



# Denton Town News

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## Denton Town Council to Consider Impact Fee Schedule

The Denton Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 7, 2007, on the proposed Impact Fee Schedule. Ordinance No. 536 establishes a fee schedule for new residential and non-residential development. This ordinance was first introduced at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. The Council previously adopted Ordinance No. 533, which set forth the text/structure for the development of an Impact Fee.

Ordinance No. 533 amended chapter 52 of the Town Code, to provide for the imposition and collection of development impact fees with the Town. This ordinance

A. establishes uniform procedures for the imposition, calculation, collection, expenditure, and administration of development impact fees imposed on new development;

B. requires all new residential and nonresidential development to contribute its fair and proportionate share towards the costs of capital improvements reasonably necessitated by such new development;

C. provides a means of financing public facilities needed to accommodate new development in a safe and timely manner;

D. ensures that the new development paying development impact fees reasonably benefits from the appropriation of impact fee funds to public facilities provided to accommodate such new development;

E. implements the Town of Denton Comprehensive Plan and capital budget by ensuring that adequate public facilities are available in a timely and well-planned manner; and

F. ensures that all applicable legal standards and criteria are properly incorporated in these procedures.

The Town council had commissioned a study by Urban Analytics, Inc., a consulting firm, to determine if impact fees are appropriate for the Town. Urban Analytics had reported to the Town Council that the impact fees are an appropriate means to assist the town in providing adequate funding for capital improvements necessary to accommodate anticipated growth in Denton. This Ordinance became effective 3/12/07.

Upon adoption of the Impact Fee Structure, the Denton Town Council introduced Ordinance No. 536. This sets forth the fees for residential and non-residential uses. Residential is broken into two categories residential and one bedroom. The residential fee is \$4785. The one bedroom fee is \$3713. Non-residential is assessed based on square footage.

Exhibit A provides an overview of these uses and proposed fee. This also provides the proposed breakdown of distribution.

Exhibit B provides the 2008 Denton Capital Improvement Program Overview. The original study completed by Urban

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### Tax Sale Reminder

The 2006 - 2007 Tax Sale is just around the corner. If you have not paid your real property taxes, water and sewer billing or any other miscellaneous service charges to the Town of Denton, please do so to avoid losing your property during the Tax Sale process.

If you want to verify if you have any outstanding bills due to the Town please contact our office at 410-479-2050. Reminder that all real property taxes are to be paid at the Caroline County Treasurer's Office, in the Caroline County Court House. You may reach the County Treasurer's office by calling 410-479-0410

## Residential Sprinklers

Recently the Denton Town Council introduced a new ordinance that would make mandatory the installation of fire sprinkler systems in all new one and two family homes. This decision was a result of a presentation this Spring by the Caroline County Fire Chiefs Association to local town and county officials. Following the joint presentation the Town Council invited the Caroline County Fire Chief's Association to make a similar presentation to the Denton Town Council at their monthly meeting. The State Fire Marshall's office sent staff from the state office to assist in the presentation and to lobby for the sprinklers. With assistance from local firefighter Dallas Lister, and Denton building Code Inspector, Ron Thompson, it was made clear that sprinklers are not designed to save single and two family residential structures. The sprinklers are intended to give residential occupants a few extra minutes to exit the structure compared to the much shorter warning given by smoke detectors. The State Fire Marshall's Office and various community fire departments are lobbying for mandatory fire sprinkler ordinances at the local level. It has been implied that the International Building Code, which is the state and local standard for building construction, will include the fire sprinkler requirement in the 2009 edition.

An additional element of the Denton sprinkler ordinance

is that any residence undergoing substantial improvements, additions or rehabilitation will also need to comply with the proposed law. Ordinance #537 proposes that when rehabilitation or improvement costs to an existing structure exceed fifty percent of the current assessed value this will trigger compliance with the ordinance, and installation of sprinklers. The Denton Ordinance also proposes that sprinkler installation be inspected by a town life safety inspector. This aspect of the ordinance may be modified pending further discussion with the State Fire Marshall's Office.

Sprinkler installation will need to be completed by state licensed fire sprinkler installers. As proposed by the State Fire Marshall's Office prior to construction the sprinkler plan would be reviewed by the local state fire marshal's office which presently performs this task for multifamily, commercial, institutional, and industrial buildings required to have sprinklers. Following construction of the dwelling, and prior to the issuance of a Use & Occupancy Permit, the local state fire marshal's office would make a final inspection to determine acceptance. The Denton Town Council has scheduled a public hearing on this ordinance as part of their regular business meeting on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. At this meeting the Town Council can

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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 Meetings 7 p.m.

Monday, May 7th  
Monday, June 4th

### Planning Commission Meeting

6 p.m.

Tuesday, May 22nd  
Tuesday, June 26th

### Historic Review Meeting

6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16th  
Wednesday, June 20th

### Utility Commission Meeting

12 p.m. at the Wastewater Treatment Plant on Legion Road

Thursday May 10th  
Thursday June 14th

### Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

Monday, May 28th  
Memorial Day

### 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](http://www.dentonmaryland.com)

Town Office Phone  
#410-479-2050

## Councilmen Horsey 1935-2007



Brad Horsey died Tuesday, April 17 at the Caroline Home for Hospice in Denton after a courageous battle with cancer.

Horsey was born in Denton. In 1952 after serving in the Maryland National Guard for nearly 10 years, Horsey began working at Fleetwood Hardware. In 1980 he became the owner of the store, then renamed Denton Hardware, and became a staple

of the Denton business community until he retired in June 2000.

Although running a business and being a family man were more than a full-time job, Horsey always found time to give back through public service and volunteerism.

In May 1970 Horsey was elected to the town council and served from July 1, 1970 to October 2, 1972, when he resigned to serve as a District Court commissioner, a post he held for 21 years. In November 2000, Horsey was re-elected to the town council and served from January 1, 2001 until December 31, 2005. In 2004 and 2005 he served as the mayor of Denton. In November 2005, he was re-elected for a third time and served from January 1, 2007 until his death.

In addition to his career in public service Horsey also gave back through numerous governmental, civic and non-profit organizations, including serving as president and secretary of the Denton Development Corporation and the Caroline Economic Development Corporation. He was a lifetime

member of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company and a zoning board member.

Horsey was also a member of the local Masonic Lodge since 1967 and was an active Shriner, who worked with the Samaritan House and often drove sick children to hospitals where they could get proper medical care.

Horsey is survived by his wife Mary Ann Horsey, two daughters Kathleen H. Davis and Amy Elizabeth Stitcher, one brother Robert R. Horsey, one sister Mary Lou Brittingham and one grandson Gareth Bradford Davis.

Memorial gifts may be made to: the Shriners Hospital for Children, Donations Dept., 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 23607; St. Luke's United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 66, Denton, MD 21629; the Denton Volunteer Fire Company, c/o Barbara Manley, 1136 Lupine Lane, Denton, MD 21629; or to the Caroline Hospice Foundation, P.O. Box 362, Denton, MD 21629.

## Denton Town Flag



*Lee Glandon from the Denton Public Works Department hangs the Town Flag in front of the Town Office.*

Late last year Denton residents were asked to vote on the color of the new town flag. The choices were navy blue, bright blue, or gold. Many of our residence voted either by stopping by the town office or calling in. The results of the vote were in favor of the gold flag. The flag is now flying proudly in front of the Denton Town Office. If you have not seen it yet, make sure to walk or drive by the office and take a look.

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which may become effective as soon as 7 days following the hearing. The public hearing will take place in the Town Office at 13 N. Third Street, Denton. Copies

of Ordinance #537 are available at the Town Office. A copy of the ordinance can be viewed on page 23 in this issue of the Denton Town News.

### Attention Settlement Attorneys

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

Please note: Any property that transfers ownership and the utility fees are not collected at settlement and forwarded to the town that result in the water being turned off for non-payment, the water turn on fee will still be charged. This charged maybe passed on to the settlement attorney. Currently the fee to turn water service back on during regular business hours is \$50.00 and after 3:30 PM the fee is \$100.00. Forms are available to use when requesting information. Any questions, please call the Town of Denton at (410) 479-2050.

## Calendar of Events

### May

#### Online Book Club

##### **May 1st All Day**

Join our OnLine Book Clubs and start reading books in your email. Each day we'll send you a 5-minute portion of a book. By the end of the week, you'll have read 2-3 chapters. If you'd like to finish a book, stop by the library and pick up a copy. Every week we feature new books. Sign up today and start reading tomorrow. Program is on-going. Join online through our website. Contact Number: 410.479.1343

#### Internet for Beginners

##### **May 1, 10am or 6pm**

##### **May 3, 1pm**

##### **May 7, 6pm**

##### **May 31, 9:30am or 6pm**

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

**Location:** Computer Lab -- Central Library

**Presenter:** Katherine Dickson

#### Blood Pressure

##### **May 3, 10am-12pm**

Free blood pressure screening is provided by the Caroline County Health Department the first Thursday of each month at the Central Library, Denton.

#### Noontunes May 4th, 12pm-1pm

Melanie Mason performs traditional blues on a vintage acoustic/electric guitar. Free. Caroline County Courthouse Green

#### Yard Sale May 5th - Downtown Denton

**8am-12pm** Rain or Shine. On Market St. in front of the Court House. Food, Fun & Bargains Galore. Sell your own stuff or buy a bargain. Rent a table for \$12 call Cindy at 410-479-0596 for more info.

#### Fire Prevention/Public Safety Day May 5th -

(rain date May 6th). Courthouse Green, Denton. 11am-4pm Caroline Co. Volunteer Firemen's Association (CCVFA) will have McGruff, Smokey, and Trauma Rue. Sheriff K-9 demonstrations, auto extrication demos, 911 trailer, Smokehouse from Easton Fire Dept. Denton PD will have their "Identakids" available, EMS will be checking blood pressure. Bring the family to this fun, informative event.

**Spring Gala May 5th, 6pm-9pm** Downtown Denton. An Art Show featuring local artists and samplings of fine foods, wine and cheese from various restaurants. Advance tickets \$10.00, At the door \$15.00 For more info call 410-479-4315

#### Internet Tutoring

##### **May 8, 10am-12pm**

##### **May 15, 10am-12pm**

##### **May 22, 10am-12pm**

##### **May 29, 10am-12pm**

Individual half hour sessions are being scheduled.

The classes will cover such basics as using the mouse, using the library's online catalog, and searching for information on the Internet. Sign up at the Information Desk: 410-479-1343 ext. 1.

**Location:** Computer Lab -- Central Library

**Registration Ends:** 5/7/2007 at 12:00 pm.

#### Noon Tunes May 11th, 12pm-1pm

Jon Benson performs a variety of music for everyone's taste. Free. Caroline County Courthouse Green.

#### Noon Tunes May 18th, 12pm-1pm

Patty Reese performs. Free. Caroline County Courthouse Green.

#### Rabies Clinic May 22nd 5pm-7pm, Greensboro Elementary School 625 N. Main St. \$5.00

fee per animal. Must bring prior vaccination certificate to receive 3 year vaccination. Call 410-479-8045 between 9am-4pm to pre-register.

#### Noon Tunes May 25th, 12pm-1pm Chris English performs original and acoustic blues, Delta style. Free. Caroline County Courthouse Green.

**Rabies Clinic May 29th 5pm-7pm**, Colonel Richardson Middle School 25390 Richardson Rd, Federalsburg \$5.00 fee per animal. Must bring prior vaccination certificate to receive 3 year vaccination. Call 410-479-8045 between 9am-4pm to pre-register.

#### Rabies Clinic

**May 29th 5pm-7pm**, Colonel Richardson Middle School 25390 Richardson Rd, Federalsburg \$5.00 fee per animal. Must bring prior vaccination certificate to receive 3 year vaccination. Call 410-479-8045 between 9am-4pm to pre-register.

#### Eastern Shore Lead Poisoning Prevention Health and Safety Forum.

**May 30th 1pm-7pm** Wicomico County Free Library in Salisbury. Pre-registration required. 410-820-9105

### June

#### Online Book Club

##### **June 1st, All Day**

Join our Online Book Clubs and start reading books in your email. Each day we'll send you a 5-minute portion of a book. By the end of the week, you'll have read 2-3 chapters. If you'd like to finish a book, stop by the library and pick up a copy. Every week we feature new books. Sign up today and start reading tomorrow. Program is on-going. Join online through our website. Contact Number: 410.479.1343

#### Basic Word Processing

##### **June 4, 6pm-8pm**

##### **June 4, 10am-12pm**

##### **June 5, 6pm-8pm**

##### **June 7, 1pm-3pm**

##### **June 28, 9:30am-11:30am**

Free classes cover a basic introduction to word processing using Microsoft Word.

Pre-requisite: Must know how to use the mouse. Call to register 410-479-1343 ext. 1

**Location:** Computer Lab -- Central Library

**Contact** Florence DeNagy:

**Presenter:** Marie Fink

#### Rabies Clinic

**June 5th 5pm-7pm**, Health & Public Services Building parking lot 403 S. 7th St. Denton \$5.00 fee per animal. Must bring prior vaccination certificate to receive 3 year vaccination. Call 410-479-8045 between 9am-4pm to pre-register.

#### Internet Tutoring

##### **June 12, 10am-12pm**

##### **June 19, 10am-12pm**

##### **June 26, 10am-12pm**

Individual half hour sessions are being scheduled.

The classes will cover such basics as using the mouse, using the library's online catalog, and searching for information on the Internet. Sign up at the Information Desk: 410-479-1343 ext. 1.

**Location:** Computer Lab -- Central Library

**Registration Ends:** 5/7/2007 at 12:00 PM

#### Father \ Daughter Storytime & Tea

##### **June 16, 1pm**

Fathers & daughters enjoy stories and activities. Tea & snack will be served. Grandfathers invited, too. For ages 4 & up. **Location:** Large Meeting Room - Central Library  
**Presenter:** Marilou Russ

#### Summer Reading Kick-Off Program

##### **June 18, All Day**

##### **June 19, All Day**

##### **June 20, 11am & 3:30pm**

Summer Reading performance to celebrate the start of summer reading for children ages 6 & up and their families. **Location:** Small Meeting Room -Central Library **Presenter:** Marilou Russ

#### Storytime 10:15

##### **June 20, 10:15am-10:45am**

##### **June 27, 10:15am-10:45am**

Stories, songs & fingerplays for newborn-5yrs. & their parents. **Location:** Large Meeting Room - Central Library **Presenter:** Marilou Russ

#### Fun Thursdays

##### **June 21 2pm-3pm**

##### **June 28, 2pm-3pm**

An hour of fun shows and activities for children ages 8-12 yrs. Weekly specials including an end of the summer reading ice cream party.

**Other Info:** Thursday Fun Group will not meet on July 5 or July 26. **Contact:** Marilou

# Denton Police Department...

## Denton Police Department Launches Annual Chief's Challenge

From April 3 through June 3, 2007, Denton Police Department will join more than one hundred law enforcement agencies across Maryland to participate in an intensive, highly publicized, and competitive annual effort to educate the public about the lifesaving and injury-reducing benefit of safety belt use. Maryland has a rich history of being a leader in safety belt and child safety seat compliance. This is a direct result of the commitment and dedication that Maryland's law enforcement community has made to establishing successful community-based educational programs for and partnerships with the citizens they serve. It also is a well-known fact that in Maryland communities in which friendly educational methods alone do not result in voluntary compliance, officers, deputies, and troopers do not hesitate to use the final "educational" tool - a safety belt citation.

Annually, Maryland Chief's of Police, Sheriffs, Campus Safety Directors, and Maryland State Police Barrack Commanders challenge their officers, deputies, and troopers to design community-outreach programs and events, to recruit community partners, and to conduct enhanced educational and enforcement initiatives in an effort to increase safety belt and child safety seat use. As a result of their efforts last year, during the statewide observational surveys that were taken in the spring of 2005, Maryland's statewide seat belt use rate was 91 percent. But even with the majority of Maryland's public buckling up, this means that more than 450,000 Marylanders continue to put themselves in danger by riding unbuckled.

"The highest priority for law

enforcement officials is to protect and preserve the lives of the citizens we serve," said Chief Rodney Cox. Accordingly, this campaign provides a statewide time frame in which all Maryland law enforcement agencies can work together to reduce the loss of lives and the severity of injuries resulting from unbuckled occupants in motor vehicle crashes. "As a team, we want our message to be clear to Marylanders of all ages: if they are not buckled up, at least one member of our law enforcement team will stop them and issue a ticket - because all of us care about the citizens we serve," Chief Cox continued.



In Denton, Maryland, local law enforcement officials will be conducting community outreach educational programs at child day care and senior centers, schools, businesses, and with the help of religious leaders. The Buckle Up Religiously campaign component will be conducted at a number of religious facilities within Denton. Local community partners will be assisting law enforcement officials in conducting observational safety belt use surveys. The health department and other partners in the EMS and health care community also will assist by promoting the lifesaving benefits of buckling up on every ride in every vehicle, and ensuring that all children are properly restrained in an appropriate child safety seat, booster seat or seat belt in accordance with their age and weight. Finally, there will be enhanced enforcement efforts for those who do not heed the call for voluntary compliance.

### MARYLAND CHIEFS' CHALLENGE 2007 A Proclamation

To designate April 3 through June 3, 2007 as the MD Chiefs' Challenge Campaign

WHEREAS, April 3 through June 3, 2007 have been declared the Maryland Chiefs' Challenge Campaign in the Town of Denton;

WHEREAS, every 15 seconds, someone in America is injured in a traffic crash;

WHEREAS, every 13 minutes someone in America is killed in a crash;

WHEREAS, traffic-related injuries are the leading cause of all injury deaths in America and the leading cause of death for people ages six through thirty-three years old;

WHEREAS, nationally, traffic crashes cost \$150 billion a year, including \$17 billion in medical care and emergency services expenses, and \$107 billion in lost productivity and property loss;

WHEREAS, when used correctly, lap and shoulder belts reduce the risk of fatal or serious occupant injury to front seat passengers by 45 to 55 percent;

WHEREAS, child safety seats are the most effective occupant protection devices used in motor vehicles today, and when used correctly, they are 71 percent effective in reducing fatalities in children age five and younger;

WHEREAS, one of the best defenses against the drunk and drugged driver is the use of the safety belts combined with air bags for adults, and the use of properly installed child safety seats and booster seats, in the rear seat of most vehicles;

WHEREAS, those drivers who only use their seat belts for long trips or trips on the highway should know that 75 percent of all crashes occur within 25 miles of home;

WHEREAS, through continued public awareness, education, and enforcement of Maryland's seat belt and child passenger safety laws, death and serious injuries can be significantly reduced;

WHEREAS, "The 2007 Maryland Chiefs' Challenge Campaign" provides communities and organizations with an excellent opportunity to join Maryland's law enforcement community in their efforts to increase the correct use of safety belts and child safety seats by focusing attention to the lifesaving benefits of these systems;

Now, therefore, we the Mayor and Council of the Town of Denton, in recognition of this statewide lifesaving opportunity, do hereby proclaim April 3 through June 3, 2007 as

#### The 2007 Maryland Chiefs' Challenge – A Lifesaving Campaign

and encourage the community to observe these months with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities to increase the use of safety belts, child safety seats, and booster seats with the goal of increasing State use rates; to support the efforts of enforcement agencies to increase compliance with State occupant protection laws; and to encourage part-time seat belt users to make a habit for life - to always buckle up.

**Town ordinance prohibits stopping, standing or parking vehicles on a crosswalk or sidewalk.**

**If your vehicle is observed parked on a sidewalk or crosswalk within the town limits, you may be issued a parking citation, \$20 fine.**

**DENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
410-479-1414**

## Police Department Press Releases

Date: 02/09/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500  
Location: Riverview Gardens  
Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. Person(s) unknown used spray paint to paint 8 ASM on the side of a sliding board at Coursey Park. Anyone with any information reference this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/10/2007

Classification: Theft less than \$100  
Location: Denton Police are investigating the theft of a registration plate sticker. Judith Rementer, 52 year old female of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown removed the registration plate sticker (08) from the rear tag on her 2000 Mitsubishi Eclipse. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/12/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500  
Location: 500 block Market St.  
Denton Police are investigating an MDOP to a motor vehicle. Shawn Jewell, 22 year old male of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown broke the rear window and cracked the windshield of his 1987 Ford F-150 pickup truck. Damage is estimated at \$335.00. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/13/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500  
Location: 500 block Market St.  
The Denton Police Department is investigating the vandalism of a residence in the 500 block of Market Street. An unknown person threw a rock at the residence breaking a window. Damage is placed at \$25.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/15/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500  
Location: 200 block Market St.  
Denton Police are investigating a theft from a motor vehicle. Mary George reported that person(s) unknown entered her unlocked vehicle, a 1997 Oldsmobile 4 door, and removed the face plate to her radio. The radio is a Pioneer brand and the face plate has a value of \$200.00. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/17/2007

Classification: DUI  
Location: Shore Highway  
The Denton Police Dept. arrested

two men in the early morning hours February 17, 2007 following a vehicle pursuit and foot pursuit. Police attempted to stop a 2005 Ford truck operated by Richard Robison, Jr., 31, of Smith Landing Rd., Denton, at the intersection of Shore Highway and Legion Rd. Police engaged in a pursuit from that intersection, continued on Legion Rd., turned onto and continued on Foy Rd., then turned onto Mila St. The truck then turned into a driveway at 9886 Mila St., Denton, and a passenger, William Ross, 24, of Annapolis, fled on foot from the truck. Ross was ordered to stop by Police, failed to, and subsequently apprehended by Police following a foot pursuit. Ross was charged with Failing to Obey a Lawful Order of a Police Officer and released on citation. Robison submitted to a breath test, and was found to have a BAC of 0.14. Robison was charged with numerous traffic offenses, DUI, and Fleeing and eluding Police. Robison was released on citations following the breath test.

Date: 02/17/2007

Classification: MDOP over \$500  
Location: 400 block Market St.  
The Denton Police Dept. is investigating an incident of vandalism that occurred at 403 Market St. sometime during the evening hours of February 17, 2007. An unknown person or persons threw a piece of concrete into a plate glass window at that address causing approximately \$600 damage. Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Denton Police Dept. at (410) 479-1414.

Date: 02/18/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500  
Location: 0 block N Sixth St.  
Denton Police are investigating an MDOP to three vehicles. Wayne Gosnell of Waynes Auto Repair reported that three vehicles that were at his shop for repair had been damaged. The first was a 1992 Dodge Stealth, belonging to Darnell Lynch of Centerville, had the windshield broken (\$250). The second was a 1990 Ford Pickup, belonging to Pamela Hill of Chestertown, had both rear tires cut (\$60 value). The third was a 200 Kia Sportage, belonging to Richard Pinkline of Seaford, DE, had one rear tire cut (\$30 value). Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/18/2007

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree  
Location: 600 block Legion Rd.

The Denton Police Department arrested a 16 year old juvenile from Felton, Delaware for assault after an incident involving a 17 year old female of Ridgely, MD, at 601 Legion Rd, Dunkin Donuts/Subway. The juvenile was released to her mother.

Date: 02/20/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

On 02-20-07 John Wesley Coleman Jr. of Denton was charged by the Denton Police Department with driving on a suspended license after he was stopped in a 2000 Dodge Pick-up for failing to wear a seatbelt and having a child under the age of 6 in the vehicle and not in a child safety seat. Coleman was released on his signature of the citations.

Date: 02/21/2007

Classification: MDOP over \$500  
Location: 200 block Market St.  
On 02-21-07 the Denton Police Department investigated a report of malicious destruction of property at Alexi's Bridal, located at 224 Market St. It appears an object was thrown or shot through the store window which faces Third St. Estimated value of the window is \$500. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 02/23/2007

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree  
Location: 200 block N Fourth St.  
The Denton Police Dept. responded to 204 N. Fourth St., Denton, for a fight on February 23, 2007. Emmanuel Sewell, 18, of Rhodesdale was assaulted by his juvenile brother, who then fled from the scene. Later, Police seized a revolver from the belongings of the juvenile suspect. The juvenile was referred to the Dept. of Juvenile Justice for prosecution.

Date: 02/26/2007

Classification: DWI

Location: Foy Rd.  
The Denton Police Department charged Stephen Corkell, 48 year old male of Denton, with Driving Under Influence of Alcohol after he was involved in a single car collision on Foy Road near Mila Street. Mr. Corkell was operating a 1994 Ford Pickup on Foy Rd. when he veered off the roadway and became stuck in a ditch. Mr. Corkell was released after signing the citations.

Date: 02/27/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500  
Location: 800 block S Fifth Ave.  
Denton Police charged Chad Swartz, 23 year old male of Denton,

with shoplifting. Store employees observed Swartz concealing items on his person and called police. The employees then attempted to confront Swartz about the items and observed him remove the items then run from the store. Preston Police Chief Reed happened to be entering the store when Swartz ran out and was able to detain him until Denton Police arrived. Further investigation revealed that Swartz had attempted to steal approximately \$123.00 worth of over the counter medications. Swartz was charged on a citation and released at the scene.

Date: 03/01/2007

Classification: MDOP under \$500  
Location: 0 block Village Circle  
Denton Police are investigating an MDOP to a vehicle. Jamie Carter, 20 year old female of Denton, reported that person(s) unknown used a sharp object to cut three tires on her 1994 Buick. Total damage is estimated at \$270.00. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Denton police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/01/2007

Classification: Burglary  
Location: 500 block S Fifth Ave.  
The Denton Police Dept. is investigating a burglary and theft which occurred at the Prime Shine Car Wash, 513 S. Fifth Ave., Denton, sometime on February 27 or 28, 2007. Person(s) unknown forced entry into the building and removed an unknown amount of cash (coin and paper currency). The suspect(s) also caused approximately \$1000.00 in damage to the building and equipment. Anyone with any information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police Dept. at (410)479-1414.

Date: 03/01/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500  
Location: 0 block Denton PZ  
Denton police investigated a shoplifting. Employees of Eckard Drugs reported that two unknown males had entered the store and removed personal hygiene products, valued at approximately \$200.00 from the store without paying for them. Employees also advised that the suspects were observed leaving the scene in a white in color van. On March 6, 2007 a Denton Police officer observed a white van with two male occupants. When the occupants saw the officer they appeared to become alarmed and acted suspiciously. A traffic stop was conducted and the

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## Housing and Community Development...

### Swimming Pool Safety at Home

Here are some recommended safety measures for home pools:

- Make sure children are supervised by an adult when in or near the water.

- Never leave a child alone near a pool for any reason, even to answer the phone.

- Establish pool rules. Running and horseplay are fine, but not near the pool. Be careful with inflatable toys which may deflate. Use only plastic containers in the pool area. Swim only when sober and not on sleep-inducing medications. Rules should be posted near the pool.



- Use of the pool should always be supervised. Divers, children, and non swimmers should be guarded. Surfaces along the pool walls should be smooth and nonabrasive, and a fence at least four feet high with a gate locking system should surround the pool. A pool cover may also prevent accidental drowning.

- While safeguarding the pool, prepare for emergencies. A long pole, a life ring with a throwing line, and a first-aid kit should be close at hand. Keep emergency #s handy; get training in life saving, first aid, and CPR; and practice rescue techniques with

those who regularly use the pool.

- Avoid broken legs, broken heads, and serious spinal injuries: Dive with caution. Dive only in deep water and check water depth before diving. Never dive in an above ground pool. Most backyard pools are not designed for back dives or running dives.

- Be careful to adhere to electrical code requirements. A licensed electrician must be employed or at least consulted when installing your pool.

- Never use electrical equipment and extension cords in the pool area. Any appliance at poolside should be plugged into a ground fault circuit interrupter to avoid shock.

- When operating electrical equipment, stay out of the water. Also, avoid swimming during thunderstorms, when lightning is present.

- Chemicals must be handled carefully. Keep them out of reach of children and in a locked storage area. Mix carefully, following directions precisely.

- Use repackaged test kits to test pool chemistry regularly and to maintain the proper alkalinity and disinfectant levels.

- Add chemicals when people are not present.

### Has Your Child Been Tested for Lead Poisoning?

Lead Paint is the #1 environmental source for lead poisoning. All children must be tested for Lead Poisoning at 12 and 24 months of age.

All Children entering Child care, Head Start, Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and 1st grade must provide Lead Test results upon entering school.

During pregnancy, Lead Poisoning can be passed from a mom to the unborn baby.

The average number of children Lead Tested in Maryland is only 28%. Has your child been tested? Ask your doctor and have your child tested today.

In Children, Lead can cause:

- Nervous system and kidney damage.
- Learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder and decreased intelligence.

- Speech, language and behavior problems.
- Poor muscle coordination.
- Decreased muscle and bone growth.
- Hearing Damage.

Beware of other sources of Lead Poisoning, hobbies like:

- Stained Glass
- Furniture Refinishing
- Folk Remedies like Greta and Azarcon
- Childrens Jewelry
- Make up like Surma
- Imported Dishes/Pottery
- Painted Toys.

Wash childrens hands, bottles, pacifiers and toys often.

For more info, contact your child's doctor, local health department or Coalition to End Childhood

Lead Poisoning:  
1-800-370-5323

### Building Permits

The following is a list of permits issued by the Town of Denton between February 20, 2007, and April 5, 2007:

Heinsohn, 415 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Shed  
Firehouse Coffee, 300 Market St., Signs

Lily Pad Café, 104 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Rehab

Kelly, 201 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St., Windows

Brant, 209 Kerr Ave., Roof

Royal Farms, 502 Market St., Signs

Garland & Hobbs, 1704 Cattail Commons Way, SFD/Mechanical

Garland & Hobbs, 1701 Cattail Commons Way, SFD/Mechanical

Singer, 311 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Roof

Fields, 305 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Fence

Palmer, 121 Butler Drive, Roof

Preston Ford, 1207 Shore Hwy., Sign

Gosnell, 700 Market St., Roof

Garland & Hobbs, 1221 Painted Fern Rd., SFD/Mechanical

Garland & Hobbs, 1114 Daylily Lane, SFD/Mechanical

Garland & Hobbs, 1403 Cattail Commons Way, SFD/Mechanical

Garland & Hobbs, 1608 Cattail Commons Way, SFD/Mechanical

Housden, 1208 Cattail Commons Way, Fence

Garland & Hobbs, 1104 Daylily Lane, SFD/Mechanical

Antosyuk, 1301 Fairfield Ct., Fence

Cabell, 410 Market St., Roof  
Spring Grove Cemetery, Crystal Ave., Sign

O'Brien, 125 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Roof

Garland & Hobbs, 1120 Whistling Pine Rd., SFD/Mechanical

Hardee, 1104 Market St., Roof

Smith, 903 Crystal Ave., Addition

### PATTERN BOOK COMMUNITY MEETING

Thursday May 3rd, 7pm

Caroline County Public Library, Denton  
2nd Floor

*Copies of the revised plan are available at the library,  
or at the Denton Town Office on CD*

### Sun Protection & Safety

- Minimize sun exposure. Use sunscreen, even on cloudy days.
- Wear clothing that covers/shades your skin.
- Wear sunglasses that block ultraviolet (UVA and UVB) rays.
- Choose the right sunscreen for your skin type, reapply it often.
- Understand your risks for the three most common types of skin.
- Protect your skin every time you go outside.
- Don't forget your lips!
- Protect your kids. Treat sunburn promptly.

### GRASS CUTTING TIME IS HERE AGAIN

Please take a moment to assess the need for mowing on your property. The Town of Denton requires all grass and weeds at ten inches in height or below to prevent insect and rodent infestation and to control growth of plants. Avoid discharging grass clippings from mowers into the street. Grass clippings contribute to storm drain clogs. Thank you.

## Denton Thanks Community Volunteers

The Denton Town Council recently honored members of the various town boards for their volunteer service. Residents of Denton serve the Town and Council in a variety of capacities making recommendations that impact the quality of life enjoyed by our community. Many of these volunteers meet once, twice or three times a month giving of their time, experience and talents to rise to the challenge of an unpaid position.

These positions make recommendations to the Town Council about a variety of issues such as water and sewer rates, requests for small business loans, zoning ordinances; they monitor the town election process, develop long range planning tools, review projects for consistency and protection of the historic district, and meet a variety of other tasks that pop up unexpectedly.

Volunteers submit letters of interest, and are appointed for staggered terms, whereby they serve on the Planning Commission, Board of Appeals, Utility Commission, Historic and Architectural Review, Loan Review Committee, Elections Board, and Factoring Committee.

As part of National Volunteer Appreciation Week the Town Council joined by several staff hosted a dinner at the Emerson House for the volunteers, and their guest. Certificates of Recognition were presented by Mayor John Foster to each of the volunteers. Please join us in expressing appreciation to the many individuals who volunteer to

make our community a better place to live.

### Denton Utility Commission

Albert McCullough  
Andy Mackel  
Dr. Abby McNinch  
Brad Horsey  
Greg Eigenbrode

### Planning Commission

Doris Walls  
Frank Fluharty  
David Gray  
Jake Holmes  
Valerie Miller

### Historic Review Committee

Kathy Mackel  
Sarah Golas  
Irving Bowie Hall, Jr.  
Richard Peterson  
Melissa Jones

### Board of Appeals

Florence Doherty  
Scott Brewster  
Ed Bell  
Barbara Porter

### Election Committee

Joan Fountain  
Michele Wasson  
David Hollis

### Factoring

David Hollis

### Loan Review Committee

Larry Porter  
Carolyn Spicher  
Pat Billbrough

## Fair Housing Month

Passage of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, popularly called the "Fair Housing Act", declares as a national policy that housing throughout our country be made available to all citizens on the basis of equality and fairness. The act outlaws any preference limitation, or discrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of housing because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, handicap or familial status.

The Fair Housing Act reflects Americans' willingness and determination to make sure that housing is available to all without discrimination. In the nearly four decades since its initial passage in 1968, judicial and administrative enforcement and public and

private efforts to induce voluntary compliance with the law have helped countless people obtain the housing they desire. America truly has succeeded in moving closer to the ideal of a society open to all.

Every American is entitled to freedom from discrimination in housing; April 2007 is an appropriate time for all of us to reaffirm our dedication as a Nation to the principles of equal opportunity on which the Fair Housing Act is grounded.

The Town of Denton has designated April 2007 as "Fair Housing Month" and authorized and requested the Mayor, John Foster, to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

## I'll Show You A Volunteer

*Poem by Foley*

Show me a person who spends endless hours in training without pay,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person where a cry for help brings split-second dispatch,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person who is devastated when lives are lost or maimed,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person who is graciously welcomed as a next-door neighbor,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person who takes ridicule more than compliments,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person whose car is garaged with the grille facing out,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person who sacrifices homelife, TV... even tender moments,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person visibly moved at the strains of our National Anthem,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

Show me a person who may be asked to give more than just dedication,  
And, I'll show you a volunteer.

### Eastern Shore Lead Poisoning Prevention Health and Safety Forum

Wednesday, May 30th 1:00pm-7:00pm  
Wicomico County Free Library in Salisbury  
Free Admission

Find out About:

Making Your Home "Lead Safe"  
Sources of Lead in your Environment  
MD Housing Laws  
Resources for Landlords  
Tenants' Rights  
Neighborhood Inspections in the City of Salisbury  
"Lead Safe Work Practices" Training & Certification  
Smoking, Lung & CO Detectors  
Derma Scan Screenings  
Safe Kids Interactive Games

*Pre-registration required.*  
**CALL TODAY (410)-820-9105**  
or visit [www.lead-safe.org](http://www.lead-safe.org)



# Economic Development and Denton Main Street...

## Lily Pad Cafe Has a New Home



The Lily Pad Café & Catering will be moving to their own building at 104 South Second Street, formerly known as The 1883 Schoolhouse and The Women's Club of Denton at the end of this month. The last day of business at their present location at 4 South First Street will be on Friday, April 27 and they will be open the first week of May at the new location.

The building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and was originally built in 1883 as the first schoolhouse for the Town of Denton. In 1926 it was purchased and maintained by the Women's Club of Denton until they sold it to The Lily Pad Café in January 2007. The building has served the community as a schoolhouse and library and the owners of the Lily Pad Café hope that it will continue to serve the community as a public meeting space and event site.

Owners Joann Redden and Ann Jacobs started The Lily Pad Cafe, known for its delicious sandwiches, salads and desserts in September of 2004 and the business has continued to grow and expand since that time.

Redden and Jacobs look forward to extending their lunchtime hours staying open until 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday and until 8:00 pm on Friday evenings. Saturdays and Sundays will be reserved for private events in the newly renovated meeting space and garden. Dining or event inquiries may be made at 410-479-0700.

## Your Invited to The Gala

A fundraiser *"The Denton Spring Gala"* hosted by the Caroline County Council of Art and the Denton Development Corporation is being planned to raise funds to help support downtown Denton.

The Gala will be on Saturday, May 5, 2007 from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and will feature local artists. The artists will have an opportunity to display their talents and sell their art. The artwork work includes jewelry, watercolor, oils, photography and more. The Gala will also include samplings of restaurants. Wine and Cheese stations will be open at various locations. Music will be provided by area musicians. The

Gala will be a great opportunity for the community to get together and to support the local businesses.

The event will begin at the old "Tracey's" location and expand throughout Market Street.

Area banks and businesses have helped in the funding of this event. A list of all the wonderful sponsors will be announced.

For ticket information please call: 410-479-4305 or 410-479-4315. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door.

The Gala coordinators plan to host this community event every year.

## Thanks to Main Street Volunteers

The Denton Main Street Program held their Meet and Greet in April for volunteers of the Main Street Program Committees.

Over 20 plus community members attended the Meet and Greet and signed up to help in the revitalization of downtown Denton. "I was so excited to see so much interest in helping us with this program," said Linda Redfern Socks, Main Street Manager. "Everyone involved is truly excited and willing to do what it takes to get this program up and running." Because all of us are so busy with work and family, I am so grateful and thank everyone for committing to this project."

There are now four committees established (Promotions, Design, Economic Restructuring, and Organization). Meetings have been set to begin this exciting process. Although, the committees have been formed, we are always looking for more volunteers, especially for the Organization and Promotions committee. Both of those committees require a lot of extra manpower.

If you live or work in Denton and are interested in the revitalization efforts of the Main Street Program, there is still time to sign up for one of the committees.

**The Design Committee** works to improve the downtown's physical appearance, which includes buildings, sidewalks, streetlights, signage, window displays, parking, and more.

**The Promotion Committee** works on image development through business & community events, drawing the community to the downtown area.

**The Economic Restructuring Committee** works to find out what consumers want and like in downtown Denton through market studies and surveys. A focus on getting new businesses and keeping the old businesses around is important!

To be part of the excitement, please contact Linda Redfern Socks, Main Street Manager at 410-479-4315 or email: [linda@downtowndenton.com](mailto:linda@downtowndenton.com).

DOWNTOWN  
DENTON

YARD SALE!

Saturday May 5th      8am-12 noon

REGISTRATION

To reserve a table send **Name, Address, Phone # and a check or money order** for \$12 for each table, made payable to:  
DOWNTOWN DENTON  
BUSINESS ASSOCIATION  
PO Box 307  
Denton, Md 21629

-On Market St. in front of Court-house

-Food, Fun & Bargains Galore!

-Sell your own stuff or buy a bargain

-Rent a table for \$12 ( we provide tables)

Sponsored by: *Downtown Denton Business Association*

Denton Town News Deadline June 1st

Please submit July or August articles to:  
13 N Main St  
Denton, MD 21629

Deadline to register is May 2nd

## Firehouse Coffee Opens in April

The Main Street program is proud to announce the opening of Firehouse Coffee at 300 Market Street in Denton, MD in April. The owners, Greg, Greg, and Linda have a goal to provide the community with the best quality coffee and specialty coffee drink items on the Eastern Shore. They will also have a decadent list of fine pastries, similar to what you may find in "Little Italy." The owners had the pleasure of searching for great products by sampling each individual cake, tart, cookie, brownie, and other items from fine bakeries to make sure their products will be of the best quality. The coffee café will also offer 100% fruit smoothies for the health conscious. Bagged ground and beaned coffee will be available for your home machines, and chocolate gift items.

The owners, Captain Greg Socks and Lieutenant Greg Junghans, are Montgomery County Firefighters. They attended several Barista classes and worked with a well-renown barista instructor to learn firsthand from a prominent Roasterie on how to prepare espresso and serve the ultimate in fine coffee. Becoming a barista is a fine art and takes time and practice. There are contests nationwide for barista professionals who work in coffee establishments on making and presenting the best espresso.

Firehouse Coffee will be open



most days and evenings Mondays through Saturday.

The Main Street program supports this business and any other businesses that may want to move into the Denton area. There are several retail spaces available. We look forward to the community supporting all our new businesses and keeping an eye and ear open for anyone interested in the downtown area.

Call the Main Street office at 410-479-4315.

## New Culinary Center Chef

**Emerson House Restaurant and the Chesapeake Culinary Center** located at the corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and Market Street in downtown Denton, Maryland will be open seven days a week beginning May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Along with the new and expanded hours, there will be a new chef heading up operations at the Emerson House as well as working with Culinary Center Director, Beth Brewster.

We are proud to announce that Chef Gary Edsall, Jr., will be coming to the Emerson House Restaurant as Chef and Manager on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chef

Edsall is an Easton native having graduated from Easton High School in 1985, and although he has lived and worked away from the Eastern Shore for many years, he is looking forward to being closer to his parents and family.

Chef Edsall brings with him an amazing career spanning over 20 years in the culinary industry. He has cooked for ambassadors, dignitaries and even the President of the United States.

Along with his excellent education in the food industry,

Chef Edsall is also a Certified Beer Judge and brew master. He has a wonderful philosophy of life, that being "to use humor to balance life's shortcomings" and finds that with his love of cooking and laughing that he is able to interact with different people and cultures... life is the best learning experience.

We look forward to having him as a Chef in the restaurant and well as an educator in the Chesapeake Culinary Center future. Please stop in and introduce yourself and learn about how the Center "teaches today for tomorrow's future - building self esteem, one student at a time".



# Denton Spring Gala

**A fundraising event supporting downtown Denton, featuring artists and restaurants while sampling various foods, wine and cheeses.**

**Saturday, May 5, 2007  
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

A progressive event starting at  
220 Market Street, Denton  
(Formerly Tracey's Country Treasures)

**Tickets:**  
\$10 per person in advance  
or \$15 at the door

Tickets available from Denton Development Corporation or participating downtown businesses. Purchase tickets early; space is limited. For more information, please call

Abigail McNinch, 410-479-4305  
abigail@dentondevelopmentcorp.com



# Denton Public Works...

## Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the water quality and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is two (2) potable wells drilled at an average depth of 450 feet in the Piney Point Aquifer.

We have a water source protection plan available from our office that provides more information such as potential sources of contamination.

I'm pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact **Mark Chandler or Scott Getchell of the Department of Public Works at 410-479-5446**. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled Town Council meetings held on the first and third Mondays of each month at the Town Office.

The Water Treatment Division of the Department of Public Works routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, **2006**. As water travels over the land or underground, it can

pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

*Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)* - one

part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

*Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter* - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

*Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)* - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

*Action Level* - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

*Maximum Contaminant Level* - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL)

is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

*Maximum Contaminant Level Goal* - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Note: Tests were completed in year **2006** or as otherwise noted. Some testing is not required annually.

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're

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TEST RESULTS						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Radioactive Contaminants</b>						
Beta/photon emitters Well 3 (2003)	N	10	pCi/l	0	50	Decay of natural and man-made deposits
Well 5 (2003)	N	7				
Alpha emitters Well 3 (2003)	N	12	pCi/l	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits
Well 5 (2003)	N	2				
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>						
Arsenic Well 3	N	3.4	ppb	0	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Copper (distribution) (2005)	N	0.172	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	
Fluoride Well 3	N	1.23	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Well 5 (2005)	N	1.16				
Lead (distribution) (2005)	N	4	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
<b>Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides</b>						
Oxamyl [Vydate] Well 5 (2002)	N	5.0	ppb	200	200	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on apples, potatoes and tomatoes
Di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate Well 3 (2003)	N	0.8	ppb	0	6	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories
Pentachlorophenol Well 3 (2003)	N	0.01	ppb	0	1	Discharge from wood preserving factories
<b>Volatile Organic Contaminants</b>						
TTHM (distribution) [Total trihalomethanes] (2005)	N	10.08	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (distribution) (2005)	N	5.51	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>						
Sodium Well 3	N	202	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits
Well 5 (2005)	N	200				
Sulfate Well 3 (2003)	N	14.1	ppm	N/A	N/A	Erosion of natural deposits
Well 5 (2002)	N	11.7				

Note: Tests were completed in year **2006** or as otherwise noted. Some testing is not required annually.

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proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health

effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding.

## Does Your House Have a Water Shut Off Valve Inside?

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

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

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

shutoff valve, verify its location and ensure that it works.

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

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

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

### POOL SAFETY

**Don't let a water tragedy ruin your summer make sure your pool is secured with a fence and gate. We want to keep you safe and it's a town law. All pools require a permit, except wading pools. Every swimming pool shall be protected by a safety fence or barrier at least 4 feet in height and must be equipped with a self latching closure mechanism at a height above the reach of toddlers with a lock.**

## National Drinking Water Week

Have you ever considered the incredible value of a safe, reliable water supply and the water system that delivers it?

Only tap water delivers:

- Public health protection,
- Fire protection,
- Support for the economy, and
- The overall quality of life we enjoy.

National Drinking Water Week, celebrated each year during the first week in May, is an opportunity for both water professionals and the consumers they serve to join together to recognize the vital role water plays in our daily lives.

The first obligation of all water suppliers is to provide a safe water supply to protect the public health. Water supplies in the United States are monitored for more than 100 contaminants and must meet almost 90 regulations for water safety and quality. Community water supplies are tested daily, far more frequently than bottled water.

The original purpose for building community water systems was to fight fires. Following the 1906 San Francisco earthquake when twenty-five thousand buildings burned, the city developed, designed, and constructed a guaranteed water supply system solely for fighting fires. A reliable supply of water at a sufficiently high volume and pressure is a necessity in protecting the public against fires. The same system of water mains, pumps, and storage tanks that supplies water to fire hydrants also supplies water to homes. The ability to provide water for fire protection influences new home construction, business location decisions, and insurance rates. Firefighters are the primary users of fire hydrants, but the public works department maintains the hydrants.

## Fire Hydrant Flushing Program

The Denton Public Works Department initiates the flushing of the Town's entire water system annually. The flushing will take place sometime during the months of April and May. The annual system-wide flushing is part of the continuing effort by the Denton Public Works Department to relieve any taste, odor, and turbidity problems that affect some water customers in our community.

Taste, odor, and turbidity problems occur in most water systems but do not present a health problem.

While flushing is in progress,

Tap water is an essential component in the daily operation of existing businesses. Water is a primary ingredient in thousands of everyday products from food and beverages to toothpastes and paper. New commercial or residential developments are dependent upon the availability of a quality water supply when determining the location of their facilities. Of the 341 billion gallons of tap water consumed everyday, only three percent is used for drinking.

Access to a safe water supply is a measure of a successful society evidenced by low mortality rates, economic diversity, productivity, and public safety. Imagine a day without tap water . . .

- How would we wash our dishes, clothes, and cars?
- Where would we shower?
- How many businesses would have to cease operating?
- How would our hospitals, schools, and firehouses operate?

All water consumers have a role in wise use and protection of their community water supplies. Employ conservation measures such as:

- Water your lawn early in the morning or at night to avoid excess evaporation;
- Run full loads in the dishwasher or clothes washer;
- Repair dripping faucets and leaky toilets;
- Don't let the water run while washing dishes or brushing your teeth;
- Do not overuse pesticides and fertilizers; and
- Dispose of hazardous materials and medications properly.

For more information, visit <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/>

many customers may experience drops in water pressure and may notice rusty water. Customers should avoid doing laundry during this time period and reduce their use of hot water to a minimum

While this program may cause some inconvenience for the water customers of Denton, it should significantly improve the quality of service during the following year.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding this program, please contact Mr. Mark Chandler of the DPW at 410-479-5446. Your cooperation and understanding are greatly appreciated.

# Mosquito's - General Information to Help You Enjoy the Outdoors

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



Information obtained from the internet site at the [www.rci.rutgers.edu/~insects/njmos.htm](http://www.rci.rutgers.edu/~insects/njmos.htm) by Donald Sutherland, Research Professor in Entomology and Wayne J. Crans, Associate Research Professor in Entomology provides additional information on the biology of the mosquito. Their article included the following information:

## Mosquitoes Need Water:

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

year. However, most species have many generations per year, and their rapid increase in numbers becomes a problem.

## Only the Female Can Bite:

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

## Winter Survival Is Important:

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

## Mosquitoes Can Transmit Disease:

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

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

during the second blood meal. This is also true for the mosquito transmitted heartworm disease in dogs.

## You Can Reduce Mosquito Annoyance:

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

## Reduce the Amount of Standing Water:

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

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

## Use Insecticides Safely:

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

For use against adult mosquitoes, some liquid insecticides can be mixed according to direction and sprayed lightly on building foundations, hedges, low shrubbery, ground covers, and grasses. Do not over apply liquid insecticides—excess spray drips from the sprayed surfaces to the ground where it is ineffective.

The purpose of such sprays is to leave a fine deposit of insecticide on surfaces where mosquitoes rest. Such sprays are not effective for more than one or two days.



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

## Repellents Can Offer Relief:

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

## What Attracts Mosquitoes?:

Mosquitoes are attracted by perspiration, warmth, body odor, carbon dioxide, and light. Mosquito control agencies use some of these attractants to help determine the relative number of adult mosquitoes in an area. Several devices are sold that are supposed to attract, trap, and destroy mosquitoes and other flying insects. However, if these devices are attractive to mosquitoes, they probably attract more mosquitoes into the area and may therefore, increase rather than decrease mosquito annoyance.



## 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 on's, and other misc. calls for service. Paying utility bills on time can help the property owner avoid these fees.

**Special Attention:** Any water that is turned off will be assessed this fee to have the water turned back on. Tenant's 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.**

## National Public Works Week

May 20-26, 2007

National Public Works Week is celebrated each year during the third full week in May. It is a time to honor the men and women who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services known as public works. These employees are dedicated to improving the quality of life for present and future generations.

The Town of Denton Public Works Department will participate in Career Day activities at Denton Elementary School on May 17. This provides a means to help students better understand the world of public works. In conjunction with this visit, a poster contest is planned to encourage students to share their knowledge of and appreciation for the public works department.

## Public Works Fact Sheet

Public works professionals include those who manage water, sewer, and refuse removal systems as well as those responsible for maintaining public buildings and grounds. They are the people who maintain and improve the systems and services vital to a community's health, safety, and comfort.

### Water/Wastewater Operations

- Oversees the collection, storage, and distribution of the Town's water supply.
- Performs routine testing to ensure the quality of the drinking water in the system.
- Oversees the collection system, treatment system, and disposal program of the wastewater treatment facility.
- Performs routine effluent monitoring and process control analysis to ensure the proper functioning of the plant.
- Performs routine maintenance so that equipment and systems operate efficiently and effectively.

### Public Utilities

- Maintains and repairs the Town streets, sewer mains.

## Tips for Lawn Water Conservation

Wise use of water in your garden and lawn helps protect the environment and saves you money too. Simple ways of reducing the amount of water used for irrigation include growing plants that are adapted to dry conditions, mulching, adding water retaining organic matter to the soil, watering early in the morning, and installing windbreaks and fences to slow winds and reduce evaporation.

Water is necessary for photosynthesis, the process by which plants manufacture their own food from carbon dioxide and water in the presence of light. The lack of water,

nutrients, temperature, and amount of light can limit the growth of a plant. Too much water on plants can lead to excessive growth and fungal diseases and increases the risk of fertilizer and pesticide run-off from the lawn to paved surfaces.

Most lawns need only one inch of water per week, either from sprinklers or rainfall. This can be accomplished with deep and frequent waterings, which maintain a healthy root system and reduce weed infestation. Light and frequent irrigation promotes shallow roots and germination of weed seeds. An inch of water can

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### RABIES CLINIC SCHEDULE

*Sponsored by the Caroline County Health Department*



*\$5 fee per animal*

Date & Time

Location of clinic

**May 22, 2007**  
5pm-7pm

**Greensboro Elementary School**  
625 N. Main Street, Greensboro

**May 29, 2007**  
5pm-7pm

**Colonel Richardson Middle School**  
25390 Richardson Rd, Federsburg

**June 5, 2007**  
5pm-7pm

**Health & Public Services Building**  
parking lot 403 S 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Denton

Because of the rabies epidemic in Maryland, it is essential that all dogs, cats, and ferrets be vaccinated. Only pets under the control of a responsible person may be brought to the clinic. Dogs should be on a leash. Cats and ferrets should be in a box with air holes. No other animals will be vaccinated.

**MUST BRING PRIOR VACCINATION CERTIFICATE TO RECEIVE 3 YR VACCINATION.**

**Call 410/479-8045 between 9-4 p.m. Monday-Friday to pre-register.**



**High Water Bills!**  
**Check your**  
**Faucets and Toilets**  
**For leaks!**

*Denton Public Works*  
410-479-2050

# Recreation & Parks Events

## May

### 12th - New York City Trip \$32 7am-12 midnight.

Join us for a day in New York City! You will be free all day to shop, see the sights, take in a Broadway show, or do any of the many other things New York has to offer. We leave from the Health & Public Services building 403 S. 7th St, Denton

## June

### 2nd - Fishing Derby, \$3 pre reg. \$5 at event. 9am-12pm.

Martinak State Park, Denton. This event is open to youth ages 6-

16 and includes fishing, food, crafts, casting contest and more. An adult must accompany children under 7.

### 8th - Hershey Track and Field

**Free, 6pm-9pm** North Caroline High School, Ridgely. Participants will compete in the following age groups: 9-10, 11-12, and 13-14. Each age group will include boys and girls divisions. The top two finishers in each event will advance to the state meet which will be held during the summer. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Practice dates TBA.

### 9th - Caesar's Atlantic City

Meet at HAPS building 403 S. 7th St, Denton departs 7am- returns 6:30pm

Join us as we invade the gaming empire of Caesar's Atlantic City \$29 per person includes transportation and a Welcome Pack with \$17 cash to get you started. (Must be 21 years of age to gamble.)

### 14th - Hershey Park Day Trip.

**\$55 7am-8:30pm**, Denton Armory This trip includes transportation and admission to Hershey Park

and same day visit to ZooAmerica North America Wildlife Park. A deposit of \$25 must accompany reservation. You may use our flex pay plan or pay in full. You may use cash, check, Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

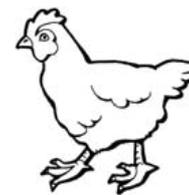
**15th - Mommy and Me Day Trip to Boyd's Bear Country Gettysburg.** Departs Denton Elementary School 8:30am, return at 7pm \$32 per person. Price includes transportation and a lunch voucher at Boyd's Bears. *Deadline May 30th.*

The Caroline County Council of Arts and  
Caroline County Recreation and Parks Presents



Four **FREE** Fridays in May

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  
Caroline County Courthouse Green  
109 Market Street, Denton



**21st - Delmarva Chicken Festival**  
Federalburg  
Annual Delmarva Poultry Festival being held in Federalburg this year and bringing with it all the fun, food and entertainment. Come see the giant frying pan. Live entertainment daily with a grand finale display of fireworks on Saturday night.

<b>MAY 4</b>	<b>MELANIE MASON</b> Original and traditional blues performed on vintage acoustic/electric gibson guitars in the traditional Piedmont and Delta stylings. Melanie's accomplishments include (wama) Best Blues Recording Award in 2001, 2004, and 2005. She was also the 2003 winner of the D.C. Blues International Blues Challenge. Melanie has been called a "triple threat" for her singing, guitar playing and songwriting abilities.
<b>MAY 11</b>	<b>"BENSON"</b> Jon Benson, a native of Seaford, Delaware, has been performing for 25+ years in a variety of musical endeavors. Jon has been a member of several bands including "Potential", "The Snapp Band", "Altimate Choice" and currently performing with "Mike Hines and the Look". As a solo performer "Benson" will play a variety of music to satisfy a variety of musical tastes.
<b>MAY 18</b>	<b>PATTY REESE</b> Talented singer, songwriter and guitarist Patty Reese is able to float effortlessly between genres of blues, folk, pop, jazz and rock with a style that's dynamic and original. Patty's music awards include: Wammie Awards for Best Pop/Rock Album, Best Rock Vocalist, Northern California Songwriter Association Honors and National Songwriting Top 10 contest winner. Patty says "music is the language of the heart. It expresses in just a few minutes what some of us have been trying to put into words our entire lives."
<b>MAY 25</b>	<b>CHRIS ENGLISH</b> Playing traditional, original and acoustic blues. Delta style is his forte, singing, playing guitar and harp, stamping out the time on an old wooden coca-cola crate. He also uses vintage guitars from the '30's to replicate the sound and feeling of blues he studies and loves.

If a show is cancelled due to bad weather, make up dates will be available on June 2 and 9 and will be re-scheduled if the artists are available.

Sponsored by Caroline County Council of Arts and the Town of Denton Downtown Promotions. Production Sponsor is PIMPTIME TENTS AND EVENTS with production by Caroline County Recreation and Parks. For information call **410-479-8120**.

**FREE CONCERT**  
**HERITAGE AIRE**  
**CELTIC**  
**ENSEMBLE**

**Sunday May 6, 2pm**  
**2nd Story Live**  
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# Denton Town Meeting Minutes

**February 5, 2007**

## Executive Session

### Regular Meeting

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

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that all Council members were present.

Councilman Horsey made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2007 meeting, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

### Public Hearing

#### Ordinance #533

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:04PM to receive public comments on Ordinance

#533 Entitled "An ordinance of the Town of Denton amending Chapter 52 of the Denton Town Code to provide for the imposition and collection of development impact fees within the town for residential development.

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 – Mr. Dean

Danielson stated that he supports the establishment of an impact fee, but felt that the amount being considered

was too low. Also expressed concerns with the affect it would have on local residents.

Mr. Bob Chapel expressed his concerns of the structure of the proposed ordinance stating that it was too vague and provided the Council

with several recommendations for areas to review for changes. He provided his comments in writing.

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at 7:21 PM.

**Petitions, Remonstrance's and Communication**

**Caroline County Mental Health Clinic Budget Request-** Mr. Mike

Campbell came before the Council as a follow up to his presentation at the November 2006 Council Meeting, seeking an appropriation in the Town's FY-2008 budget of 10,000 to be used as an offset to any deficit the Caroline County Mental Health Clinic may develop during the 2008 Fiscal year.

Mayor Foster expressed his personal support to have the agency and

advised that the Council will consider.

### Ordinances and Resolutions

#### Ordinance #533 – Impact Fee Assessment

- An ordinance prepared by the Town Attorney that would amend the Town Code Chapter 52 to provide for the imposition and collection of Development Impact Fees with the Town was presented for consideration adoption.

Councilman Horsey made a motion to adopt ordinance #533, seconded by Councilman Branson. Discussion was held in which Councilman Clendaniel asked about the public comments and asked if the technical issues raised could be reviewed. Mr. Dave Thompson, Town Attorney advised that the Council could defer adoption if they set a specific date for consideration. Councilman Branson withdrew his second to the motion, followed by Councilman Horsey withdrawing his motion.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to defer the adoption of ordinance #533 until the March 5, 2007 meeting, asking for the public comments to be considered possibly amending and to include the fee structure, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Dean Ballas will review the comments from the Public, a working session to discuss this topic was scheduled for February 22, 2007 at 6:00 PM.

#### Ordinance #534 - 401 Market Street Property Sale

- The Council reviewed a request from the Caroline County Arts Council to enter into an option agreement to purchase 401 Market Street. Ordinance #534 authorizes the Mayor to execute an Option Agreement. A Public Hearing will be required prior to consideration of adoption.

Councilman Branson made a motion to introduce Ordinance #534, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, the motion passed unanimously.

### Reports of officers, board and committees

None

### Unfinished Business

#### Agenda #1 - Residential Sprinkler Requirement

As directed by the Town Council, the Town Attorney has reviewed the potential for Denton to adopt a residential sprinkler requirement for new construction.

Ms. Patti Gordy, President of the Caroline County Volunteer Firemen's Association provided a draft program for Caroline County.

Ms. Gordy introduced Mr. Fearin Taylor from the Fire Marshall's Office and Dennis Gensler, and David McQuay. Mr. Taylor provided an overview of the State's existing law and explained how inspections are done by the State.

Councilman Branson made a motion to direct the Town Attorney to prepare an ordinance to have sprinkler system in all new single & multi family homes, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel. In discussion the Council asked to have this item added to the work session on February 22, 2007. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Agenda #2 - Riverview Gardens

The Denton Town Council met with Mr. Rick Della, Vice President of The Rainmaker Group, and Mr. Larry Porter on January 29, 2007, to discuss Interfaith Housing Development Corporation's intent and plan to purchase and renovate the three apartment facilities at Riverview Garden. This item was brought before Council to consider a resolution of support for the potential financing through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development.

Mr. Della came before the Council also seeking a form of local financial support toward the project.

Councilman Horsey expressed concern about the Town providing \$160,000 in funding for a profit project.

Staff was directed to obtain a value of the Community Center for the March meeting. Mr. Della was asked to also show the services that would be provided by Interfaith Housing as part of the project.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt a resolution of support, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

#### Agenda #3 - Industrial Park Land Acquisition Request

At the January 8, 2007, Council Meeting, the board considered a request filed by Shore Doors to obtain an Option Agreement in the Denton Industrial Park. During this discussion, a question had been raised as to whether the proposed use was consistent with the Denton Industrial Park Covenants. A follow-up inquiry had been sent to Mr. Jeffrey Titus with a request for more background information on his company's proposed operations. This item was deferred until the March 5 meeting.

#### Agenda #4 - Industrial Park Land Option Agreement Amendment

Councilman Branson made a motion to give an extension on the Option Agreement for Lot 3 in the area of the second Denton Industrial Park Expansion, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

#### Agenda #5 – Homestead Tax Credit

The Council reviewed noticed received from the Maryland State Assessment office advising that the resolution adopted by the Council to reduce the Homestead Tax credit was not received by the deadline to take effect with the upcoming tax year. The reduction will take affect with the FY2009 billing.

### New Business

#### Agenda #1 – Municipal Tax Differential

Councilman Branson made a motion to send a letter to the Caroline County Commissioners requesting the Municipal Tax Differential to continue, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

#### Agenda #2 - Denton Volunteer Fire Company Capital Request

A request from the Denton Volunteer Fire Company to draw on the Capital fund the Town of Denton has established to purchase 10 new pagers at a cost of \$518 each. The total draw request is \$5180. The present fund balance is \$46,055.24. Councilman Branson made a motion to approve the DVFD capital draw request, seconded by Councilman Gregory, the motion passed 4-0 with Councilman Horsey abstaining due to membership in the fire dept.

#### Agenda #3 - Community Information Outreach

A copy of the new contract with Carol D'Agastino was brought before the Denton Town Council for consideration of renewal. The Town Council entered into a one-year contract in January 2006. Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to not execute a contract with the Purple Cat at this time, seconded by Councilman Gregory, passing unanimously.

#### Agenda #4 - Maryland Municipal League – Municipal Main Street

MML will again have an area set aside as a Municipal Main Street allowing municipalities to set up information on their community during the MML Convention in June. The cost to participate in this is \$175. If approved to participate, the individual Department Heads are willing to take turns manning the booth space and could include the Council members too.

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Councilman Branson made a motion for the Town to participate by having a booth, seconded Councilman Horsey. In discussion Councilman Gregory expressed concern in spending \$175. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda #5 - Denton Development Corporation** – Mr. Ellis Davison, Project Manager for the Denton Development Corporation presented an update on the proposed Crouse Park and Waterway Improvements. Councilman Clendaniel asked if the boat ramp would be retained and was advised yes. This item was informational only.

**Agenda #6 - Ottey Automotive**

Chief Cox asked for approval to give Ottey Automotive one of the Police Department's old vehicles a 1994 Ford in exchange for Ottey Automotives work removing old equipment from 2 other patrol vehicles. The Vehicle was purchased from the Caroline County Sheriff's Dept for \$750 and has no value at this time.

Councilman Branson made a motion to give the car as requested, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

**Agenda #7 - Graffiti Ordinance**

Chief Cox came before the Council seeking support to draft an ordinance to address graffiti issues within the Town. The ordinance will carry fines if the defendant is convicted. Chief also recommended requiring the victims to have the graffiti removed in a specific time frame or be subjected to fines.

Councilman Branson made a motion to allow the Police Chief and the Town Attorney to formulate a graffiti ordinance and bring back for consideration, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel. Discussion was held in which the Council asked for the ordinance to not penalize the victims, but find a way to educate them why it is important to remove the graffiti in a timely manner. The motion passed unanimously.

Caroline County Commissioner, Mr. Jeff Ghrist addressed the Council regarding the next COG meeting and advised that Chief Longo will be making a presentation on graffiti on April 10, 2007 at the HAPS Building at 7:00 PM.

Chief Longo has been asked to attend the C-Safe program in March to provide information to the public about graffiti.

**Executive Session**

Mayor Foster advised for the record that in accordance with the agenda the Council held an executive session prior to this meeting at that began

6:07 PM and ended at 7:00 PM for the purpose of discussing personnel issues related to sick leave and pension, applicability and to discuss the negotiations of infrastructure financing related to Wal-Mart. The Town Attorney and Town Staff were directed to research and report back to the Council.

Councilman Gregory spoke to the other Council members regarding the Academy & Excellence programs.

With no further discussion Mayor Foster adjourned this meeting at 9:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Monteith  
Clerk-Treasurer

\*\*amended (see 3/5/07 minutes for details)

**March 5, 2007**

**Executive Session**

Councilman Gregory made a motion at 6:09 PM to hold an executive session to discuss personnel evaluation form for the Town Administrator and to seek legal advice on sick leave and accrued sick leave policy under the State Retirement, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

All Council members were present during this meeting along with the Town Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer and the Brynja Booth, Town Attorney.

No action was taken.

At 6:59 PM. Councilman Horsey made a motion to close the executive session, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, the motion passed unanimously.

**Regular Meeting**

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

Mayor Foster asked that the record reflect that all Council members were present.

After a review of the minutes prepared for the Feb 5, 2007 meeting Councilman Branson asked that a correction be made reflecting that Councilman Horsey made the motion to approve the minutes for Jan 8, 2007, they were seconded by Councilman Branson.. Councilman Gregory asked that the new business #2 reflect that the motion passed 4-0 instead of 4-1 since Councilman Horsey abstained.

With these corrections Councilman Clendaniel made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2007 regular meeting and the

working session notes of Jan. 29, 2007 and Feb. 28, 2007, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

**Public Hearing Ordinance #534**

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:03 PM to receive public comments on Ordinance

#534 entitled "An ordinance of the Town of Denton authorizing the Mayor of the Town Council to execute an option agreement for the sale of property described as 401 Market Street, Denton, Maryland."

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 – Abigail McNinch, project manager for the Denton Development Corp. thanked the Council for their support on this project.

Marina Dowdall of 111 Riverton Ave., a member of the Arts Council provided an overview of their organization and the purpose of the project, thanking the Council for their support.

With no further comments Mayor Foster closed this public hearing at 7:06 PM.

**Resolution #690**

Mayor Foster opened a public hearing at 7:06 PM to receive public comments on Resolution #690 the proposed annexation of a portion of Camp Road, and the adjoining parcel of land owned by Sheila Benchhoff. The annexation consists of a total of 17.19 acres, is located within the town's 1997 growth area, is supported by the Planning Commission and was initiated by the Town to facilitate looping of utilities within Camp Road.

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 7:08 PM.

**Petitions, Remonstrance's and Communication**

**FY2006 Audit Presentation-** Mr. John Montoro and Mr. Brad Haun of Cherry, Bekeart & Holland came before the Councilman and provided an overview of the Town's FY2006 Financial Report regarding the annual audit.

**Red Cross Month** - Councilman Branson made a motion to direct the Mayor to sign a proclamation making March American Red Cross Month, seconded by Councilman Horsey, the motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Resolution #690 Annexation of Camp Road & Benchhoff/Behlike property-** An annexation resolution and agreement prepared by the town attorney for the annexation of a portion of Camp Road, and the single parcel owned by Sheila Benchhoff was presented for consideration of adoption. This annexation was recommended by the Planning Commission and previously supported by the Town Council to facilitate control of Camp Road. The parcel is within the Town Growth Area defined in 1997, and is the only remaining parcel on the south side of Camp Road not located within town limits. Total acreage is 17.19 acres including the road. An annexation agreement would permit Ms. Benchhoff continued existing use of the property as her home including the keeping of four horses or ponies.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to accept annexation resolution #690, seconded by Councilman Horsey. Discussion was held in which the Council recognized that the Town approach the property owner for the annexation as per request from the County to loop the water line needed to take in Camp Rd., the Town will absorb the cost of the annexation, the cost under \$2,000. The motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinance #533 – Impact Fee Assessment**

- An ordinance prepared by the Town Attorney that would amend the Town Code Chapter 52 to provide for the imposition and collection of Development Impact Fees with the Town was presented for consideration of adoption. This item was deferred from the February 5, 2007 meeting.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #533, seconded by Councilman Gregory. Discussion – Mr. David Dansker of 1104 Canvasback Lane asked if the assessment would affect existing properties under construction and was advised that it would take place when a new building permit is issued. Mr. Dean Danielson asked about the fee schedule and was advised that the fee scheduled would be adopted separately. The Town Attorney provided an overview of the amendments that had been incorporated into the ordinance in response to the public comments

that were received previously. The motion passed 4-1 with Councilman Clendaniel voting against.

**Ordinance #534 401 Market Street Property Sale** – The Caroline County Arts Council had been before the Denton Town Council at the January 8, 2007, meeting to request an option to purchase 401 Market Street. Ordinance #534 authorizes the Mayor to execute an Option Agreement. This was brought before the Council for consideration of adoption.

Councilman Branson made a motion to adopt ordinance #534, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, passing unanimously.

**Ordinance #535 Zoning Ordinance Use Table Amendment**: The Planning Commission recommended the Town Council consider amending the Use Table in the Zoning Ordinance. The changes are to permit accessory apartments in combination with principal residences in the Suburban Residential SR and Townscale Residential TR district with Planning Commission approval. They are already permitted in the MR Multifamily Residential district. To permit with Planning Commission approval Barbers/Beauty Salons in the Light Industrial (LI) district; other professional & retail uses are permitted; and finally, to permit Home Occupations in SR and TR districts with Planning Commission approval instead of Board of Appeals approval.

Councilman Horsey made a motion to introduce Ordinance #535, seconded by Councilman Branson, passing unanimously.

**Reports of officers, board and committees**

The Planning Commission 2006 Annual Report was presented to the Council. Councilman Gregory stated he was amazed with the amount of work the Planning Commission members do for the Town. Councilman Branson wished to publicly thank the Planning Commission for their efforts.

Staff announced that the Planning Commission will hold a public presentation of the proposed comprehensive plan at the Library on March 6, 2007.

**Unfinished Business**

**Agenda #1- Residential Sprinkler Requirement**

As a follow up from the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting this item was placed on the agenda for direction. \_

Councilman Branson made a motion to direct the Town Attorney to formulate an ordinance to apply to new residential and rehab of over

50% of value, to include having the Life Safety Inspector to do the safety inspections, mirroring the City of Annapolis to include in town water line connection so it can not be turned off, with a five year re-inspection, Councilman Horsey seconded by motion and asked to amend the motion to have the specifications according to the State Fire Marshall's office and to have the inspector certified by the Fire Marshall.

Discussion was held in regards to defining rehab-alterations to an existing structure increasing the value or square foot by 50% or more, how to handle inspections once the house is occupied, cost added to the house. The State Fire Marshall's office advised that with the adoption of law they would inspect single family house during construction. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda #2 Riverview Gardens** - The Denton Town Council met with Mr. Rick Della, Vice President The Rainmaker Group, and Mr. Larry Porter on January 29, 2007, to discuss Interfaith Housing Development Corporation's intent and plan to purchase and renovate the three apartment facilities at Riverview Garden. The Council adopted a resolution of local support at their February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Chief Cox was present to discuss a proposal to use the Community Center as the Town's local support for the project.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to amend the proposal to include a time line, and to stipulate value as \$2,100 per month until the \$160,000 local match is reached with renewal to be subject to need, seconded by Councilman Branson, the motion passed unanimously. This will be assigned Resolution #692.

**Agenda #3 Impact Assessment – Fee Schedule** - This item was on the agenda to provide the Council and opportunity to discuss a potential fee schedule for the Impact Assessment Ordinance.

Councilman Branson made a motion to have the Town Attorney prepare an ordinance to set the Impact fee at \$3,992 for single family, \$3,098 other residential, and to set commercial at 50% of the figure included in the Impact fee study, seconded by Councilman Branson.

Discussion was held about including an industrial aspect, and to include a fee for schools and the fire dept. The Town Attorney recommended that the Council consider separate fee for these items as the impact fee is to be used strictly for Town

capital expenses. Other fees could be adopted as part of the building permit fee and possibly include a fee for schools and the fire dept.

The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

**Agenda #1 – Denton Town Council Sick Leave** – This item was on the agenda for the Denton Town Council to consider the establishment of a Sick Leave benefit for the Council members. \_

Councilman Gregory made a motion to table this item and #2 until the next meeting, seconded by Councilman Branson, the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda #2 Denton Town Council Retirement** – This item is on the agenda for the Denton Town Council to consider a Retirement Benefit for Council members who are presently not participating in the State of Maryland Retirement Program and serve more than 20 years in office. See motion for new business agenda #1

**Agenda #3 Lily Pad Purchase Second Option** – As part of the financing package provided by the Town of Denton for the Lily Pad Café and Catering to purchase the Women's Club, a request was made for an option to purchase. The First Option to Purchase is provided to the Caroline County Historical Society. The Second Option is provided to the Town of Denton.

Councilman Horsey made a motion to enter into a second option on the Lily Pad Purchase, seconded by Councilman Branson, the motion passed unanimously. \_

**Agenda #4 Core Resources Request** – The Public Works Department presented a request on behalf of Sean R. Buschmann of Core Resources, Inc. to allow the development of the property at Route 404 and Deep Shore Road with the use of private well and septic. Since public utilities are not available now at this site, they would be willing to connect to the Town utilities when they are available at that property.

Councilman Gregory made a motion to allow Core Resources to allow the development to use a private well and septic, with requirements that they would connect at the time services are available, seconded by Councilman Branson.

Following discussion of an overview of the connection, Councilman Branson withdrew his second and Councilman Gregory withdrew the motion.

Councilman Branson made a motion to deny the request and to forward to the Planning Commission for

review, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel, the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda #5 W/S Comp Plan Amendment**

– The Public Works Director asked the Council to approve authorization to sign the Application for Amendment to the 2006 Caroline County Comprehensive Water and Sewerage Plan on behalf of Fearins Crossing, LLC. The application will be submitted to the County Commissioners and County Planning Commission and then Fearins Crossing LLC can proceed with application to the Town for final subdivision approval to complete Phase 2 of Fearins Crossing.

Councilman Branson made a motion to authorize the signing of the application, seconded by Councilman Horsey. During discussion Councilman Clendaniel raised some concerns. Staff informed the Council that there is a recapture fee established for this area that pays back debt that was previously incurred by the Town.

The motion passed 4-0 with Councilman Clendaniel abstaining.

**Agenda #6 Historic Tax Credit** – The Denton Development Corporation is in the process of preparing two Historic Tax Credit applications for the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. One application is for the Caroline High School and the other is for the 401 Market Street Property (presently proposed to be acquired by the Caroline County Arts Council.) The DDC prepared two letters requesting the Council's authorization of the Mayor's signature.

Councilman Branson made a motion to allow the Mayor to sign these letters as requested, seconded by Councilman Gregory, the motion passed 3-0 with Councilman Horsey abstaining due to his membership on the DDC board, Councilman Clendaniel abstained due to be neighbor of the Caroline High School project.

**Agenda #7 Emerson House** – A letter from The Chesapeake Culinary Center requesting the opportunity to establish a chef residency program in the Emerson House. Presently the Town of Denton leases this facility and then sub-leases to the Chesapeake Culinary Center. Ms. Beth Brewster has been in touch with the owners of the property and they have approved the request.

Councilman Branson made a motion to approve the Chesapeake Culinary's request, seconded by Councilman Clendaniel. The motion passed 4-0,

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operator of the vehicle was identified as Chad Swartz, 23 year old male of Denton, and the passenger was identified as Melvin Campbell, 19 year old male of Easton. Officers were questioning both subjects when suspected CDS paraphernalia fell from Campbell's pant who was subsequently arrested. During further interview Campbell admitted to taking the items on March 1, 2007 from Eckard Drug. Campbell was charged with the theft and CDS paraphernalia possession and taken before a court commissioner who ordered him held on \$4000.00 bail. Charges are pending for Swartz in this matter. Denton police were also aware that the Greensboro police were investigating a shoplifting with suspects that matched the description of these suspects. Greensboro police were contacted and subsequently made an arrest in their case.

Date: 03/03/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: S. Second St.

On 03-03-07 Denton Police stopped Reginald Briscoe of Denton on S Second St. at Riverton Ave. for not stopping at the stop sign. A check of MVA records revealed that Briscoe's privilege to drive in Maryland was suspended for failing to complete driver improvement. Briscoe was issued citations at the scene and released.

Date: 03/03/2007

Classification: Burglary 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree/ General

Location: 300 block Market St.

On 03-03-07 at 6:44 p.m., officers of the Denton Police Department responded to the alley behind 322 Market St. for a report of a burglary. It was reported that a male kicked in the rear door of the building. The burglary was interrupted by a citizen who lives in the area. Three suspects fled the area. The officers located two of the males in the area who were interviewed and released. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/06/07

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Location: 400 block Lockerman St.

The Denton Police Dept. arrested Anthony P. Harper, 23, of Chester, MD on March 6, 2007 following a domestic incident at 405 Lockerman St. Denton. Harper and the mother of his child, Meaghan A. Davis 21, of Denton, had been involved in an altercation over money, and Harper allegedly punched Davis in the side

of the head. Harper was taken into custody and charged with Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree. Following an initial appearance in front of the District Court Commissioner, Harper was released on personal recognizance.

Date: 03/06/2007

Classification: CDS Paraphernalia 1<sup>st</sup> Offence

The Denton Police Dept. arrested Melvin D. Campbell, 19, address unknown, on March 6, 2007 for possession of drug paraphernalia during a traffic stop. Campbell was a passenger in a vehicle stopped for a moving violation, and was asked to exit the vehicle by Police. As Campbell walked with Police, he dropped a spoon and syringe used for heroin on the ground. Campbell was arrested and charged with possession of CDS paraphernalia. Following that, he was released on a criminal citation.

Date: 03/11/2007

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Location: 800 block Caroline Apts.

On 03-11-07 Denton Police responded to 806 Caroline Apts. for a report of a domestic assault. The victim was contacted and advised that her husband Sydney Roy had hit her in the mouth and busted her top lip. Roy was found in the parking lot and was arrested for second degree assault. Roy was charged with one count second degree assault and one count disorderly conduct. Roy was released by the court commissioner.

Date: 03/10/2007

Classification: Under age possession of alcoholic bev

Location: 600 block N Sixth St.

Denton Police responded to the McDonalds parking lot in reference to a complaint of underage people consuming alcoholic beverages. Police observed a 30 pack beer in a vehicle that was parked in the lot. Further investigation revealed that the vehicle had been driven to McDonalds by Nicholas Wilkenson, 20 year old male of Denton, and Blaze Breeding, 19 year old male of Denton, was a passenger in that vehicle. Both subjects were issued citations for possessing alcoholic beverages under the age of 21 and released at the scene.

Date: 03/12/2007

Classification: Driving w/o license

Location: N Third St.

The Denton Police Department cited Doreen West of Denton, Maryland with driving without a license after she was involved in a traffic collision at the intersection of Third St and Market St. Ms. West was not at fault in the motor vehicle collision.

Date: 03/12/2007

Classification: Theft over \$500

Location: Whistling Pine Rd.

The Denton Police Department is investigating the theft of building materials from the Savannah Overlook development. Sometime over the weekend several sheets of plywood, valued at \$1000.00 were taken from a residence under construction. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

03/14/2007

Classification: Theft less than \$100

Location: 100 block Riverview Gardens

The Denton Police received a report of a stolen bicycle. The bicycle was taken from the 100 building of Riverview Gardens. The bicycle is red in color and is a men's beach style bicycle valued at \$25.00. Anyone with any information reference this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/14/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500

Location: 1100 block Day Lilly Lane

The Denton Police Department took a report of a theft of an electric range, valued at \$450.00, from a house under construction in Savannah Overlook. The range was taken between 03/09/07 and 03/24/07. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/15/2007

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Location: 400 block Lockerman St.

The Denton Police Department referred a 14 year old female juvenile from Ridgely, Maryland and a 13 year old female juvenile from Ridgely, Maryland with assault after a fight at Lockerman Middle School.

Date: 03/16/2007

Classification: Theft Over \$500

Location: 0 block Engerman Ave.

The Denton Police Department charged Kevin Baker of Ridgely, Maryland and Dustin Lahman of Easton, Maryland with theft after an incident at the Bartley Collection. The suspects were caught taking construction materials that were located outside the building.

The material is valued at \$1,000 and was taken by the suspects to Shultz Salvage where they sold it. The property was destroyed before it could be recovered. Both were taken before the District Court Commissioner and released on their own recognizance.

Date: 03/17/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500

Location: 1900 block Blue Heron Dr.

The Denton Police Department is investigating the theft of a bicycle from Blue Heron Drive. An unknown person took a Harley Davidson style boy's bicycle valued at \$200.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 41j0-479-1414.

Date: 03/18/2007

Classification: Theft Over \$500

Location: 800 block S Fifth Ave.

The Denton Police Dept. is investigating the theft of merchandise from Rite Aid, 848 S. Fifth Ave, Denton on March 18, 2007. An unknown suspect took three baskets of merchandise valued at approximately \$720.00 and fled from the store. The suspect is a white male, approximately 6'2", 230 lbs., with dark hair, scruffy facial hair, wearing baggy blue jeans, and a black Oakland Raiders jacket. Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/20/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500

Location: 200 block Market St.

The Denton Police Dept. is investigating an incident of vandalism that occurred behind 212 Market St. Denton sometime overnight between March 19 and 20, 2007. Dennis Wright reported to Police that someone had smashed the windshield of his 2005 Hyundai XGL350. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/22/2007

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Location: 1100 block Daylily Lane

The Denton Police Department responded to 1108 Daylily Lane for a report of three subjects fighting. Bryan Thibeault reported that Ronald Reny and a 17 year old male started fighting in a residence they were working at. When Mr. Thibeault attempted to break up the fight, Mr. Reny began to fight with him. Both adults were referred to the District Court Commissioner for charges. Both subjects did apply for and receive charges against one another. Mr. Thibeault was served with a criminal summons on March 22, 2007 and there is a summons on file for Mr. Reny.

Date: 03/22/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500

Location: 1100 block Canvasback Lane

Denton Police are investigating the

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theft of a bicycle. Kevin Hutson reported that his son's Next Brand mountain bike, blue and silver in color, was taken from their yard. The bike is valued at \$100.00. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/22/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: High St.

On 03-22-07 Denton Police charged Reginald Briscoe with driving on a suspended license on High St. Denton, MD. Police had prior knowledge that Briscoe's privilege to drive was suspended. Briscoe was issued citations and was released at the scene.

Date: 03/25/07

Classification: Disorderly Conduct

Location: Elaine Ave.

The Denton Police Dept. arrested a juvenile male following an incident on March 25, 2007. The juvenile male allegedly chased his ex-girlfriend from McDonald's, 605 N. Sixth St., Denton, to Elaine Ave., Denton in their vehicles at a high rate of speed. The male juvenile allegedly was tailgating the female's vehicle. During Police investigation the male juvenile was uncooperative and loud, and was subsequently arrested. A vehicle search of the male's vehicle produced a wooden club hidden in the door. The male juvenile was referred to the Dept. of Juvenile Justice for Disorderly Conduct, Negligent Driving and Concealing a Deadly Weapon.

Date: 03/27/2007

Classification: Burglary 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree/General

Location: 500 block S Fifth Ave.

Denton Police are investigating a burglary. Police responded to an alarm at the Prime Shine car wash and discovered that person(s) unknown had forced open the rear door. Nothing was reported stolen. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Denton Police at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/27/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500

Location: Church St.

The Denton Police are investigating an MDOP. Kimberly Lawhorn, of Cambridge, reported that person(s) unknown scratched the side of her 2005 Saturn Vue causing moderate damage to the paint while she was attending Church. Anyone with information regarding this matter is asked to contact the Denton Police

at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/28/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: 600 block N. Sixth St.

On 03-28-07, Misty Lee Abrams of Denton was charged by the Denton Police Department with driving on a suspended license and driving without a license when she was stopped for failing to wear her seatbelt. Abrams was released on her signature of the citation.

Date: 03/28/2007

Classification: Theft Over \$500

Location: 100 block Edenton Lane

On 03-28-07, Steven Anthony of 119 Edenton Lane, Denton, MD reported the theft of two Ball Pythons from the residence. The snakes are described as a five feet long Ball Python and a one feet six inch long Ball Python. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/29/2007

Classification: Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree

Location: 100 block S Eighth St.

Lacy Kraegenbrink reported that he was assaulted by Sharon Jesmer. Lacy Kraegenbrink was referred to the Caroline County District Court Commissioner for charges.

Date: 03/30/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: N Sixth St.

The Denton Police Dept. arrested Christopher D. McNeil, 34, of Greenwood, DE for driving on a suspended license on March 30, 2007. The truck McNeil was driving was stopped for a lane violation, and McNeil's license was found to be suspended during the stop. McNeil was charged with Driving on a Suspended Out of State license and Unsafe Lane Changing, and released on his signature following the stop.

Date: 03/31/2007

Classification: Theft: \$500 Plus Value

Location: 200 block Sunset Dr.

The Denton Police Department received a report of theft of tools and electronic equipment from a vehicle parked on Sunset Avenue. The items were taken from the vehicle overnight on March 31, 2007. Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 03/31/2007

Classification: MDOP Under \$500

Location: 500 block Market St.

The Denton Police Department is investigating a vandalism that occurred on 03/31/07 at 510 Market Street, Denton, MD. Unknown

person/s spray painted graffiti on the house and sidewalk. Anyone with any information reference this incident is asked to contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414.

Date: 04/02/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500

Location: 0 block Lockerman St.

The Denton Police Department referred a 15 year old juvenile from Ridgely, to the Department of Juvenile Services for theft after an incident at Lockerman Middle School.

Date: 04/04/2007

Classification: Theft Under \$500

Location: The Denton Police Department is investigating the theft of a Global Positioning System from a vehicle at Advanced Technologies.

Date: 04/04/2007

Classification: Driving on revoked license

Location: N Fifth St.

The Denton Police Department cited Patrick Earl Collins of Ridgely, Maryland with Driving Revoked and Suspended after a traffic stop. Collins was released on his signature.

Date: 04/06/2007

Classification: Driving on a Suspend License

Location: N Sixth St.

The Denton Police Dept. arrested Joshua J. Simpson, 25, of Denton for driving suspended on April 6, 2007. Simpson was stopped for a tag light violation, and was discovered to have a suspended drivers' license. The vehicle Simpson was operating was also found to be unregistered and

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*Councilman Gregory had stepped out of the room.*

*Councilman Horsey recommended that the Town start looking for additional industrial park land.*

*With no further discussion Councilman Branson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM, seconded by Councilman Horsey, the motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Monteith

## Caroline County Council of Arts

410-479-1009

[www.carolinearts.org](http://www.carolinearts.org)**Wednesday Watercolor Group**

Free open painting sessions with occasional instruction held each Wednesday from 9am-3pm at Christ Episcopal Church in Denton. Bring your own lunch and art supplies, coffee and tea on hand.

**Noontunes -****Fridays in May 12pm-1pm**

Free lunchtime music series held on the Courthouse Green in Denton.

**Youth Art Exhibit**

**May 26- June 30th.** Caroline Co. Public Library, Denton.

Monday & Friday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

The Caroline County Council of Arts in conjunction with the Women's Club of Denton and the Caroline County Public Library is pleased to host the annual Youth Art Exhibit. Open to all Caroline County students in grades 4 through 12, help encourage, celebrate, and share the spirit of art within Caroline's youth!

**WALK SMART - Watch for Cars**

- ✓ Look left-right-left, and if it's clear, begin crossing, looking over your shoulder for turning vehicles.
- ✓ Cross the street between cross walk markings.
- ✓ Always obey traffic signs and signals.
- ✓ Make eye contact with drivers to ensure they see you.
- ✓ Wear light colored or reflective clothing to be more visible at night.
- ✓ Cross Safely.

**TOWN OF DENTON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
HEARING**

The Denton Town Council will conduct a public hearing on May 7, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. on the Ordinance #536 entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DENTON TO ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE OF IMPACT FEES FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL USES WITHIN THE TOWN OF DENTON." The public hearing shall take place at the Town office, located at 13 N. Third Street, Denton, Maryland. This Ordinance was introduced April 2, 2007 and will be considered for adoption on May 7, 2007. A complete copy of Ordinance 536 is available for review at the Town Office during the normal business hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. By Authority: Denton Town Council

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Analytic included the 2005 Capital Improvement Budget. The rates reflected in Exhibit A include the proposed 2008 Capital Improvement Budget.

The Denton Town Council may consider adoption of the Impact Fee Schedule after the Public Hearing on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The Public Hearing is part of the monthly Town Council meeting, which is held the first Monday of each month and, unless otherwise posted, begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Denton Town Office Conference Room. For further information or to obtain a copy of the ordinance, contact the Denton Town Office at 410-479-2050. A copy of the Urban Analytic, Inc. study can be viewed on line at the Denton Town website - [www.dentonmaryland.com](http://www.dentonmaryland.com) under Projects.

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**TOWN OF DENTON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
HEARING**

The Denton Town Council will conduct a public hearing on May 7, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. on the Ordinance #537 entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DENTON TO AMEND THE DENTON TOWN CODE, CHAPTER 38 (BUILDING CONSTRUCTION), TO INCLUDE SECTION 38-8.1.2. TO REQUIRE THAT ALL NEW ONE AND TWO FAMILY RESIDENCES BE EQUIPPED WITH AN INTERIOR AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM WITHIN THE TOWN OF DENTON." The public hearing shall take place at the Town office, located at 13 N. Third Street, Denton, Maryland. This Ordinance was introduced April 2, 2007 and will be considered for adoption on May 7, 2007. A complete copy of Ordinance 537 is available for review at the Town Office during the normal business hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. By Authority: Denton Town Council



**Shop Downtown Denton**

**ORDINANCE NO. 536**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DENTON TO ESTABLISH A SPECIFIC SUM FOR A RESIDENTIAL IMPACT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,992 FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES, AND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,098 FOR ONE-BEDROOM MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCES, AND TO ESTABLISH A COMMERCIAL IMPACT FEE AS FOLLOWS: \$2.86 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR OFFICE USES, \$1.91 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR RETAIL AND HOTEL USES, AND \$2.88 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR LIVE/WORK USES

WHEREAS, the Denton Town Council has the authority to enact and to impose an impact fee on new construction and development; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 533, the Denton Town Council has established a procedure for the imposition and collection of development impact fees within the Town of Denton for new development; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has commissioned a study by Urban Analytics, Inc., a consulting firm, of the Town to determine if impact fees are appropriate for the Town and Urban Analytics, Inc. has reported to the Town Council that impact fees are an appropriate means to assist the Town in providing adequate funding for capital improvements necessary to accommodate anticipated growth in Denton;

WHEREAS, the Town Council has conducted a public hearing on this ordinance on May 7, 2007 at 7pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Denton Town Council as follows:

Section 1. The impact fees set forth on Schedule A are hereby adopted.

Section 2. That the impact fees shall be appropriated in with the Capital Improvement Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Section 3. The Town Council intends that if a court issues a final decision holding that any part of this Ordinance is invalid, the remaining provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective on \_\_\_\_\_ 2007.

**Exhibit A to Ordinance Schedule of the Town of Denton Impact Fees**

			General Gov	Finance	Housing Com	Parks	Police	Public Works	Highway	Econ Dev	Fire	Total
			13%	2%	2%	18%	8%	3%	30%	12%	12%	
Residential	Residential*	4,785	622	96	96	861	383	144	1,436	574	574	4,785
	One Bedroom	3,713	483	74	74	668	297	111	1,114	446	446	3,713
			<b>Per Thousand Square Feet of Floor Area</b>									
Non Residential	Office	3.43	446.26	68.66	68.66	617.90	274.62	102.98	1,029.83	411.93	411.93	3,432.75
	Retail	2.29	298.09	45.86	45.86	412.75	183.44	68.79	687.91	275.16	275.16	2,293.03
	Live Work Units	3.45	449.12	69.10	69.10	621.86	276.38	103.64	1,036.44	414.58	414.58	3,454.79
	Hotel	2.29	297.93	45.83	45.83	412.51	183.34	68.75	687.52	275.01	275.01	2,291.74
	Storage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

\*Includes all types of residential units excluding one bedroom units.

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be measured by marking the side of a tuna or pet food can placed on the lawn. Remember that irrigation is not needed following an inch of rainfall. One inch of water on a 1,000 square foot yard equals about 625 gallons.

Watering early in the morning, between 4:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., or at night minimizes water loss to evaporation. Drip irrigation or soaker hoses can reduce evaporation losses 20-50 percent and are excellent ways to apply water where it is needed, by avoiding watering sidewalk, streets, or causing runoff.

Water does not easily penetrate clay soils and water passes too quickly beyond the root zone of plants in sandy soil. Adding organic matter such as compost to clay and sandy soils will increase the penetrability of clay soils and the water holding capacity of sandy soils.

As plants grow and become more established, they often need



less water. Newly sodded or seeded lawns require more frequent watering for the first 3-4 weeks. Applying small amounts of water several times

weekly is detrimental to the grass and actually promotes a lawn that requires more water and one that cannot withstand drought stress. Less frequent, longer irrigations will help to promote a deeper, more viable root system. Lawns should only be watered when the first signs of wilt occur. Spots in the lawn that turn bluish-gray, footprints that remain in the grass long after being made, and many leaf blades folded in half length-wise are all indications that the lawn needs water.

Trees and shrubs are most vulnerable in the first five years of planting and require more water than in subsequent years when they are usually more drought tolerant.

Mulch on the soil surface cuts down on water loss due to evaporation and discourages weed growth. Use landscape fabric between the soil and your mulch to further reduce the likelihood of the weeds returning. A two-inch layer of mulch or compost is recommended. Apply mulches to shrubs, trees, annuals, vegetable gardens, and even containers.

When the weather and seasons change, adjust your watering schedule. On warm or windy days, plants and soils dry out more quickly. During cooler and wetter months, you will not need to water as often. Check the soil periodically for moisture content.

An often overlooked practice in maintaining a healthy lawn is mowing. Infrequently mowed lawns are more prone to stress, resulting in thinner turf and a weaker root system. The first key is to keep the



blade sharp. A dull blade rips instead of cuts leaving a ragged edge that loses more water. Mow the lawn at the highest setting proper for your type of grass. Removing more than 1/3 of the length of the grass blade per cutting places the grass under stress, reducing its ability to manufacture food to sustain growth.

Adjust your mowing frequency to keep pace with the growth of the lawn. In the summer you might need to mow more than once a week. In the cooler spring and fall, mowing will be less frequent. When you mow frequently, clippings should be returned to the lawn to return nutrients and organic matter back to the soil.

For more information about general household water conservation visit MDE Household Tips on conserving water at [www.mde.state.md.us/Programs/WaterPrograms/Water\\_Conservation/Household\\_Tips](http://www.mde.state.md.us/Programs/WaterPrograms/Water_Conservation/Household_Tips).

### TOWN OF DENTON NOTICE OF A PROPOSED REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Denton proposes to increase real property taxes.

1. For the tax year beginning July 1, 2007, the estimated real property assessable base will increase by 7.1%, from \$240,452,942 to \$257,672,729.

2. If the Town of Denton maintains the current tax rate of \$.66 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues will increase by 7.1% resulting in \$113,651 of new real property tax revenues.

3. In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$.616, the constant yield tax rate.

4. The Town is considering not reducing its real property tax rate enough to fully offset increasing assessments. The Town proposes to adopt a real property tax rate of \$.66 per \$100 of assessment. This tax rate is 7.1% higher than the constant yield tax rate and will generate \$113,651 in additional property tax revenues.

A public hearing on the proposed real property tax rate increase will be held at 7:00 P.M. on June 4, 2007 at the Denton Town Office, 13 North Third St. Denton, MD 21629.

The hearing is open to the public, and public testimony is encouraged.

Persons with questions regarding this hearing may call 410-479-2050 for further information.

#### Attention Settlement Attorneys

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

Please note: Any property that transfers ownership and the utility fees are not collected at settlement and forwarded to the town that result in the water being turned off for non-payment, the water turn on fee will still be charged. This charged maybe passed on to the settlement attorney. Currently the fee to turn water service back on during regular business hours is \$50.00 and after 3:30 PM the fee is \$100.00. Forms are available to use when requesting information. Any questions, please call the Town of Denton at (410) 479-2050.

#### Emerson House Restaurant

Chesapeake Culinary Center

#### NEW HOURS!

Starting May 2nd we will be open  
7 days a week!

Monday - Wednesday 11a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday 11a.m. to 8:30p.m.

Friday 11 a.m.to 9:00p.m.

Saturday 9:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sunday 9am to 2:30p.m.

#### May

-Cinco de Mayo Celebration - Friday the 4th 6 to 9 p.m.

-Bag Lunches for Noon Tunes each Friday in May.

-Mothers Day Dinner, Saturday the 12th 5 to 9 p.m.

-Mothers Day Brunch, Sunday the 13th 10 to 2 p.m.

-Picnic Side Dishes available for Memorial Day Weekend the 25th - 28th

#### June

-Fathers Day Brunch the 17th 10 - 2:00 p.m.

-Burgers, Beer & Bluegrass Fundraiser the 22nd

Corner of First & Market Streets Denton, MD 21629

## ORDINANCE NO. 537

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DENTON TO AMEND THE DENTON TOWN CODE, CHAPTER 38 (BUILDING CONSTRUCTION), TO INCLUDE SECTION 38-8.1.2. TO REQUIRE THAT ALL NEW ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCES BE EQUIPPED WITH AN INTERIOR AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Denton Town Council has the authority, pursuant to Md. Code Ann. Article 23A, § 2, and the Denton Town Charter Section C4-1, to adopt such ordinance as it may deem necessary for the protection of the health, safety, comfort, welfare and happiness of the residents of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Denton Town Council has determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to amend Section 38 of the Denton Town Code to require interior automatic fire sprinkler systems in new one- and two-family dwellings.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Denton Town Council ordains as follows:  
Section 1: Chapter 38 of the Denton Town Code be and is hereby amended as follows:

**§ 38-8.1.2. Interior Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems in New One and Two-Family Residential Construction.**

**A. In addition to the provisions of the International Residential Building Code, all new one- and two-family dwellings shall be equipped with an interior automatic sprinkler system.**

**B. The requirement for interior automatic fire sprinkler systems shall apply to all new one- and two-family dwellings (including modular homes) for any existing lot for which a building permit has not been issued and to any new subdivision which has not received final plat approval as of the effective date hereof.**

**C. The requirements herein shall not apply to the following:**

**1. To the rebuilding, refurbishment, renovation, or alteration of a residence in existence as of the effective date of this section unless such existing structure is razed and replaced by a new principal structure, or is renovated to such extent that the renovations exceed fifty (50%) of the assessed value at the time of permit application.**

**2. To accessory or uninhabitable structures (e.g. detached carports, detached garages with no habitable space, greenhouses, and sheds).**

**3. If the applicant for the building permit establishes that the Town approved the public water improvement plans for the property on or before April 3, 2007. This subsection C.3. shall be effective from April 3, 2007 until April 8, 2008, and shall be of no further effect after April 8, 2008.**

**D. Automatic fire sprinkler systems required under this section may be connected to the municipal water supply serving the residence, provided the water supply is of adequate pressure, capacity, and sizing for the combined domestic and sprinkler system requirements, and property back flow valves are installed.**

**E. Interior automatic fire sprinkler systems shall be installed and maintained in all new one- and two-family dwellings in accordance with the most recent version of Standard 13D, "Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One- and Two-Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes", as promulgated by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and as modified and adopted by the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code, Md. Code Ann. Public Safety Article, Title 9, as amended from time to time.**

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect seven (7) days from and after the date of its final passage and adoption.

Language deleted is reflected as ~~stricken~~.  
Language added is indicated in bold.

Town of Denton  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Denton will conduct a Public Hearing to obtain the views of citizens on COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING NEEDS, and to offer citizens the opportunity to review an application for infrastructure improvement which the Town of Denton proposes to submit to the State on or before the May 30, 2007 deadline for same. The hearing will be held at the Denton Town office 6pm on May 14, 2007.

Citizens will be furnished with information including but not limited to:

- the amount of CDBG funds expected to be made available for the current fiscal year;
- the range of activities that may be undertaken with CDBG funds;
- the estimated amount of the CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will meet the national objective of benefit to low and moderate income persons; and
- proposed CDBG activities likely to result in displacement and the unit of general local government's anti-displacement and relocation plans required under 24 CFR 42.325
- Market Street Phase II Infrastructure Project
- Old High School Redevelopment Project.

The Maryland Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a federally sponsored program designed to assist units of general local government with activities directed toward neighborhood and housing revitalization, economic development and improved community facilities and services.

Maryland's CDBG Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), in close cooperation with the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED).

The Maryland CDBG Program reflects the State's economic and community development priorities and provides public funds for activities which meet one of the following national objectives, in accordance with the Housing Community Development Act of 1974, as amended:

1. Give maximum feasible priority to activities which will benefit low and moderate income persons and households having an income equal to or less than the Section 8 lower income limits established by HUD;
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight;
3. Meet other community development needs of an urgent nature, or that are an immediate threat to community health and welfare.

The State of Maryland's allocation of federal funds for the fiscal year 2008 is estimated to be \$ 8,157,818.

Efforts will be made to accommodate the disabled and non-English speaking residents with 10 days' advance notice to Lisa Orendorf 410-479-2050.

Denton Town Council  
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## Update on Ordinances and Resolutions.

**Resolution #690** - A resolution to annex lands known as the Behlke/Benchhoff property located on the east side of the Town of Denton on the south side of Camp Rd. and including portions of Camp Road in the Third Election District and consisting of 17.19 acres of land and to provide for the terms and conditions of the annexation. Introduced 1/8/07, adopted 3/5/07, effective 4/19/07.

**Resolution #691** - A resolution of the Denton Town Council approves the development of housing in Denton to be financed either directly by the Dept. Of Housing and Community Dev. of the State of Maryland or through the Dept. Of Community Dev. Administration. This resolution pertains to the Riverview Gardens Limited Partnership renovation and redevelopment project. Adopted 2/5/07.

**Resolution #692** - A resolution of the Denton Town Council

authorizing the local contribution to the planned renovations of the Riverview Gardens Apartments for purpose of assisting the success of the funding application to the Dept. Of Housing and Community Dev. Adopted 3/5/07.

**Ordinance #533** - An ordinance of the Town of Denton amending Chapter 52 of the Denton Town code to provide for the imposition and collection of development impact fees within the town for new development. Introduced 12/4/07, adopted 3/5/07, effective 3/12/07.

**Ordinance #534** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an option agreement for the sale of property described as 401 Market St. in Denton. Introduced 2/5/07, adopted 3/5/07, effective 3/12/07.

**Ordinance #535** - An ordinance to amend the official use table of the Denton Zoning Ordinance to permit barbershop/beauty salon uses in the Light Industrial district, subject to

site plan review and approval, and to permit accessory apartments in combination with primary residences and home occupations in the suburban residential and town scale residential districts, subject to site plan review and approval by the Planning Commission. Introduced 3/5/07, adopted 4/2/07, effective 4/9/07.

**Ordinance #536** - An Ordinance of the Town of Denton to establish a schedule of Impact Fees for Residential and Commercial Uses within the Town of Denton. Introduced 4/2/07 will be considered for adoption on 5/7/07.

**Ordinance #537** - An Ordinance of the Town of Denton to amend the Denton Town Code, Chapter 38 (Building Construction), to include Section 38-8.1.2. to require that all new One and Two Family Residences be equipped with an interior automatic fire sprinkler system within the Town of Denton. Introduced 4/2/07 will be considered for adoption on 5/7/07.

*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.*

### DENTON SPRING GALA TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

\$10 per person in advance

\$15 at the door

Call 410-479-4305



Canine Etiquette  
Remember to clean  
up after your dog

### Special Collection Reminder

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

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

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

Leave a message after normal business hours.

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