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Fall Loose Leaf Collection Days

Autumn is here and the leaves are beginning to fall. The Denton Public Works Department is scheduling their annual loose-leaf vacuuming removal service to occur Monday October 16, 2023, through Friday December 15, 2023. Leaves must be bagged for pickup the remaining months of the year.

Loose leaf vacuuming will occur on Friday and/or Monday, pending workload, and excluding holidays. It will be necessary to call in your loose-leaf vacuum pickup request by 12 NOON on Thursday to guarantee pickup by Monday. We ask that you please only have one pile of leaves, and have it located at the edge of your property, without obstructing sidewalks or roadways, where it can easily be accessed by Public

Works.

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

Please follow these guidelines for leaf removal:

- Leaves should be raked to the curbside or alley.
- DO NOT rake leaves into the street.
- DO NOT rake leaves onto the sidewalk.
- Make sure all sticks and limbs are removed from the pile of leaves.
- Make sure there

are no other objects or debris mixed with the leaves (like bottles, cans, flowerpots, gloves, ashes, pet waste or other trash).

- Piles of leaves with sticks, limbs, or other debris will not be picked up.
 - Phone in your pickup request to the Town Office at 410-479-2050 by Thursday to guarantee pickup by Monday.
 - All pickups will be done by request/appointment only.
 - Loose leaf pickups will occur from Oct. 16 through Dec. 15, on Mondays and Fridays only, except for holidays.
- Loose leaf collection days:**
October 16, 20, 23, 27, 30
November 3, 6, 13, 17, 20, 27
December 1, 4, 8, 11, 15.

UTILITY BILL ALERT!

Utility bills will be mailed around January 1, 2024. To avoid having your water turned off, **payment must be received by January 25, 2024.** Payments can be made in person Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, online, by mail, at our drive-thru window, or by placing it in the night drop box located to the left of the front door.

Acceptable payment methods include cash, check, money order or cashier check. You can also pay by credit card at the office or online. The next utility bill will be mailed around April 1, 2024 and will be due in full by April 25, 2024.

Denton PD and Toys For Tots

Join the Denton Police Department for their annual Toys for Tots campaign. If you are interested in donating new, unwrapped toys, please drop the toys in their lobby at 100 N. 3rd St. from 8:30a.m.-4p.m. or contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Town Meeting Calendar

Town Council Meetings
6p.m.

November 2
December 11 (*Monday*)

Town Council
Working Session
6p.m.

November 20

Planning Commission
6p.m.

November 28
December tba

Historic Review
6p.m.

November 15
December tba

Utility Commission
4p.m.

November 22
December tba

Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

November 7, 10, 23, 24.
December 24, 25.

Trash Pickup

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

Web Page Address:

www.dentonmaryland.com
Or
find us on Facebook.

NOTICE OF UNCONTESTED ELECTION

Town of Denton Board of Supervisors of Elections

The Town of Denton Board of Supervisors of Election has received one qualifying (1) candidate nomination for the open seat on the Denton Town Council. The election for the Denton Town Council seat scheduled for November 7, 2023. Pursuant to Section 5C-10 of the Town Charter where “there is no contest for any of the offices for which an election shall be proper,” the Board of Supervisors of Elections is directed to cancel the election and to certify as elected the candidate who has “filed a valid certificate of nomination.”

Accordingly, the Denton Town Election scheduled for November 7, 2023 is CANCELLED.

Mrs. Abigail McNinch is hereby certified as elected as a member of the Denton Town Council for the term beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2028.

October 13, 2023

Town of Denton Board of Supervisors of Election

By:

Signe Hippert, Member
Cheryl Getchell, Member
Denise Quinn, Member

Town of Denton
2023-2024 Utility Billing Schedule

Months of Service	Billing Date	Due Date	1% Interest Added	Shut Off Date
July - September	09/30/2023	10/25/2023	10/26/2023	11/08/2023
October - December	12/30/2023	01/25/2024	01/26/2024	02/08/2024
January - March	03/31/2024	04/25/2024	04/26/2024	05/08/2024
April - June	06/30/2024	07/25/2024	07/26/2024	08/08/2024

Jan.—Feb.
ISSUE
DEADLINE
December 10,
2023



High Water Bills?

Check your faucets and toilets for leaks!

Denton Public Works
410-479-2050

Calendar of Events

November 2023

EXTENDED - Farmers Market
4:30-6:30p.m. corner of 3rd and Market St. Downtown Denton. Fresh produce, eggs, plants, flowers, coffee, poultry, live music, food truck and more. (EVERY WEDNESDAY UNTILL NOV. 11TH)

2—Town Council Meeting
6p.m.

4—Literary Event with Sophie Kerr 12p.m. Caroline Country Club, Pealiquor Rd, Denton. Matinee or 6p.m. show. A stage production featuring several notable works by Sophie Kerr. For tickets visit www.carolinearts.org.

4—Crystals 101
Join up at the Foundry for a transformative experience combining the mystery of crystals and the power of the full moon. Craft your own personalized necklace. \$30/class. Visit www.carolinearts.org to register for classes.

7— Election Day
Town Office Closed.

10—Town Office Closed, Observe Veterans Day.

11—Veterans Day

20— Council Working Session

6p.m.

18—Turkey Tropt 38th Annual. 2 mile walk, run, or jog for all ages. Denton Elementary to Martinak State park and back. Free Gift to first 75 registrants. Check in 8a.m. \$15 per person for early reg.

Contact Parks and Rec to register or for more details 410-479-8120.

23- Happy Thanksgiving

25—Country Christmas Market at 4H Park
10a.m.-6:30p.m.



December 2023

2—Artisan on the Choptank Market
4-8p.m. Visitor Center, Denton. Unique handmade treasures from local artisans. Artisan demonstrations, holiday shopping at its best. Hosted by Caroline Chamber. Visit www.carolinechamber.org for details.

7—Christkindmarkt
5-8:30p.m. Downtown Denton (During the Holiday Parade). Food vendors, craft vendors, Santa photos, and more. Want to be a vendor? Visit www.downtowndenton.com. Or call 410-924-2328.

7—Holiday Parade and Lighting of the Green 6p.m. Downtown Denton.

9 & 16—Sights & Sounds of Christmas 301 Deep Shore Rd. Denton. 5-8p.m. Live music, Christmas lights, crafts, tree auction, food, and more. Visit www.campmardela.org/Christmas-22.



11—Town Council Meeting
7p.m. Town office.



25—Merry Christmas

31—Happy New Year



31—Cinderella New Year's Eve Ball. 8p.m.-1a.m. Cow Barn Events, Ridgely.

DJ music, dancing, champagne toast, selfie station, dress formal or wear boots and blue jeans, cash bar, food, and more.



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

-Caroline Co.
Arts Council
#410-479-1009
www.carolinearts.org

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

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

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

Police Department...

National Faith & Blue Weekend



In honor of National Faith & Blue Weekend, officers hosted a Coffee with Cops and Clergy on Saturday October 7th at Sharp Road Park. This gave the Denton Police Dept. a chance to meet with the public and address any questions or concerns they may have. Thanks to everyone that came out.



K9 Tide Visits Adult Day Care



Officer Korisher took his partner, K9 Tide out to Caroline Adult Day Care where they enjoyed Tides visit.

Cram The Cruiser

Help the Denton Police Department cram a police car full of food for our local church food pantries

When: year round
Where: 100 N. 3rd Street
Hours: Monday—Friday
8:30a.m.-4p.m.

Thank you for your support.



**REGISTER YOUR BIKE
WITH DENTON PD**
Call 410-479-1414
For Details

Public Works...

SNOW PLOW POLICY INFORMATION

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.

Visit http://www.dentonpublicworks.com/streets/snow_plowing_policy.asp for the list of street priority.

Fall Tree and Bush Trimming

Fall is here and now is the perfect time to trim your bushes and tree's.

Please take this time to trim all overgrowth from sidewalks, streets, and alley ways. After you trim, place all your clip-

pings, cut end to the street, and call 410-479-2050, no later than Tuesday, for free pickup on Wednesday's. Thank you for keeping our walkways and Streets clear and usable for everyone.

Free Christmas Tree Pick Up

Need to get rid of your live Christmas tree? Denton Public Works is happy to remove your tree for you.

Make sure all ornaments, lights, decorations, etc are removed from the tree



and place at the curb. Christmas tree removal will be on Wednesday's. Call the Town office at 410-479-2050 to schedule your free tree pickup no later than 12p.m. on Tuesdays.

Winter Weather Tips

Here are some helpful tips to keep you and your home safe during this winter season.

To keep your pipes from freezing, turn off all outside spigots and insulate the pipes to protect them from the freezing temperatures.

To prevent water damage in your home, so you don't experience a burst pipe, locate all the water shut off valves. Don't wait for someone else to turn it off. The delay could cause major water damage.

For snow removal in the town, streets will not be plowed unless there is a 2-inch accumulation. The snow removal equipment cannot withstand clearing the street for a trace of snow.

When shoveling out your driveway, pile the

snow in your yard, not in the streets, and always pile it to the left side of your driveway. This prevents the snow from being pushed back in your driveway from plowing street.

During snow storms, park as many cars as you can in the driveway to make snow removal easier. It may also prevent your vehicle from being damaged by other vehicles on the roads.

EMERGENCY ROUTES are a priority when removing snow. Secondary roads and alleys are last. You must be patient. The crews will get to your area as soon as possible.

Lastly, your safety and the safety of our snow removal crews are our number one concern. Let's do all we can to keep everyone out of harm's way!

Special Collection Reminder

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

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.

Planning & Codes...

VOLUNTEERS WANTED...

Denton Residents that are interested in serving as a volunteer on the Planning Commission, Board of Appeals, or Historic and Architectural Review Commission may submit a letter of interest to Scott Getchell, Town Administrator, 4 North Second Street, Denton, MD 21629, by November 1, 2023. For more information, please contact Donna Todd at 410-479-3625.

ANNUAL

 Denton Holiday
 Parade
 & Lighting of the Green

Thursday December 7, 2023
 6p.m.

Historic Downtown Denton

*Holiday Floats, Classic Cars,
 Marching Bands, Santa and More...*

*Visit www.dentonmaryland.com
 to register*

Permit Reminder

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

Permits

The following permits were issued between September and October 2023.

9/1/2023 Canales Services/ Shirley Trice 200 S Second St, Roof.

9/5/2023 Silverleaf Rentals/ 509-11 Market St, Demo/ Clean-up.

9/5/2023 Ashley Ins/ HES Sign Comp, 43 Denton Plaza, Signs.

9/5/2023 Economy Restoration/Kiesha Hynson, 527 Lincoln Street, Roof.

9/6/2023 J Pace 305 Academy Ave, Patio.

9/11/2023 A Khurshid/W Shafique, 1102 Canvasback Dr, Fence.

9/12/2023 N. Turner, 413 Caroline St, Accessory - Prefab12x28 Shed.

9/13/2023 ALH Roofing/D. Whone 1110 Coursey Ln. Roof.

9/13/2023 Economy Restoration/H. Strong, 424 S 2nd St, Roof.

9/15/2023 Ames United Methodist Legion Rd at Walmart, Banner- Event.

9/15/2023 C. Weese & A. Thomas 529 N 6th St, Porch.

9/15/2023 Riverview Gardens/ SureBuilt Homes 500 High St, Fire Repair/ Old Laundry Rm.

9/20/2023 J Robin Fox 911 Pine Drive, Accessory - 12x20 Shed.

9/20/2023 A Khurshid/W Shafique, 1102 Canvasback Dr, Roof.

9/20/2023 S Perveen 1121 Osprey, Roof .

9/20/2023 James Guay, 329 Market St, Pellet Stove.

9/20/2023 Amanda Watkins, 405 Morning Glory Dr, Hot Tub.

9/20/2023 B Strong, 1130 Osprey Ln, Roof.

9/20/2023 B Long, 104 Morning Glory Dr, Fence.

9/28/2023 Chris Kephart, 1602 Cattail Commons Way, Roof.

9/29/2023 Potomac Foods R E, LLC, 604 N 6th St, Drive Thru expansion.

10/2/2023 A Walker, 323 Morning Glory, Fence.

10/2/2023 A Walker, 323 Morning Glory, Patio.

10/2/2023 D Mulrine Jr, 409 Market St, Roof.

10/3/2023 Bittersweet / The Gunfather, 225 Market St, Sign.

10/6/2023 C Schumacher, 1107 Ruddy Duck Ct, Roof.

10/9/2023 St. Elizabeth's Church, 106 S 1st St, Banner - Franklin St.

10/11/2023 C. Coleman, 105 S Eighth St, Accessory Building.

10/11/2023 T Thomas/High Mark Construction, 1108 Coursey Ln, Roof.

10/12/2023 Mid-Atlantic R.E./Ashley Ins, 43 Denton Plaza, Tenant Fit-Out.

10/13/2023 Nuttle Builders, 109 S 2nd St, Entry Doorway/Stoop.

10/13/2023 M Mulder/ Marsun Roofing 1702 Cattail Commons, Roof.

10/18/2023 Luisa Gelfand, 715 Market Street, Fence.

Main Street & The Artsway...



DENTON

MARKET EXTENDED TO NOVEMBER 15

FARMERS MARKET

Every Wednesday
4:30p.m.-6:30p.m.
3rd and Market St. Lot

Fresh Produce, eggs, meat, plants, flowers, baked goods, local coffee, and more.

Want to be a vendor!
Email dentonfarmers-market@gmail.com

SHOP LOCAL!

Stop, Shop, Explore
Downtown Denton



Artisans
Music
Chef Jameyra's on Call
Free admission
Lighted Boat Parade
Wine bar

**Artisans
on the Choptank**

December 2, 2023
4:00 PM- 8:00 PM

Wharves Visitors Center
3 Crouse Park Lane Denton, MD



Fiber Arts Reception Dec. 3



The Fiber Arts Center is very excited to present "Twas The Night Before Christmas", an amazing quilt exhibit which will begin **Nov. 1** and will continue through **Jan. 13**.

Curated by quilt historian, Sue Reich from Washington Depot, Conn., the exhibit features miniature quilts that have been made to interpret stanzas from Clement C. Moore's poem, "Twas The Night Before Christmas", penned 200 years ago as a gift for his children on December

24th. Ten generations of children have been charmed by this magical poem of the gift of Saint Nicholas.

The poem's 28 stanzas were chosen by quilt historians and artists to recreate their special Yuletide memories of childhood. The challenge was to incorporate a miniature quilt within the larger quilt. May these quilts bring smiles and cherished memories of your own special Christmases and inspire you to keep quilts in Christmas!

There will be a member's and friend's reception at the Fiber Arts Center on Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 from 12:00 - 4:00pm. The exhibit is free of charge and is open Wednesdays through Saturdays from 12:00 - 4:00pm. 7 N. 4th St. Denton, MD 21629 Contact: Kathleen McCulloch info@fiberartscenter.com

Christmas Embroidery Sampler



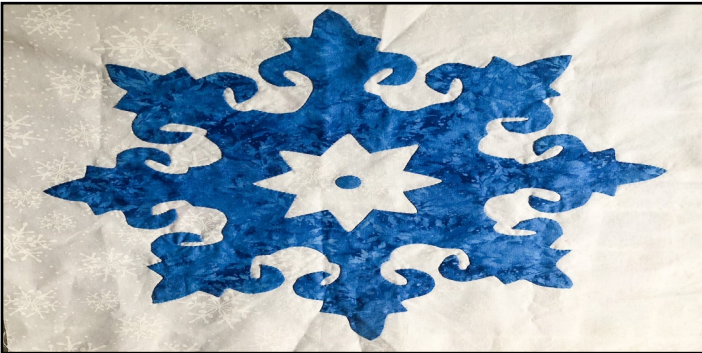
Get into the holiday spirit as we demonstrate festive embroidery stitches that will help to make a most endearing Christmas wallhanging! **Dates: November 4 and December 2** Cost: \$30 (member) \$40 (nonmember) Teacher: Kay Butler Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm.

Dresden Table Runner Quilt Class



Date: Nov. 11, 2023 Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm Instructor: Colette Metcalf Cost: \$35.00 Member/\$45.00 Non-Member Location: 7 N. 4th St., Denton, MD, 21629. Please call Kay Butler to sign up at 410/829-5136. We will be making a table runner. I will be teaching the technique of making a Dresden Plate, starting with the table runner, if you decide to make a quilt later on you will then know how to accomplish this. Supply List can be found on our website at www.fiberartscenter/calendar.com

Snowflake Class



The Fiber Arts Center Presents Berks County, PA Fleur de Lis Snowflake Wall-hanging Class by Kay L. Butler, “I love to collect antique and vintage textiles. The pattern of the block you’ll be making was from a cutter quilt that I purchased from Berks County, PA. It is a beautiful fleur de lis design that resembles a snow-

flake and is a cutwork block that is elegant and beautiful. I cannot wait to share the design with you!” **Date: Dec. 9, 2023** **Time:** 10:00am – 1:00pm Cost: \$35.00 Member/\$45.00 Non Member.

Please call Kay Butler at 410-829-5136 to sign up and for questions.

Arts Council Featured Artist Kyleen Asche

Explore the magical world of crystal jewelry with Kyleen Asche, the visionary artist behind Tall Order Jewelry. From the idyllic town of Denton, MD,

Kyleen creates elegant and spiritually rich pieces that reflect her deep connection with nature. Each creation is a testament to her passion and intricate craftsmanship, resonating profoundly with those who wear them.

As an active member of our community and a devoted supporter of the Car-

oline County Council of the Arts (CCCA), Kyleen invites you to join her **Crystal 101 classes** at The Foundry this November. Under the enchanting moonlit sky, her classes offer an immersive journey into the mystical realm of crystals, guided by her boundless passion and expertise.

For more information or to view our upcoming Calendar of Events and register for classes online at www.carolinearts.org

Sophy Kerr Literary Event Nov. 4



Don't miss this exclusive literary soirée celebrating Denton's own Sophie Kerr (1880-1965)!

Immerse yourself in Reader's Theatre performances and an engaging talk by Brooke Schultz, all in the enchanting ambiance of the Caroline Country Club.

Secure your spot online at cca.booktix.com or in person at The Foundry, 401 Market Street, Den-

ton, MD 21629. This is more than an event; it's an experience. Join us for an unforgettable evening of literature, fine dining catered by the Chesapeake Culinary Arts Center, and delightful conversations. Hurry, seats are limited!

Saturday, November 4th, 12pm Lunch Matinee & 6pm Evening Dinner @ The Caroline Country Club

Updates on Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance #749– An Ordinance to amend the Town of Denton Building Code provisions contained in Chapter 38 of the Denton Town Code with respect to Sprinklers in Building Construction. Introduced 10/05/23, adopted on 11/02/23.

Adopted 09/07/23.

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

Resolution #895– A Resolution of the Denton Town Council Amending the General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

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Keith Johnson
Dallas Lister
Frank Joseph Taylor, III

Production: Lisa Orendorf, Emily Spencer,
Bill Clemens, Patti Wood.

*Town of Denton
4 N. Second Street,
Denton, Maryland, 21629
410-479-2050
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Service Fees for Utility Calls

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

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

\$50.00 fee during normal business hours.

\$100.00 fee after normal business hours.

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

Attention Settlement Attorneys

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

Please note: Any property that transfers ownership and the utility fees are not collected at settlement and forwarded to the town that result in the water being turned off for non-payment, the water turn on fee will still be charged. This charge 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 PM 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.