

Denton Town News

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Free

Find and Repair Water Leaks

Fresh clean drinking water is yours to use when needed but remember that it is a valuable resource that should not be wasted. Every drop counts! Water conservation does not require a major lifestyle change. It is mostly a matter of common sense. A little effort will make a big difference.

October is "National Toilet Tank Repair Month". A leaky toilet wastes more water than taking long showers or running the water while washing dishes. Toilets account for about 26% of indoor water usage and use more water daily than any other indoor fixture. Toilets made before 1994 use 3.5 to 7.0 gallons per flush. Federal plumbing standards now specify that new toilets use no more than 1.6 gallons per flush.

Silent toilet leaks can account for over 22 gallons of water lost each day. To check your toilet for leaks, lift off the tank lid and place 10 drops of food coloring in the tank. If the coloring appears in the bowl within 10 minutes, you have a medium leak (about 150 gallons per day). If the coloring appears in the bowl after 10 minutes, you have a small leak (50 gallons per day).

Water and sewer costs from leaking toilets can really add up. Common reasons for leaks include improper chain adjustment, deteriorated flapper valve, tank water level too high or broken shut-off valve. October is "National Toilet Tank Repair Month" and the ideal time to make any necessary repairs. Most homeowners are capable of making their own toilet repairs. Following is some information which may be helpful if you do wish to do your own repairs.

Before starting, drain the toilet tank. Turn off the shut-off valve and flush the toilet to drain the tank. Soak up the excess water in the tank with a sponge or towel.

If the handle must be jiggled to keep the toilet from running, the chain that controls the flapper might not be properly adjusted or the handle might be loose. To fix, clean and adjust the chain. Make sure the chain is not too long or too short. Tighten the nut that holds the toilet handle to the tank. If this does not work, the handle may need to be replaced.

A leaking flapper valve can
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Town of Denton Economic Initiatives



Since the early 1980's, Denton has been involved in economic development initiatives which are still active today. These include the Downtown Central Business District, the Small Business Loan Program and the Denton Industrial Park. These endeavors came about at the recommendation of a citizen based task force and through civic collaboration.

Downtown Central Business District

In the Downtown Central Business District earlier initiatives included the installation of new interlocking brick pavers, relocation of bridge lamp posts to Market Street and construction of handicap ramps. These initial projects had been funded by The Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program through HUD and were a collaborative effort between the Denton Jaycees and the Town of Denton Public Works Department. The Denton Jaycees continued their support by planting over 100 trees, painting commercial structures and embarking on a signage replacement program.

In the 90's when Denton's Downtown was faced with 70% vacancies the Denton Development Corporation (DDC), a private non-profit organization, was established.

The DDC spearheaded redevelopment of older buildings. Their initial building, the 1902 Carter Block Building, became the catalyst for redevelopment initiatives. This 20,000 sq. ft. building had been vacated by Edgell Pharmacy, leaving the entire first floor vacant. The Department of Social Services had expressed interest in renting space in the Central Business District and needed accommodations for an expansion of their existing operations and the creation of an employment service center. The existing owner of the property was not in a position to complete the bid package to the state for this project. The DDC obtained an option to purchase the building

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2008 Utility Billing Schedule

Months of Service	Billing Date	Due Date	1% Interest Added	Shut Off Date
October - December	12/28/2007	1/25/2008*	1/28/2008	2/5/2008
January - March	3/28/2008	4/25/2008	4/28/2008	5/6/2008
April - June	6/30/2008	7/25/2008	7/28/2008	8/5/2008
July - September	9/30/2008	10/25/2008	10/27/2008	11/5/2008

* Time allowed due to Holiday

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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

7 p.m.
November 5
December 3

Planning Commission

Meeting 6 p.m.
November 27

Historic Review Meeting

6 p.m.
November 21

Utility Commission Meeting

12 p.m.
Wastewater Treatment Plant on Legion Road
November 8
December 13

Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

November 6, 12, 22, 23
December 25

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

NOTICE

DENTON TOWN ELECTIONS

Under authority of Chapter V of the Denton Town Charter as amended and reenacted, a town election will be held on:

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007
BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 A.M. AND 8:00 P.M.
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 13 NORTH THIRD STREET, DENTON MD**

at which time registered voters of the Town of Denton will elect two Council Members, one to serve a term of five years to succeed Councilman Lester L. Branson whose term expires December 31, 2007, and one to serve a term of 2 years to finish the term for former Councilman J. Bradford Horsey, whose term expires December 31, 2009.

There are two candidates running for the vacancy on the Denton Town Council for this year's election. The candidates for consideration are:

**LESTER L. BRANSON
DENNIS D. PORTER**

****Voters will also vote on Ordinance #541 – An ordinance to provide that any Councilperson having served twenty (20) years in elected office on the Denton Town Council shall receive a monthly pension benefit from the Town of Denton in the amount of \$100 per month after reaching 62 years of age. If approved by the majority of the voters of the Town of Denton this benefit shall become effective on this Municipal Election Day.**

TOWN OF DENTON, MARYLAND
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS

PLEASE NOTE

Due to the Christmas and New Years Holiday trash pickup will be December 26th and January 2nd.

Thank You



**High Water Bills?
Check your
Faucets and Toilets
for leaks!**

*Denton Public Works
410-479-2050*

Calendar of Events

November

1 - Denton Holiday Parade Deadline.

If you are participating in the Denton Holiday Parade, the registration forms are due today. Please mail, fax or drop them off to the Denton Town Office, 13 N. Third Street by 4p.m. fax 410-479-3534.

2 - First Friday Nights Concert Series 7:30 p.m., Greensboro Trading Co. Music by local groups. The first Friday of every month. Donations accepted.

2 & 3 - Candle Light Haunting Tales Walk 7:00 pm & 7:30 pm, Museum of Rural Life 16 S. Second St. Denton. Admission Fee.

Take a step back in time as you relive Denton and Caroline County history, escorted by a guide! The walk meanders through downtown Denton over a 1 mile course and includes 20+ different scary and unusual stories retelling Denton and Caroline County history. The tour concludes with a sweet treat and hot beverage. Advance reservations are encouraged with start time selected. Call 410-479-2730 for more info.

9 - American Indian Month: (Joseph) Stands With Many & son Zachary; Cherokee storytelling, music & dance. 7p.m. Central Library, Den-

ton.

9 - Silent Auction & Reception - 5:30 p.m. Greensboro Trading Company, Greensboro. Come and make your bid for some of the beautiful artworks done by local artists. Reception starts at 5:30. There will be hors d'oeuvres served. Your one stop Christmas shopping store.

10 - Jazz Legend Wendell Johnson Performs 7 p.m. Firehouse Coffee, Market St. Denton admission is Free

11 - 2nd Story Live Concert - Dede Wyland Bluegrass 7:30p.m. Central Library, Denton. Admission: \$10, Students \$5, \$1 discount for CCCA members.

Dede Wyland's pure and compelling voice has enchanted audiences around the globe, and her driving rhythm guitar has powered the sound of many a bluegrass band.

16 - TENTING TONIGHT, by Judy Cook, in costume. 7p.m. Central Library, Denton Songs & Civil War letters from her great-great grandparents. "Best female vocalist in traditional folk" (WAMMIE award)

15 - Wine Tasting 7 p.m. Greensboro Trading Co. \$20 per person. Come taste local fine wines. A small plate included, catering by Tried and True caterers.

17 - Annual Turkey Trot Denton Elementary School

2 mile walk, run or jog challenge from Denton Elementary to Martinak State Park and back. Rain or shine. Open to all ages, first 75 registrants receive a free gift. Raffles, crafts and refreshments. Call Parks & Rec. for more info 410-479-8120

26 - Lead Poison & Prevention Fair 5:30p.m.-7:30p.m. Central Library, Denton.

Hosted by the Town of Denton in conjunction with the Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning. This is free and everyone is welcome to stop by and pick up information on keeping you and your family safe. There will be a door prize drawing.

30 - COMFORT ZONE 7pm, Central Library, Denton. The Sounds of Smooth Jazz", blues & vocals by 7 Delmarva Musicians playing Rehoboth spots & Jazz Fest.

December

1 & 2 - Christmas in Caroline Denton 4-H Park

Annual holiday craft show and silent auction.

5 - New Clay Hand Building Class 6 p.m. - \$47 Greensboro Trading Co. All materials and firings included. Have fun and learn about different clays, glazes and firings.

7 - First Friday Nights Concert Series 7:30 p.m. Greensboro Trading Co. Join us for an evening of wonderful music by local groups. The first Friday of every month a new group comes and plays their favorite music. Donations accepted.

6 - Denton Holiday Parade and Lighting of the Green, 6p.m.

Parade starts at the HAPS building on 7th St. along 5th Ave. to Market St. ending at the Courthouse for the Annual Lighting of the Green. Refreshments available for purchase on the courthouse green.

8 - Train & Toy Show

9 a.m.-3p.m. Denton Fire Department, 5th Ave.

Food, test track, train parts. Call Mr. Singer at 410-479-2928 for more info.

8 - Caroline Co. Historical Society Christmas Party 3p.m.-5p.m. & 5:30p.m.-7:30p.m. Historic Ellerslie Waterfront Home

8 & 9 - Santa's Magic Workshop 4p.m.-7p.m. Martinak State Park Nature Center. Admission: 2 cans of food per person, to be donated to St. Martin's Barn in Ridgely.

Train display, festive lights, seasonal music, refreshments, ornament crafts for the kids. Santa will be there to hear special wishes. Contact Martinak State Park for more info 410-820-1668.

8 & 9 - Christmas Open House Greensboro Trading Co.

Get your picture taken with Santa. Meet artist Barbara Donnon on Saturday and watch her paint. Many of her paintings will be for sale. Door prizes, Early Bird specials, goodies, Christmas

decorations and much more. On Sunday meet Stained Glass Artist Lynn Haneke and watch her work. Lynn will have many of her works for sale. One of a kind gifts available and made by local artists.

14 - Kurt Plinke - Art Exhibit Wine reception 5p.m.-8p.m. Central Library, Denton.

Careful observation and creative interpretation are hallmarks of Kurt Plinke's artwork. His work ranges through scientific illustrations of nature, loose studies of wildlife and environments.

- 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...

Denton Police Host 1st K-9 Conference



Training with human decoys, Ronnie Anderson and K-9 Diesel from Gaffney, SC Police Department

The Denton Police Department hosted its first K-9 Conference with Police Officers from around the country. Forty-two canine teams were in the county the week of October 15th to receive training from a variety of instructors. This was the first K-9 training session held in Caroline County. Training events were held in different places everyday. Training was given on Narcotics Detection, Criminal Interdiction, Criminal Apprehension and Explosive Detection. Narcotics Detection included vehicle searches, buried hides and residential and commercial searches. About 10-15 narcotic hides were offered daily in various settings. Criminal Interdiction included highway

interdiction and current case law offered by Sheriff Mike Lewis. Criminal Apprehension offered area apprehension, aquatic apprehension, agitation, tracking and building searches. Explosive Detection included vehicle detection, buried hides and residential and commercial explosive detection.

The session was organized by Officer Dan Franklin with the Denton Police Department. Instructors for the Conference were Charles Kirchner from South Carolina and Wayne Collins from Goldsboro, Md. The Decoys were Ad Boone from Holland, Steven Bosman from Belgium and Paolo Chiappetta from France.



Todd Fleenor and K-9 Yanic

New Motor Vehicle Accident Report Law

The Denton Police Department is reminding individuals that a new law took effect October 1, 2007 that changed the requirements for obtaining copies of motor vehicle accident reports.

In the 2007 Session of the Maryland General Assembly, the Legislature enacted HB 1409 ("Insurance-Fraud-Intentional Motor Vehicle Accidents, Creation of Documentation of Motor Vehicle Accidents and Reports"), creating new Transportation Article Section 20-110. **Effective October 1, 2007**, this new statute places restrictions on the release of motor vehicle accident reports within a sixty day period after the report is filed.



The procedures listed below must be followed by persons or their authorized representative requesting a copy of a motor vehicle accident report from the Denton Police Department. A person requesting a copy of a police investigated motor vehicle accident report within sixty days after the date the report is filed shall present (or submit by mail) to an officer of a law enforcement agency in which the report is filed:

1. A valid driver's license or other state issued identification card;
2. Proof the person is a person authorized to receive the report;

The following persons are authorized to receive a report:

- (1) The individuals involved in the motor vehicle accident;
- (2) The legal representative of an individual involved in the motor vehicle accident;

(3) The insurance producer, insurer or employee or agent of the insurer of an individual involved in the motor vehicle accident;

(4) A state's attorney or prosecutor;

(5) A representative of a victim services program;

(6) An employee of a radio or television station licensed by the FCC;

(7) An employee of a newspaper; and

(8) A unit of local, state or federal government authorized to have access to a report in furtherance of the unit's duties

3. A statement indicating that from the time the person is granted access to the report until the sixty days after the date the report is filed:

(1) The report will not be used for any commercial solicitation of an individual in the report; and

(2) The person will not knowingly disclose any information contained in the report to a third party for commercial solicitation of an individual listed in the report.

A person who obtains a report in violation of the statute is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$10,000, or imprisonment not exceeding 15 years, or both.



Authorized persons will still be able to obtain accident reports from the police department investigating the crash, or through

the Maryland State Police Central Records Division, 1711 Belmont Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21244.

Denton Police Dept. 410-479-1414

Police Department Press Releases

Date: 07/27/2007

Classification: Assault 1st Degree
Location: 400 block Market St.
The Denton Police Dept. arrested Wayne A. Larsen, 47, of 406 Market St., Denton, for an incident of Domestic Violence on July 27, 2007. Larsen allegedly assaulted his girlfriend, Lauren Mainguy, 23, in various ways prior to Police arrival. Larsen was arrested and charged with 1st Degree Assault, 2nd Degree Assault, and Reckless Endangerment. Following an initial appearance, Larsen was released on \$30,000 unsecured bond.

Date: 07/27/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: Gay St.

Denton Police responded to a minor motor vehicle collision. Investigation revealed that one of the operators involved, Joshua Coultas, 21 year old male of Denton, was operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license and privilege. Coultas was issued a citation and released at the scene.

Date: 07/30/2007

Classification: Motor Vehicle/Unlawful Taking

Location: 100 block Sunset Dr.

The Denton Police Department is investigating the theft of a 1999 Volvo S80 blue in color from 145 Sunset Dr. The vehicle in question had the keys left in it. The vehicle was recovered in the area of Mallard Landing in Denton. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 07/31/2007

Classification: MDOP

Location: Denton Plaza

Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. Vickie Warren reported that person(s) unknown caused damage to her vehicle, a Ford Escort ZX2, by scratching the trunk lid with an unknown object. Damage is estimated at \$225.00. Anyone with information concerning this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 07/31/2007

Classification: U/U of Motor Vehicle

Location: 200 block S Fifth Ave.

The Denton Police Department referred a 15 year old juvenile to the Department of Juvenile Justice for Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle and Theft. Matthew Rzegocki reported that his 1999 Chevrolet pickup was missing. The vehicle was located a short time later in the area of the Burger King.. The 15 year old was taken into custody and referred to Juvenile Justice, charged with one count each of unauthorized taking of a motor vehicle, theft over \$500, possession of tobacco products and driving without a license. The 15 year old was released to his mother.

Date: 08/02/2007

Classification: Theft under \$500

Location: 1200 block Fairfield Ct.

The Denton Police Department took a report of a stolen satellite radio from a vehicle parked in front of 1202 Fairfield Ct. The complainant Brandon Warner reported that the satellite radio receiver was taken from his Lincoln Town car between 2200 hours on 8-1-07 and 0900 hours on 8-2-07. If anyone has any information about this crime, please contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 08/03/2007

Classification: Burglary

Location: 1700 block Cattail Commons Way

The Denton Police Department is investigating a burglary and theft that occurred sometime between 5:30 p.m. on August 2, 2007 and 7:30 a.m. on August 3, 2007. An unknown person(s) forcibly entered a home at 1706 Cattail Commons Way, Denton, and removed a washer, a dryer, and a dishwasher. Estimated property loss is \$1200.00. Damage was also caused to the front door where the burglar(s) gained entry. Damage is estimated at \$400.00. Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Denton Police Dept. at (410)479-1414.

Date: 08/06/2007

Classification: MDOP over \$500

Location: 600 block Market St.

The Denton Police Department is investigating the damage to a

vehicle parked behind 601 Market St. It was reported that person(s) unknown damaged a 1997 Honda Civic belonging to Lori Pleasanton. The vehicle had three windows and a tail light broken out of it causing approximately \$900.00 in damage. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 08/08/2007

Classification: DWI

Location: 600 block Legion Rd.

Denton Police responded to a report of a property damage motor vehicle collision. Investigation revealed that Hugh Williamson of Denton was traveling on Legion Rd. When his 2000 Mercury left the roadway hitting several trees. Police observed that Williamson had an odor of alcoholic beverage on his breath and was very unstable on his feet. Williamson was taken into custody for suspicion of DUI. Williamson was issued traffic citations for DUI and failing to control speed to avoid a collision and was release on his signature.

Date: 08/08/2007

Classification: Theft under \$500

Location: 100 block Riverview Gardens

Denton Police responded to 101 Riverview Gardens for a report of a theft of a bicycle. The bike was a Next brand yellow, gold and black in color. The bike is valued at \$50.00. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Denton Police Dept. at 410-479-1414.

Date: 08/09/2007

Classification: DWI

Location: Shore Highway

Denton Police charged Jacy Covington, 22 year old female of Queenstown, with DUI. Police observed a vehicle, a 2008 Olds, traveling east bound in the west bound lanes of Shore Highway in the area of Legion Road. Police stopped the vehicle and identified the operator as Covington. After submitting to field sobriety tests Covington was taken into custody for suspicion of DUI. Along with the DUI Covington was charged with traveling the wrong way on

a one way street. Covington was issued citations and released to a responsible party.

Date: 08/13/2007

Classification: Assault 2nd Degree

Location: 400 block N. Sixth St.

Denton Police Department was advised of a mutual assault between Vicki Morris age 45 and Tulicia Batson age 33. The assault occurred at 409 N. Sixth St. Denton. Both Ms. Morris and Ms. Batson filed for criminal charges against each other for assault. Both were served criminal summons for assault in the second degree.

Date: 08/14/2007

Classification: Theft under \$500

Location: 1100 block Market St.

The Denton Police Department is investigating the theft of a purple Rand Hi-Riser girl's mountain bike. The bike is valued at \$100.00. The bike was taken from a residence in the 1100 block of Market St. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 08/15/2007

Classification: Theft Scheme under \$500

Location: 100 block Caroline Apts.

Denton Police Dept. is investigating the theft of a front registration plate from a vehicle parked at the Caroline Apartments complex between 2100 hours on 08/14/07 and 0700 hrs. On 08/15/07. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 08/15/2007

Classification: Theft under \$500

Location: 1100 block Canvasback Lane

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle that took place between the hours of 1800 on 8/14/07 to 1800 hours on 8/15/07. The bike is described as an unknown make, model "fear factor" mountain style bike, valued at \$165.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 08/18/2007

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Housing and Community Development...

Sidewalk Snow Removal Reminder

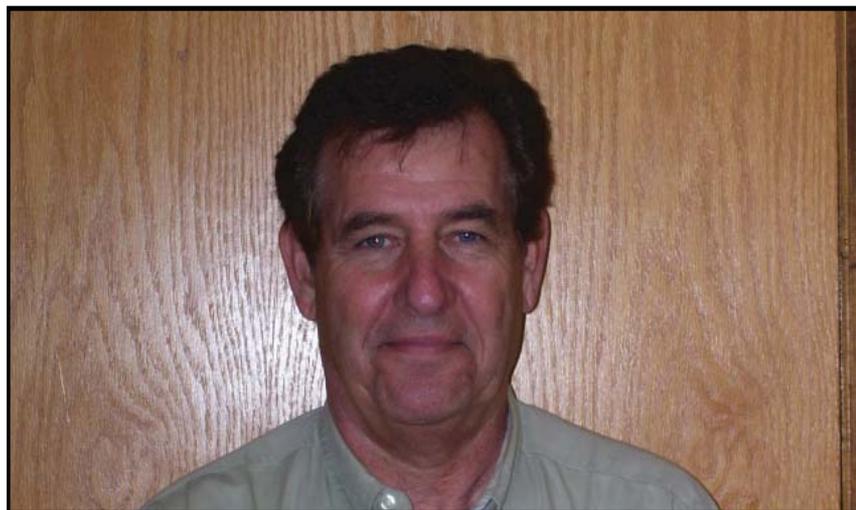
The winter snow season is just around the corner. The Denton Housing Office would like to take this opportunity to remind you about sidewalk snow removal.

Snow must be removed from sidewalks within 48 hours of the end of a snowstorm. Please clear the sidewalk fully and take appropriate precautions to prevent slips or falls. Commercial and residential landlords please take note. The town ordinance holds property owners responsible for the clearing of sidewalks. Please plan accordingly. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Planning Commission & Board of Appeal Vacancy

Wanted: Denton residents interested in serving on the Planning Commission or Board of Appeals. Vacancies will be available on both volunteer boards by year end. The Planning Commission directs the growth and development of the town, reviews site plans, subdivision applications, and provides recommendations and guidance to the Town Council. Interested applicants must be a resident of the Town of Denton, and able to attend monthly meetings held the last Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., and other workshops/training programs as required. The Board of Appeals meets on an as needed basis the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. to hear requests for variances, special exceptions, and other appeals of zoning decisions. Individuals must be able to make decisions based on interpretation of ordinances and information presented in the petition. Letters of interest should be submitted to the Denton Town Council, 13 N. Third Street, Denton, MD 21629 by November 8th. Call 410-479-3625 for additional information.

Housing Office Welcomes New Senior Code Enforcement Officer



The Town of Denton is pleased to welcome Larry Davis to the Housing and Community Development Department. Larry has accepted the position of Senior Code Enforcement Officer, and will be working with residents as well as contractors in the review and issuance of building permits. Larry and his wife, Terry, reside in Cordova.

Building Permits

The following is a list of permits issued by the Town of Denton between August 6, 2007, and September 27, 2007:

Holmes, 1023 Gay Street, Siding
Garland & Hobbs, 1610 Cattail Commons Way, SFD
Brittingham, 1140 Canvasback Lane, Shed
Calvary Baptist Church, 1120 Market St., Handicap Ramp
Turvin, 308 S. 5th Ave., Windows
Fahey, 205 N. 6th St., Fence
Hardisty Properties, Crystal Ave., Roof
Case, 1213 Painted Fern Rd., Fence
Edgewater, 1107 Trice Meadows Circle, SFD
Third Williston, 534 N. 6th St., Roof
Claytor, 119 Gay Street, Rehab
Garver, 1101 Canvasback Lane, Fence
O'Brien, 1115 Whistling Pine Rd., Deck
Ridgley, 535 N. 6th St., Roof

Dadds, 116 Caroline Drive, SFD/
Mechanical
Farina, 14 S. Third St., Roof
Schnoor, 1608 Cattail Commons Way, Fence
Robbins, 108 Butler Drive, Addition
Reed, 1024 Market St., Siding
Pinkett, 504 Elaine Ave., Roof
Murphy, 1239 Painted Fern Rd., Porch & Deck
Bartelmez, 507 Kathryn Ct., Addition
Gunther, 207 Gay St., Roof
Estwick, 722 Gay St., Porch
Caroline County Commissioners, 107 S. 4th St., Rehab
Wilson, 301 Carter Ave., Roof
Caroline County Commissioners, 410 Lockerman St., Fence
Caroline Center, 310 4th St., Deck
Dadds, 120 Caroline Drive, Grading
Hewitt, 1141 Osprey Lane, Fence
Wittman, 604 Market St., Roof
Alley, 700 Gay St., Porch
Thomason, 300 S. 5th Ave., Siding/
Windows

Lead Poison & Prevention Fair

The Department of Housing and Community Development would like to make residents aware that lead poisoning is a common problem in any community with older housing stock. National news has recently focused on the lead content found in children's jewelry and toys. Be aware of the toys your children play with, particularly younger children who put things in their mouth. Lead can be transmitted as tiny dust particles, which underscores the need for frequent thorough hand washing, and regular household cleaning.

If you have questions there are a couple of websites you can visit or you can obtain information

about lead reduction programs for your home from the Denton Town Office.

The Town will be hosting a lead poison & prevention resource fair in conjunction with the Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning on November 26th 2007 at the Caroline County Library, Market Street, from 5:30p.m. to 7:30p.m. This is free and everyone is welcome to stop by and pick up information on keeping you and your family safe. There will be a door prize drawing.

For more information on lead poisoning and prevention please contact www.lead-safe.org or www.cpsc.gov.

Housing Office
410-479-3625

Driving to Pennsylvania? Practice Caution Using Cell Phones

Effective November 10, 2007 motorists in the state of Pennsylvania will be prohibited from using handheld mobile telephones while operating a vehicle. The Bill (House Bill No.1827) amends Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes and was passed on September 11, 2007.



The Bill states that “No driver shall operate any moving vehicle on a highway of this Commonwealth, which shall include Federal, State and municipal highways, while using a handheld mobile telephone.” The term “handheld mobile telephone” is defined by the bill as “A mobile telephone other than a hands-free mobile telephone with which a user engages in a call using at least one hand.” It also defines hands-free mobile telephone as follows: “A mobile telephone that has an internal feature or function, or that is equipped with an attachment or addition, whether

or not permanently part of such mobile telephone, by which a user engages in a call without the use of either hand, whether or not the use of either hand is necessary to activate, deactivate or initiate a function of such telephone.” The new law does not apply, however, to the following, when on duty and acting in their official capacities:

- Law Enforcement Officers
- Operators of Emergency Vehicles

The bill also mentions that defensible actions for the use of a handheld mobile telephone will be:

- The driver had reason to fear for the driver’s safety
- Reporting a traffic accident
- Making a “911” emergency call

A person who is found to be in violation of this section commits a summary offense and upon conviction, will be sentenced to pay a \$50 fine.

Information provided by Jenny Rogers, Director of Human Resource Services, Cadmus Communications, a Cenveo Company Publishers Service Group, Lancaster Division.

Train and Toy Show

Denton Volunteer Fire Company
Fifth and Carter Ave. Denton, Maryland

Saturday, December 8, 2007
9:00am – 3:00pm

Food, Test Track , Train Parts.
Dealer set up 6:30a.m.

Advance Registration and Table \$15.00
At The Door Registration and Table \$20.00
Additional Tables \$12.00

Admission at Door \$3.00
Kids under 12 Free with Adult

Make Checks Payable to: Denton Vol. Fire Co.
Mail To: R.D. Singer
309 S. Second St
Denton, MD 21629

For More Information Contact:
R.D. singer 410-479-2928 or
Tom Trice 410-479-1173

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Lead Poisoning Prevention Resource Fair Free Admission

Monday, November 26, 2007 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Caroline County Free Library in Denton
100 Market Street
Denton Md. 21629

Sponsored By:

FIND OUT ABOUT:

- Making Your Home “Lead Safe”
- Sources of Lead In Your Environment
- MD Housing Laws
- Resources for Landlords
- Tenants’ Rights
- Lead Safe Work Practices
- Grants and Loans
- Lead Inspections



Exhibitors Door Prizes

For More Information:
CALL TODAY 410-820-9105
Admission is free!

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 Public Works...

Does Your House Have a Water Shutoff Valve Inside?

The Public Works Department has experienced many calls from residents this year to turn off water after pipes have frozen and broken. In the time that it takes for us to respond much damage could have taken place. It is better to be pro active in taking a few simple precautions and save yourself the mess, money and aggravation frozen pipes cause.

What's the solution? Besides moving to Florida, installing a water shutoff valve inside your home is recommended. In the event of an emergency, a shutoff valve will provide the means to immediately shut off the water, preventing a catastrophe if you are not at home.

A local plumber can perform this installation. Once installed it is important to make sure that everyone in your household is aware of the location of the valve. The valve should be operated periodically to prevent it from seizing up. If your

home is already equipped with a shutoff valve, verify its location and ensure that it works.

In addition to having a valve installed, pipes exposed to cold air should be properly insulated to further prevent problems. When temperatures drop below freezing, the pipes in the exterior walls and under your house could be affected. When water freezes inside a pipe, it expands and inevitably ruptures the pipe. Water damage can and will occur in a short amount of time.

Wrap insulation around water pipes that are close to the ground or in unheated spaces such as the attic. Disconnect garden hoses from all outdoor faucets. Turn off outside water lines, and then open the outside spigots to drain any water still in the pipes. This reduces the chance of freezing in the short span of pipe just inside the house.

For more information, contact Mark Chandler at 410-479-5446.

Snow Shoveling Safety

Shoveling snow can help burn calories, but it can also put people at risk for a heart attack or a back injury. That's according to Dr. Thomas Simmer, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Vice President and corporate medical director.

Proper shoveling techniques can reduce back injury or lower your risk of a heart attack. You should face the snow you're about to shovel. Always keep your back straight, your knees bent, and throw the snow forward. Avoid throwing snow over your shoulder. Twisting while throwing snow behind you can cause back strain. In fact, experts recommend that you push the shovel to move the snow and avoid lifting whenever possible.

Follow these precautions to

protect yourself:

* Before shoveling, warm up with a few stretching exercises.

* Don't smoke or eat a large meal before shoveling.

* Dress warmly in layers with a hat. Cover your neck.

* Tackle heavy snow in two stages. Begin by skimming off the snow from the top, and then remove the bottom layer. Avoid overloading the shovel.

* Don't try to shovel too much too quickly. Allow yourself enough time to do the work so you don't feel rushed. Follow a slow and steady pace. Take frequent breaks to stand up and stretch.

* Drink water during breaks. Breathing cold air dehydrates the body.

Tips for Saving Water Inside the Home

Approximately sixty percent of total household water supply is used inside the home in three main areas: the kitchen, the bathroom and the laundry room. Follow these tips to reduce water use indoors:

• Make sure all faucets are tightly turned off and not leaking: *A leaking faucet could waste up to 4,000 gallons per year.*

• Replace old faucets with new water-efficient models or install aerators to reduce flow.

In the Laundry Room

• Run full loads of laundry instead of many small loads.

• Consider energy and water efficiency when purchasing new laundry machines: *Newer models use 40% less water and can save up to 6,000 gallons per year.*

In the Bathroom

• Install low flow toilets or install a water-saving displacement device in the tank to reduce the amount of water needed to flush.

• Test all toilets regularly for leaks: *A leaking toilet could waste up to 100 gallons a day.*

• Do not use the toilet as a wastebasket.

• Replace old showerheads:

Low flow showerheads can save 3 gallons per minute.

• Take shorter showers.
• Turn off water when shaving or brushing teeth.

• Reuse water when you can. A bucket in the shower can catch water for plants and clean-up jobs.

In the Kitchen

• Run dishwasher only when full.

• Consider water use when purchasing a new dishwasher: *New water and energy efficient models use 20% less water.*

• Defrost food in refrigerator instead of using running water: *A running faucet uses about a gallon of water per minute.*

• Use wash and rinse basins rather than running water when washing dishes by hand. Use minimal detergent so you do not have to rinse as much.

• Do not pre-rinse dishes before loading into dishwasher.

• Keep a container of water in the refrigerator rather than waiting for cold water from the faucet.

• Wash foods in a basin of water rather than using running water.



Don't Get Stuck!

Please Park your Vehicle off the Street.

Snow Plowing Starts Shortly after Snowfall Begins

Thank you, Denton Public Works



Public Works 410-479-2050

Water & Sewer Payments

Utility Bills are mailed out quarterly around the 1st of the month in January, April, July, and October, and are due to be paid by the 25th of the month in which they are issued. Interest at the rate of 1% is added on the 26th.

Past due notices (red cards) are mailed on the 26th and are 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 payment in an envelope in the

drop box outside the Town Office.

Water that has been turned off for non-payment will be assessed a service charge in order to be 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 shutoff 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 the due date.

Water service will be shut off for non-payment.

Avoid Water Shutoffs

Utility bills were mailed Oct. 1, 2007. To avoid having your water turned off payment should have been received by Oct. 25, 2007. Payments can be made in person Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. by mail, or by placing it

in the night drop box located to the right of the front door. Acceptable payment methods include cash, check, money order or cashier check. The next utility bills will be mailed around Jan. 1, 2008 and will be due in full by Jan. 25, 2008.

Public Works Snow Plowing Policy

Planning for a winter storm event can be difficult. The variations in rate of snowfall, moisture content, air/surface temperatures, time of day, and wind velocity make each storm unique.

The purpose of this policy is to clarify and describe the Town's snow plowing and sanding priorities and the level of service that is intended to be provided by Town forces. The Town does not guarantee that streets will be free of snow and ice after plowing and/or sanding. Bare, dry pavement should not be expected. The Town will attempt to maintain adequate traction for

vehicles properly equipped for winter driving conditions.

It is the goal of this effort to establish general policies and procedures that help make travel within the Town as safe as possible and to minimize economic hardship.

Priority Categories

For snow and ice events, streets in Denton are prioritized into four categories. Streets of major importance that must be kept open at all times and are designated snow emergency routes are first priority. These include:

- 5th Avenue from Market

Fall Loose Leaf Collection

Autumn is here and the leaves are beginning to fall. The Denton Public Works Department annual loose leaf vacuuming removal service began **October 15 and will run through December 14, 2007**. Leaves must be bagged for pickup the remaining months of the year.



Loose leaf vacuuming will occur on Friday and/or Monday, pending work load, and excluding holidays. It will be necessary to call in your loose leaf vacuum pickup request by 12 p.m. on Thursday to guarantee pickup by Monday.

Bagged leaf collection will still take place on Wednesday and must be called in to the Town Office by 12 p.m. on Tuesday.

Citizens are encouraged to call the Town Office at 410-479-2050 to request pickup. If calling after hours please leave the request on the Town Office answering machine, ext. 25.

Please follow these guidelines for leaf removal:

- Rake leaves to the curbside or alley.
- DO NOT rake leaves into the street.
- DO NOT rake leaves onto the sidewalk.
- Make sure all sticks and limbs are removed from the pile of leaves.
- Make sure there are no other objects or debris mixed with the leaves (like bottles or other trash).
- Piles of leaves with sticks, limbs, or other debris will not be picked up.
- Phone in your pickup request to the Town Office at 410-479-2050 by Thursday to guarantee pickup by Monday.
- All pickups will be done by request/appointment only.
- Loose leaf pickups will occur from Oct. 15 through Dec. 14, on Mondays and Fridays only, except for holidays.

Loose leaf collection days: October 15, 19, 22, 26, 29

November 2, 5, 9, 16, 19, 26, 30

December 3, 7, 10, 14

Street south to Sharp Road, including the Denton Fire House ramp (Emergency Services)

• 3rd Street from Gay Street south to Fountain Avenue (Emergency Services)

• Market Street from the causeway east to 6th Street (Central Business District) (CBD)

• Camp Road to the Wesleyan Center (Emergency Services)

• Kerr Avenue to 5th to the nursing home and the Shore Health System facility (Emergency Services)

• Town-owned sidewalks and steps

slightly less importance than the first priority streets. Streets in this category include:

• High Street west to Lockerman to Caroline Street (school bus route)

• Engerman Road and Park Lane (Denton Industrial Park)

• Town-owned parking lot
• St. Luke's Church parking lot (Public Health and Safety Welfare)

Third priority streets are residential streets and intersections, beginning with major collector streets and streets that serve 10 or more permanent families throughout the winter.

Second priority are streets with only

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Economic Development and Denton Main Street...

Miracle on Market Street



The Main Street Program in conjunction with the Main Street Committees and the graciousness of William Maloney will open a Holiday Marketplace at 220 Market Street beginning Thursday, December 6, 2007 at 6:00 pm and will remain open until 9pm that evening. Other hours of operation will be:

- * **Thursday, Dec. 6**
from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- * **Fridays, Dec. 7, 14, 21,**
from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- * **Saturdays, Dec. 8, 15, 22,**
from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- * **Sundays, Dec. 9, 16, 23,**
from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The shop will host several different venues. Shoppers will

not only find artwork, jewelry, and crafts, but other retail businesses will provide specialty gifts in every price range for even the most discriminating shopper.

The Denton Marketplace is now accepting applications for local artists, retail business professionals and crafters to help create a holiday shopping marketplace in the old Tracy's Country Treasures space.

Business applications will be reviewed by a jury for acceptance into the marketplace. The Main Street Program wants this marketplace to provide a wonderful avenue for consumers to shop for the holidays... mimicking mini kiosks in a mall.

Visit the town web site for a vendor application at www.dentonmaryland.com or call 410-479-0400.

Get ready to have a wonderful holiday shopping experience in downtown Denton. Don't forget to visit the other business locations in town too! Happy Holidays!

The ArtsWay at Denton Project



323 Market Street, part of the up and coming Arts & Entertainment District in Downtown Denton.

The Denton Development Corporation (DDC) has led an initiative for redeveloping the area of Fourth Street in Denton between Gay and Market Streets since its designation as a State Arts & Entertainment District three years ago. This section of town, known as *The ArtsWay at Denton* project, has a unique opportunity available at 323 Market Street, a key property within the Arts & Entertainment (A&E) District.

The DDC, a non-profit community revitalization organization, is interested in creative approaches from qualified individuals to redevelop the structure. It is envisioned that this building will be rehabilitated and redeveloped, by the selected entrepreneur into artisan retail, studio, and/or residential space. The property, offered at a vastly reduced purchase price, will be subdivided prior to sale to provide space for the relocation of an additional historical structure into *The ArtsWay at Denton*. Artisan entrepreneurs are encouraged to compete for the opportunity either individually, or in combination with other qualified parties.

Since the Town of Denton received State designation as an A&E District in 2005, successful planning initiatives combined with funded grant proposals (e.g. Maryland's Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Legacy Program) have enabled the DDC to facilitate the acquisition of targeted properties as

well as create a sustained momentum for the revitalization of the area. It is envisioned that *The ArtsWay at Denton*, including 323 Market Street, will become a center of cultural activity for the entire designated A&E District. Revitalization efforts of *The ArtsWay at Denton* have evolved into a close partnership between the DDC, the Town of Denton, the Caroline County Council of Arts, and other community partners. As a component of the project, the Caroline County Council of Arts will purchase and rehabilitate 401 Market Street this fall to house their new headquarters as well as a much needed county-wide community art gallery.

Maryland is the first state in the country to develop Arts and Entertainment Districts on a statewide basis. The benefits offered to selected districts include property tax credits for new construction or renovation of certain buildings that create live-work space for artists and/or space for arts and entertainment enterprises, income tax subtraction modification for income derived from artist work sold by "qualifying residing artists," and an exemption from the Admissions and Amusement tax levied by an "arts and entertainment enterprise" or "qualifying residing artist" in a district.

For further information about *The ArtsWay at Denton*, including the sale of 323 Market Street please contact Abigail McNinch, project manager, at 410-479-4305 ext. 2.

ANNUAL
Denton Holiday Parade

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

The Denton Holiday Parade is
Thursday December 6

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

Jazz Guitarist Plays November 10th

Firehouse Coffee is excited to announce that they will have Wendell Johnson, jazz guitarist, to play at the coffee shop Saturday, November 10, 2007 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wendell Johnson traveled extensively with Lionel Hampton and his band. He played with legend greats such as Lloyd

Price and Big Jay McNeely. Mr. Johnson became the musical director for The Platters and played with legendary great Ray Charles for about ten years. Admission is free. Firehouse Coffee is located at 300 Market Street, Denton, MD 21629.

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Denton School House, Circa 1903



Interior View of Denton School House prior to renovations.

and was financed privately.

The Denton Development Corporation would then facilitate the acquisition of property behind the Carter Block Building and the development of public parking. This project provided additional public parking in the Downtown Central Business District.

Presently the DDC is working on several projects. These include the redevelopment of a former Dollar General site, establishment of an Arts and Entertainment District and development of the ArtsWay, rehabilitation of the Old High School for the Chesapeake Culinary Center and redevelopment of Crouse Memorial Park.

The Dollar General site is presently vacant. The property once housed a 6,000 sq. ft. retail building occupied by Dollar General. The building was destroyed by arson and the property was purchased by the Town of Denton through the Maryland Small Cities Block Grant Economic Development Program. These funds enabled the Town to acquire and complete the clearing of the property. The DDC facilitated in the preparation of a redevelopment plan which included sale of the property to a private developer. The project is presently in plan review for the construction of a two story office and retail center.

In 2005 Denton received designation as an Arts & Entertainment (A&E) District.

Within this designated area, Denton, in partnership with the DDC, has acquired the majority of properties on Fourth Street (between Gay and Market Streets) for the *Denton ArtsWay*. The *Denton ArtsWay* is proposed to be a center of cultural activity for the entire A&E District. Properties on this street, most of which are considered a current source of slum and blight, are proposed to be rehabilitated and occupied by artisans for adaptive reuse as studio, gallery, and/or residential space.

Under the management of the DDC, the rehabilitation of the Fourth Street block of the A & E District has evolved into a collaborative effort between the DDC, the Town, the Caroline County Council of Arts (CCCA), a private developer and community members. Primarily through grant funds, the Town has purchased five structures on the Denton ArtsWay block. The CCCA will be acquiring 401 Market Street a cornerstone structure located on

the corner of Fourth Street and Market Street. The organization will rehabilitate the building to house their headquarters and provide much needed gallery space. Seven additional historic homes, once slated for demolition, will be moved into the Fourth Street project area to

create a cluster of similar uses.

The Caroline High School was initially constructed in 1901 and has been vacant since 1987. The property has been purchased by the Town and DDC is facilitating the redevelopment of the property. The Chesapeake Culinary Center, a private non-profit entity, is proposing to redevelop and expand the existing building to accommodate their culinary training program. They are presently leasing a building in the Central Business District and provide training for adults seeking to enter into or further their skills in the food service industry. When completed, the former high school will house the Caroline County Career and Technology Center Culinary Program and the Chesapeake Culinary Center will operate their training and restaurant facilities. A performing arts center is proposed for the third floor of the building. Funding for this project is through the Maryland State Bond Bill, CDBG-ED, USDA, Commissioners of Caroline County, the Town of Denton and private contributions/foundations.

By far the most aggressive level of redevelopment proposed by the DDC is the redevelopment of Crouse Memorial Park. The DDC

is proposing to construct a visitor center, redevelop the bulkhead, create walkways and facilitate the development of a restaurant and marina shop. With full funding in place, the construction of the bulkhead and dredging is underway. The restaurant and visitor center are anticipated to begin construction in 2008. There are a number of federal and state grants which provided funding for this project. For more information on the DDC and their specific projects you may reach Project Managers Ellis Davison and Abigail McNinch at 410-479-4305, or www.dentondevcorporation.com

Denton Small Business Loan Program

The Denton Small Business Loan Program first program began in 1984 and was initiated with CDBG funding through HUD. This program provides businesses and non-profit organizations locating, or seeking to locate in the Town of Denton with long term, below market rate financing. At the time the initial Small Business Loan Program was started, conventional interest rates were double digit. The program facilitates conventional loans for real estate improvements, fixed assets, and working capital situations which result in employment opportunities, a broader range of goods and service to residents and improvement in the quality of the



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Christmas Around Caroline

Saturday, December 1

Ridgely Old Fashioned Christmas

6:45 p.m.

This year's event will include a parade, caroling, refreshments, and Santa lighting the town Christmas tree. This year the Lions will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for donation to Toys for Tots in conjunction with the Marine Corps League and Toys for Tots. There will be a silent auction in the Town Office of hand crafted Christmas trees and Christmas wreaths. Santa will conclude the parade at the Ridgely House where refreshments will be served. Santa will entertain children and local church choirs will sing Christmas carols.



Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2

7th Annual Christmas in Caroline

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Caroline County 4-H Park, Detour Rd., Denton Antiques, crafts, collectibles & gift merchandise, country store, fresh greens, grave blankets & wreaths, costumed characters, wagon rides (weather permitting), special candy cane game, children's make-it take-it crafts workshop, photos with Santa and pet xmas photos. Festive christmas music, a silent auction and great food. Free admission with plenty of parking. For more information call 410-479-0565.

Denton Holiday Windows

Denton Holiday Windows "The Twelve Days of Christmas"

The opening of the window displays in the 200 block of Market Street begins December 6th and will run through December 31st. Stroll along Market Street and view windows decorated by local artisans and civic groups for "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Help select the "peoples choice" window.



Saturday, December 1

Greensboro Lighting of the City

7:00 p.m.

Greensboro Fairgrounds. There will be Christmas Carols, Hot Chocolate and cookies.

Saturday, December 1

Federalsburg Carol Sing

6:30 p.m.

Base of water tower on Morris Avenue. Last year for lighting the water tower.

Thursday, December 6

Denton Holiday Parade

Denton's Holiday Parade at 6:00 p.m.

The Parade begins on Fifth Avenue and ends on Market Street in front of the Caroline County Courthouse. The Lighting of the Green follows the end of the Denton Holiday Parade. Santa will be PNC Bank at 207 Market Street for photos after the *Lighting of the Green*. For more information call 410-479-2050.

Lighting of the Green After the Denton Holiday Parade

Caroline County Courthouse Join the North Caroline High School Marching Band for a holiday musical sound off to the Lighting of the Historic Courthouse Green.

ANNUAL Denton Holiday Parade



Saturday, December 8

Historic Society Annual Christmas Party

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. or 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Historic Ellerslie Waterfront Home
off 2nd Street, Denton

Get ready for the Holiday season by dressing up, eating fabulous foods, drinks and desserts. Tour the house and listen to JOK Walsh speak on the history of the Ellerslie House and some of its past residents.

Heavy Hors d'oeuvres & Beverages

\$25 Donation

Reservations by December 5, 410-479-1750



Saturday, December 8

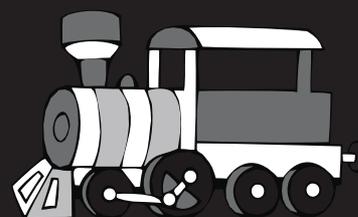
Train and Toy Show

Denton Volunteer Fire Company
Fifth and Carter Ave., Denton, Maryland
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Food, Test Track, Train Parts. Admission \$3. Kids under 12 Free with Adult. For more information contact:

R.D. Singer 410-479-2928 or

Tom Trice 410-479-1173



Miracle on Main Street Holiday Market Place

Beginning December 6, 3 weekends in December
Downtown Market Street

Thursday, December 6, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Fridays, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sundays, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Come down to Market Street and experience the joy of the season at Denton's special holiday marketplace. Take a stroll and enjoy the window decorations, then stop in to visit Santa and do some holiday shopping, too. It's a month of fun for the entire family!



Saturday, December 15

Hillsboro's Luminary Tour

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

Drive or Walk along Main Street, Church Street and over the bridge. Light refreshments will be served at the town hall and Santa will be at the town hall as well.

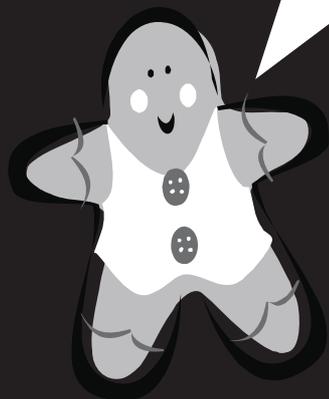
Monday, December 10

Federalburg Christmas Parade

7:00 p.m. *Rain date Dec. 11*
"Peace on Earth"

This year's Grand Marshall is The Ruiz Family. Begins at University Ave. and ends at Railroad Ave. Parade application is available at www.federalburg.org. For more information contact Betty Ballas at 410-754-8157

Sponsored by the Santa Claus Committee & the Town of Federalburg



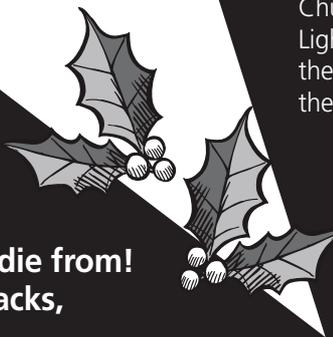
HOLIDAY EATING— NOT to die from! HEALTHY CHOICES: Dips, Snacks, Cakes & Cookies SAMPLES & RECIPES

Caroline County Library, Denton Thursday,
December 6, 4:00 p.m.

Federalburg
Monday, December 10, 4:00 p.m.

Greensboro
Thursday, December 13, 4 p.m.

By Cathy McKelvy, R.N. Health Dept. and Sharon Pahlman, 4-H



Saturday, December 15

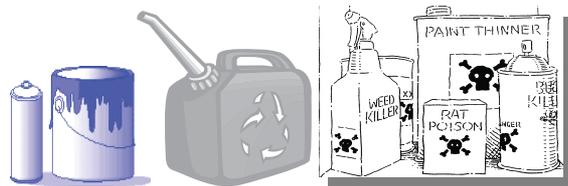
"Behold the Gift" Ridgely Live Nativity Pageant

Located on lot beside Ridgely Town Hall, Central Avenue. Costumed actors, animals, and live music depict the Christmas story.

(Sponsored by the Ridgely area churches)

Saturday, November 3 - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Caroline County Public Works, Denton, MD

◦ Household Hazardous Waste & Mercury Thermometer Collection ◦ Consumer Electronics Recycling



Rain or Shine **Free!**

410-758-6605

www.midshorerecycling.org

Funded by the Midshore Counties (Caroline, Kent, QA & Talbot)

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built environment in Denton. To accomplish this purpose, several loan programs had been established through the creation of cooperative effort between the Town and local lending institution. The Town offers four financial programs: Real Estate Improvement, Fixed Asset, Business Start Up and Working Capital. The Town of Denton presently has three Small Business Loan Program funds – the initial 1984 HUD program, a 1994 Maryland CDBG-ED program and 2005 USDA Intermediary Relending Program. The terms differ based on the type of loan. Generally the interest rate does not exceed 5% and the loans typically run concurrently with bank financing terms.

The USDA Intermediary Relending Program was funded initially by a \$750,000 loan to the Town of Denton. This loan is at 1% interest rate. The Town of Denton relends these funds through the Denton Small Business Loan Program, maintaining a first or shared (through Parity Agreement) first position. The loan funds through this program are primarily used for acquisition and rehabilitation projects. The maximum loan amount is \$150,000 up to 75% of the project cost.

The Town of Denton has lent just under 2 million dollars in loans, over 50 individual loans and has had 3 defaults. For more information on the Denton Small Business Loan Program contact the Denton Town Office at 410-479-2050.

Denton Industrial Park

The Town of Denton, in an effort to diversify its tax base and provide employment opportunities, developed the third industrial park in Caroline County. The first two were developed by the Town of Federalsburg. An appointed task force assisted with the recommendation on the development of an industrial park and also identified potential sites.

In 1983 the Town of Denton purchased a 90 acre farm. The Denton Industrial Park was developed into 14 lots. The Town, with the assistance

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Nov. 2007 *Mark your calendar - One day only* **Sat. Nov. 3 2007** **Rain or Shine 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** **Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Mercury Thermometer Collection, Consumer Electronics Recycling Event** **Free!**
Funded by the Midshore Counties (Caroline, Kent, QA & Talbot) These planned events are subject to change without notice.
Where: Caroline Co. Public Works, Denton, MD Route 404 to Denton / Greensboro Exit (McDonalds, Pizza Hut) onto Route 619 South (6th Street), Right on Wilmuth.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection *Get the skeletons out of your closet, basement and garage on Nov. 3!*

Who: Residents of Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's & Talbot Counties **Free!**
 NO Business, Industrial or Commercial Farm Waste Residency and Household Status Verification will be requested.

What WILL be accepted: Gasoline, Gas/Oil Mixes, Fuels, Acids, Cleaners, Solvents, Automotive Fluids, Bleach, Ammonia, Pool Chemicals, Dark Room Chemicals, Household and Lawn & Garden Pesticides, Insecticides & Herbicides, Painting Products: Oil Based Paints, Paint Thinner, Turpentine, Wood Preservatives, Wood Strippers ... (Don't bring LATEX paint, solidify & dispose in trash - to solidify add dirt, mulch, kitty litter, etc) Materials will safely go to Haz Mat disposal facilities.
 - Pre-arrange large loads - Empty fuel cans returned upon request. - Event is voluntary. Other safe reuse, disposal options may exist.

What will NOT be accepted: Explosives, Ammunition (Contact Fire Marshall - 410-822-7609), Medical Waste, Radioactive Materials, Picric Acid (Don't transport- call MDE or Haz Mat Co.), Compressed Gas Cylinders (propane, refrigerant, etc.), Asbestos, Smoke Detectors. **No Materials from Business, Industrial or Commercial Farm Sources,** For Assistance: Contact Manufacturers; MDE (800-633-6101 ext. 3343); MDA (410-841-5710) or Hazardous Materials Companies

Future Collections: Tentative: Spring 2008 — Queen Anne's Co. Fall 2008—Talbot Co. Spring 2009—Kent Co. Fall 2009—

Suggestion Box:

- Recycle Motor Oil, Antifreeze & Tires at existing collection sites during normal hours (see www.midshorerecycling.org).
- Don't bring latex paint.
- Solidify & dispose of latex paint with trash.
- Put dirty empty cans in trash.
- Recycle clean & empty metal cans.
- Buy quantities that match task.
- Follow label instructions.
- Label all items & store in proper containers.
- Keep out of reach of children.
- Choose safer products & substitutes.
- Recycle lead acid vehicle & marine batteries at retailer.
- Recycle Ni-Cad batteries at electronics stores.

Project Partners: Midshore Region 410-758-6605 Caroline Co. 410-479-4040 Kent Co. 410-778-7448 QA Co. 410-758-2697 Talbot Co. 410-770-8170 Midshore Landfill (MES) 410-820-8383 MDE 800-633-6101

Mercury Thermometer Collection Turn in old thermometers weekdays at QA & Kent County Health Depts. or at **(Nov. 3)** event in Caroline County.

Electronics Recycling *Trashing old consumer electronics just doesn't compute!* Pre-arrange large loads **eCycling Electronics Recycling**

Drop off for recycling on (Nov. 3): **Computers:** CPU's, Keyboards, Monitors*, Mouse, Printers, Cables, Modems, Computer Speakers, Scanners, External Disc Drives, Most Other Peripherals
Other Electronics: Televisions*, Remotes, VCR's, CD Players, Calculators, Cell Phones, Radios, Stereos, CB Radios, Fax Machines, Answering Machines, Copiers
Not Accepted: Large or small appliances, power tools, household items, manuals, diskettes, etc. For details: 410-758-6605 Or www.midshorerecycling.org

Voluntary program for residents of Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's & Talbot Counties

- Typical monitors & TV's have 4 pounds of lead.
- Lead & other toxic and valuable metals can be recovered & reused.
- These bulky items with toxic materials can be kept out of the landfill.
- *Recycling fees for TVs & Monitors waived for Nov. 3 collection.

Recycling "Shore" Matters! Midshore Regional Recycling Program: 410-758-6605

Recycle: Glass, Newspaper, Mixed Paper, Magazines, Metal Cans, Plastic Bottles at one of 40+ Recycling Stations in Midshore Region and by joining Kent County's or Infinity Recycling's curbside programs.

Recycle: Cardboard, clothes, scrap metal, tires, oil and antifreeze at many recycling stations in the region. See www.midshorerecycling.org for details

Reuse: Recycling: www.midshorerecycling.org
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Denton Town Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2007

Executive Session

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion at 6:15 PM to hold an executive session to obtain legal advice on annexation enclave issue; update from Town Attorneys on ongoing litigation with Caroline County, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

Councilmen Porter and Branson were absent. All other Council members were present during this meeting along with the Town Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer, Dave Thompson and Brynja Booth, Town Attorneys.

No action was taken.

At 6:55 PM Councilman Gregory made a motion to close the executive session, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, the motion passed unanimously.

Regular Meeting

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

Mayor Foster announced that the Town Council held an executive session earlier this evening to seek legal advice from the Town Attorneys.

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that Councilman Branson was absent and that all other Council members were present.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2007 meeting, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Swearing in of new Police Officers – this item was deferred.

Petitions, Remonstrances and Communication

Maryland National Guard and Reserve Support

A statement of support for the Guard and Reserve was presented to the Council for consideration.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to execute the Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserves, endorsing the support of the great State of Maryland and the United

States, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Proclamations for the Little League District 6 All Star winners

Denton combined with North County Little League teams this year to form several all-star teams called "North Caroline". The girls softball 10/11 year olds won the District 6 title; the girls junior league 13/14 softball won the District 6 title; and the boys junior league baseball won the District 6 title. Denton sent three teams to Waldorf to compete in the State competition. Congratulatory proclamations have been prepared for each of the teams for the Mayor's signature.

Mayor Foster applauded the parents, adults and coaches who support the youth and congratulated each team by reading and signing proclamations for those members of the above mentioned teams.

Proclamation Abrams Memorial Church

Mayor Foster signed a proclamation for the Abrams Memorial Church in recognition of 60 years of worship on Fourth Street in Denton.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution #696 – Police Car Financing

Chief Cox came before the Council seeking the adoption of Resolution #696 to approve financing of two patrol cars for the police department by Denton Bank and Trust.

Councilman Porter made a motion to adopt resolution #696, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Reports of officers, board and committees

None

Unfinished Business

Agenda #1 - Sharp Road Annexation Request:

The Town Council previously forwarded this annexation petition for a portion of Sharp Road and a portion of Lupine Lane to the Town Attorney to determine legal sufficiency, and to address enclave concerns; and to the Planning Commission for a

recommendation. This item was presented to discuss the findings of the town attorney, and planning commission recommendation.

Councilman Porter questioned contiguity. Councilman Clendaniel expressed that the Town has already annexed in enough land and that he would like to hold off on any future annexations at this time.

Mr. Chris Coile, one of the petitioners explained the reasons to consider annexing in this portion of Sharp Rd to support the Lupine Lane LLC project, to support the residents of that area and how this would benefit Denton Elementary School. Mr. Coile advised that he has a lot of money invested into this project and that he has been working on this for 2 ½ years and asked the Council to consider the annexation request.

Mayor Foster asked if this item could be deferred until a later date and allow the Council additional opportunity to talk with the Town Attorney and with Staff, referencing the benefits of relocating the pump station out of the Elementary School.

In discussion Staff expressed the concerns of having the pump station in the elementary school and explained how this project would help resolve these issues.

Cynthia McCann representing the property owners included in the proposed annexation inquired about the time frame for future discussions.

Councilman Clendaniel stated that the Council is doing things differently, and beginning to work with the County about growth and that the concern is not with a specific project but about school children, growth and the tax payers.

Councilman Porter talked about bringing in seven properties and not wanting to see additional issues with the County.

Mrs. McCann mentioned that this was not a significant amount of land compared to the existing Town boundary, referencing the comp plan.

Councilman Clendaniel made

a motion to defer until a later date to consult with the Town Attorney, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

Agenda #2 - 401 Market Street Option Agreement

The Caroline County Arts Council requested an extension on their Option Agreement to purchase 401 Market Street, while they continue to secure financing/funding for the acquisition and renovations to this property. Seeking an extension through Sept. 30, 2007. They are presently looking to borrow funding through the Town's IRP loan program.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to extend the option agreement through Sept. 30, 2007, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

New Business

Agenda #6 was moved up to discuss with unfinished business #2

Agenda #6 - Small Business Loan – IRP 401 Market St.

The Caroline County Arts Council submitted an application for funding through Denton's Small Business Loan IRP Program. The total amount of the loan is \$150,000. The term is for a 25 year period at an interest rate of 3%. This is part of the A & E District. The Loan Review Board has reviewed and recommends approval.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to provide a small business loan – IRP of \$150,000 for 25 years at 3% interest rate to the Caroline County Arts Council, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Back to unfinished business

Agenda #3

Municipal Building Design

The potential to incorporate a generator in the design of the proposed Municipal Building and/or the Police Facility was brought before the Council for discussion and consideration.

Councilman Gregory questioned if there was MEMA or Homeland Security grants available to cover this. Chief Cox advised that they

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have looked for grant funding. They were able to secure some homeland security funding to cover the electronic fence at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, but have not been successful for the generators.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to accept the proposal, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Staff was encouraged to continue to seek grant funding.

New Business

Agenda #1 – Fourth Street Play Lot Request

Councilmember Clendaniel requested a copy of a request from the Gornic's relative to the Fourth Street Play Lot be placed on the agenda for the discussion.

After considerable discussion the Council asked the Town Administrator to draft a letter to the Gornic's denying their request for the Mayor's Signature. Councilman Clendaniel advised that he would call the Gornic's and invite them to attend the National Night Out.

Agenda #2

Caroline County Mental Health Department Budget Request

– Councilmember Gregory requested giving the Caroline County Mental Health a donation to be placed on the agenda. Councilman Gregory stated that other Towns had given support and that he was not looking to be in the business to provide handouts or make contributions to other organizations but would like to provide some funding to this agency.

Councilman Gregory made a motion for the Town of Denton in the FY2008 budget to provide a \$2,000 gift to the Caroline County Mental Health Dept., seconded by Councilman Clendaniel.

Further discussion was held in which Councilman Porter stated that he felt this was a County & State function and not a Town responsibility. Councilman Porter advised that the Town of Denton already provides more support to this Agency than any other Town in the County because they are located within the limits of the Town of Denton.

Mayor Foster called for the vote.

The motion passed 3-1 with Councilman Porter voting no. The Council approved for the funds to be allocated out of the FY2008 reserve fund.

Agenda #3 - Police Vehicle Radio

The Denton Police Department came before the Council seeking authorization to purchase two police vehicle radios from the low bidder Teltronics out of Salisbury. The cost for the radios would be \$8,652.09 to be funded out of the police capital fund.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to allow the Police Dept. to purchase the vehicle radios for \$8,652.09, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Agenda #4 - DPW Vehicle Purchase

The Public Works Department came before the Council requesting authorization to purchase a new 1-ton Ford Pickup Truck from Miller Brothers Ford, who holds the Maryland State contract for 1-ton gasoline pickups. This truck would be equipped with a snow plow, 4-wheel drive, tow package and lift gate. The total cost of this truck, including options, is \$24,080. It would be charged in the following manner, which is consistent with the approved FY08 budget: General Fund = \$12,040 Highway Fund = \$12,040.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to authorize this purchase, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Agenda #5 - DPW Vehicle Purchase Amendment

At the July Council meeting, the Council approved the purchase of two ½-ton trucks from Norris Ford for the total amount of \$25,594. This was the price per the State of MD contract, which Norris Ford holds until November 2007. Subsequent to the Council's approval, Norris Ford rescinded the price stating they could not order 2007 trucks anymore nor do they have any available in stock. Calls were made to other dealerships requesting

proposals for the same vehicles with the same specifications. Preston Ford has offered to sell the Town two ½-ton trucks for the total sum of \$28,420, a difference of \$2,826 from the approved purchase price. Presently, this is the best offer.

The Public Works Department was seeking approval from the Council to purchase the two ½-ton trucks from the lowest proposal submitted, not to exceed \$28,420. If approved, the purchase would be charged as follows: General Fund = \$10,231.20 Highway Fund = \$3,694.60 Water Fund = \$3,694.60 Sewer Fund = \$10,799.60

Councilman Porter questioned if it would be better to wait until the 2008 are available. There was discussion about the increase in cost for a newer model.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to accept the amended vehicle purchase agreement for \$28,420, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #7 – Metropolitan Church

Councilman Clendaniel asked to add this item to the agenda to discuss some problems that the Church had come to him with that they were having in trying to obtain permits to rebuild their building. This included the building structure, type of windows, landscaping, stormwater management, bicycle rack, paving the parking lot, etc.

Staff spoke on behalf of the Planning Commission giving an overview of what is required for the buildings to be in compliance with State and Local laws. The Planning Commission and Staff have been working on this project for many years and offered to provide the Council with review of this history, which included the initial Town's assistance in getting the original church demolished.

Councilman Gregory asked that staff relay to the Planning Commission to try to assist this group. Councilman Clendaniel asked that the Planning Commission be encouraged to not apply the pattern book standards to this project.

The Town Administrator advised

that the Town has adopted design standards that apply to anything other than a single family residential unit and the Planning Commission and Staff would be required to comply with unless these were amended by new laws.

Councilman Gregory stated that maybe the ordinances are too strenuous on these people and that the Town should help them out.

Councilman Clendaniel expressed the importance of maintaining building regulations and to consider making an exception from time to time.

Ms. Shirley Huff spoke on behalf of the Metropolitan Church and thanked the Town and the Staff for their help in the past, but raised concerns that they seem to be hindered on moving forward. Ms. Huff compared their project to surrounding projects and asked for an explanation of the different requirements, expressing that the Church can not afford some of what is being required.

Staff advised that the Planning Commission made several recommendations and that some of them may have been misunderstood as requirements.

The Council asked what can be done to move this project forward. The Metropolitan Church members were invited to attend the next Planning Commission meeting on Aug. 28, 2007 to seek further clarification. In the mean time Staff offered to meet with the engineer and the members of the Church to help them along.

Ms. Lucricia Nixon, a member of the Church asked to see the plan for the entire Gay St. redevelopment. Staff advised that it was available for review at the Town Office.

With no further discussion Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to close this meeting at 9:15PM, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

September 10, 2007

Executive Session

Councilman Gregory made a motion at 6:35 PM to hold an executive session to seek
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legal advice on annexation issues, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

All Council members were present during this meeting, no action was taken. The Town Attorney – Brynja Booth, Town Administrator Terry Fearins and Karen Monteith were also present during this session.

With no further discussion Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to close the executive session at 6:59 PM, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Regular Meeting

Mayor Foster called the meeting of the Denton Town Council to order at 7:00 PM 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.

Mayor Foster announced that the Council had held an executive session prior to this meeting to seek legal advice on annexation issues.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2007 regular meeting and the July 30, 2007 working session with the Planning Commission, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Petitions, Remonstrance's and Communication

Ruff property & Cindy's Country Store property annexation petition

A petition received from H.J. Ruff Family Partnerships and Suppo & Wells Investment LLC for the annexation of their properties on the west side of Route 313 known as the Ruff property and Cindy's Country Store was presented to the Council. Total area requested for annexation is 17.13 acres consisting of two parcels: 1.04 acres and 16.09 acres. The smaller parcel is zoned C-2 and is requesting the equivalent town zoning of HC highway commercial. The larger parcel has split zoning of C-2 in the county equivalent to town zoning of HC highway commercial, and the rear of the parcel is zoned R Rural in the county, and the request is to make this MR Mixed Residential

in the town.

Mr. Willard Parker representative for the Ruff Family and Mr. Bob Jarrell representative for Dr. Suppo requested the Council to refer their annexation petition to the Town Attorney for a determination of legal sufficiency, and to the Planning Commission for review.

Councilman Branson made a motion to refer to the Town Attorney to determine legal sufficiency and the Planning Commission for review, Councilman Clendaniel seconded the motion with an amendment to provide awareness to the petitioners that the Council is not in favor of adopting this annexation at this time, the amended motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances and Resolutions Community Legacy Resolution

The Denton Development Corporation provided the Town of Denton with a Resolution for their application to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for Community Legacy Funding. This is for the Arts and Entertainment District project.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt Resolution #697, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Ordinance #545 – Denton Industrial Park Land Acquisition Lot 10A-

This ordinance provides authorization to proceed with the acquisition of Lot 10A in the Denton Industrial Park. This Ordinance was brought before the Town Council for consideration of introduction. Additionally, Lot 10A is proposed to be subdivided, with the potential sale of one of the lots for Hershey Creamery. Town staff requested the Councils consideration for a letter of intent to be prepared by the Town Attorney referencing this endeavor.

Councilman Branson asked about funding and staff responded that the Town will work with One Maryland Program funding.

Councilman Branson made a motion to introduce Ordinance #545, seconded by Councilman Porter,

passing unanimously.

Ordinance #546 – Denton Industrial Park Land Acquisition Lot 11 and Lot 12

This ordinance provides authorization to proceed with the acquisition of Lot 11 and Lot 12 in the Denton Industrial Park. This Ordinance was brought before the Town Council for consideration of introduction.

Councilman Branson made a motion to introduce Ordinance #545, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Reports of officers, board and committees

None

Unfinished Business

Agenda #1 Denton Little League

As previously requested at the July 2007 Council meeting, the Denton Little League has come up with a proposal for the Council to consider as the maximum annual contribution towards the water usage for the Little League fields and concession stands. Presently the Town's General Fund – Park budget absorb the cost of the water usage for these fields.

Note: The Denton Little League reimbursed the Town \$450.00 to help off set the large landscaping water usage for the Maryland Ave. field for the billing quarter April-June. This covered about half of the bill and was applied back toward the expense line item.

Mrs. Nadine Mentecki, President of the Denton Little League asked the Council to consider allocating \$500 a year towards the water usage for the little league parks, the Denton Little League will be responsible for any overage.

Councilman Branson made a motion to allow \$500 a year to be appropriated for the water usage for the Denton Little League parks, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel. Discussion was held about finding a place for the basketball courts. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda #2 Sharp Road Annexation Correspondence

A letter from Cynthia McCann, attorney for the Sharp Road

annexation petitioners was received. The letter is in response to concerns raised at the last Council meeting, and requests the introduction of an annexation resolution.

Ms. McCann, representing the petitioners of the Sharp Road annexation spoke to the Council referencing that the law states that if an annexation request meets legal sufficiency of contiguity and is within the Town's existing comp plan that the petitioner shall have the opportunity to request to be annexed. The annexation application presented has met all of the law requirements. Ms. McCann requested that the Council direct the Town Attorney to prepare legislation to introduce the annexation.

A letter received this date from the Caroline County Public Schools in support of the conversion of the existing Sharp Road force main to gravity flow system, as proposed as part of this annexation was provided to the Council for review.

Councilman Branson made a motion to have the Town Attorney prepare the annexation resolution, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

Agenda #3 Metropolitan Church

An update regarding the Planning Commission meeting with the Metropolitan Church was provided by Councilman Clendaniel. Mrs. Doris Walls, chair person for the Planning Commission, Ms. Jennifer Shull, Director of Planning & Zoning, Ms. Lucretia Nixon a representative from the Metropolitan Church and their engineering firm participated in the discussion. Both the Town Engineer and Lane Engineering, the firm for the Church, have been working together. The preliminary and final plans should be presented to the Planning Commission for review on Sept. 25, 2007.

Councilman Clendaniel advised that after reviewing Article 66B, that he found that as long as the Town controls off street parking there shall be a bike storage area. Jennifer Shull advised that the plans reviewed by the Planning Commission at their last meeting did include a bike

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rack.

This item was information only, no action was taken.

New Business

Agenda #1 – Historic Review Commission Appointment

Mr. Richard Peterson, 209 S. Fifth Avenue, has requested reappointment to the Historic & Architectural Review Commission. His current term expired on August 31, 2007. Ms Melissa Jones, owner of 214 S. Fifth Avenue, has also requested reappointment. There are five members of this commission each of whom serve a term of three years, and whom are qualified by special interest, knowledge or training. If reappointed Mr. Peterson's and Ms Jones terms would expire in 2010.

Councilman Branson made a motion to reappoint Mr. Peterson and Ms. Jones to the Historic Review Committee, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #2 - Residential Sprinkler Ordinance

Mr. Bruce Lecates, Camp Director, Denton Wesleyan Camp, came before the Council to discuss the Residential Sprinkler Ordinance seeking an exemption for their cottages. These units are presently used during their summer camping program and are shut down for the winter there is no electric of water is on during the non camping season.

Councilman Branson made a motion to refer to the Town Attorney to review for possible exemption for transient use, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Agenda #3 - Small Business Loan Program

Market Street Café is presently under contract. The Town of Denton has an existing small business loan with the owner of this property/business. The balance of this loan is approximately \$50,000. The contract purchasers have prepared an application for Denton's Small Business Loan Program.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve this small business loan request upon approval from the members of the Denton Loan Review Committee. Discussion

was held as some Council members wanted additional information and to have the recommendation from the loan review committee prior to making a decision. The motion died for lack of support.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion that if the loan review committee recommendations are available the Denton Town Council will hold a special meeting on Sept. 24, 2007 at 6:00 to make a decision on this item, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

Agenda #4 - Caraballo Request

Ramone Caraballo of 201 South 8th Street requested ownership of a 15-foot right-of-way next to his property. No deed has been found claiming ownership of this right-of-way, only a 1910 subdivision plat that does not reflect today's parcel maps. Staff from DPW and the Zoning Department has reviewed this request and do not foresee a problem with it. The right-of-way in question serves no purpose at this time and has no anticipated future use. Several documents are enclosed for the Council's review. Mr. Caraballo understands that he will be responsible for all costs associated in transferring ownership.

Councilman Branson made a motion to direct the Town Attorney to draft a quit claim deed for Mr. Caraballo at his expense, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #5 - U. S. Census Bureau

The 2010 U.S. Census is approaching and the Town has an opportunity to participate in the LUCA program (local update of census addresses). Participating in this piece of the census is very important to the overall outcome of the Census.

This is the only opportunity that the Town of Denton is allowed to assist the U.S. Census Bureau in making sure that they have accurate addresss of all of the residential units located within the Town limits and to try to ensure that every resident receives the census form.

This was presented to seek

approval from the Council for the Mayor to execute the registration form and designate staff to be the liaisons for the Town. All Staff assigned to work on this program will be required to sign confidentiality statements.

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

Misc.

Staff provided the Council with an invitation to Choptank Electric Grand Opening ceremony for their new facility.

With no further discussion Mayor Foster adjourned this meeting at 7:59 PM.

September 24, 2007

Special Meeting

At 6:00 PM Mayor Foster called to order a special meeting of the Denton Town Council leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that Councilman Branson was absent, and that all of the other Council members were present.

Agenda – Proclamation

Mayor Foster issued a proclamation on behalf of the Denton Town Council celebrating the 99th birthday of Mr. Walter Kerslake, a former Denton Planning Commission member. Councilman Branson will present this proclamation to Mr. Kerslake.

With no further business to discuss Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to close this special meeting at 6:05 PM, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

This meeting was followed by a working session for the presentation of the Pattern Book.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Monteith
Clerk-Treasurer

GREENSBORO TRADING CO.
November Classes

2 - First Friday Nights Concert Series 7:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening of wonderful music by local groups. The first Friday of every month a new group comes and plays their favorite music. Donations accepted.

9 - Silent Auction & Reception - 5:30 p.m.

Come and make your bid for some of the beautiful artworks done by local artists. Reception starts at 5:30, there will be hors'd'oeuvres served. Your one stop Christmas shopping store.

9 - Open Readings

7 p.m. Bring your own works to read or read some of your favorites. You can just come and listen. Reception follows the readings.

15 - Wine Tasting

7 p.m. Come taste local fine wines. A small plate included, catering by Tried and True caterers. \$20 per person.



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PRESS RELEASE from Page 5
 Classification: Assault 2nd Degree
 Location: Denton Plaza
 Denton PD responded to Denton Plaza for a fight on the parking lot. Police observed two males identified as Jeremy Espil, 32 of Goldsboro and Christopher Kellenbenz, 36 of Denton, engaged in some sort of altercation. Both person(s) were taken into custody and charged with second degree assault. During a search incident to arrest a small amount of suspected CDS was located on Kellenbenz. Kellenbenz was also charged with possession of CDS. Both subjects were released by a court commissioner after an initial appearance hearing.
 Date: 08/19/2007
 Classification: Theft under \$500
 Location: Denton Plaza
 The Denton Police took a report of a theft of a wallet. The theft occurred on 8/18/07 at approx. 0030 hours. The wallet was stolen from Kera Calloway while she was at the Snappy's restaurant located in the Denton Plaza. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 08/20/2007
 Classification: Assault 2nd Degree
 Location: 1300 block Blue Heron Dr.
 On 8/20/07 at approx. 1500 hours the Denton Police Dept. responded to the area of Blue Heron Dr and Market St. for a report of a fight in progress. The fight was due to a prior road rage incident on Market St. The victims Michael Campbell and Cody Holtman may possibly at a later date pursue charge.
 Date: 08/21/2007
 Classification: Harass, Course of Conduct
 Location: Lockerman St.
 The Denton Police Department served a criminal summons on Joyce Tydings, 32, of W. Sunset Ave. Greensboro on August 21, 2007. The summons charges Tydings with one count each of Harassment and Disturbing the Peace, from an incident at the Lockerman Ballfield, Denton.
 Date: 08/22/2007
 Classification: Robbery

Location: 500 block Market St.
 The Denton Police Department is investigating a Malicious Destruction of Property to the rear of a business on Market Street. It was reported to Police that person(s) unknown attempted to force entry to Defining Moments Salon. Entry was not made. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 08/23/2007
 Classification: Burglary 2nd Degree/ General
 Location: 400 block E Wesley CR
 The Denton Police Dept. investigated a possible burglary on 08/23/07 that occurred at the Wesleyan Camp off of Camp Rd. Denton. An unknown person possibly forced open a door to a shop, but no damage was done and no items were thought to be missing. Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 08/23/2007
 Classification: Theft under \$500
 Location: 900 block Market St.
 The Denton Police Dept. is investigating the theft of a license plate from Usilton's Tire sometime between August 9 and 23, 2007. The stolen tag is 48T-137 and was displayed on a Ford pickup. Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 08/25/2007
 Classification: Theft over \$500
 Location: 400 block Lincoln St.
 Denton Police took a report of a theft that occurred at 411 Lincoln St. The resident, Ms. Stansbury advised that she had 700.00 dollars in US currency stolen from her bedroom. The money was taken between the hours of 0100 hours and 0300 hours on 08-25-2007. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Denton Police Dept. at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 08/27/2007
 Classification: DWI/DUI
 Location: Shore Highway
 Denton Police responded to Shore Highway at Greensboro Road for a single vehicle collision. Investigation revealed that Paul Pskowski, 54 of Queen Anne, was operating a

2006 Harley Davidson motorcycle. Pskowski pulled to the curb, placed his foot down and lost his balance causing the motorcycle to fall. When the motorcycle fell it injured Pskowski's ankle. Police observed that Pskowski's injury required him to be transported to Memorial Hospital at Easton. Pskowski submitted to a blood alcohol concentration exam at the hospital. Charges are pending in this matter.
 Date: 08/29/2007
 Classification: Theft under \$500
 Location: 300 block Market St.
 Denton Police are investigating the theft of an edger. Employees of Denton Hardware reported that sometime between August 19 and 21, 2007 person(s) unknown took a MTD brand lawn edger, valued at \$250.00 from the front of the store. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 08/29/2007
 Classification: Driving on a Suspend License
 Location: 1200 block Market St.
 Denton Police charged John Adams of Stevensville with speeding and driving on a suspended license. Police were conducting speed enforcement in the 1200 block of Market Street when a 1996 Jeep was observed traveling at 41 mph in a 25 mph zone. The operator was identified as Adams. A check of MVA records revealed that Adams' privilege to drive had been suspended. Adams was issued citations at the scene and released.
 Date: 08/30/2007
 Classification: Theft less than \$100
 Location: 100 block Franklin St.
 Denton Police are investigating a shoplifting. Employees of Bargain Beverage reported to police that a shoplifting of two bottles of alcoholic beverages, valued at \$70.40, was captured on the store's video surveillance system. The suspect was described as an African American male and he was observed by the video concealing two bottles of liquor on his person and leaving the store without paying for them. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-

479-1414.
 Date: 09/01/2007
 Classification: Reckless Endangerment
 Location: 200 block N Fourth St.
 Denton Police are investigating an incident where a residence was struck by an unknown type of bullet. Phyllis Murray reported that she observed a bullet hole in the side of her residence at approximately 10:20 p.m. Murray also told police that she heard what sounded like a gunshot at approximately 2:00 am on the same date. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.
 Date: 09/02/2007
 Classification: CDS: Possession-Marihuana
 Location: 600 block Market St.
 Denton Police charged two 18 year old males with possession of CDS after a traffic stop. Police stopped a 2003 Hyundai for a seatbelt violation. The operator identified as Thomas Usilton III, 18 of Goldsboro and the front seat passenger was identified as Corey Wilson, 18 of Denton. Police utilized a police K-9 to conduct a scan of the vehicle for the presence of CDS and the K-9 indicated that CDS was present in the vehicle. A search of the interior revealed a moderate quantity of suspected marihuana concealed in a soda cup that was sitting in a cup holder in console and a suspected smoking device (pipe). Both Usilton and Wilson were taken into custody and charged with possession of CDS: Marihuana and possession of CDS paraphernalia. After initial appearance hearings both men were released, Usilton on P.R. and Wilson on \$5,000 unsecured bond.
 Date: 09/04/2007
 Classification: Theft over \$500
 Location: 100 block S Sixth St.
 Denton Police are investigating the theft of a firearm and cash. Jason Neir, 32 of Denton, reported that a subject known to Neir as Marzel had come to Neir's residence asking for work. Neir advise that this conversation took place in a work shop behind the residence. Neir stated that there

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PRESS RELEASE from Page 19 was a Dan Wesson .45 cal. Semi automatic pistol, \$80,00 in cash and five (5) rounds of ammunition for the pistol laying on the work bench in the shop. Neir stated that Marzel then grabbed the above items and fled the area on foot. Neir gave chase and at one point caught Marzel where a physical encounter took place and Marzel was able to flee the area. Police were able to identify Marzel as Marzel Donell Lake, 33 with a last known address of Denton. Total loss is \$780.00. Lake turned himself into police on September 5, 2007. Lake was ordered held on \$5,000.00 bail at the Caroline County Detention Center.

Date: 09/09/2007

Classification: Theft less than \$100
Location: 800 block S Fifth Ave.

Denton Police charged William Minner, 45 year old male of Preston, with theft under \$100. Employees of the Movie Gallery reported that a male, later identified as Minner, had left the store without paying for two DVD movies. Police approached Minner who was found in possession of the DVD movies. Total value was \$40.00. Minner was issued a criminal citation for theft under \$100 and released at the scene.

Date: 09/10/2007

Classification: Theft Scheme over \$500

Location: 0 block Denton Plaza
Denton Police investigated a theft from the Radio Shack. Employees reported that eleven deposits, totaling \$4666.45, had not been made on behalf of the store. Police learned that Wanda Trigger, 41 year old female of Ridgely, was responsible for making the deposits. On September 17, 2007 Trigger was arrested and charged with one count of theft scheme over \$500. Trigger was seen by a District Court Commissioner for initial appearance and was released on \$3000.00 unsecured bond.

Date: 09/13/2007

Classification: Theft under \$500
Location: 100 block Market St.
Denton Police are investigating a theft. It was reported to police that person(s) unknown took a white and grey, boys, Redline BMX bike

from the rack at the Caroline County Public Library in Denton. The bike is valued at \$230.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 09/14/2007

Classification: Assault 2nd Degree
Location: 100 block Franklin St.
Denton Police arrested Kareem Collins, 18 year old male of Denton for assault and theft. Employees of Bargain Beverage reported that they observed a subject, later identified as Collins, remove a bottle of Absolute Vodka, valued at \$22.00 from the shelf. Employees then stated that Collins approached the front of the store and they did not see the bottle and confronted Collins about it. Collins pushed an employee, causing them to fall and Collins exited the store. Another employee observed Collins leave the bottle of vodka in the rear entry of Library. Collins then exited the front of the Library and the employee lost sight of Collins. Collins was located a short time later by police hiding in the bushes at the west end of Market Street. While investigating this incident police were advised by Bargain Beverage employees that on 09/13/2007 they had observed Collins remove a bottle of Seagrams Gin from a shelf and leave the store without paying for it. Employees advised this was observed while reviewing video surveillance media. Collins was arrested and charged with two counts of theft under \$100 and one count of 2nd degree assault. Collins was released on personal recognizance after an initial appearance hearing.

Date: 09/15/2007

Classification: Driving w/o license
Location: Franklin St.
Denton Police charged Andrew Thurman, 27 year old male of Easton, with driving without license. Police observed a 2002 Oldsmobile traveling on Franklin St. with the operator not wearing a seatbelt. The vehicle was stopped and the operator was identified as Thurman. A check of MVA records revealed that Thurman did not have a license to drive. Thurman was issued citations at the scene and released.

Date: 09/19/2007

Classification: DUI

Location:

Denton Police charged Terry McBee, 50 year old male of Denton, with DUI. Police observed a 1999 Chevrolet pickup traveling north on Foy Rd. that appeared to be traveling over the posted 35 mph speed limit. A paced speed of 50 MPH was obtained and the vehicle was stopped. The operator was identified as McBee. Police observed a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage when making contact with McBee. McBee was asked to perform field sobriety tests which he failed to satisfactorily complete. McBee was then placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI and issued citations for the same and released on his signature of those citations.

Date: 09/20/2007

Classification: Theft: \$500 Plus value

Location: 900 block Market St.
Denton Police are investigating the theft of several chrome rims. Employees of Usilton's Tire reported that seven (7) chrome rims were removed from the rear of their building. The rims are valued at \$1400.00 and are various styles and sizes. Video surveillance captured images of an 1990's model Ford pickup pull into the lot and a white male exit the vehicle, load the rims and leave. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 09/21/2007

Classification: Theft less than \$100

Location: Market St.

Denton Police are investigating the theft of road signs. Town public works employees reported that person(s) unknown removed the "speed hump" signs that were located on Market Street in the area of Chesapeake Drive. The signs are valued at \$40.00 each. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 09/21/2007

Classification: Burglary 2nd Degree/General

Location: 0 block Village Circle

Denton Police are investigating a burglary. Walter Hawkins, Jr. reported that person(s) unknown forced entry into his apartment at Village Circle and ransacked portions of the apartment. Nothing was reported stolen during the burglary. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.



DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY WINDOW DECORATIONS CAN BE VIEWED AT

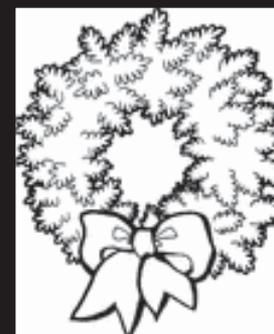
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Caroline County Hospice Tree of Lights

Donating a light in memory or in honor of someone special to you this Christmas will help someone who needs it now.

A \$5.00 donation will put a light on the Hospice Tree of Lights located on the grounds of the Caroline Home for Hospice in Denton, Maryland.

The Book of Dedications will be located at the Caroline County Library and the Caroline Home for Hospice in Denton, Maryland.



Please print

YOUR NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

NAME OF PERSON IN WHOSE HONOR OR IN MEMORY (check one) LIGHT IS GIVEN.

(Names will be displayed)

We greatly appreciate your support. However, due to rising postage costs, we will not be sending acknowledgements to the donor. If you desire the above person or someone else to be informed of your remembrance, please provide the following information:

PERSON TO INFORM _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CARD TO BE SIGNED _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____ FOR _____ # OF LIGHTS (\$5.00 minimum per light)

Send donations to: Caroline Friends of Hospice, P.O. Box 362, Denton, MD 21629
by December 1.



Please do not send cash through the mail.

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 misc. 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.

MIRACLE ON MARKET STREET

A Denton Holiday Shopping Marketplace

Three Fabulous Weekends

Opening Thursday, December 6, at 5:00 p.m.

220 Market Street
Denton, MD

Thursday, Dec. 6, 5-9 p.m.

Fridays, Dec. 7, 14, 21, 5-9 p.m.

Saturdays, Dec. 8, 15, 22, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sundays, Dec. 9, 16, 23, 1 – 5 p.m.

The Denton Marketplace is looking for local artists, crafters, and retailers to help create a holiday shopping marketplace on Market Street in downtown Denton. The shop will be open for 3 weekends, and vendors can keep their space set up between weekends. There will be children's activities, visits from Santa, and entertainment throughout the event. Your company name or logo will be used in promotional flyers and articles. Please see attached form for application procedure. Booth space is limited, so apply now!

Sponsored by Denton Main Street Program

WATER LEAKS from page 1
 be caused by two problems. The flapper valve may not be sitting properly on the valve seat, or the rubber maybe deteriorating and not forming a proper seal. Gently rub the bottom of the flapper valve. If you get streaks of rubber on your fingers, the valve should be replaced. Check the valve seat for corrosion and clean if necessary. Turn on the shut-off valve to refill the tank and flush. If the flush valve still will not

sit properly, check the chain. It may be improperly aligned or the length may need to be adjusted.

If the water level in the tank is too high, it may continuously spill into the overflow tube creating a large leak. The correct water level is about one-half to one inch below the top of the overflow tube. Bend the float arm gently downward. Flush after bending the arm to test whether the water stops at the proper level. Be sure to check that the float arm is

SNOW PLOW from page 9

Fourth Priority streets are areas that include low volume gravel streets, alleys, cul-de-sacs and/or streets.

Level of Service

As staffing and funding allow, the following levels of service for snow and ice removal will be provided.

Priority One Streets - Plowing should begin when accumulation of snow in the streets exceeds approximately two inches and snow continues to fall. The street accumulation is generally independent of the total accumulation of snow in the area. All priority one streets should be plowed before proceeding to any other areas. Sand should be applied when it is determined by the Public Works Director or the Director's designee (generally the Crew Leader) that sufficient snow and/or ice exist throughout the city.

Priority Two Streets—Plowing should begin when accumulations of snow on the streets exceed approximately two inches and after all priority one streets have been plowed. Sand should be applied when it is determined by the Public Works Director or the Director's designee that sufficient snow and/or ice exists throughout the city. When snow has accumulated within the Central Business District (CBD) to the point that on-street parking becomes impractical, the accumulated snow shall be hauled from the CBD and disposed of at Crouse Park. The hauling of accumulated snow should only be initiated following the completion of snow plowing operations of priority

one, two and three streets. The Town may contract with private haulers for snow removal.

Priority Three Streets—Plowing operations should begin on these streets and public parking lots when the accumulation of snow on the street exceeds approximately four inches and after the completion of plowing operations on priority one and two streets. All Town-owned and maintained public parking lots in the CBD area shall be included. Sand should normally be applied only to hilly areas/intersections/curves as identified by the Public Works Director or designee.

Priority Four Streets—The Town will not plow or sand streets in this category. These areas include unimproved streets, gravel streets, and improved/unimproved alleys.

Sidewalks and Parking Lots

All sidewalks and walkways adjacent to Town-owned and maintained property and public parking lots shall be cleaned by the Town. This is normally accomplished by Public Works personnel.

The cleaning of other public sidewalks and private parking lots is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. The Town will attempt to prevent plowing snow onto sidewalks; however the Town will not clean sidewalks adjacent to private property. Windrows left by plows or graders will not be cleared from private driveways. Cleaning sidewalks and driveways that are plowed in by the Town are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. It is the responsibility of business and property owners in the Central Business District. to clear

screwed in securely so that the arm will not rotate. If the water level is too low, you may not get an effective flush. In that case, carefully bend the float arm upward. The float ball may need to be replaced if it has filled with water, or replace the float ball shut-off valve.

If the water that refills the tank will not shut off, you may have a broken ball shut-off valve in the ball cock assembly. Water will just keep spilling into the overflow tube.

sidewalks in front of and adjacent to their business or property within three hours after it stops snowing.

Citizen Cooperation

During snow emergencies and winter storm conditions, all citizens of the Town of Denton are requested to cooperate fully with the Department. To achieve the best possible results in the most efficient manner from the Public Works Department snow and ice plowing operations, all residents are asked to remove their parked vehicles, trailers, and boats from all Town streets if possible. This will allow snow plows an opportunity to clear the streets quicker and with fewer passes, improve accessibility, and minimize damage to private vehicles, thereby saving both time and money.

The Town of Denton will not be responsible for vehicles parked on the street that are isolated by snow piles due to plowing operations. All garbage and debris recycling containers should be placed behind the curb or in residential driveways at all times.

Snow removed from residential properties should not be stacked or stockpiled over the ends of culverts or catch basins. Rapid warming or thawing could overload drainage facilities, causing local flooding and/or possible property damage.

Drivers should insure that their vehicles have proper traction control devices installed if they must drive during snow/ice events and travelers are asked to consider using alternate routes whenever possible.

Public Notification

Snow plowing is a very visible service and effects everyone who

To test if the ball shut-off valve is broken rather than the float arm needing adjustment, pull up on the float arm. If the water keeps flowing with the float arm up, the shut-off valve is broken.

Know your limitations. If you do not feel confident that you can make the repairs, call a plumber. If your leaky toilet cannot be fixed, replace it with one that uses 1.6 gallons per flush.

travels during the winter months. Therefore communication between Town staff and the public is important. Depending on the longevity and severity of the event, the Town of Denton will use a variety of means to communicate snow and ice control information. This will be accomplished through one or more of the following sources:

The Denton Town News, a quarterly newsletter published by the Commissioners of Denton; Public service announcements on local radio stations; and Web sites (www.dentonmaryland.com)

Departure of Policy

The Town of Denton acknowledges the policies set forth in this program are of a general nature and recognizes conditions may be so unusual or unexpected that a departure from this general program may need to be authorized. The Town Manager and or Public Works Director may order a departure from these general policies when conditions are such that the departure from this policy is necessary and warranted for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Denton. The Town Manager or designee is authorized to publicly announce that non-emergency travel is not recommended when conditions warrant such a warning. This policy does not, nor is it intended to, encompass all details of the Town of Denton's snow plowing operations.



ECONOMIC from page 14

of the County and financing through the Maryland Industrial Land Act (MILA) built a shell building. The shell building gave the park a speculative building for a potential industrial prospect. Financing for the building and the park were through grants and loans. The Town maintained mortgage payments on the park until enough lots had been sold to pay off all debt on the park. There had been a period of time, the Town actually borrowed monies to make payments. Fortunately future lot sales, reimbursed the Town for the interim funding.

Shortly after the park opened in 1987, DBED, through the CDBG-ED, program provided funding to the Town to build an elevated water storage tank. Insufficient fire flow protection was determined when the first company began construction of their facility. A fire flow study enabled the Town to identify where the municipal water system needed to be upgraded. This study is in use today and is used to assist in determining the need to increase the diameter of a water line when an infrastructure project is proposed.

The Town has since, through the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development Program, expanded the park twice. All but three of the additional lots are either under an option agreement or have been sold. The Town has also initiated the repurchase of three lots, originally sold to a private firm. This firm provided a lease build opportunity for industrial prospects who wanted to lease space. With the primary interest of industrial park prospects towards ownership, the Town was given the opportunity to re-purchase these lots. This will provide additional lots for future industrial needs. For more information on the Denton Industrial Park contact the Denton Town Office at 410-479-2050.



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How Parents Can Make Schools Safer

- Discuss the school's discipline policy with your child. Show your support for the rules, and help your child understand the reasons for them.
- Involve your child in setting rules for appropriate behavior at home.
- Talk with your child about the violence he or she sees on television, in video games, and possibly in the neighborhood. Help your child understand the consequences of violence.
- Teach your child how to solve problems. Praise your child when he or she follows through.
- Help your child find ways to show anger that do not involve verbally or physically hurting others.
- When you get angry, use it as an opportunity to model these appropriate responses for your child and talk about it.
- Help your child understand the value of accepting individual differences.
- Note any disturbing behaviors in your child. For example, frequent angry outbursts, excessive fighting and bullying of other children, cruelty to animals, fire setting, and frequent behavior problems at school and in the neighborhood, lack of friends, and alcohol or drug use can be signs of serious problems. Get help for your child. Talk with a trusted professional in your child's school or in the community.
- Keep lines of communication open with your child even when it is tough. Encourage your child always to let you know where and with whom he or she will be. Get to know your child's friends.
- Listen to your child if he or she shares concerns about friends who may be exhibiting troubling behaviors. Share this information with a trusted professional, such as the school psychologist, principal, or teacher.
- Be involved in your child's school life by supporting and reviewing homework, talking with his or her teacher(s), and attending school functions such as parent conferences, class programs, open houses, and PTA meetings.
- Work with your child's school to make it more responsive to all students and to all families. Share your ideas about how the school can encourage family involvement, welcome all families, and include them in meaningful ways in their children's education.
- Encourage your school to offer before- and after-school programs.
- Volunteer to work with school-based groups concerned with violence prevention. If none exist, offer to form one.
- Find out if there is a violence prevention group in your community. Offer to participate in the group's activities.
- Talk with the parents of your child's friends. Discuss how you can form a team to ensure your children's safety.
- Find out if your employer offers provisions for parents to participate in school activities.

Article from National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center. Article can be found at www.safeyouth.org

How Parents Can Help Make Schools Safer

The Department of Education's 1998 publication, *Early Warning, Timely Response* offers the above suggestions for parents who want to create safer schools:

GREENSBORO TRADING CO.

December Classes

5 - New Clay Hand Building Class 6 p.m. - \$47

All materials and firings included. Have fun and learn about different clays, glazes and firings.

7 - First Friday Nights Concert Series 7:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening of wonderful music by local groups. The first Friday of every month a new group comes and plays their favorite music. Donations accepted.



8 & 9 - Christmas Open House

Get your picture taken with Santa. Meet Artist Barbara Donnon on Saturday and watch her paint. Many of her paintings will be for sale. Door prizes, Early Bird specials, goodies, Christmas decorations, and much more. On Sunday meet Stained Glass Artist Lynn Haneke and watch her work. Lynn will have many of her works for sale. One of a kind gifts available and made by local artists.



Update on Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution #697 - A resolution of the Town of Denton approving the application and receipt of financing for a Community Legacy Project in Denton, to be financed either directly by the DHCD of the State of MD or through other departments or agencies of the State of MD in the approximate amount of \$200,000. Adopted 9/10/07

Resolution #698 - Sharp Road Annexation – to annex lands located on the south side of the Town on the south side of Sharp Road, including portions of Sharp road and Lupine Lane consisting of 17.127 acres of land. This annexation resolution was introduced on 10/1/07. A public hearing will be scheduled for Dec. 3, 2007.

Resolution #699 - A resolution of the Denton Town Council to participate in the Employer pickup

program for the Maryland Employees Retirement and Pension System, allowing for mandatory employee pension contributions to be pre-taxed. Adopted 10/1/07, if approved by the State Board this resolution will become effective 1/1/08.

Ordinance #545 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing settlement of the purchase and acquisition of property know as lot 10-A in the Denton Industrial Park for a price not to exceed \$205,100, plus settlement cost and expenses associated with the transfer. Introduced 9/10/07, Passed 10/1/07, Effective 10/8/07.

Ordinance #546 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing settlement of the purchase and acquisition of property know as lots 11 & 12 in the Denton Industrial Park for a price not to exceed

\$397,250, plus settlement cost and expenses associated with the transfer. Introduced 9/10/07, Passed 10/1/07, Effective 10/8/07.

Ordinance #547 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton amending the Zoning ordinance to create appendix VI to incorporate the Denton Pattern Book. This ordinance was introduced 10/1/07. A public hearing is scheduled for Nov. 5, 2007.

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 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To inquire or obtain additional information regarding these amendments please contact the Clerk-Treasurer at (410) 479-2050.

Miracle on Market Street A Denton Holiday Marketplace

Three Weekends, beginning
Thursday, December 6,
at 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Fridays, 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sundays, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Come down to Market Street and experience the joy of the season at Denton's special holiday marketplace. Take a stroll and enjoy the window decorations, then stop in to visit Santa and do some holiday shopping, too. It's a month of fun for the entire family!

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 pick up 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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