Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2008 Regular Meeting

Mayor Foster called the regular meeting of the Denton Town Council to order at 7 p.m. on this date leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that all Council members were present, with the exception of Councilman Porter. Councilman Porter arrived later as reflected in the minutes.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2008 regular meeting, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2008 working session, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Public Hearing Ordinance #557

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:05 PM to receive public comments on Ordinance #557 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton to permit members of the Denton Town Council to participate in the Town's health insurance plan, provided that the participating Councilperson is responsible for one-half of the costs and expenses associated with Councilperson's coverage, and provided that any coverage provided to a family member of the participating Councilperson shall be paid 100% by the Councilperson electing the coverage, and further provided that the same is approved by the majority of the qualified Voters of the Town of Denton at the next municipal election.

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the State - there were none

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the County - there were none

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the Council – there were none

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the Public - there were none

Foster closed this public hearing at passing unanimously 4-0 7:07 p.m.

Petitions, Remonstrances and **Communication**

None

Ordinances and Resolutions Ordinance # 555 Heritage

As a follow up to the Denton Town Council discussion and consideration of the Heritage Area Certification at their October 2007 meeting, Brynja Booth has prepared an ordinance for the Denton Town Council's consideration. Ordinance amends the Denton Comprehensive Plan to incorporate the Stories of the Chesapeake Heritage Area Management Plan as the Plan relates to those areas of the Town located within the Denton Central Business District and the Denton Historic District. This ordinance was introduced at the February 4th meeting and brought before the Council for consideration of adoption.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #555, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously 4-0

Ordinance ##557 Town Council **Health Care Insurance**

An ordinance of the Town of Denton to permit members of the Denton Town Council to participate in the Town's health insurance plan, provided that the participating Councilperson is responsible for one-half of the costs and expenses associated with the Councilperson's coverage, and provided that any coverage provided to a family member of the participating Councilperson shall be paid 100% by the Councilperson electing the coverage, and further provided that the same is approved by the majority of the qualified Voters of the Town of Denton at the next municipal election. This ordinance was introduced March 13, 2008 and was brought before the Council for consideration of adoption.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #557,

With no further comments Mayor seconded by Councilman Clendaniel,

Reports of officers, board and <u>committees</u>

None

Unfinished Business Agenda #1 Durner Building 15 South Third Street

Councilman Porter arrived 7:16 p.m. and joined the Council.

Staff provided an overview of what has taken place to date that brought this property before the Council for consideration of purchase 15 S. Third Street.

Further discussion was held in which Council members expressed concern about acquiring the building for the asking price and having to possibly spend another \$50,000 in renovations.

Councilman Branson made a motion to offer the Durner Family *Trust* \$100,000 for this property. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Councilman Porter made a motion to decline the purchase of this property at this time, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #2 Personnel Policy Amendment Request: The Denton Benefits Committee had submitted a request for Council consideration on expanding the use of sick leave. Additionally, a request is provided to the Council for consideration of an amendment to the Denton Personnel Policy with respect to leave.

Councilman Moore asked if the proposed changes were the same as the County and was advised yes.

Councilman Moore made a motion to accept the amendments, seconded by Councilman Branson. In discussion, Staff clarified that the bereavement leave proposed was different than the County, as it allows the employee to use sick leave for bereavement instead of separate leave.

Councilman Porter acknowledged the increase in personal days and vacation leave and asked if there was any additional cost associated with it. Chief Cox advised that there could be some

cost associated for the Police Dept. if the department is down on staff. Scott Getchell advised that it could create some management issues for scheduling and comp time.

The Mayor called for the vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda #3 Boat Ramp Fee

This item was initially discussed at the March 13 Town Council meeting. The Council requested the opportunity to consider piggybacking onto the County boat ramp access fee. County staff provided a copy of the implementation schedule and a copy of the proposed amendment to the County code for the Council to review.

The council directed Town staff to work with the County, and if they implement a boat ramp fee to make sure the Town is on board.

Councilman Porter asked staff to look at the bulk head at Crouse Park for open nails.

Agenda #4 FY-09 Budget

The FY-09 Budget, reflecting the submission of the individual departments, was presented to the Town Council. A working session was scheduled for April 21, 2008 to provide the Council with an opportunity to review the budget, and also discuss the proposed Planning and Codes Department budget.

This item was informational only, no action was taken.

New Business Agenda #1 Lockerman Pump <u>Station Upgrade – Bid Award</u>

The Department of Public Works requested the Council to consider approving the bid received from Bryan & Sons, Inc. to upgrade the Lockerman Street Pump Station. A letter from Mr. Tim Glass, Lane Engineering, certifying the bid and the bid documents was also provided. The Department also requested the Council approve the enclosed proposal from Lane Engineering for construction administration services. MDE has granted the Town of Denton \$265,000 of the \$347,789 estimated cost of the project. The difference will be

funded through the sewer reserve fund. If the Council approved, the bid and construction administration proposal will be sent to MDE for their approval. Pending approvals, the project will be completed during the summer months while the school is on vacation.

Councilman Branson made a motion to authorize this upgrade, seconded by Councilman Moore. Discussion was held in which it was clarified that the sewer reserve fund would pay for the cost over any grant funds. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda #2 Board of Appeals Appointment

Two positions with the Board of Appeals expire in May: one for a three year membership and one is a three year alternate membership. Mr. Scott Brewster is willing to be considered for re-appointment. Barbara Porter, presently the alternate, has indicated her preference not to be re-appointed. Michelle Wasson, who had submitted a letter of interest for the Planning Commission, has expressed interest in serving on the Board of Appeals. This was brought before the Council for consideration of appointment.

Councilman Branson made a motion to reappoint Mr. Brewster and to appoint Mrs. Wasson to the Board of Appeals, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Mayor Foster asked that a letter be drafted to be sent to Mrs. Porter thanking her for her years of service. Staff will prepare.

<u>Agenda #3 Denton Architectural</u> <u>Historic Review Board</u>

One position on the Historic Review Board is up for consideration of renewal and Mrs. Kathy Mackel has written the Town indicating her willingness to continue to serve on this board. Additionally, there are two vacancies. Mr. Ray Claytor and Mr. Damian Dowdall have both written submitting their names for consideration.

Councilman Branson made a motion to appoint all three to the Historic Review Board, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Agenda #4 Angels of Mercy

Home Health Care Services

Ms. Barbara Quillen had requested the opportunity to discuss Angels of Mercy with the Town Council, but was unable to attend. Staff will follow back up to reschedule.

Agenda #5 ENR Agreement with MDE

Mandated by the NPDES permit that went into effect September 2007, the Town of Denton must enter into an agreement with the Maryland Department of the Environment to upgrade the existing WWTP to enhanced nutrient removal (ENR) standards by 2011. MDE will fully fund the upgrade. This applies only to upgrading the existing plant and does not address future expansion needs. The Public Works Director requested the Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the attached agreement.

Councilman Porter made a motion to direct the Mayor to sign the agreement, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

<u>Agenda #6 Sharp Road Park</u> <u>Drawdown</u>

Mr. Brandon Nier of the Choptank Athletic Association provided a copy of their site plan which includes their Forestation Plan and their Landscaping Plan, seeking the Council's support to proceed with the Forestation Plan and initiate site work for the Sharp Road Park. Funding has been set aside for the park land to accommodate forestation requirements for the Denton Industrial Park (expansion) as well as funding through a contribution made by Trice Meadows (\$50,000) and the impact fees.

Staff also asked the Council if approving to allow staff to monitor the invoices and issue payments, rather than having to be brought back before the board for every invoice.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Councilman Clendaniel asked the CCA about the possibility to incorporate the basketball courts. Mr. Nier advised that the CCA is open to developing a committee to review. Mayor Foster expressed interest in sitting on the committee.

Agenda #7 Target Investment Zone (TIZ)

The Heritage Area requires the development of a proposed Target Investment Zone Nomination. A copy of the document was prepared with the assistance of the Denton Development Corporation and ESHI and was brought before the Council for approval.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

<u>Agenda #8 Small Business</u> <u>Loan Program</u>

The Town of Denton received a loan application from Allison and Bill Marine seeking to borrow loan funds from the Denton Small Business Loan Program.

The application was withdrawn prior to the Council meeting.

<u>Agenda #9 Utility Commission</u> <u>Appointment</u>

The Utility Commission asked the Town Council to appoint Mr. Dennis Porter to serve as the Council representative for the Commission. A copy of the March 27th meeting Utility Commission minutes were provided reflecting this recommendation.

Councilman Branson made a motion to appoint Councilman Porter to the serve on the Utility Commission, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

No Council members were available to participate in the Denton Little League Parade on Saturday.

Council members were reminded to return the registration forms for the MML Convention.

With no further discussion Mayor Foster adjourned this meeting at 8:10p.m.

May 5, 2008 <u>Regular Meeting</u>

Mayor Foster called the regular meeting of the Denton Town Council to order at 7:00p.m. on this date leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that all Council members were present with the exception of Councilman Porter.

Councilman Porter arrived at 7:03 p.m.

Councilman Moore made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2008 regular meeting and the April 21, 2008 working session, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Public Hearing Ordinance

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:01p.m. to receive public comments on the Fiscal Year 2009 Constant Yield.

Contents of the advertisement published in the Times Record on April 23, 2008

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Denton proposed to increase real property taxes due to the increase in assessments as published. If the Town of Denton maintains the current tax rate of \$.66 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues could increase by 7.7% possibly resulting in \$146,748 of new real property tax revenues.

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the Council:

Councilman Clendaniel expressed concerns over all of the increases in cost that have been placed on the residents through rising gasoline prices, sales tax and by other agencies and stated that he would like to avoid causing any additional taxes.

Mayor Foster stated that he shared Councilman Clendaniel's concerns.

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the Public:

Michele Amalfitano asked the Council to consider not raising the taxes as times are hard for everybody.

Eugene Brooks of 1113 Market St. expressed that being retired with no cost of living increases how difficult to afford to live in Denton with the increasing cost and asked for consideration to not raise the taxes.

John Draper of 309 Franklin St. expressed that the taxes are a great burden on them as owners of both a residential and business property and would like to see consideration

to not raise the taxes.

John Morris of 1133 Market St. also expressed concerns about the cost to live in town.

Ken Gornic of 206 S. Fifth Ave expressed concerns about the rising cost of living and suggested that the Council not raise taxes and look to take care of the people of Denton. Mr. Gornic recommended that the Town hold off on funding Tourism, find other items to cut and to take a critical look at payroll, get rid of the worst two employees, etc.

Kathy Mackel of 201 S. Fifth Ave expressed that a possible abatement on the taxes would be greatly appreciated, but explained that there is no need to cut tourism as the funding comes from the Hotel Tax and not the residents of Denton.

Ken Gornic spoke again emphasizing the need to refocus on the residents of Denton and not worry about bringing visitors in.

Richard Bullock of 610 Camp Rd raised concerns about the amount of taxes already assessed on his properties and that any tax increases are passed on to the customers of his business. Mr. Bullock stated that all types of governments need to cease wasteful spending.

Mayor Foster thanked the public for coming and advised that the Council will take their concerns into consideration when setting the tax rate for FY2009 at the June 2, 2008 meeting.

Betty Jean Bullock of 610 Camp Rd spoke regarding how hard the increase in cost is on all of the people and asked the Council to look at the long time residents and try to help them.

Mayor Foster again thanked the public for their comments.

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at 7:19p.m.

<u>Petitions, Remonstrances and</u> <u>Communication</u>

<u>Presentation of Proclamation</u> <u>to Mrs. Horsey</u>

Mayor Foster presented the proclamation previously adopted by the Town Council in recognition of former Councilmember Horsey to his wife, Mrs. Mary Ann Horsey.

Caroline Hospice Foundation,

<u>Inc</u>

Mrs. Linda Evans, the new Executive Director for the Caroline Hospice, came before the Council to introduce herself and share a little about the Hospice program, adding that it cost about \$30,000 a month to operate.

The Town Council reviewed a request from Mrs. Evans for consideration of assistance with the Hospice water and sewer expense. The total of the last four quarters water and sewer billing was approximately \$889.

Councilman Moore stated that he is a volunteer on the Hospice Board and recognized that Hospice is an important integral part of the Town, touching everyone's life at one time or another and recommended consideration of this request.

Town Staff and the Town Attorney provided clarification to advise the Council that the water and sewer funds are considered enterprise funds and by state law the Town can not offer an abatement of the fees from the utility funds. However the Council could handle like the Fire Dept and Little League Park fees. The Council could look to have the General Fund pay the water and sewer fund for these fees.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve the request and pay for the water and sewer out of the general fund, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously- *Councilman Clendaniel abstained due to his spouse being an employee of Hospice.

<u>Request for Permission to</u> <u>Metal Detect on Town Property</u>

Mr. William Cofone requested the opportunity to metal detect on the Old School house property and the Denton Municipal building lot property.

Councilman Branson made a motion to not set a precedence and decline Mr. Cofone's request, seconded by Mayor Foster, passing unanimously.

<u>Caroline County Mental Health</u> <u>Clinic</u>

Mr. Mike Campbell came before the Council to thank them for their time and financial support

in FY2008. Mr. Campbell provided a brief update on the clinic's current status, discussed next year's clinic budget, and advised the Council that any consideration for allocating funding in the FY2009 budget would be greatly appreciated.

This item was informational only, no action was taken by the Council at this time.

Ordinances and Resolutions Ordinance #558 - Appropriation Ordinance

The Appropriation Ordinance for the General Fund for FY2009 was brought before the Town Council for consideration of introduction.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to introduce Ordinance #558 and to work towards amending with the intention to try to reduce the real estate property tax rate back to the constant yield rate of .613cents, seconded by Councilman Porter.

Discussion was held in which Councilman Branson clarified that while the constant yield advertisement makes it look like the Town is raising taxes it is actually an increase in assessment values handled at the State level. All of the Council supported researching to see if the tax rate could be lowered. Staff will need direction on where to cut taxes.

<u>Reports of officers, board and</u> committees

None

<u>Unfinished Business</u> <u>Agenda #1 FY 2009 Budget</u>

The Council set up a working session on Monday, May 12, 2008 to begin at 7:00 to work on the budget with Staff. The Mayor has a meeting set up with the Choptank Athletic Association for discussion on the Sharp Road Park and 6:00.

Staff advised that presently .03 cents of the tax rate is donated to the fire department and this was the first year that the general fund budget reflected .01 cent going to the highway fund to help fund some road improvements.

Mr. Mike Campbell of Caroline County Mental Health asked for the opportunity to also offer information about the case load statics for the Center and expressed to the Council that the streets in Denton always get cleaned, the Police are there when ever they need them, and the Town services are always there.

New Business

<u>Agenda #1 Tennis Court</u> <u>Resurfacing – 4th St Park</u>

The Council reviewed a request from the Public Works Department to approve the bid from W.E. Seal, Inc. for the sum of \$9,992.61 to resurface the tennis courts at the 4th Street Park. W.E. Seal holds the contract for Anne Arundel County and is willing to extend a rider provision for the Town of Denton. Funds were allocated for this project in the FY08 General Fund. If approved, the work will take place before the summer time.

Staff advised that this is a maintenance item. It has been about 10 years since the court has been redone and there are minor cracks and the surface is starting to wear. If not resurfaced now the condition will get worse and the cost would increase.

Councilman Clendaniel questioned how much the County uses the courts, and staff advised that the high school mostly uses the Wheeler Park courts now and not so much the 4th St. courts.

Staff advised that the parks fee collected through building permits will help to cover the cost.

Councilman Clendaniel questioned why there was funding for tennis courts but not the basketball court and staff responded that there had not been previous discussion on funding for the basketball court, the focus has been on location options. Staff advised that the basketball courts are coming up for discussion with the Choptank Athletic Assoc. on Monday May 12, 2008.

Councilman Branson stated that there is specific funding put away for parks only. The general fund budget does not have a separate line item just for basketball courts similar to tennis courts.

Mayor Foster raised a concern about spending this amount of money on resurfacing the tennis courts when the Town is faced with losing their only basketball court.

Councilman Porter advised that the 4th St. tennis courts are heavily

Councilman Moore made a motion to hold off making a decision until the next meeting so the Council could have discussion at the workshop, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #2 LGIT Ballot

Councilman Branson made a motion to authorize the Mayor to cast the vote on behalf of the Council to participate in the election for the Local Government Insurance Trust Board of Trustees, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Agenda #3 Denton Industrial Park Option Agreement Lot 10A-2

The Town Attorney drafted an option agreement and ordinance for the potential sale of Lot10A-2. The Caroline Economic Development Corporation is working with a company interested in locating in the Denton Industrial Park.

Councilman Branson made a motion to introduce Ord. #559, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Councilman Branson confirmed with the Town Attorney that the option agreement includes the language for the purchaser to cover all of the settlement cost.

Agenda #4 SHA National Recreational Trails (NRT) Program Funds

The Denton Development Corporation, in an effort to fill a funding gap need, had applied for funding through the SHA National Recreational Trails (NRT) Program. Funding has been awarded in the amount of \$30,000. The MOU is before the Council for consideration and authorization of the Mayor to sign.

Councilman Branson made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the MOU, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #5 Corsica Computer
Contract's Town Office Contract
Renewal: The Town is approaching
the end of its first year with Corsica
Technologies for computer services

for the Municipal Office Building. Corsica has been very dependable and has provided excellent service. Town staff came before the Council seeking approval to extend the contract for another year at the same \$1,415 monthly fee. The monthly fee will remain the same as the current year, however the amount of hours allotted annually will increase from 60 to 72.

Police Dept.: the Police Dept. also was seeking approval from the Council to transfer computer maintenance services to Corsica Technologies for \$788 per month with a one time start up fee of \$350.

Discussion was held as to why the Police Dept was looking to switch companies and the need for there to be a backup server. Staff will work with Corsica to research backup server options.

Councilman Branson made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate the contracts with Corsica and make the best deal possible, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #6 Cahall Request

Cahall Recycling, our domestic trash contract hauler, has requested an additional \$125.00 per month fuel surcharge. The Public Works Department felt this was a reasonable request and recommended for approval from the Council.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve as requested, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

<u>Resolution #702 - CDBG</u> <u>Application</u>

The Town Administrator asked the Council for consideration to adopt a resolution that would authorize the submittal of an application for Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$300,000. The grant funding if approved would be used for the Main Street Micro Business project to pay off the remaining loan balance on 323 Market Street and to help with renovations.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt Resolution #702,

seconded by Councilman Porter, Planning Commission meeting with passing unanimously. Planning Commission meeting with Wal-Mart and the possibility of

Councilman Porter asked staff to make sure the grass was cut around the building.

Tax differential

The Caroline County Commissioners will hold the public hearing on the FY2009 tax differential at tomorrow's meeting.

Councilman Clendaniel will represent the town of Denton at the Caroline County Commissioners tax differential public hearing.

Director of Planning & Codes

Mr. Bill Kastning, the new Director of Planning and Codes, was officially introduced to the Council.

<u>Crouse Park Critical Area</u> <u>Mitigation</u>

Bill Kastning briefed the Council on the Crouse Park critical area mitigation. Staff met with the Choptank Athletic Association to review the draft plan for planting trees at the Sharp Road Park. The plan was provided to the Council for review. Planting the 100 oak tree saplings would be in addition to the forestation requirements. If acceptable to the Council staff can pull together the mitigation response.

Councilman Moore move to approve, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Berlin Mayor

Mayor Foster shared that the Mayor of Berlin had passed away and asked that staff send flowers on behalf of the Council.

Wal-Mart

Councilman Branson raised a concerned about what was reflected in the weekly notes regarding the Planning Commission meeting with Wal-Mart and the possibility of cutting back the infrastructure from four lanes to two lanes. Councilman Branson expressed that he does not support a change and that the roads need to be able to handle the traffic.

Staff advised that the Planning Commission requested Wal-Mart to provide a traffic impact study and they have only approved the building at this time. The Council discussed the Town having its own traffic study completed with Wal-Mart covering the cost to ensure accuracy.

Councilman Porter stated that it's the Planning Commissions decision and the Council should hold off and see what is presented back.

Councilman Porter complimented the traffic study that was completed on Riverton and asked staff to pull together a response to the citizens.

Councilman Branson stated that he would like to recommend to the Planning Commission to get a traffic study done to see whether the Legion Road should be a two or four lane highway and have Wal-Mart cover the cost. Staff will relay to the Planning Commission.

With no further discussion Mayor Foster adjourned this meeting at 9:18p.m.

*Amended on June 2, 2008 – Pg. 2880 Caroline Hospice - Evan(s) (Clendaniel abstained)

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Monteith Clerk-Treasurer



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evidence of forced entry into the building. During a search of the building the three boys were located inside and taken into custody without incident. All three were referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice and released to guardians.

Date: 04/15/2008

Classification Burglary 1st Degree Location: 200 block CAROLINE

APARTMENTS

Denton Police arrested David Rifenburg, 18 year old male from Denton, for burglary and assault. Police were called to Caroline Apartments where David Nelson, 19, reported that Rifenburg knocked on the door to Nelson's apartment and when Nelson started to open the door Rifenburg forced his way into the apartment and began striking Nelson in the face. Nelson did sustain injures during the attack that required him to be transported to the hospital for treatment. Rifenburg was located by responding officers who identified him. When officers attempted to place Rifenburg under arrest he fled on foot into a wooded area. Denton Police K-9 was used to track Rifenburg who was taken into custody a short distance away. Denton Police were assisted by the Caroline County Sheriff's Office and the Maryland State Police. Rifenburg was charged with Burglary-First Degree, Burglary-Third Degree, Burglary-Fourth Degree, Assault-Sec Degree, and Resist/Interfere with Arrest. Rifenburg was released by a District Court Commissioner after an initial appearance hearing on \$5,000.00 unsecured bond.

Date: 04/18/2008

Classification MDOP Under \$500 Location: 700 block MARKET ST Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. David George reported that person(s) unknown, by unknown means, scratched the doors on his 2003 Dodge. Damage is estimated at \$50.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479 1414.

Date: 04/18/2008

Classification MDOP Under \$500 Location: 300 block ACADEMY AV

Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. Kathy Falloni reported that person(s) unknown threw eggs at her 2008 Saturn causing the eggs to break on the car. Estimated clean up cost is \$50.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/18/2008

Classification Driving on a Suspend

License

Location: MARKET ST

Denton Police charged Clark Groce, 47 year old male of Wilmington DE, with driving on a suspended license. Police observed a 1985 Chevrolet van traveling the wrong way on a one way street (N. Fifth between Market and Gay). The vehicle was stopped and the operator was identified as Groce. A check of MVA records revealed that Groce's privilege to drive in Maryland and Delaware had been suspended and revoked. Groce was issued citations at the scene and released on his signature.

Date: 04/19/2008

Classification: Burglary 2nd Degree

/ General

Location: 100 block RIVERTON

ΑV

Denton Police are investigating a burglary. Lionel Goss reported that person(s) unknown entered his unsecured basement and removed an undisclosed amount of U. S. currency from a desk. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/22/2008 Classification DUI

Denton police arrested Douglas Johnson, 22 year old male of Denton, for DUI. Police were conducting a speed enforcement detail in the area of Sharp Road on Shore Highway when they observed a 2007 Toyota speeding (70 mph in a 50 mph zone). Police attempted to stop the vehicle however it continued to travel east on Shore Highway then turn south on Harmony Road. Police followed the vehicle until it stopped at a residence on Towers Road (Towers intersects Harmony approximately 2 miles from Shore Highway). The operator was identified as Johnson.

Police observed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage upon making initial contact with Johnson. Johnson was requested to perform field sobriety tests but declined to do them. Police then took Johnson into custody for DUI. Johnson was issued citations for DUI/DWI, violating a license restriction and speeding and released to a responsible person after Johnson signed the citations.

Date: 04/27/2008 Classification DWI / DUI Location: SHORE HIGHWAY

On April 27, 2008 at approximately 2033 hours, officers from the Denton Police Department responded to Shore Highway eastbound near Gay Street for a reported motor vehicle collision. Preliminary investigation revealed that John P. Hill, 39 year old of Denton, was operating a 2004 Chevrolet Cavalier eastbound on Shore Highway when he was struck by a 1996 Dodge pickup truck operated by Daniel Foster, 37 year old male of Denton. Mr. Foster was traveling west bound in the east bound lanes. Mr. Hill's injuries were severe and he was pronounced dead at the scene. Mr. Foster was transported by ambulance to the Easton Hospital where he was treated and released. The Denton Police Department was assisted by the Denton Volunteer Fire Department, Caroline County EMS, Caroline County Sheriff's Office, Maryland State Police, Maryland State Highway Administration and the Ridgely Volunteer Fire Department. The investigation into this collision is continuing.

Date: 04/30/2008

Classification Motor Vehicle/ Unlawful Taking

Location: 600 block GAY ST

Denton Police are investigating an unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. Tina Wright reported that she loaned her 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier to her boyfriend, Ray Boyce (the suspect and victim are both from Denton), on April 29, 2008. Boyce was to return the vehicle by 11p.m. As of this time the vehicle has not been returned. The vehicle is further described as a dark green 2 door bearing Maryland tags 26820CB. Charges are pending in this matter. Anyone with information regarding

Police observed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage upon making or the car are asked to contact the initial contact with Johnson. Johnson Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/30/2008

Classification Burglary 2nd Degree

/ General

Location: LOCKERMAN ST

Denton Police are investigating a burglary. Police were called to the Lockerman Ball Field were they discovered the concession stand had been broken into. Approximately \$85.00 in property was taken and approximately \$115.00 in damage was done. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 05/03/2008

Classification Theft Under \$500

Location: 0 block S FIFTH AV

Denton Police are investigating a theft. Richard Dodd reported that person(s) unknown removed an 8 foot fiberglass step ladder from a shed. The ladder is valued at \$150.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 05/04/2008 Classification DWI Location: LEGION RD

Denton Police arrested John Joseph Lee, 43 year old male of New Castle ,DE, for suspicion of driving while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. Police stopped a 2001 Chevrolet for a lane violation and found the operator to be Lee. Police immediately observed an odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from Lee's breath and person. Police requested that Lee submit to Standardized Field Sobriety Tests and Lee agreed. Based on the results of those tests Lee was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. It was also learned that Lee's privilege to drive was suspended and revoked through the State of Delaware. Lee was issued citations for DUI/DWI, driving revoked, driving suspended, and failure to drive right of center. Lee was released to responsible person after signing all citations.

Date: 05/04/2008

Classification Assault 2nd Degree

Location: 100 block CAROLINE **APARTMENTS**

Denton Police arrested Adrian Kmar Waters, 20 year old male of Denton, for assault. Police responded to Caroline Apartments in reference to a disturbance. On arrival police were advised that Waters and Keayra Green had been arguing. Police attempted to make contact with the occupants of the apartment but one would come to the door. Police had information that Waters and Green were in the apartment and they obtained a key for the apartment and made entry. Police were immediately met by Waters who was verbally abusive towards officers and refused to comply with requests and orders to calm down. Police attempted to place handcuffs on Waters for officer safety purposes and Waters resisted those attempts. After a brief struggle police were able to restrain Waters. Police then discovered evidence that led to Waters being arrested for an assault on Green. Waters was formally charged with one count each of Assault 2nd Degree, Obstructing and Hindering an Investigation, and Resisting Arrest. Waters was released on his own recognizance after an initial appearance hearing with a District Court Commissioner.

Date: 05/05/2008 Classification DWI

Location: SHORE HIGHWAY

Denton Police arrested Susan Doreen Thomas, 49 year old female of Preston, for suspicion of DUI/ DWI.

Police responded to Shore Highway in the area of Legion Road for a motor vehicle collision (MVC). The investigation revealed that a 2001 Nissan was traveling west on Shore Highway. A State Highway Administration truck, with a trailer in tow, was stopped on the right shoulder of the roadway. There were corrections facility inmates performing roadside clean up and the vehicle and trailer were supporting this operation. The trailer was empty with the exception of a portable bathroom facility. The trailer's tailgate was lowered at the time. The Nissan left the traveled portion of the roadway, travelled onto the trailer,

striking the portable bathroom facility (completely destroying it) and came to a rest completely on top of the trailer. The operator of the Nissan was found to be Thomas. After speaking with Thomas police became suspicious that Thomas may have been under the influence of some substance (there was no indication that Thomas had been consuming alcoholic beverages). Police requested that Thomas perform field sobriety tests and Thomas agreed. After the tests were completed Thomas was taken into custody for suspicion of DUI/DWI. Thomas was then taken to the Maryland State Police Barrack in Easton where a Drug Recognition Expert requested Thomas to perform further sobriety tests specifically for drugs and Thomas agreed. Following these tests it was determined that there was probable cause to believe that that Thomas was under the influence of some substance and unable to safely operate a motor vehicle. Thomas was issued citations for Failure to Control Speed to Avoid a Collision, Driving While Impaired by Drugs or Drugs and Alcohol, Driving While Impaired by a Controlled Dangerous Substance, Reckless Driving and Negligent Driving. Thomas was released to responsible person after signing all citations. It should be noted that one worker had just exited the portable bathroom facility and another worker was repairing a weed eater beside the trailer and the weed eater was knocked from that workers hands. Date: 05/06/2008

Classification Assault 2nd Degree Location: 300 block LINCOLN ST Denton Police arrested Nicholas Bruce Wilson Lyons, 27 year old male of Denton, for assault. Tara Lee, 22, of Denton, reported that Lyons had assaulted her by hitting Lee with his hands. Lyons had left the residence prior to police arriving on the scene. Police found evidence that Lyons had committed an assault against Lee and a broadcast was issued for Lyons. Lyons was located a short time later by a Caroline County Sheriff's Deputy in the area of Shore Highway and RT 309

(Just across the Caroline County line in Queen Anne County). The Maryland State Police were able to apprehend Lyons. Lyons was charged with one count of second degree assault and was released on his own recognizance after an initial appearance hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Date: 05/07/2008

Classification MDOP Under \$500 Location: 400 block LINCOLN ST Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. Makisha Hammond reported that person(s) unknown, by unknown means, broke the rear window of her 1993 Chevrolet. Hammond further reported that the damage occurred between 7p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or tips@todpolice.com.

Date: 05/08/2008

Classification Driving on a Suspend License

Location: GAY ST

Denton Police charged Scott Ian Arthur, 28 year old male of Greensboro, with driving suspended and an alcohol violation. Police observed a 1995 Subaru stopped at a red traffic light on Gay Street at Sixth Street. The light then turned to green and the Subaru did not move. Police waited for over 10 seconds and the vehicle still did not move. The vehicle was then stopped for impeding the flow of traffic and the driver was identified as Arthur. When police approached the vehicle they observed an open beer can in the floor of the vehicle. Further examination revealed that can was cold to the touch, wet and partially full. The officer requested that Arthur perform field sobriety tests which he did and satisfactorily completed. A check of MVA records revealed that Arthur's privilege to drive had been suspended in MD for failing to appear in court or paying a citation. Arthur was issued citations at the scene for driving suspended and consuming an alcoholic beverage in the passenger area of a vehicle on a highway and released on his signature.

Date: 05/09/2008

Classification MDOP Under \$500 Location: 200 block RIVERVIEW **GARDENS**

On 05-09-08, Robert Green of 207 Riverview Gardens reported to the Denton Police Department that the rear tire of his vehicle had been cut on his 2000 Pontiac. Green reported that the damage occurred sometime between the night of 05-04-08 and the morning of 05-05-08. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-

Date: 05/10/2008

Classification Burglary 4th Degree Location: 200 block RIVERVIEW **GARDENS**

On 05-10-08 at 6:08 p.m. officers responded to 208 Riverview Gardens in reference to a fight in progress. Megan Lori Burch, 18 year old female of Denton, reported that two females had come into the apartment and assaulted her. Tykerra Cannae Carter, 18 year old female of Denton, and a female juvenile of Ridgely were identified as the suspects. Charges are pending.

Date: 05/10/2008

Classification CDS: Possession-Marihuana

Location: SHORE HIGHWAY

On 05-10-08 at 11:35 p.m. the Denton Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for exceeding the posted speed limit on Shore Highway. K-9 scan resulted in a positive alert for the odor of CDS. A search of the vehicle resulted in the discovery of two marihuana smoking devices, suspected marihuana and an alcoholic beverage. The driver of the vehicle, Anthony Jay Fiorentino, 20 year old male of Milton, DE, was charged with possession of marihuana, possession of CDS paraphernalia and exceeding the posted speed limit. The passenger and owner of the vehicle, Kaitlin Marie Holland, 20 year old female of Seaford DE, was charged with possession of marihuana, possession of CDS paraphernalia and underage possession of alcohol.

Date: 05/11/2008

Classification Underage possession

of alcoholic bevg

Location: 600 block N SIXTH ST On 05-011-08 at 12:25 a.m. Daniel Wayne Hutson Jr., 19 year old male of Henderson, was charged by the Denton Police Department with Underage Possession of an Alcoholic Beverage. Hutson was passenger in a vehicle which was stopped for an equipment violation. The officer making the traffic stop detected an odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the vehicle. After further investigation it was determined that the driver of the vehicle was not consuming alcohol but Hutson had been and was in possession of alcoholic beverages. Hutson was released on citation.

Date: 05/11/2008

Classification Leave the scene of PD accident

Location: 1100 block SHORE HIGHWAY

On 05-11-08 at 9:55 PM, officers of the Denton Police Department responded to the High's Store, located at 1103 Shore Highway, in reference to a motor vehicle collision. It was reported that a vehicle had hit the store and that the vehicle and occupants were attempting to flee the scene. The vehicle involved was a 2001 GMC Pick-up truck registered to Charles T. Anderson of Greensboro. Tymor Horne and Joseph Downes Jr. were both detained at the scene. Horne and Downes were released pending charges.

Date: 05/12/2008

Classification Assault 2nd Degree Location: 600 block N SIXTH ST On 05-15-08, the Denton Police Department investigated a report of an assault that occurred at the Burger King, located at 604 N. Sixth St. Elena Karizkis, manager, reported that she had been assaulted by Arejulia Bailey, employee, after a verbal altercation. Karizkis was referred to the District Court Commissioner to apply for charges.

Date: 05/16/2008

Classification CDS Paraphernalia 1st Offence

Location: N FOURTH ST

Denton Police charged John Louis Simpson, 48 year old male of Denton, with possession of suspected CDS paraphernalia. Simpson was observed in the area of Fourth and Lincoln Streets acting in a suspicious manner. Police approached and began talking with Simpson. During the conversation Simpson admitted to being in possession of a CDS smoking device and gave that device to police. Simpson was issued a citation for possession of CDS paraphernalia and released on his signature.

Date: 05/16/2008 Classification DUI per se Location: GAY ST

Denton Police charged James David Kruger, 42 year old male of Sudlersville, with DUI. Police observed a 2004 Volkswagen being operated with an equipment violation (no taillights) in the 200 block of Gay Street. The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Kruger. Police observed an odor of alcoholic beverage about Kruger's breath and person. Police requested Kruger perform field sobriety tests and he complied. Based on the results of those tests Kruger was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI/DWI. Kruger issued citations for DUI/DWI and not having taillights illuminated and released to a responsible person.

Date: 05/17/2008 Classification DUI Location: FOY RD

Denton Police arrested Tracie Elizabeth Brokus, 33 year old female of Denton, for DUI and assault. Police were called to Denton Plaza for a reported intoxicated person. When police arrived they were advised the suspect was leaving in a 1986 Volvo. Police observed the vehicle and also observed several lane violations on Legion road and on Foy road. The vehicle was stopped and the operator was identified as Brokus. Police immediately observed an odor of alcoholic beverage about Brokus' breath and person. Brokus was requested to perform field sobriety test and based on the results of those tests Brokus was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI/DWI. Brokus was transported to Denton P. D., processed and released on her signature of citations. Police then provided Brokus a ride to her

residence on Hobbs Road. Once at the residence Brokus assaulted one of the officers by punching the officer in the arm. Brokus was again taken into custody, transported to Denton P. D. and processed for the assault. Brokus was taken before a District Court Commissioner where she was ordered held on a temporary commitment.

Date: 05/18/2008

Classification DWI / DUI

Location: Gay Street

Denton Police arrested Frederick Martin Retzolk, 55 year old male of Denton, for DUI and resisting arrest. Police were called to the area of Gay Street at Fourth Street in reference to a possible intoxicated driver.

A witness advised that Retzolk had approached the witness and started a conversation with the witness as if Retzolk knew the witness. When police arrived and spoke with Retzolk they immediately detected an odor of alcoholic beverage on his breath and person. Retzolk was requested to perform field sobriety tests and he complied. Based on the results of those tests Retzolk was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI/DWI. When police attempted to place handcuffs on Retzolk he resisted by wrestling around, causing officers to physically restrain Retzolk. Also during this time Retzolk started shouting profanities at police in a loud voice causing area residents to leave their houses to see what was happening. Once Retzolk was controlled he was transported to Denton P. D. where he was formally charged with DUI, DWI, resisting arrest, disturbing the peace, failure to obey a lawful order and endangerment while intoxicated. Retzolk was taken before a District Court Commissioner for an initial appearance hearing and was order temporarily held at the Caroline County Detention Center.

Date: 05/27/2008

Classification Burglary 4th Degree Location: 600 block SUNNYSIDE

ΑV

Denton Police are investigating an attempted burglary. Police responded the Caroline County Mental Health Clinic on Sunnyside Ave. where employees reported that person(s)

unknown attempted to force entry into the offices by cutting a screen on a rear window and by prying at the rear door. Damage to the screen and door are estimated at \$160.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or tips@todpolice.com.

Date: 05/29/2008 Classification DWI / DUI Location: MARKET ST

Denton Police arrested Tina Louise Roy, 37 year old female of Centreville, for DUI/DWI. Police observed a 2003 Chevrolet travelling the wrong way on N. Fifth Street in the area of Market Street (this area of N. Fifth Street is posted one way going north). The vehicle was stopped and the operator was identified as Roy. Police observed an odor of alcoholic beverage about Roy's breath and person and requested that she submitted to field sobriety tests and Roy complied. Roy failed to satisfactorily complete the requested tests and was placed under arrest. Roy was issued citations for DUI/ DWI and driving the wrong way on a one way street. Roy was released to a responsible party after signing all citations.

Date: 05/30/2008 Classification Theft less than \$100

Location: 1200 block FAIRFIELD

C'I

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Sharon Blackwell reported that a girls, purple in color, bicycle was removed from the rear of her residence. The bike is valued at \$50.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414 or tips@todpolice.com.



JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS from page 3

11th, 18th, Friday Summer Reading Camp-Bee Movie

10:30a.m.- 12:15p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Children in grades K-2 enjoy fun activities and programs to celebrate the summer reading

theme, "Catch the Reading Bug." Limited sign up begins June 2.

17th - Fun Thursday-Butterflies

2p.m.-3p.m. Childrens Activity Room, Central Library, Denton Celebrate "Catch the Reading Bug" with special gues Lisa Nowakowski

& her butterfly collection. Limited Registration-call for availability-410.479.1343 ext 111

11th, 18th, Friday Summer Reading **Camp-Singer Ray Owen**

10:30a.m.-12:15p.m. Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton Children in grades K-2 enjoy

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fun activities and programs to celebrate the summer reading theme, "Catch the Reading Bug". Limited sign up begins June 2.

30th - Puppet Show 11:00a.m.- 11:45a.m. *Large Meeting* Room, Central Library, Denton, Puppet show presentation of "Little Red Riding Hood," followed by a craft for children ages newborn to 5 years and their caregivers.

31st - Thursday Fun Group-The **Bee Movie**

All Day until 3:30p.m., Large Meeting Room, Central Library, Denton. Summer Readers meet for crafts, books, & special programs.

Caroline Hospice Foundation Benefit Concert

Featuring: Charles "Bo" Grant (formerly of The Platters)

Todd Performing Arts Center @ Chesapeake College 1000 College Circle Wye Mills, Maryland 21679

Saturday, August 9th Showtime 7:00 p.m.

Listen to some of the musical stylings from the 50's and 60's with such hits as "The Great Pretender," "With This Ring," and "Only You." Proceeds to benefit the Caroline Hospice Foundation that provides CARE, COMFORT, AND COMPASSION FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

Ticket price: \$50.00.

Reserved seating available for purchase of 10 or more tickets

Caroline Home for Hospice and Administrative Offices 410-479-3500 Chesapeake College Box Office 410-827-5867



SIGNATURE

PARENT SIGNATURE IF UNDER 18

REMEMBRANCE RUN/WALK FOR CAROLINE HOSPICE FOUNDATION

5 K Run/2 Mile Walk

Saturday, September 20, 2008 - 9:00 A.M. FEDERALSBURG, MARYLAND

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WHERE:	Federalsburg Marina Park in Federalsburg, Mat Park located on Md. 313 & 308 on the bea	MarylandRace registration, start and fir utiful Marshyhope River.
COURSE:	5K (3.125 miles) course through downtown a	and rural areas of Federalsburg.
COST & PREMIUMS:	5 K Run - \$15 pre-registration fee through 9 registration from 7:30 to 8:50 a.m. onlyarr 2 Mile Walk- \$15 pre-registration fee throug Run or Walk- 18 and under- \$10 fee (\$5 ex 5 and under- free	ive early. gh 9/13/08 and \$20 after 9/13/08.
	T-shirt premiums guaranteed to Pre	e-registered entries only.
STARTING TIME:	9:00 a.m. Run; 9:15 a.m. Walk	
AWARDS:	Presented to Top Overall male and female fin groups: 12 & under, 13-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40	
INFORMATION:	Contact Race Director Tim Bamforth at <u>302-tim@seashorestrider.com</u>	644-8952 (ext.1) or e-mail
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Showing Love Through Food

The S & R Family Restaurant is coming upon its first year in the restaurant business and is serving up the best roast beef, mashed potatoes



and collard greens and much, much more on the Eastern Shore at its location at 14 Denton P l a z a,

Denton, Maryland.

The S & R Family Restaurant is owned and operated by Starr and Roy Purnell, a husband and wife duo. After five years of retirement, Starr knew it was her calling to open a restaurant with her husband, of 33 years, Roy. After all, she proudly admits that she is known best by her friends and family to show her love for them through her cooking. Starr's dream is to translate the same level of love of people and passion for the art of creating country food to their customers. She and her husband Roy sought out to open a restaurant where friends, groups and of course, family can come, dine, and enjoy eating good country food. In fact, Roy coined his restaurant's motto saving that "You'll Leave with a Good Taste in Your Mouth!"

The S& R Family Restaurant features a full menu ranging from favorites such as fried fish, ribs, potato salad, chicken salad, green beans, candied yams, baked pies, cakes...and the extensive menu list goes on. According to Starr, "Our goal is to provide the community with a place for food and fellowship...it's our ministry!" In fact, several groups meet at the restaurant weekly for meals and meetings. The restaurant has a huge menu selection that is a good match for its current customer base who has come to rely on S&R for convenience, quality, responsive and friendly service.

The S&R Family Restaurant located next to Roses at the Denton Plaza is a full service family restaurant, but offers carry out and party platters. The restaurant features contemporary decor elements, which accent the country-style food.On Sunday, May 11, 2008, S& R Family Restaurant launched its first Annual Mother's Day Dinner. Although the store is usually open Mondays through Saturdays and serves by menu only, the Purnells understand just how important it is to show that they truly hold family first by honoring Mother's Day and arranging a delightful dinner just for the occasion.

Attention Settlement Attorneys

Reminder to all settlement attorneys and agencies to please contact the Denton Town Office for fees due to the Town when handling settlements for properties being sold or transferred within 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 residents 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 may be 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 p.m., the fee is \$100.00. Forms are available to use when requesting information. Any questions, please call the Town of Denton at (410) 479-2050.

Denton Carpets, Inc Has a New Location

Denton Carpets, Inc., formerly on 6th Avenue, has a new location at 755 Crystal Avenue. The store is under new ownership as well. They have extended their operating days to Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. They offer home shopping, free estimates and great pricing.

They have 15,000 samples to choose from, including carpet, laminate flooring, vinyl, ceramic, marble, dura-ceramic and hardwood flooring. Stop by and check out

their new location on Crystal Avenue. Denton Carpets will be having a sale June 30th through July 5th just in time for your Independence day weekend projects. Laminate flooring will be as low as \$1.69/sq ft and vinyl as low as \$0.99/sq ft. They also offer a 12 month no payment, no interest financing plan.

For more information contact Denton Carpet, Inc. at 410-479-1470 or 410-820-5518.

Priority Partners Offering Free Training This Summer

With summer upon us, it is the perfect time to remind parents to make sure they make dental health a must for themselves and their children. Prioity Partners has a dental health training program where participants will be able to:

- * Identify the need for good oral hygiene and care
- * Discover who is at risk for gum disease
- * Learn about the changing dental health needs for babies, children, pregnant women, and adults.

This class last approximately one hour and can be given at your location if you have a group of five or more participants. There is no charge for this class.

Priority Partners also offers classes regarding:

- * Sun Exposure
- * Heat related illnesses
- * Lyme Disease
- * Pool Safety
- * Bike Safety
- * Fatigue and Exhaustion
- * Food Safety

To schedule this class, please contact Jenny Schiltz, Community Health Advocate, at 410-810-1025 or email at jschiltz@jhhc.com.

Utility Calls for Service Fees

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/turn ons, 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.

Updates on Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance #558 – An ordinance of the Town of Denton to appropriate funds and estimate income in accordance with the budget adopted for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009. Introduced 5/5/08, Adopted 6/2/08, Effective 6/9/08.

Ordinance #559 - An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the Town Council to execute a contract for the sale of property described as Lot 10A-2 as shown on a plat entitled "Lot 10A Denton Industrial Park," which is recorded among the plat records of Caroline County, MD. Introduced 5/5/08, to be considered for adoption on 7/7/08.

Resolution # 702 - A resolution authorizing the submittal of an application for CDBG funds in the amount of \$300,000 for the DDC for consideration for a retail incubator. Adopted 5/5/08.

Complete copies of all Resolutions and Ordinances may be viewed at the office of the Town of Denton, 13 North Third Street, Denton, Maryland, during normal working hours 8:30 a.m. to 4 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.

WATER BILLS were mailed out July 1, 2008
Please pay them by July 25, 2008
Thank you.

Special Collection Reminder

Household Items: All special collection items to be picked up on Wednesdays must be called in by 12 noon on Tues. Effective January 1, 2003, there is a \$5.00 collection fee for each item to be collected. This fee must be paid prior to pickup date.

Yard Waste: 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.

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Call for Participation in the "Buy Local Challenge" July 23

With the arrival of spring,

so comes the return of the growing season and a fresh farm harvest for our tables. Farmers markets are active and farm stands, groceries, wineries and restaurants are beginning to offer locally grown products. This is time to prepare for the 2008 Buy Local Challenge Week during July 19 – 27. In collaboration with counties across Maryland, the Mid-Shore Regional Council is sponsoring the Buy Local Challenge Week in the Mid-Shore area (Caroline, Dorchester and Talbot Counties). This campaign is created to boost the local farm economy and to highlight the flavor, nutrition and health benefits that local products can provide. During this week, farmers' markets, farm stands and retailers of local farm products will be hosting special events. Plus, restaurants will be creating a "buy local menu" for everyone to enjoy.

Taking the challenge is simple, "I pledge to eat at least on item from a local farm everyday during the Buy Local Week." If you are looking for local farms, farmers markets, menu ideas or shopping tips, etc., you can go to www.buy-local-challenge.com.

Downtown Denton will be participating in the 2008 Buy Local Challenge. On Wednesday, July 23rd, the Downtown Denton Farmers Market will be hosting Chef Beth Brewster from the Emerson House. Chef Brewster will be performing chef demonstrations using fresh local produce from the farmers participating at the Downtown Denton Farmers Market. Come out to see her in action and to learn how to incorporate local produce in to your weekly meals.

Look out for information on additional activities provided by the Caroline County Cooperative Extension Office during the Buy Local Challenge Week.

Live, Eat, Buy Locally...take the "Buy Local Challenge"!!!

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