

enton Town News

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FREE

Annual Fire Department Fund Drive

we need your help. Each year as the demand for emergency services increases, expenses also continue to increase. We depend on you,

our community, for support to help pay for essentials such as training, daily operating expenses, equipment, and building upkeep.

If you have donated in the past, we thank you and ask for your continued support.

the opportunity to donate, please consider sending a contribution today. All donations are tax deductible.

With our community growing, Donations can be made to Denton V.F.C, Inc., P.O. Box 586, Denton, MD 21629. For more information please call 410-479-2121.

We greatly need and appreciate

your support. Please visit us at www. dentonvfc.com to see your donation dollars at work and/ or learn more about becoming a volunteer fire fighter, EMT, or associate.

Thank you,

If you have not previously had Denton Volunteer Fire Company: vour volunteer fire and ambulance service.

Treasure Hunting Goes High-Tech

Are you interested in locate the treasure (cache). exploring all that Maryland has to offer? Are you looking for fun and interesting ways to explore without hurting your budget or putting a dent in your wallet at the gas pump? Well, then, geocaching may be the answer!

Geocaching is the fun, new, and exciting way to discover points of interest throughout Maryland. It is a program developed by the Maryland Municipal League to promote awareness of and visits to Maryland cities and towns. Currently on board to participate in this exciting new venture are twelve cities and towns throughout Maryland, including Denton! This exciting opportunity was discussed at the September 8 meeting where the Town Council approved for Denton to be one of the locations on the geocache trail.

Maryland has so much to offer in the way of tourism, history, and hidden treasure and Geocaching can be a fun way for you to discover some of these places; it's like going on a treasure hunt with a hand-held GPS (global positioning system) to plot map coordinates in order to

If you have a hand-held GPS you can participate in this exciting new program. All you have to do is go to www.geocaching.com (the official geocache website), go to the MML account, and enter or download the map coordinates to the geocache sites on the MML Geocache Trail. After you enter those coordinates into your GPS you can be on your way to discovering the treasure in your own backyard!

By living in the state of Maryland we often forget, take for granted, or simply don't realize what an interesting, diverse, exciting place it can be. Geocaching can help us discover things we may not have known about our own towns and other locations close by. It can open up a world of culinary delights, historical treasures, outdoor adventures, and also the treasure trove of local artisans that provide a variety of distinct Maryland flavors from wine to fine art. Hopefully many will take advantage of this opportunity to go on an adventure without going too far and perhaps others from neighboring states will take the journey as well!

Denton Town Elections

Nov. 4, 2008 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

13 N. Third St. Denton, MD 21629

All resident of the Town of Denton that have resided in Denton 30 days prior to the election day and were registered to vote prior to Oct. 4, 2008 are encouraged to come and cast their vote.

Two Town Council Positions on the Ballot

held on November 4, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

All registered voters of the Town of Denton should come to the Town Office, 13 N. Third St., and vote on this date for two Candidates to fill positions on the Denton Town Council that will become vacant on January 1, 2009.

Voters will also be asked to vote yes or no on Ordinance #557.

Ordinance #557 was adopted

Denton Town Elections will be by the Denton Town Council on April 7, 2008, and if approved by the majority of the voters during this election, will provide the following benefit to those serving on the Denton Town Council:

> Section 1. All persons elected or appointed to the Denton Town Council shall have the option to participate in the Town's health care plan during his or her term, and to receive individual health insurance benefits, in the same manner that is

provided to the Town employees, provided however that such councilperson shall be responsible for and shall reimburse the Town for the amount of one-half of the costs and expenses of the councilperson's coverage. In addition, in the event that a family member of a participating councilperson should receive coverage, the participating councilperson shall be responsible

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Town Calendar

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

Town Council Meeting at 7 p.m. Police Department

November 3 December 1

Planning Commission Meeting at 6 p.m.

November 25

Historic Review Meeting at 6 p.m.

November 19

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

November 13 December 11

Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

November 4, 11, 27, 28 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 4, 2008 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 Mayor John A. Foster whose term expires December 31, 2008, and one to serve a term of 2 years to finish the term for former Councilman Conway Gregory, whose term expires December 31, 2010.

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

AGNES G. CASE MICHAEL DANIELS JOHN A. FOSTER CONWAY GREGORY

**Voters will also vote on Ordinance #557 – An ordinance to permit members of the Denton Town Council to participate in the Town's Health Insurance Plan, provided that the participating Councilperson is responsible for one-half of the cost and expenses associated with the Councilperson's coverage, and provided that any coverage provided to a family member of the participating Councilperson shall be paid 100% by the Councilperson electing the coverage, and further provided that the same is approved by the majority of the qualified voters of the Town of Denton at the next municipal election.

TOWN OF DENTON, MARYLAND
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS

JANUARY - FEBRUARY ISSUE DEADLINE...

Please submit your articles of interest to the Denton Town Office via email: lorendorf@dentonmaryland.com or fax: 410-479-3534 by December 8, 2008.

Thank you.



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

Denton Public Works 410-479-2050

Calendar of Events

November

1st - Rod Stallings Memorial Benefit

6:30 p.m. - Midnight. Denton Fire Hall, 5th Ave., Denton. \$25 per person. This 7th annual event benefits the Caroline County Humane Society. Dancing, gambling, food by Chesapeake Culinary Center. Live and silent auction. Tickets available at CCHS or Emerson House Restaurant. For more info call Robin at 410-479-2480, Bonnie at 410-820-9590, or jshipley55@comcast.net.

2nd - Daylight Saving Time

Remember to set your clocks back one hour at 2 a.m.



4th - Election Day

7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Town office open for voting only today.

8th - Holiday Bazaar

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Parish Family Life Center, 408 Central Ave. Ridgely. The parish of St. Benedict - St. Elizabeth will be holding their annual holiday bazaar. Plenty of holiday items, local crafters, vendors, and delicious food will be available at the event. Fun for the kids too. For more info call 410-479-9359.

10th & 17th - Bisque and Bubbles

7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Denton Fire Hall, \$55, 16 years old and up. This class consist of holiday soups, appetizers, and hors d'oeuvres. Instruction on pairing sparkling wine and cocktails with each appetizer. Call 410-479-8120 for info.

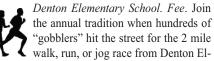
11th - Veterans Day

Town office closed

15th - 2nd Story Live Concert. Ruut & Naked Blue. 7:30 p.m. Central Library, Denton. \$10, students \$5, \$1 discount for CCCA members. Song writer and pianist Ruut is backed on guitar by Scott and on cello by Jen of Naked Blue.

21st & 22nd - NCHS Drama Club Fall Show 7:30 p.m. NCHS auditorium.

22nd - Turkey Trot. Registration 8 a.m. - 9 a.m.



ementary School to Martinak State Park and back. Open to all ages. First 75 registrants receive a special gift. Raffle, crafts, refreshments, and more. For more info or to register call 410-479-8020 or online at www.carolinerecreation.org.

22nd & 23rd -Caroline Festival of Trees

2 p.m. - 7 p.m. Bryant-Todd House Inn, 119 Gay St., Denton. Community Christmas trees on display and for sale. Purchase your pre-decorated tree in time for Thanksgiving. Hot mulled cider available. Snapshots with Santa extra. Donations to benefit Caroline Hospice Foundation. For more info call 410-479-3500.

27th - Happy Thanksgiving!

Town office closed.

29th - Craft Show

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Goldsboro Fire Hall, Goldsboro. The 28th Annual Goldsboro VFC craft show. Free admission. For more info or to become a vendor, call 410-482-7183.

29th - Kids Holiday Fun

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. \$10 per person. Emerson House Restaurant, 4 S. First St., Denton. Build and decorate your own Gingerbread House and take it home or enter in the Gingerbread Decorating Contest through the Denton Main Street Program. Decorate holiday cookies. Snacks, hot chocolate, hot apple cider provided. Call 410-479-0015 for more info.

4th - Denton Holiday Parade

6 p.m. Downtown Denton. Parade starts at HAPS building along 5th Ave. to Market Street, ending at the Courthouse. (Inclement weather date Dec. 5th.)

4th - Lighting of the Green

Downtown Denton at the Courthouse. Following the Denton Holiday Parade join us for the lighting of the green.



4th - 7th & 12th - 14th - Miracle on Market Street Denton Holiday Market Place. Downtown Denton. (see page 13 for hours.) Come down to Market Street and experience the joy of the season at Denton's special holiday market-place. Do some Christmas shopping and enjoy

December

the holiday window displays. It's 2 weekends of fun for the whole family. For more info. call 410-365-2050.

6th & 7th - Christmas in Caroline

Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Caroline Co. 4-H Park, Detour Rd., Denton. Antiques, crafts, collectibles & gifts, country store, fresh greens, wreaths. Photos with Santa (fee) and pet photos. Make and take kids crafts, silent auction, food, Christmas music, wagon rides (weather permitting). For more info call 410-479-0565 or email jdwooters@comcast.net.

13th - Train and Toy Show

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. 4-H Park, Detour Rd., Denton. \$3 adults, under 12 years old free. Food, test track, train parts. Call 410-479-2928 or 410-479-1173 for more info.





13th - Holiday Tea at the Emerson House Restaurant

2 p.m. \$17 adults, \$8 children. Emerson House Restaurant, 4 S. *First St.*, *Denton*. Choice of tea, scones, tea sandwiches, cookies, and other traditional delights. Surprise take home gift. Call 410-479-0015 for more info.

13th & 14th - Santa's Magic Workshop

4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Martinak State Park Nature Center. Open to all. Children and adults alike will

enjoy this fun holiday celebration. Make ornaments, share your wish list with Santa, hay rides through the luminaries in the park, cookies, and hot chocolate. Admission is 2 canned goods per person, donated to St. Martin's Barn in Ridgely. Call 410-820-1668 for more info.

15th - 31st - Enchanted Campground

6 p.m. - 9 p.m. Martinak State Park, Deep Shore Rd., Denton. Take a relaxing ride through the festive twinkling lights around Martinak State Park. Donation box set up to benefit Caroline County Hospice.

25th - Merry Christmas!

Denton Police Department...

Helping Hands Neighborhood Association Visits the Shorebirds



The Denton Police Department and the Helping Hands Neighborhood Association sponsored a trip to the Shorebirds Baseball Game on August 30.

Approximately 40 people were in attendance. Participants found

this to be a great way to finish off the summer by attending their last game of the season. One of the children got to throw out a first pitch and part of the group got their picture taken with "Sherman" the Shorebird mascot.

Back to School Fun Fest



On August 23, 2008, the Helping Hands Neighborhood Association with the assistance of the Denton Police Department held their annual Back to School Fun Fest. Approximately 150 backpacks filled with school supplies were



given away to children who attended. Food, music, entertainment, and games for the children made this day an enjoyable way to end their summer vacation and be ready to head back to school.

<u>Have you lost your keys?</u>



A number of key sets have been turned in to the Denton Police Department.

If you have lost your keys please contact Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

National Night Out



The Denton Police Department held its annual National Night Out event Saturday, October 4 from 4 p.m.- 9 p.m.

The event included food, games, hay rides, music, and a poster contest.

National Night Out is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships;
 and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

This year's entertainment was provided by Ellery Adams and the

Rescue Team and the Preston Men's Choir.

Congratulations to the National Night Out poster contest winners. 1st place went to Helen Wiley, a 5th grade Denton Elementary School student. 2nd place went to Casey Jones, a 4th grade Denton Elementary student. And 3rd place went to Naylor Densmore, a 4th grade Denton Elementary student.

Last year's National Night Out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations, and local officials from over 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, over 35 million people participated in National Night Out 2007.





1st place poster winner Helen Wiley receives her award from Chief Rodney Cox. 3rd place poster contest winner Naylor Densmore receives his award from Cpl. Conneely.

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

Police Department Press Releases

Date: 08/21/2008

Classification: Theft Under \$500 Location: 100 block N FIFTH ST Denton Police are investigating a theft. Amy Wittig reported that person(s) unknown removed clothing from a

washing machine at K&C Laundry. The clothing is valued at \$150.00.

Date: 08/23/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 0 block S FIFTH AV

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a purse. Hazel Clark reported that person(s) unknown removed her purse from her motor vehicle. Loss is estimated at \$99.00.

Date: 08/23/2008

Classification: Theft Under \$500 Location: 1900 block BLUE HERON

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Pegeen McGlathery reported that person(s) unknown removed silver with red flames Mongoose bike from the yard of their residence. The bike is valued at \$120.00.

Date: 08/24/2008 Location: DWI

Classification: 400 block N SIXTH ST Denton Police charged Jessica Carey, 25 of Denton, with DUI. Police observed a 1999 Mercury traveling south on Sixth Street in the area of Caroline Street with a headlight out. The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Carey. Police noted an odor of alcoholic beverages about Carey's breath and person and requested she perform field sobriety tests. Carey failed to satisfactorily perform the tests and was taken into custody for suspicion of DUI. A check of MVA records also revealed that Carey's privilege to drive was suspended. Carey was issued citations for DUI and Driving Suspended and released to a responsible person after signing all citations.

Date: 08/25/2008 Classification: DWI / DUI

Location: 1100 block SHORE

HIGHWAY

Denton Police charged Guston Montesdeoca, 25, of Kensington MD, with DUI. Police observed a 2004 Jeep traveling west on Shore Highway in the area of Deep Shore Road. As police pulled out to follow the vehicle, the vehicle made an abrupt right turn onto Industrial Park Way and the lights were turned out on the vehicle. Police then observed the vehicle pull into a field adjacent to the High's Store and the operator exit the vehicle and start to

walk away. Police ordered the suspect to stop and he complied.

The suspect was then identified as Montesdecoa. Police detected a strong odor of alcoholic beverages and requested Montesdecoa perform field sobriety tests. Based on those tests Montesdecoa was taken into custody for suspicion of DUI. A check of MVA records revealed that Montesdecoa's privilege to drive was also suspended. Montesdecoa was processed and issued citations for DUI, Driving Suspended, and Turning Off Headlights to Avoid Identification. Montesdecoa was released to a responsible person after signing all citations.

Date: 08/25/2008

Classification: MDOP Under \$500 Location: 600 block LEGION RD

Denton Police are investigating an MDOP to a motor vehicle. Julia Melvin, 17 of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown broke out the passenger side rear window of her 1995 Mazda while it was parked at the Dunkin' Donuts on Legion road. Total loss is estimated at \$350.00.

Date: 08/25/2008

Classification: Disturb the Peace / Loud Noise

Location: 600 block CAROLINE **APARTMENTS**

Denton Police arrested Megan Burch, of Denton, for disorderly conduct. Police were called to the Caroline Apartments for the report of a disturbance. Investigation revealed that residents heard loud banging noise outside their apartments, found Burch to be the cause of the noise and asked her to stop what she was doing. Burch allegedly then cursed the residents and left the area. Burch was located a short distance away from Caroline Apartments and was going to be issued a citation for disorderly conduct but when police advised Burch of this she again became loud and made threats against the residents of Caroline Apartments. Burch was then taken into custody and charged with disturbing the peace, disorderly conduct and failing to obey a lawful order of a police officer. Burch was processed and taken before a District Court Commissioner for an initial appearance hearing where she was ordered held on bond at the Caroline County Detention Center.

Date: 08/25/2008

Classification: CDS Paraphernalia 1st Offense.

Denton Police charged Lena Savoy, 38, of Denton, with possession of CDS paraphernalia. Police observed a 1987 Chevrolet being operated in the area of Lincoln and N. Fifth Streets without headlights. The vehicle was stopped and the operator was identified as Savoy. A K-9 scan was conducted and the K-9 indicated a presence of CDS. A subsequent search revealed two suspected smoking devices in the vehicle. Savoy was issued a citation at the scene for possession of CDS paraphernalia and released on her signature.

Date: 08/26/2008

Classification: Theft: \$500 Plus value Location: N FOURTH ST

Denton Police are investigating the theft of building materials. Employees of Hamel Construction reported that they are in the process of renovating the Riverview Gardens apartments. Employees further reported that on August 23, 2008, between 8:00 and 10:00 am person(s) unknown removed siding and insulation wrap from the job site. Total value is estimated at \$1300.00.

Date: 08/28/2008

Classification: Possession W/ Intent to Dist

Location: 600 block N. Sixth St.

Denton Police arrested Rachael Massoni, 22, of Cordova MD, for possession of CDS w/ the intent to distribute. Police were patrolling in the 600 block of N. Sixth Street when they observed a vehicle parked in a dark area with the door open. Upon approaching the vehicle police noted an odor of raw marihuana. Massoni was found to be in the vehicle and was also identified as the owner of the vehicle. Further investigation led to police locating a moderate quantity of suspect marihuana, paraphernalia associated with the sale and distribution of CDS, and \$513.00 in US Currency. Massoni was taken into custody and charged with possession of CDS w/ the intent to distribute, possession of CDS; marihuana and possession of CDS paraphernalia. Massoni was then taken before a District Court Commissioner for an initial appearance hearing and was ordered released on her own recognizance.

Date: 08/29/2008

Classification: CDS Paraphernalia 1st Offense.

Denton Police charged a 17 year old female of Marydel with possession of CDS paraphernalia. Police stopped a 1994 Pontiac for an equipment violation

(headlight out) and found the operator to be the above mentioned female. During the course of the stop a K-9 was deployed to conduct a free air sniff for the presence of CDS. The K-9 alerted to the presence of CDS. A search of the vehicle revealed smoking devices. baggies and other items with suspected CDS residue. The 17 year old was referred to Juvenile Justice and released to a guardian.

Date: 08/31/2008

Classification: Under age possession of alcoholic bevg.

Location: 700 block N SIXTH ST

Denton Police charged two (2) 16 year old males, both of Denton, with underage possession of an alcoholic beverage and underage possession of tobacco products. Police were patrolling in the 700 block of N. Sixth Street when they observed a 1998 GMC pickup being operated recklessly (spinning tires). The vehicle was stopped and the occupants were identified as the two males listed above. Police noted an odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the interior of the vehicle. The driver was asked to perform field sobriety tests and satisfactorily completed those tests. While speaking with the suspects it was learned that there were several containers of beer and several containers of smokeless tobacco in the vehicle. All items were seized as contraband. Both suspects were issued citations for possession of alcoholic beverages and possession of tobacco products under the age of twenty one and released to a guardian.

Date: 09/01/2008

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: MARKET ST

Denton Police charge David Shahan, 39, of Denton, with driving on a suspended license. Police observed a vehicle being operated in the 100 block of Market Street with an equipment violation (improper turn signal). The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Shahan. A check of MVA records revealed that Shahan's privilege to drive was suspended. Shahan was issued a citation at the scene and released on his signature.

Date: 09/03/2008

Classification: Assault 1st Degree Location: 1200 block FAIRFIELD CT Denton Police arrested Donald Boyd. 37 of Denton, for assault and violating

Planning and Codes...

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

The winter snow season is just 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.

Building Permits

The following is a list of permits issued by the Town of Denton between August 1, 2008, and September 30, 2008:

Hunt, 1143 Osprey Lane, Patio Real Estate General, Trice Meadows, Fence

Jurena, 152 Sunset Drive, Fence County Village Associates, 512 Fleetwood Rd., Roof

Darling, 225-227 Market Street, Roof

Burroughs, 305 Sydney Lane, Patio Garland & Hobbs, 1601 Cattail Commons Way, Single Family Dwelling

Wood, 210 N. 6th St., Roof Snyder, 1109 Ruddy Duck Ct., Deck

Villar, 207 S. 2nd St., Accessory Building

Case, 1213 Painted Fern Rd., Accessory Building Birch, 300 S. 4th St., Porch Repair Stockley, 708 Market St., Shingle Valltos, 1302 Chesapeake Drive, Garage

Glass, 212 Market St., Rehab Curry, 702 Market St., Fence Koval Construction, 214 S. Third St., Shed

Garland & Hobbs, 1522 Cattail Commons Way, Single Family Dwelling

Garland & Hobbs, 1101 Cattail Commons Way, Single Family Dwelling

Sundragon Bail Bonds, 114 Market St., Sign

Walls, 424 E. Wesley Circle, Roof & Addition

Wesleyan Church, 424 E. Wesley Circle, Rehab

Wesleyan Camp, 424 E. Wesley Circle, Roof

Jefferson, 204 S. 2nd St., Windows Jarrell, 5 N. 1st St., Tree Removal Peterson, 209 S. 5th Ave., Rehab Smith, 325 Carter Ave., Fence Lewis, 1235 Painted Fern Rd.,

Fence

Don't Get Stuck!



Snow plowing starts shortly after snowfall begins

Please park your vehicle off the street.

Thank you, Denton Public Works



DENTON MARKE

at the Emerson House Restaurant 4 S. First Street, Denton

OPENING NOVEMBER 1st

√ Bison Meat

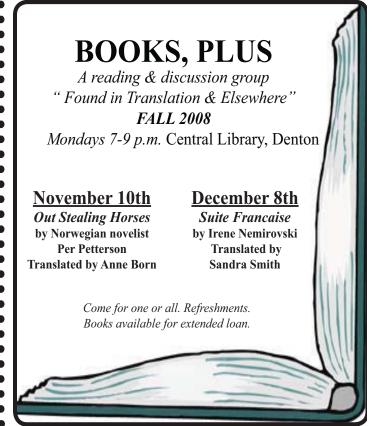
√ Chapel Cheeses

√ Pecan Yummies

Shore Gourmet Market open during restaurant hours.
Call 410-479-0015 for more info.

Shore Gourmet is a food business development initiative of the Mid Shore
 Regional Council (MSRC), is a 501c corporation whose purpose is to promote
 and sustain the food and agricultural value-added businesses located on
 Maryland's Eastern Shore by providing focused assistance to start, grow and diversify regional value-added products.

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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.

FDR Makes 70th Anniversary Visit to Denton



Chief Rodney Cox pictured here with FDR look-a-like Omer Brown and Eleanor Roosevelt look-a-like Sandy Brown. Chief Cox and Sgt. Bacorn gave the "Roosevelts" a special police escort to the Goldsborough House on Gay Street.

September 5, 2008 marked the 70th anniversary of President asked to share what they remembered Franklin D. Roosevelt's visit and speech here in Denton. To honor those that were present that day 70 years ago, the Caroline County Historical Society hosted a reenactment of the visit including lunch at the Goldsborough house on Gay Street for the people who witnessed the first speech in 1938.

During the event, guests were of that special day.

This was a big day for Denton 70 years ago. There is still a marker on Market Street placed where FDR stood during his speech in 1938. It is located across from the Courthouse. Take a moment to stop by that marker; it's a place where history was made.

Train and Toy Show

4-H Park Detour Rd. Denton

Saturday, December 13, 2008 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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

Advance Registration and Table \$17.00 At The Door Registration and Table \$20.00 Additional Tables \$14.00

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

For More Information Contact:410-479-2928 or 410-479-1173

Denton Vol. Fire Co. Mail To: R.D. Singer 309 S. Second St



FRIDAY NIGHTS AT THE LIBRARY

Free entertainment for family & friends, 7:00 p.m.

November 7th

The Bay Country Chorus

with the barbershop harmony of "The Tin Roof Cafe" led by conductor Dave Milholland. Denton.

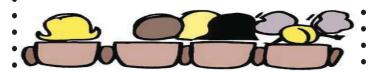
November 14th

U.S. Air Force "Vector"

Brass Quintet & Percussionist. Musical fusion from Langley Air Force Base. North Caroline High School.

November 21st Comfort Zone

The sounds of smooth Jazz, locally produced. You loved them last year! Vocalist Pam Ellis, Tom Coursey, & 5 more. Denton.



Denton Public Works...

Fall Loose Leaf Collection

Autumn is here and the leaves



fall. The Denton Public Works Department is scheduling their annual loose leaf

vacuuming removal service to occur October 17 through December 15, 2008. Leaves must be bagged for pickup the remaining months of the

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:

- Leaves should be raked to the have begun to 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, cans, flowerpots, gloves, ashes, pet waste, or other
 - * Piles of leaves with sticks, limbs, or other debris will not be picked
 - * 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. 17 through Dec. 15, on Mondays and Fridays only, except for holidays.

Loose leaf collection days: November 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24 **December** 1, 5, 8, 12, 15

Public Works Snow Plow 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 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

Second priority are streets with only 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 lots
- 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.

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

Bottled Water vs Tap Water

dollars each year to buy bottled water making it the

> fastest growing the United States. Some people drink bottled water because

prefer its taste, think t h e y it is safer, or value its portability.

The taste and quality of all water has to do with the way it is treated and the quality of its source, including its natural mineral content. Both bottled water and tap water's taste and quality may vary from place to place depending on the way it is treated and whether its source is a river, lake, or underground aquifer.

How the water is disinfected

Americans spend billions of provides one of the key taste differences between bottled and tap water. Tap water may be disinfected with chlorine, chloramine, ozone, drink choice in or ultraviolet light to kill diseasecausing germs. Water systems typically use chlorine and chloramine disinfectants because they are effective and inexpensive. They continue to disinfect as water travels through pipes to homes and businesses. Bottled water is typically disinfected using ozone, ultraviolet light, or chlorine dioxide. Ozone, preferred by bottlers, is more expensive than chlorine but does not leave a taste.

> Both bottled and tap water are safe, healthy choices. The United States Environmental Protection

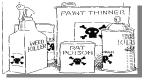
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Saturday, Nov. 1 - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Midshore Regional Landfill near Easton, MD

Household Hazardous Waste & Mercury Thermometer Collection

Consumer Electronics Recycling











Free!

Rain or Shine

410-758-6605 www.midshorerecycling.org

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







8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection. Mercury Thermometer Collection, Free!



Midshore Regional Landfill near Easton, MD

Directions -



From Route 50, East on Rt. 331 (Dover Road), Right onto Dover Neck Road, Left onto Barkers Landing Road, Left into Landfill

Household Hazardous Waste Collection



Get the skeletons out of your closet, basement and garage on Nov. 1st !





Residents of Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's & Talbot Counties

NO Business, Industrial or Commercial Farm Waste

Residency and Household Status Verification will be requested



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 Empty fuel cans returned upon request. Event is voluntary. Other safe reuse or disposal options may exist.



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:

Spring 2009-Kent Co.

Fall 2009—Caroline Co.

Spring 2010—Queen Anne's Co.

- Suggestion Box:
- Try to use materials up
 Find a use or reuse.
- · Recycle Motor Oil, Antifreeze & Tires at . Don't bring latex paint.
 - existing collection sites during normal hours (see www.midshorerecycling.org).
- . 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
- Choose safer products & substitutes
- · Recycle lead acid vehicle & marine
- Recycle Ni-Cad batteries at electronics

Mercury Thermometer Collection

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

Turn in old thermometers weekdays at QA & Kent County Health Depts. or at (Nov. 1) event in Talbot County.

Electronics Recycling



Trashing old consumer electronics just doesn't compute!



Drop off for recycling on (Nov. 1): 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
- These bulky items with toxic materials can be kept out of the landfill.

Cardboard, clothes, scrap metal, tires, oil and



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.



Denton Main Street...

Ann Jacobs Appointed Main Street Manager

Program is pleased to introduce the new Main Street Manager, Ann Jacobs. Prior to moving to the Eastern Shore 7 years ago, Jacobs opened and managed a successful catering and restaurant business. She and her two children, Catharine and Robert, moved here to be closer to her husband's (Jake Jacobs) family. Since her arrival, she has started two successful businesses. As a business coach, Jacobs mentored several professionals through career transitions, business start-ups and reorganizations. In 2004, she opened the Lily Pad restaurant in Denton. This restaurant has become a staple of the town and will remain open under the leadership of her former business partner.

In early 2007, Jacobs began her volunteer work with the Main Street Program and joined a committee chartered to attract new businesses to

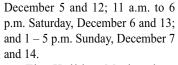
The Denton Main Street Denton. With Jacobs' help, Denton Main Street has helped several new businesses get their start in the town. Jacobs also served on the Promotions Committee and has had a hand in the Miracle on Market Street, The Spring Gala, as well as Summerfest in 2008. Additionally, Jacobs helped to create the Restaurant Co-op husband's (Jake Jacobs) family. Program designed to help restaurant owners pool resources to insure successful businesses. As a

The Denton Main Street organization is excited about Jacobs'experience and passion for the program. With her help, the program will continue to grow and serve both the residents of Denton as well as the business community. If you would like to get involved, Denton Main Street is always looking for volunteers. Contact Ann at Ann@downtowndenton.com for more information.

Miracle on Market Street Returns to Downtown Denton

Downtown Denton Main Street Inc. is sponsoring its second annual Holiday Marketplace, which will take place over two weekends this year, beginning with the holiday parade on December 4. The marketplace

will be housed in 2 of the 3 store fronts it occupied last year at 220 Market Street, thanks to the ongoing support of property owner Bill Maloney. The hours are 5 – 9 p.m. Thursday, December 4 and Friday,



The Holiday Marketplace will once again offer a variety of hand-crafted and unique gift items for sale and feature live musical performances, visits from Santa, and children's activities.

Downtown Denton Main Street is part of Main Street Maryland, a comprehensive downtown revitalization program created in

1998 by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. The program strives to strengthen the economic potential of Maryland's traditional main streets and neighborhoods

by helping selected communities improve the economy, appearance, and image of their traditional downtown business districts.

For more information, contact Barbara Martin at 410-365-2505 or at bmartin35@comcast.net.

Little Miss East Coast



The Little Miss East Coast America Pageant, sponsored by the Freddie Bell Jones Modeling & Finishing School, Inc., crowned DaMya Potts of Preston, Maryland as its 2008-2009 Queen.

Little Miss Potts is a well-mannered young lady with a busy schedule to include basketball,

cheerleading, praise dance, softball, and of course modeling and etiquette lessons. Her motto is "To do the best that she can do" and her platform during her reign will be to raise funds to support cancer awareness, assist in tutoring children at her school in mathematics, and encourage children not to litter in her community.



"Seasons Greetings From Around The World"

As part of the holiday season in Downtown Denton, we are expanding the Holiday Parade, Lighting of the Green festivities, to include decorating the windows on Market Street, and Third Street.

Window decorations may be viewed December 4th - December 31st.



Thursday December 4th @ 6 p.m.

(inclement weather date Dec. 5th)

Parade location: 5th Avenue to Market Street Ending at the Courthouse Lighting of the Green to follow the parade

Firehouse Coffee Expands Menu

If coffee and pastries don't wet your whistle, Firehouse Coffee's new gourmet sandwiches will. The 1-1/2 year old unique coffee café has expanded their menu from espresso, coffee, tea, and latte drinks to specialty gourmet sandwiches. These sandwiches are unlike any lunch menu you may be accustomed to. The recipes were generated from the Fire Station where Captain Gregory Socks currently works.

Gregory Captain searched through the pile of great fire station recipes, and implemented

a great menu for the coffee shop. The menu includes a delightful chicken salad (quite a unique recipe, station 7), - turkey stack, and

the infamous tuna salad made with white albacore tuna. The recipes are confidential, although you may want to pry to find out these successful recipes. You can also include with your lunch chips, Firehouse's great pastries and cookies, and their infamous carmellos, dalmations, and other drinks. All their drinks are made especially for the customer, which includes the process of grinding their own beans for coffee. There are no push button automated drinks made at this shop. You are experiencing the work of practiced baristas, a term for crafted espresso professionals.

A new fall drink has also been added. The Caramel Apple Spice, which was introduced last fall, was a big hit and is back. This drink is a non-coffee drink and delicious. The drink incorporates apple juice, special spices and flavors, and their homemade whip cream.

Firehouse Coffee opened April 16, 2007 and has become the meeting place for many locals and business people. The coffee shop has ample seating of 17 during the fair weather months, which includes 9 outdoor patio seating, 8 lobby seating, and

> comfortable leather chairs inside the shop. Firehouse Coffee also caters meetings for breakfast and lunch, offering Joe to Go

Boxes for their coffee. Their coffee is blended by an Annapolis roaster and is freshly ground. The coffee shop is run by local owners Gregory Socks and Linda Redfern Socks, and a few part-time employees. The shop is open from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily, and Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For additional information please contact Linda Redfern Socks at 410-320-9997 or the coffee shop at 410-479-0880. Firehouse Coffee's website is www. firehousecoffeecafe.net.

Caroline Hospice Foundation **Upcoming Events**

Thursday, November 6th: "Surviving the Holidays" Part 2

Adult Bereavement Group, call 410-479-3500 for location 6 p.m.

Pre-Registration required. No charge.

Saturday, November 8th: Church Bazaar

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Preston Hospice information table 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Volunteers needed to man the booth.

Friday, November 14th: Cookie Exchange & Volunteer Card Signing

Caroline Home for Hospice

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Please RSVP.

Saturday & Sunday, November 22nd & 23rd: Caroline Festival of

Bryant-Todd House Inn, Gay Street, Denton

2 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Tree tour, hot cider, Santa, choir. *It's not too late to sign up to decorate a tree! Call Linda or Lynn for more information.

Saturday, November 29th: First Night Hospice

7351 Todd's Wharf Road, Preston 6 p.m.

Home of Cortland & Kathy Dukes. Join us at the Dukes' as they light their beautiful display of Christmas lights for the start of the 2008 holiday season. NCHS Band of Blue will perform and Santa will be on-site.

December 15th-31st: Enchanted Campground

Martinak State Park.

Ride through the park and view the festive twinkling lights. A donation box will be on-site.

> For more information on any of the events please call Caroline Hospice Foundation at 410-479-3500.

Party Planner Opens a New Shop in Downtown Denton



Boutique can assist you by providing e v e n t planning services and party supplies. Visit

the boutique located at 9 South Third Street in Downtown Denton to see how they can help you take your party or event to the next level affordably.

With over 10 years experience

Are you planning a party or in planning events, Nona Jones, the owner, enjoys planning affordable events of any size. Event Boxes, their most popular product, are Gems Event available for any occasion. They contain everything you need for your event from invitations to thank you cards. You can have event products customized with photographs and the name of the guest of honor. Event Box samples are available for viewing at the boutique or online at MyEventBox.com.

> The boutique now carries Kate Aspen Favors, perfect for weddings and other events. You can view the most popular favors at the boutique

and view the entire collection online at www.GemsEvent.com and click on favors.

Mark your calendar now for their Holiday Open House on Saturday, November 15, 2008. Join them and learn more about the boutique and its services, as well as save on holiday items during their early bird holiday sale. You will find selected boxed Christmas cards for 50% off the suggested retail price, Kate Aspen Favors for 10% off, and ideas and products for spicing up your holiday celebrations. Come and enjoy refreshments and a live performance of all your holiday favorites by R&B

recording artist Kyonté. You will also have a chance at winning a Holiday Event Box.

Know someone planning an upcoming event? Give them a gift card from Gems Event Boutique. The cards can be used towards purchases of party supplies, favors, wedding websites, or event planning services.

The boutique is open every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will take evening appointments. To schedule an appointment call (443)-448-4501. For additional information, visit them online at www.GemsEvent.com.

Christmas Around Caroline

Saturday & Sunday, November 22 & 23

Caroline Festival of Trees

2:00 - 7:00 p.m. Bryant-Todd House Inn 119 Gay St., Denton Free admission

Community Christmas trees on display and for sale at the majestic Bryant-Todd House Inn. Purchase your already decorated tree just in time to put it in your home at Thanksgiving time. Hot mulled cider available. Snapshots with Santa extra. Donations to benefit Caroline Hospice Foundation. For more information call 410-479-3500.

Saturday, November 29

First Night Hospice

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Home of Kathy & Cortland Dukes 7351 Todd's Wharf Road, Preston Free and open to the public

You won't believe the awesome Christmas light display! Fundraiser for the benefit of Caroline Hospice Foundation. Donations accepted.

For more information call 410-479-3500.

Denton Holiday Windows

Saturday, November 29

Kids Holiday Fun

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Emerson House Restaurant 4 S. First St., Denton

\$10 per person. Build and decorate your own Gingerbread House and take it home or enter in the Gingerbread Decorating Contest through the Denton Main Street Program. Decorate holiday cookies. Snacks, hot chocolate, hot apple cider provided. For more information call 410-479-0015.

December 4 - 31 Downtown Denton

Stroll along Market Street and Third Street in downtown Denton and view windows decorated by local artisans and civic groups. This year's theme is "Seasons Greetings From Around the World." Fun for the whole family. For more information call 410-479-2050.

Thursday, December 4

Denton Holiday Parade

Denton Holiday Parade and Lighting of the Green

6:00 p.m. Parade Starts Inclement weather date, Friday, Dec. 5

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 make a special appearance. For more information call Lisa at 410-479-2050.

Saturday, December 6

Ridgely Old Fashioned Christmas

6:45 p.m.

This year's event will include a parade, refreshments and Santa lighting the town Christmas tree. 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 Hall of handcrafted Christmas trees and Christmas wreaths. Santa will conclude the parade at the Town Hall where refreshments will be served. www.ridgelymd.org

Saturday, December 6

Lighting of "The City"

6:00 p.m. Parade Starts, Greensboro

The festivities kick off with a holiday parade down Sunset Avenue and ending at the Carnival grounds. Following the parade the Town will be lit up with Christmas decorations. There will be a special appearance from Santa, Frosty the Snowman, Rudolph, Santa Elves, carolers, and a few more surprises. All children will have an opportunity to sit on Santa's lap. Santa will give each child a gift and a chance to have their pictures taken with him and his sleigh. Free hot cocoa and cookies. For more information call 410-482-6222 or go to www.greensboromd.com.

Saturday & Sunday, December 6 & 7

8th Annual Christmas in Caroline

Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Caroline County 4-H Park, Detour Rd., Denton
Free admission with plenty of parking

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 Christmas photos, festive Christmas music, silent auction and great food. For more information call 410-479-0565 or jdwooters@comcast.net.

Sunday, December 7

Christmas Caroling at the "New" Water Tower

6:00 p.m. Federalsburg

Candlelight service, live music, refreshments. For more information, call 410-754-7544.

Monday, December 8

Federalsburg Christmas Parade

7:30 p.m.

Parade theme: "A Critter Christmas." To register, call 410-754-9494.

Saturday, December 13

Holiday Tea Party

2:00 p.m. Emerson House Restaurant 4 S. First Street, Denton

\$17 adults, \$8 children Choice of tea, scones, tea sandwiches, cookies and other traditional delights. Surprise take home gift. For more information call 410-479-0015.

Miracle on Market Street Denton Holiday Market Place

Downtown Market Street

Thursday, December 4, 5 - 9 p.m. Fridays, December 5 & 12, 5 - 9 p.m. Saturdays, December 6 & 13, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sundays, December 7 & 14, 1 - 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 2 weekends of fun for the whole family. For more information, call 410-365-2505.

Saturday, December 13

Train and Toy Show

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. 4 –H Park on Detour Road, Denton

Food, Test Track , Train Parts. Admission \$3. Kids under 12 Free with Adult. Tables available. For more information call R.D. Singer 410-479-2928 or Tom Trice 410-479-1173.



Saturday, December 13

"Behold the Gift" Ridgely Live Nativity Pageant

7:30 p.m.

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)

Hillsboro's Luminary Tour

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

December 20

rain date December 21

Saturday,

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.

Lily Pad's S New Year's Eve "Disco Fever" Party!

December 31, 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. \$50 per person. Limited tickets.

- Heavy Hors D'oeuves
- Dance off contest with cash prize
- Cash bar
- Champagne toast at midnight

For more information and tickets call 410-479-0700.

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an exparte order. Police were contacted by Mark Bilbrough, 39, of Greensboro, who reported that Boyd had tried to force Bilbrough's vehicle off the road while he traveled on Market Street in the area of Pearson Road. Bilbrough further reported that Boyd made several attempts to do so. Later that night police received a call from Kimberly Boyd advising that Boyd was at her residence in violation of an exparte order. Kimberly Boyd also reported that Boyd had made threats towards her and Bilbrough while Boyd was at Kimberly Boyd's residence. Boyd was taken into custody and charged with Attempted First Degree Assault, Second Degree Assault, Reckless Endangerment, Harassment, and four (4) counts of violating an exparte order. Boyd was taken before a District Court Commissioner who ordered Boyd held without bail at the Caroline County Detention Center.

Date: 09/05/2008

Classification: Fail to Obey Lawful Order of Police Officer.

Location: 0 block N THIRD ST

Denton Police charged Regina Carpenter, 19, of Greensboro, with failing to obey a lawful order of a police officer. Police were standing outside the Denton Police Department building when they heard an argument taking place at Fourth and Gay Streets. When the officers approached they were able to determine that a male and a female were arguing. The male subject complied with the officers when they requested information regarding the incident but the female, identified as Carpenter, refused to cooperate and started walking away. When police attempted to speak to Carpenter she began to yell again and refused to stop. Carpenter was placed under arrest at that time. Carpenter was issued a criminal citation charging her with failing to obey a lawful order of a police officer and released on her signature.

Date: 09/08/2008

Classification: CDS: Possession-Marihuana

Location: 700 block N SIXTH ST Denton Police arrested Gerald Hardon, 48, of Greensboro, for driving suspended and possession of CDS. Police stopped a 1998 Jeep for an equipment violation and identified the operator as Hardon. A check of MVA records revealed that Hardon's license was suspended for failing to pay child support. Hardon was placed under arrest and a search of the vehicle revealed two hand rolled cigarettes containing suspected marihuana. Hardon was processed and charged with possession of CDS and driving on a suspended license and privilege and taken before a District Court Commissioner who ordered Hardon released on his personal recognizance.

Date: 09/09/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: DENTON PZ

Denton Police responded to Colosseum Pizza where an employee reported that a group had left the restaurant without paying their bill. The employee stated that the group, two (2) white males and two (2) white females, had ordered and eaten approximately \$49.00 worth of food. One of the females presented a credit card for payment that was declined. The group then advised that they would go to the bank and get cash for the purchase. The employee then watched the group get into a white Jeep and leave the area. Date:09/10/2008

Classification: Theft Under \$500 Location: DENTON PZ

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a license plate. Police responded to the parking lot of Denton Plaza where Jesse Wheeler, 26, of Greensboro, reported that person(s) unknown removed the rear license plate from his 1985 Cadillac. The tag number is Maryland GCC483. Date: 09/12/2008

Classification: CDS: Possession-Marihuana

Location: N FIFTH ST

Denton Police charged a 17 year old male of Denton with possession of CDS and underage possession of an alcoholic beverage. Police were monitoring the closed circuit security cameras when they observed a male at High and Fifth Streets consuming an alcoholic beverage. Officers arrived at the location and upon further investigation found that the above listed male had been consuming alcoholic beverages. The male was taken into custody and searched. During the search a small quantity of suspected marihuana was located on his person. The juvenile was processed and referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice, charged with possession of suspected CDS and underage possession of an alcoholic beverage. The juvenile was released to a guardian.

Date: 09/12/2008

Classification: CDS: Possess-Not

Marihuana

Location: 600 block MARKET ST

Denton Police arrested Mathew Chapman, 20, of Ridgely, for possession of CDS. Police responded to 601 Market Street for a noise complaint. When police were approaching they observed Chapman attempt to walk away. Police told Chapman to stop and he complied. Police received consent to search Chapman after a pat down revealed a small bulge in a pocket. That search led to the seizure of three pills, two (2) Xanax and one (1) Oxycodone HCL. Chapman did not possess a prescription for either medication. Chapman was arrested and charged with possession of CDS. Chapman was ordered released on his own recognizance after an initial appearance hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Date: 09/12/2008

Classification: CDS: Possess-Not Marihuana.

Denton Police arrested Nicolas Conner. 20, of Denton, for possession of CDS and underage possession of an alcoholic beverage. Police were responding to a loud noise complaint where they observed a vehicle leaving the scene. That vehicle, a 2003 Dodge, failed to stop at the stop sign at Market and Sixth Streets. The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Conner. Police observed a carton containing an alcoholic beverage and inquired as to Conner's age and found him to be under 21. Further discussion with Conner led to the seizure of three small baggies of suspected cocaine and a small cigarette containing suspected marihuana. Conner was placed under arrested, processed, and charged with possession of CDS and underage possession of an alcoholic beverage. Conner was seen by a District Court Commissioner who ordered Conner released on his own recognizance.

Date: 09/14/2008

Classification: Driving on revoked

Location: 700 block N SIXTH ST Denton Police charged Pamela Stubbs, 24, of Greensboro, with driving on a suspended and revoked license. Police observed a 1995 Ford pickup being operated by Stubbs. Police were familiar with Stubbs from prior police contacts and were aware that Stubbs' privilege to

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MIRACLE ON MARKET STREET

A Denton Holiday Shopping Marketplace

Two Weekends

Opening Thursday, December 4, 2008

at 5:00 p.m.

220 Market Street

Denton, MD

Shopping Hours:

Thursday, Dec., 4, 5-9 p.m.

Fridays, Dec. 5 and 12, 5-9 p.m.

Saturdays, Dec. 6 and 13, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sundays, Dec. 7 and 14, 1 – 5 p.m.

Denton Town Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2008 Regular Meeting

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

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that Councilmen Moore and Clendaniel were present. Councilman Porter arrived shortly, and Councilman Branson was absent.

Councilman Moore made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2008 meeting, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Public Hearing

None

Petitions, Remonstrances and **Communication**

Angels of Mercy Home Health Care Services

Mr. Alex Tum, RN had requested the opportunity to discuss Angels of Mercy with the Town Council. This item was on the June 2nd agenda. Mr. Tum asked to be placed on the August Agenda.

Mr. Tum was not present, no action was taken.

Councilman Porter arrived at 7:02 p.m.

Proclamation Summerfest 20th <u>Anniversary</u>

Mayor Foster read a proclamation proclaiming Friday, August 15 through Sunday August 17. 2008 as Caroline Summerfest Days in Caroline County.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion for the Council to sign the proclamation, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Ordinances and Resolutions Resolution No. 704 - Citizen Participation Plan

In accordance with United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's requirement that communities participating in the Community Development Block Grant Program adopt and submit a citizen participation plan, this item was brought before the Town Council

for review and is required to be the sale of property described as Lot updated every three years.

Councilman Porter made a motion to adopt Resolution #704, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Reports of officers, board and **committees**

None

Unfinished Business Agenda #1 Industrial Park Lots:

1) David Rice was present to discuss his lease and damaged crops on the industrial park lot with the Denton Town Council. Mr. Rice wanted to know how much longer he would have to wait for settlement on the crops that were destroyed.

Brynja Booth, the Town's Attorney advised Mr. Rice that his lease was with the previous owners KRM. She advised that KRM's Attorney and his attorney were working on a resolution to settle with him. The Town acquired the property with a special warranty deed free and clear of any leases.

Mayor Foster expressed appreciation of Mr. Rice's concerns and suggested that he allow the attorneys to discuss and work towards a resolution.

2) Brynja Booth prepared a revised Contract for the purchase of lot 11 and 12 and an ordinance for the Council's consideration of introduction.

The Town Attornev recommended that the Council hold off on action on this item until the issue with the farm lease with Mr. Rice is resolved with KRM.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to table any action on Ordinance #561, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

3) Top Orchids requested to purchase Lot 9A instead of 10A-1. Brynja Booth prepared an option agreement and Ordinance #560 - An Ordinance of the Town of Denton Authorizing the Mayor of the Town Council to execute and option agreement with Top Orchids, Inc. for

9A as show on a plat entitled "Lot #9B Denton Industrial Park.'

Councilman Porter made a motion to introduce Ordinance #560, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously. Staff advised that the wetlands application has been submitted.

Staff will advertise for the public hearings to be held during the Sept. meeting.

Agenda #2 - Glenfield Growth Allocation Agreement

Ms. Cynthia McCann, on behalf of Mr. Chris Coile, presented the Glenfield Growth Allocation Agreement for the Council to consider for approval. This reflects the County Attorney's suggestion that Mr. Coile follow the general format of the Town of Greensboro's 2005 request for Growth Allocation. Ms. McCann advised that the County is in the process of going through the legal audit for the critical area and approval of the growth allocation is pending.

Further discussion was held in which Ms. McCann stated that the agreement has been reviewed by the County but may be amended before ready to finalize.

Councilman Porter made a motion to table consideration on the growth allocation agreement at this time, seconded by Councilman Moore, the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. McCann asked for the Council to consider a deferral of the water and sewer fees pending the County's approval of the growth allocation.

The Town Attorney advised that this project was unique in that it is the first project to require the growth allocation approval from the County. This project is ready to go before the planning commission for consideration of approval conditioned upon growth allocation approval from the County. According to the Town Code the timing would warrant Mr. Coile having to pay the balance of the water and sewer allocation fee to the Town before receiving final approval from the

County. The Council was asked to consider deferring payment of the final 75% of the water and sewer connection fees until recorded.

Councilman Porter made a motion to defer the balance of the 75% of the water and sewer allocation until final plat is ready for recordation, seconded by Councilman Moore. The motion passed with 3 yes and Councilman Clendaniel abstaining.

Agenda #3 - Collona Water / Sewer Allocation Refund Request

The Council reviewed Mr. Collona's request for a refund of his entire fee of \$6,000.00 (for 25% of 4 ERUs at \$6.000.00 per ERU). This item was deferred from the previous meeting pending review and analysis of code by staff.

Staff reviewed the code and presented two options to the Council for consideration.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to refund Mr. Collona based on option A as prepared by staff that would provide a partial refund of \$3,718.52, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Staff advised that this subdivision has expired.

Agenda #4 - Blazejak Letter re Allev 5

At the July 7th Council meeting the Town Council discussed with staff the Blazejak letter regarding alley #5. Staff was directed to look into the concerns raised.

Bill Kastning, Director of Planning & Codes and Scott Getchell, Director of Public Works advised the Council that local traffic signs and no thru truck signs have been installed in the alley. Staff stated that the south west corner of South First Street and the alley has significant widening. Staff recommended working with the property owner to put a fence up to reduce the access area to the alley and try to divert traffic to using South First Street.

The Council had no objections to staff trying to work with the property owner to put up a fence.

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<u>Agenda #1 - Planning</u> <u>Commission Vacancy</u>

The Planning Commission reviewed five letters of interest to fill the Planning Commission vacancy created by the resignation of Jake Holmes and provided recommendations to the Council for consideration of appointment.

Councilman Moore asked to discuss the individual applicants under personnel in executive session before appointing. Action on this item was deferred until the end of the meeting.

<u>Agenda #2 - North Denton</u> <u>Phase I</u>

Bidding for North Denton Phase I reconstruction has been completed. David A. Bramble has submitted a bid proposal for consideration by the Town Council. This bid exceeds the existing funding limit.

This item was deferred for discussion and consideration to the Sept. 8, 2008 Council meeting.

<u>Agenda #3 - Sharp Road Park</u> <u>Lease Amendment</u>

Brynja Booth prepared a lease amendment which included providing funding to the Choptank Athletic Association for the construction of a basketball court as indicated on the site plan that was presented to the Council. The total construction cost estimate for the basketball court is \$26,580.

Councilman Moore made a motion to accept the lease, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Community Parks and Playground Grant Application

The Choptank Athletic Association asked the Town to apply for funding under the Community Parks and Playground grant program for improvements to Sharp Road Park. The application is due August 25. Town staff asked for authorization to submit application and for the Mayor to sign all appropriate documents. Presently CAA has a two-year lease with the Town of Denton. The lease may need to be extended for a 20 year period if funding is provided.

Councilman Moore made a motion to submit the application,

seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

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

<u>Agenda #4 - Gay Street</u> <u>Redevelopment Project Public</u> <u>Works Agreement</u>

Brynja Booth provided a final draft of the Public Works Agreement for the Gay Street Redevelopment Project for the Council to review and for consideration of approval.

Ms. Carmen Farmer, Attorney for the Gay Street Redevelopment, provided an overview of the project.

The Town Attorney explained the public works agreement to the Council

Councilman Moore made a motion to approve the public works agreement, seconded by Councilman Porter. In discussion Councilman Clendaniel raised a concern about property maintenance and asked that as the project moves along the developer becognizant of the kids in the neighborhood. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Agenda #5 - Municipal Building</u> <u>USDA Final Application</u>

USDA invited the Town of Denton to submit a final application for funding for the new Municipal Building. Town staff provided an overview of the USDA lending program and asked for direction from the Council to consider authorizing the submission of the final application and authorizing the Mayor to execute the appropriate documents.

Councilman Porter made a motion to adopt Resolution #705 to submit the application to USDA, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Agenda #6 Glenfield Water / Sewer Allocation and Fee Deferral

A water and sewer allocation request for 41 lots for Glenfield for 9225 gpd was reviewed by the Council. Additionally, Mr. Coile requested the Council consider a deferral of the balance of the Water/

Sewer allocation fee (75% remainder -- \$276,750.00) pending approval of Growth Allocation. (This part of the request was approved earlier in the meeting under unfinished business agenda #2.)

Councilman Porter made a motion to grant the 9225 gpd allocation, seconded by Councilman Moore. In discussion Councilman Moore and Councilman Clendaniel voiced concerns about the increase in residential houses. Councilman Clendaniel asked the Town Attorney to research to see if residential growth can be limited without affecting commercial growth.

The motion passed with 3 voting yes and Councilman Clendaniel abstaining.

<u>Agenda #7 - West Denton</u> (Riverside) Boat Trip

Messrs. Rauch and Rocks extended an invitation to Town Council members, Town staff, Town Planning Commission, County officials, and County staff for a river view of the project.

Of the dates proposed the Town Council preferred Friday, August 22. If a quorum will be in attendance staff will take care of posting a public notice.

Agenda #8 - Mechanical, International Building and International Residential Code Ordinances

Three separate ordinances were presented to the Town Council for consideration of adopting new local code changes that are reflected in the 2006 Mechanical, International Building, and International Residential Codes. The Town Attorney advised that the ordinance includes a provision to allow the Town to sell a property at tax sale once a judgment has been entered by the Court system for municipal infractions.

Ordinance #562

An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Residential Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton residential code for one and two family dwellings, and repealing and reenacting sections 38-5 through 38-8.1 of the Denton Town Code.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to introduce Ordinance #562, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Ordinance #563

An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Mechanical Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Mechanical Code, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article III of the Denton Town Code.

Councilman Moore made a motion to introduce Ordinance #563, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Ordinance #564

An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Building Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Building Code of the Town of Denton, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article I of the Denton Town Code.

Councilman Porter made a motion to introduce Ordinance #564, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Miscellaneous

Councilman Porter asked staff to see if the copper caps on the pilings at Crouse Park could be fixed before Summerfest, and to also check on the overgrown weeds on the walking trail.

Councilman Porter asked for a presentation on the status of the former Dollar General site to be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Staff mentioned putting discussion of the parking on Market St on the next agenda.

Mayor Foster advised that he had received a letter seeking donations for the District 6 Girls State Champions for their trip to the playoffs. It was mentioned that the team is already in Syracuse and if anyone could privately make a donation.

Mayor Foster mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for awards if anyone wished to contact them with a nomination.

Councilman Moore announced that the Caroline County Hospice will be holding a concert at Chesapeake

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College, if anyone is interested in tickets to contact him.

Executive Session

Mayor Foster asked the Council for consideration to hold an executive session to discuss the Planning Commission vacancy.

Councilman Moore made a motion at 9:07 p.m. to hold an executive session to discuss personnel/Planning Commission vacancy, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Mayor Foster and Councilmen Porter. Moore, and Clendaniel were present during the executive session along with the Town Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer, the Director of Planning and Codes, and Brynja Booth, Town Attorney.

No action was taken.

At 9:23 p.m. Councilman Porter made a motion to close the executive session, seconded by Councilman Moore, the motion passed unanimously.

The regular meeting was re-

New Business Agenda #1 - Planning Commission Vacancy

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to nominate Ummu Bradlev Thomas to the Planning Commission, seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Councilman Porter on behalf of the Council directed the Town Attorney to investigate the ability of adding two alternates to serve on the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission could then be five members and two alternatives.

With no further business to discuss Councilman Porter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m., seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

September 8, 2008 Regular Meeting

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

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that Council members

Branson and Clendaniel were reenacting sections 38-5 through 38present. The others were expected to arrive shortly.**

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2008 meeting, with a question that under New Business Agenda #6 he thought he had actually asked about having the Town Attorney research a limited residential moratorium. The Attorney stated that staff could review the tape if he wished. The motion was seconded by Mayor Foster, passing. Councilman Branson abstained on voting on the minutes due to being absent at the prior meeting.

Swearing in of New Officer

Chief Cox introduced Daryl Willey as a new member of the Denton Police Dept., and Mayor Foster proceeded with the swearing in of Officer Willey.

Public Hearing Ordinance #560

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:06 p.m. to receive public comments on Ordinance #560 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing the Mayor of the Town Council to execute an option agreement with Top Orchids, Inc. for the sale of property described as Lot 9A as shown on a plat entitled "Lot #9B Denton Industrial Park."

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

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the County - there

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the Council - there

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

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at 7:08 PM

Ordinance #562

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:08 p.m. to receive public comments on Ordinance #562 - An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Residential Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Residential Code for one and two family dwellings, and repealing and 8.1 of the Denton Town Code.

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

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

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

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

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at

Ordinance #563

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:10 p.m. to receive public comments on Ordinance #563 - An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Mechanical Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Mechanical Code, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article III of the Denton Town Code.

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

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

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

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

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Ordinance #564

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:11 p.m. to receive public comments on Ordinance #564 - An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Building Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Building Code of the Town of Denton, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article I of the Denton Town Code.

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the State - there

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

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

Mayor Foster asked for comments from the Public - there

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at

**Councilman Moore arrived at 7:13 p.m.

Petitions, Remonstrances, and **Communication**

Greenly - Governor's Plaque

Mr. Greenly came before the Council requesting their support in placing a plaque on the corner of Second Street and Franklin in honor of the two Governors who grew up in Denton. Former Maryland Governor Harry Hughes and former Delaware Governor Sherman Tribbett. Mr. Greenly stated that they were looking at a 24x18 bronze plaque to be installed around November on the Board of Education property. The plaque is estimated to cost approximately \$5,000 and donations are welcome.

The Council supported Mr. Greenly's request.

Summerfest Appreciation -Governor's Citations

Mayor Foster presented the State of Maryland Governor's Citation to Sue Simmons and Terry Fearins and thanked them for their dedication to Summerfest.

**Councilman Porter arrived at 7:19 p.m.

John Seward, Fred Pomeroy, Travis Hollingsworth

These gentlemen requested an opportunity to come before the Town Council to discuss the impact

Mr. John Seward, Regional Land Use Planner for the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, talked with the Council regarding concerns and issues surrounding development in Denton and stated that he supports the passage of a development moratorium.

Mr. Fred Pomeroy, President of Dorchester Citizens for Planned Growth, spoke to the Council about mega developments posing a threat

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to the environmental integrity, agricultural viability, and the quality of life, urging the Council to support a development moratorium.

Mr. Travis Hollingsworth came before the Council to discuss the impact of the proposed growth and suggested that the Council update the 2006 Housing and Economic Study to reflect 2008 data.

<u>Caroline Chamber of</u> Commerce -

The Caroline Chamber of Commerce extended an invitation to become a member of the publication Chamber Guide.

Councilman Porter made a motion for the Town to take out a half page ad, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

<u>Maryland Municipal League</u> <u>- Geocache Trail Project</u>

The MML is initiating a new project called the MML Geocache Trail to promote awareness of and visits to Maryland's cities and towns. The Town received an invitation to become part of the project.

Councilman Porter made a motion to participate and attempt to locate on the Courthouse Green, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

<u>Kathleen Freeman, Caroline</u> <u>County Director of Planning and</u> <u>Codes</u>

The County is seeking municipalities' agreement to sign a Memorandum of Understanding to account for historic and natural resources when planning within the Upper Choptank River and Tuckahoe Creek watersheds. Caroline County, Templeville, Henderson, Marydel, and Goldsboro have signed thus far. Ms. Freemen presented to the Denton Planning Commission at its August 26 meeting and the Commission recommends the Town Council sign the MOU.

Ms. Freeman was unable to attend, the Council deferred this item.

Ordinances and Resolutions Ordinance #560 Authorization for Mayor to sign Option Agreement - Lot 9A

An ordinance of the Town of

Denton authorizing the Mayor of the Town Council to execute an option agreement for the sale of Lot 9A as shown on Plat entitled "Lot 9B Denton Industrial Park."

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #560, seconded by Councilman Porter. In discussion Councilman Clendaniel confirmed that this property would not have any crop issues. Councilman Branson confirmed with the Town Attorney that the agreement requires the buyer to pay all settlement cost.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #561 Authorization of Settlement of the Purchase and Acquisition - Lots 11 & 12

An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing settlement of the purchase and acquisition of Lots 11 and 12 in the Denton Industrial Park.

The Town Attorney asked the Council to defer this item until KRM has confirmed that the farm lease issues have been resolved.

Councilman Branson made a motion to table consideration of introduction of this ordinance, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Ordinance #562 Adoption of 2006 Edition of the International Residential Code

An ordinance of the Town of Denton adopting the 2006 edition of the International Residential Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Residential Code for one and two family dwellings and repealing and reenacting sections 38-5 through 38-8.1 of the Denton Town Code.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to adopt ordinance #562, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Ordinance #563 Adoption of 2006 Edition of the Mechanical Code

An ordinance of the Town of Denton adopting the 2006 edition of the International Mechanical Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Mechanical Code, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article III of the Denton Town Code.

Councilman Porter made a motion to adopt ordinance #563, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing unanimously.

Ordinance #564 Adoption of 2006 Edition of the International Building Code

An ordinance of the Town of Denton adopting the 2006 edition of the International Building Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Building Code of the Town of Denton, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article I of the Denton Town Code.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to adopt ordinance #564, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Ordinance # 565 Adoption of 2006 Edition of Property Maintenance Code

An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing the adoption of the 2006 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code and repealing and reenacting Chapter 94.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to introduce Ordinance #565, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Councilman Clendaniel asked about inspection of residential houses. The Town Attorney explained the ordinances.

Ordinance # 566 Amendment to Chapter 20 of the Denton Town Code to add Section 20-13 Entitled "Administrative Search Warrants, Rights of Entry"

An ordinance establishing the standards and requirements for obtaining an administrative search warrant to enter a premise located within the Town of Denton.

The Town Attorney explained that this ordinance creates local law to establish a process for the Town to obtain an administrative search warrant, by court order, for a civil right of entry when there is a public health and safety issue. This would be utilized in property maintenances and public nuisance situations.

Councilman Porter made a motion to introduce Ordinance #566, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

<u>Reports of Officers, Board and</u> <u>Committees</u>

None

<u>Unfinished Business</u> <u>Agenda #1 Glenfield Growth</u> <u>Allocation Agreement</u>

At the August 4 Council meeting, Ms. Cindy McCann provided an amended agreement for the Town Council's consideration. This item was tabled to give the Council an opportunity to review.

Ms. McCann provided an updated status on the growth allocation agreement. The Town Attorney advised that once the County has approved the critical area portion, this will be brought back to the Council for the next step.

Councilman Porter made a motion to sign the growth allocation agreement, seconded by Councilman Branson. There was further discussion regarding the impact of new critical area laws and Ms. McCann advised that they will have to apply to the new standards. The motion passed with 3 voting yes and Councilman Moore and Councilman Clendaniel abstaining.

<u>Agenda #2 - Market Street</u> <u>Parking / Traffic</u>

Bill Kastning, Director of Planning and Codes, Scott Getchell, Director of Public Works, and Chief Cox of the Denton Police Dept. provided a follow-up assessment and made recommendations on street parking and traffic impacts between Sixth Street and Gay Street. Staff recommended no parking on Market St.

Councilman Branson made a motion to ban parking on Market St. between 6th and Gay St. Extended, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel. Discussion was held in which Mrs. Doris Walls, Planning Commission Chair, recited the Road Safety Committee surveys and concern from March 8, 2004 in which the response was to have no parking or limited parking. At that time the Council took action approving no parking, followed by Public complaints to the Council and it was changed back to allow parking.

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Market St. resident Sue Cruickshank spoke in favor of the parking ban.

Further discussion was held regarding the implementation method.

Mrs. Singer expressed that it was necessary but maybe the new construction contributed to the issue.

Mayor Foster expressed that the traffic flow is a valid concern for safety apparatuses going up and down Market St.

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

Councilman Branson made another motion to have the striping completed, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

Agenda #3 Alley No. 5 Update

Staff provided a follow-up assessment on the alley traffic issues and recommended solutions to try to stop the problems. Staff will obtain a cost estimate for curbing and having a paved apron.

Agenda #4 Planning Commission Composition

The Town Attorney recited Article 66B which provides the ability to have an alternate position on the Planning Commission and allow there to be an alternate to the alternate.

Several Planning Commission members shared comments with the Council.

Councilman Branson made a motion to have the Planning Commission be composed of 5 members and 1 alternate, and to have an alternate to the alternate. Then Councilman Branson amended his motion to have 5 members plus 1 alternate, Councilman Clendaniel seconded the amended motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Town Attorney will prepare an ordinance for the Council's consideration at the next meeting.

<u>Agenda #5 - Sharp Road</u> <u>Park</u>

This item was previously on the August 4 meeting agenda. The Town has since received Brandon Nier's correspondence regarding a breakdown of the responsibilities for payment, maintenance, etc. Staff advised that they would seek to privately contract portable toilets, and have the Public Works Dept maintain the grounds. The basketball court is presently estimated to cost \$26,580.

Councilman Moore made a motion to have staff move forward with negotiations with the Choptank Athletic Association and bring back to the next meeting, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

Mr. Dean Danielson asked the Council if before moving forward with new business would they consider opening the floor for additional citizen comments on the Eastern Shore Land Conservatories growth discussion, expressing that there were several in the audience that wished to comment.

Mayor Foster went ahead and asked if anyone had any additional comments as mentioned.

Mr. Nick Carter from Goldsboro introduced himself to the Council advising that he has been a biologist for 35 years and that he has studied the river. He stated that the river is overloaded with nutrients and additional growth will only harm the river. Mr. Carter expressed support for the Council to consider a moratorium.

With no one else having any comments to share the Mayor moved on to new business.

New Business

<u>Agenda #1 – Dollar General</u> <u>Redevelopment Site</u>

At the August 4 Council meeting a request was made to have the Denton Development Corporation attend the September meeting and provide an update on the progress of this project.

JOK Walsh provided an update on the Dollar General Property, advising that the Town used CDBG funds to help the Town purchase the site, that was eventually sold to Mr. Maloney. Mr. Maloney has not been able to develop the site within the two years that was required in the purchase contract and has asked for an extension.

The Denton Development Corporation suggested that the Town consider re-purchasing the property or require Mr. Maloney to 1) break ground within 6 months; 2) sign a jobs agreement; 3) develop the site with a desired use (retail/office); and 4) have an approved design.

Councilman Clendaniel asked if the Town were to buy the property back would it cost more, and staff responded that the purchase agreement allowed for the Town to buy back if not developed within 2 years at the original purchase price.

Councilman Porter made a motion to proceed with moving forward with the 4 criteria recommendation with a letter under the Mayor's signature to Mr. Maloney, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

<u>Agenda #2 - North Denton</u> <u>Project Bid Award</u>

The Public Works Director, Scott Getchell, came before the Council requesting consideration to approve a bid from David A. Bramble in the amount of \$1,119,120.00 to perform the North Denton infrastructure improvements. Included in the request is a proposal from Lane Engineering in the amount of \$22,000.00 to perform the construction administration. The original project scope of work has been scaled down to match funding levels available. A funding sheet, project map, and the construction administration proposal were provided. The original project scope of work has been scaled down to match funding levels available.

Councilman Branson questioned funding and staff advised that the Town's share was included in the FY2009 adopted budget. Staff had made a request for an additional \$80,000 from the State but it is not available. The proposed phasing of this project would include reducing the scope of work shown on the map amended by Scott Getchell. Staff will look to see if there are any State School Safe grant funds available to be used towards this project.

Councilman Porter made a motion to award the bid to David Bramble keeping the scope of the project within the revenues available and to award the construction administration to Lane Engineering, seconded by Councilman Moore, passing with 4 yes and Councilman Branson abstaining.

<u>Agenda #3 Acquisition of</u> <u>Firearms</u>

Chief Cox came before the Council seeking authorization to upgrade and purchase new side arms for the Police Department and to trade in some Glock firearms, estimated net cost of \$4,324.80.

Councilman Branson made a motion to upgrade the firearms as requested, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel. In discussion Councilman Porter asked how the firearms will be paid for and Chief Cox advised that it will come out of the capital fund as budgeted. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Agenda #4 - Gay Street</u> <u>Redevelopment Zoning Lapse</u>

The Town Attorney held discussion with the Council regarding the lapsing of the Redevelopment floating zone approval by Town Council and lapsing of final site approval by Planning Commission for Gay Street Redevelopment.

Mayor Foster stated that he would like to seek legal council.

Staff indicated that the time allotted to pull building permits by the ordinance may not be long enough for a project to get through the planning process.

Councilman Porter made a motion to introduce Ordinance #567 and review with the attorney before holding a public hearing and adopting, seconded by Councilman Moore, the motion passed 4-1 with Councilman Clendaniel voting no.

Agenda #5 Wal-Mart Traffic Studies

Mark Heally from Traffic Concepts made a presentation on their traffic impact analyses and findings in comparison to The Traffic Group.

Mr. John Seward questioned why the study did not take into account the other developments in the pipeline. Mr. Heally responded that the study only takes into account the effect of Wal-Mart and that as the other developments move forward

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they will be required to have their own traffic study completed.

Mr. Heally advised that the regional study was still being worked on.

No action was taken on this item and it will be brought back before the board once the regional study is finished.

Agenda #6 Caroline High School Architect and Remediation

The Caroline High School Building Committee has gone through the application process for architects. They are recommending BMK for this project. The Committee would also like to proceed with the bid process for remediation of hazardous waste. Mrs. Beth Brewster and Chuck Petrick came before the Council for discussion and seeking approval.

Motion 1 - Councilman Moore made a motion to allow Chesapeake Culinary Center to use CDBG monies to enter into an agreement with BMK for architectural services for the Old High School, seconded by Councilman Porter.

Motion 2 – Councilman Moore made a motion to allow the CCC to proceed with developing a scope of work for the remediation of hazardous materials of the Old High School, seconded by Councilman Porter.

Motion 3 – Councilman Moore made a motion to authorize the Mayor to send a letter to the Maryland Dept. of Housing & Community Development to change the National Objective from Slum and Blight to Low and Moderate Income Benefit, seconded by Councilman Porter.

Motion 4 – Councilman Moore made a motion to have the Town Attorney draft a lease between the Town of Denton and the Friends of the Grape, Inc. for the Chesapeake Culinary Center, seconded by Councilman Porter.

All of the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda #7 - 323 Market Street Retail Incubator Project

JOK Walsh and Abby McNinch of the Denton Development Corp. made a presentation to the Council

advising that they are preparing to submit an application to the State of Maryland for funding consideration through their Small Cities Block Grant Program. (The Town of Denton will be the applicant for this project.) As part of the funding request, the DDC is seeking to cover the remaining cost of acquisition and rehabilitation of the property to support a retail incubator. The DDC asked the Town Council to consider approving to purchase 323 Market St. from the DDC with CDBG monies (if awarded) and then lease the facility to the DDC for the incubator program.

The Town had previously adopted an ordinance to purchase 323 Market Street, and requested the DDC to consider the acquisition. Brynja Booth, Town Attorney, advised that if the Council were to approve this request, they would need a new ordinance.

County Commissioner Jeff Ghrist spoke in favor of the incubator program expressing that it could help businesses get started.

Councilman Clendaniel made a motion for an application to be submitted for funding and directed the Town Attorney to prepare an ordinance for acquisition, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

<u>Agenda #8 - A&E District</u> <u>Community Legacy Project</u>

Abby McNinch, Project Manager for the DDC provided an update on the A&E District and asked the Council for consideration for authorization to move forward with selection of an architect to begin the exterior renovations on 7 and 9 N. Fourth St. properties. Funding for this endeavor is through the Community Legacy Program.

Councilman Moore made a motion to access funds from the Community Legacy Program to select an architect to begin exterior renovations on 7 and 9 N. Fourth St., seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

The following items were added to the agenda.

Residential Moratorium

Councilman Clendaniel made

a motion for a resolution to study the issue of a limited residential moratorium.

Councilman Branson recommended finding out the legality of having a moratorium without a health and public safety issue to the citizens of the Town of Denton.

Councilman Moore expressed that the Council needed to know what the ramifications would be and asked for a roundtable discussion.

Councilman Porter mentioned that legal council had previously provided an opinion and he would like to have further discussion with the Town Attorney.

The Council agreed to hold an executive session at 6:00 on October 6, 2008 to seek legal advice on this. The motion died for the lack of a second.

Councilman Clendaniel asked to set up a workshop.

Staff announced that the next scheduled working session is October 20, 2008.

The Council agreed to hold further discussions on October 20, 2008.

Holiday Parade

Staff advised to the Council that the Holiday Parade is scheduled for Dec. 4, 2008 and asked about selecting an alternative date in case of inclement weather. The Council decided to have the alternative date be Dec. 5, 2008.

With no further discussion Councilman Branson made a motion to close the meeting at 10:45p.m. seconded by Councilman Porter, passing unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Monteith Clerk-Treasurer

UTILITY BILL ALERT!

Utility bills were mailed Oct. 1, 2008. To avoid having your water turned off payment should have been received by Oct. 25, 2008. 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, 2009 and will be due in full by Jan. 25, 2009.

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drive was suspended and revoked. This information was confirmed by MVA through Caroline Communications. Stubbs was stopped and issued citations for driving suspended and driving revoked and released on her signature.

Date: 09/14/2008

Classification: Theft Under \$500 Location: 0 block N FOURTH ST Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Tracy Ferguson, 14, of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown removed his blue and purple boy's Huffy bike from his front yard. The bike is valued at \$120.00.

Date: 09/15/2008

Classification; MDOP over \$500 Location: 200 block S FOURTH ST Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. Employees of the Denton Child Development Center reported that person(s) unknown caused approximately \$525.00 damage to a sign marking the location. The suspects also threw eggs at the front of the building. Date:09/15/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 100 block S FIFTH AV Denton Police are investigating a theft. Maria Weaver, 56, of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown removed

decorative tiki torches from her front yard. The torches are valued at \$25.00.

Date: 09/15/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 100 block EDENTON LN Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Richard Dodd, 54, of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown removed a lavender in color girls bike from his yard (unknown brand or model). The bike is valued at \$99.00.

Date: 09/16/2008

Classification: Assault 2nd Degree Location: 500 block HIGH ST

Denton Police arrested a 17 year old female from Ridgley for assault, disorderly conduct, and other related charges. Police responded to the 500 block of High Street for a disturbance. During the investigation the suspect refused to comply with officer's orders to stop yelling and calm down. After several attempts to calm the suspect she was placed under arrest. Further investigation revealed that the suspect had also gotten into a physical altercation with a 73 year old woman. The suspect was processed and referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice, charged with second degree assault, disorderly conduct - fail to obey a lawful order, trespassing, and disturbing the peace. The suspect was released to a

Date: 09/17/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 100 block MARKET ST Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Amy Long, 30, of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown took her black and orange Nest bike from the bike rack at the Caroline County Public Library. The bike is valued at \$50.00 The Denton Police would also like to remind everyone to secure their bikes, whereever they may be, with a lock and chain.

Date: 09/17/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 300 block S THIRD ST Denton Police are investigating the theft of a bicycle. Bonnie Graves, 60, of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown removed a white and black Mongoose bike from beside her garage. The bike is valued at \$99.00.

Date:09/17/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 500 block MARKET ST Denton Police are investigating a theft from a motor vehicle. Police responded to the Royal Farm Store where William Prahl, 63, of Greensboro, reported that person(s) unknown removed a "Dale Earnhardt" carry bag from his pickup while it was parked at the fuel pumps. Prahl stated that he went into the store to pay for gas and when he returned that bag was gone. Video cameras captured an unknown person enter the passenger side of the truck then run north on Fifth Street. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via e-mail at tips@todpolice.com. Denton Police would also like to remind everyone to secure their vehicles when they are left unattended, even for very short periods of time.

Date: 09/19/2008

Classification: DWI / DUI Location: 400 block S FIFTH AV

Denton Police arrested Manuel Gonzalez-Gomez, 24, of Greenwood, DE, for DUI/DWI. Police observed a 1997 Pontiac fail to stop at a stop sign on S. Fifth Ave. at the entrance to the Food Lion Parking lot. The vehicle was stopped and the operator identified as Gonzalez-Gomez. Police detected a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the inside of the vehicle and the suspect was asked to perform field sobriety tests. The suspect failed to adequately perform the tests and was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI/DWI. A check of MVA records in MD and DE also revealed that the suspect did not possess a license in either state. The suspect was charged with DUI/DWI and driving without a license and taken before a District Court Commissioner for an initial appearance hearing where the suspect was order held at the Caroline County Detention Center on \$3,000.00 bail.

Date: 09/19/2008

Classification: Assault 2nd Degree Location: 400 block LOCKERMAN

Denton Police charged a 13 year old male of Denton and 13 year old female of Ridgely with second degree assault. Police were called to Lockerman Middle School for a reported fight. Investigation revealed that the pair had gotten into a physical altercation over a disagreement while in class. Both were charged with second degree assault, referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice and released to a guardian.

Date: 09/19/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 700 block MARKET ST Denton Police are investigating a theft from a motor vehicle. Antonio Angeloni, 25, of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown removed an Ipod Nano and a cell phone charger from his unsecured vehicle. The property is valued at approximately \$60.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via e-mail at tips@todpolice.com. Date:09/19/2008

Classification: Assault 2nd Degree Location: CAROLINE **APARTMENTS**

Denton Police arrested Ashley Bratley, 19, of Denton, and a 16 year old female, also of Denton, for assault. Police responded to the Caroline Apartments for a reported fight. On arrival officers observed the above suspects engaged in a physical altercation and placed both under arrest. While police were moving Bratley away from the scene Bratley attempted to spit on the 16 year old. The spit hit an officer in the face. Bratley was charged with two (2) counts of second degree assault and one (1) count of disorderly conduct. Bratley was taken before a District Court Commissioner who ordered Bratley released on \$3,000.00 unsecured

The 16 year old was processed and charged with one (1) count each of second degree assault and disorderly conduct. She was released to a guardian.

Date: 09/23/2008

Classification: Theft less than \$100 Location: 400 block N SIXTH ST Denton Police charged 12 year old male of Denton with theft under \$100.00. Police responded to Bullock's Deli where employees reported they had the boy in custody for taking a pack of "pop rocks" candy. The candy was recovered. The youth was referred to the Department of Juvenile Justice and released to a guardian.

Date: 09/24/2008

Classification: Motor vehilce/Unlawful Taking

Location: 1500 block BLUE HERON

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a motorcycle. Timmy Stasny, 22, of Denton, reported that sometime between 2200 hours on September 23 and 0800 hours on September 24, 2008 person(s) unknown by unknown means removed a 2007 Kawasaki Ninja motorcycle from in front of his residence. The motorcycle is further described as being red and black in color. The vehicle was secured at the time of the theft. Loss value is estimated at \$7,000.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via email tips@todpolice.com.

Date: 09/25/2008

Classification: Theft Under \$500 Location: 1100 block INDUSTRIAL PARK WY

Denton Police are investigating the theft of fuel. Brian Wood, 34, of Easton, reported that person(s) unknown removed approximately 75 gallons of diesel fuel from an excavator that was at Auto Body Concepts having work done to it. The fuel is valued at \$367.50. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via e-mail at tips@todpolice.com.

Date: 09/29/2008

ClassificationTheft less than \$100 Location: 300 block S FIFTH AV

Denton Police are investigating a theft from a motor vehicle. Gloria Cunfer reported that person(s)unknown removed a bag containing a Bible and cash from her unsecured motor vehicle. Total loss is estimated at \$33.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via tips@todpolice.com.

Date:10/01/2008

Classification: Burglary 4th Degree Location: 1100 block CANVASBACK

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Denton Police are investigating a burglary. Police responded to a vacant residence in Mallard Landing where a representative of the HOA reported that person(s) unknown had forced open a door that led into the garage. Entry was not made into the main residence and nothing appeared to be damaged. The residence has been vacant since May. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via e-mail at tips@todpolice.com.

Date: 10/01/2008

Classification: Theft Over \$500 Location: 400 block RIVERVIEW

GARDENS

Denton Police are investigating the theft of a television. Police responded to Riverview Gardens where employees reported that person(s) unknown had removed a Sony Flat Screen TV from Apartment 406. Apartment 406 is being used as a hospitality suite while renovations are being completed. The

employees reported that the TV was placed into a closet on September 28 so work could be done on that apartment. It was discovered missing on October 1. The TV is valued at \$800.00.

Date: 10/03/2008

Classification: Utter Forged

Prescription

Location: 500 block S FIFTH AV Denton Police arrested Jason Martin, 30 year old male, and Sabrina Martin. 26 year old female, both of Millersville, MD for prescription fraud. Police responded to Denton Pharmacy where employees reported that Sabrina Martin had passed a prescription trying to obtain Oxycodone. The pharmacist noticed that the document did not appear correct and contacted the issuing practitioner who verified that the prescription was not valid. While at the Denton Pharmacy police also learned that Jason Martin had passed a prescription at the Rite Aid for Oxycodone from the same practitioner. That prescription was also verified to be invalid. Both Martins were taken into custody without incident and charged with one count each uttering a false document, forgery of a prescription; utter a false prescription, attempting to obtain a prescription drug by deceit, possession of an altered prescription, and possession of CDS paraphernalia. Both were released on their own recognizance after initial appearance hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Date: 10/07/2008

Classification: Fail to stop after unatt property damage

Location: 200 block S THIRD ST Denton Police are investigating a hit and run motor vehicle collision. Police responded to the Hargraves Building where Francis Morgan reported that his vehicle, a 2007 Buick Lucerne, had been hit and damaged. Morgan further advised that there was a white in color box style truck parked next to where Morgan had parked. A damage estimate is not available at this time. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via e-mail at tips@todpolice.com.

Date: 10/08/2008

Classification: Burglary 4th Degree Location: 700 block MARKET ST

Denton Police are investigating a burglary. Mary Dean and Melissa Dedo reported that person(s) unknown entered their residence and removed two digital cameras and an iPod. The total value taken is estimated at \$736.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or via email at tips@todpolice.com.



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for 100% of the costs and expenses of insuring additional family members.

In accordance with Section C3-3 of the Town Charter, the provisions relating to health insurance for councilpersons described in Section 1 herein shall be placed upon the ballot at the next municipal election, and shall become effective only

after the provision is approved by the majority of the qualified voters of the Town of Denton voting in said election; and shall take effect only as to the members of the next succeeding Town Council.

Additional information is available upon request at the Denton Town Office.

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Agency has set standards for tap water that is provided by public water suppliers. Bottled water is regulated through the United States Food and Drug Administration and is required to meet the same high standards as tap water.

All Americans are encouraged to learn more about the quality of their drinking water whether

tap or bottled. Learn more about the water that comes from your municipal water system by reading the annual water quality report published annually in the Denton Town News. EPA

recommends regular testing of well water for bacteria, nitrates, and other contaminants. To learn more about bottled water, read the label or contact the producer.

Consumers should consider the financial and environmental costs before paying \$1 plus for a bottle of water. While the packaging of the bottled water is 100% recyclable, the Container Recycling Institute estimates that only 23% of plastic beverage bottles are recycled. Millions of plastic bottles litter our roads, beaches, streams, and other

waterways. We as taxpayers spend hundreds of millions of dollars each year for their disposal and cleanup.

Consider also that plastic water bottles are a petroleum product and require 17 million barrels of oil to create our 28 million water bottles. Manufacturing also unleashes more than 2.5 million tons of carbon dioxide and it takes three liters of

> water to produce a single liter of bottled water. Fuel is also consumed in transporting those bottles by truck or ship to their destination.

Whether to use bottled water or tap water is a matter of choice. Bottled water is convenient in our mobile world and is easily stored in case of emergencies. Both bottled and tap water are safe, healthy choices. Only tap water delivers public health protection and fire protection. The biggest difference is bottled water is much more expensive than tap water.

For more information about water, go to www.nrdc.org; or www.budgetwater.info/water facts.



Hosted By: Smiles By Holsinger & Higgins 10646 River Rd.

Monday, November 3rd Tuesday, November 4th 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Kids are paid \$1 per lb.

Candy collected will be sent overseas to U.S. troops along with toothbrushes and toothpaset.

All participating kids will receive a free toothbrush and toothpaste.

Call 410-479-3644 for details.

SNOW PLOW from page 8

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.

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

Priority Three Streets-

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.

and maintained public parking lots

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 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 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 nonemergency 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.



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.

Utility Calls for Service Fees

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

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

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

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

Updates on Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance #560 — An Ordinance of the Town of Denton Authorizing the Mayor of the Town Council to execute and option agreement with Top Orchids, Inc. for the sale of property described as Lot 9A as show on a plat entitled "Lot #9B Denton Industrial Park." Introduced 8/4/08, adopted 9/8/08, effective 9/15/08.

Ordinance #561 – An ordinance authorizing the settlement of the purchase and acquisition of properties known as Lots 11 and 12 in the Denton Industrial Park, from KRM Development Corp. To be considered for introduction on 11/3/08.

Ordinance #562 – An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Residential Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton residential code for one and two family dwellings, and repealing and reenacting sections 38-5 through 38-8.1 of the Denton Town Code. Introduced 8/4/08, adopted 9/8/08,

effective 9/15/08.

Ordinance #563 – An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Mechanical Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Mechanical Code, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article III of the Denton Town Code. Introduced 8/4/08, adopted 9/8/08, effective 9/15/08.

Ordinance #564 - An ordinance adopting the 2006 edition of the International Building Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Building Code of the Town of Denton, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 38, Article I of the Denton Town Code. Introduced 8/4/08, adopted 9/8/08, effective 9/15/08.

Ordinance #565 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton adopting the 2006 edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, as amended by this ordinance, as the Town of Denton Property Maintenance Code, and repealing and reenacting Chapter 94 of the Denton Town Code. Introduced 9/8/08, adopted 10/6/08, effective 10/13/08.

Ordinance #566 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton amending Chapter 20 of the Denton Town code to add Section 20-13 titled "Administrative Search Warrants; Rights of Entry" to establish the standards and requirements for obtaining an administrative search warrant to enter a premises located within the Town of Denton. Introduced 9/8/08, adopted 10/6/08, effective 10/13/08.

Ordinance #567 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton re-approving the establishment of a Redevelopment District Floating Zone and amending the official zoning map to re-establish a Redevelopment District for certain parcels of land located in the Town of Denton and identified in the tax records of Caroline County as parcels 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, and 792 of tax map 103. Introduced 9/8/08, adopted 10/6/08, effective 10/13/08.

Ordinance #568 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton amending Section 128.162A of the Town Code to provide for an alternate member to the Denton Planning Commission, and to ensure that the composition and appointment of the Planning Commission members is consistent with Article 66B, Section 3.02 of the Maryland Annotated Code. Introduced 10/6/08, will be considered for adoption 11/3/08.

Ordinance #569 - An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing the purchase and acquisition of certain property located at 323 Market Street

Denton, MD. Introduced 10/6/08, will be considered for adoption 11/3/08.

Resolution #706—A resolution for participation in the Maryland Municipal League Geocache Trail program to promote education, tourism and economic growth in Maryland. Adopted 9/8/08.

Resolution #707 — A resolution approving the application and receipt of financing for a Community Legacy Plan Project to be financed either directly by the Dept. of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland or through other departments or agencies of the State of Maryland. Adopted 10/6/08.

Resolution #708 – A resolution authorizing the execution of an inter-jurisdictional memorandum of understanding to utilize the 2007 Upper Choptank and Tuckahoe Creek watershed characterizations as a guidance document. Adopted 10/6/08.

Resolution #709 – A resolution authorizing the purchase of a 2009 Dodge Avenger for \$16,343 with financing from Provident State Bank at an interest rate of 3.98%. Adopted 10/6/08.

Complete copies of all Resolutions and Ordinances may be viewed at the office of the Town of Denton, 13 North Third Street, Denton, Maryland, during normal working hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 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.

Special Collection Reminder

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

Yard Waste: All bagged leaf and brush pickup requests must be called in by 12 noon on Tuesday for Wednesday pickup.

Call all requests in to the Town Office at 410-479-2050.

Leave a message after normal business hours.

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