



GALENA, MARYLAND NEWSLETTER

April 2008

Winter is over, spring is here and summer will be here before you know it. Please make sure your grass is cut to keep our town looking neat and clean. Also, with the warm weather approaching, you may be thinking new deck, storage shed, additions, or putting up a pool. Remember you need a building permit before you start construction. Any questions contact the Town Manager.

Water Restrictions: Resolution 07-07 "Mandatory Drought Restrictions regarding Water Conservation" passed August 6, 2007 has been lifted. Mayor and Council will continue to keep an eye on our water levels and review it again in July 2008.

Reminders: Minibikes and Four Wheeler riding are prohibited in town limits, except on private property and only with the owners permission. Skateboard riding is also illegal. Any complaints call the Sheriff's Office 410-778-2279.

Town Ordinance Requires: Dogs to be kept on a leash, no parking on sidewalks and town curfew is Sunday thru Thursday 10:00 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. and Friday & Saturday 11:00 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. This curfew is for youth less than 16 years of age unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or under the care and custody of an adult.

3rd Annual Dogwood Festival May 10: The theme is 150 Years of Galena. It starts with a 5K walk/run, followed by a Parade at 10:00 a.m. followed by various activities including Family oriented Magic Mime, Fire Eating, Song

& Dance, Juggling and Monkey Business and various activities in the Public Library that includes the "UP with Kids Show with music, song and dance. The Mayor has proclaimed this day as "Family Day in Galena." Come out and support the efforts and hard work of those who put a lot of work and time to put this festival on. Also, support your local businesses. Help make this a successful event.

Town Park and Pavilion: We now have benches and picnic tables in our pavilion. Eventually we will have electricity and water added. We have a nice facility with the park, playground, walk-around and pavilion and we would like to keep it that way. If you see anyone vandalizing, misusing the property or loitering when the park is closed at sunset, please contact the Mayor, any Council Member, or the Sheriff's Department

We have started our Budget Process, it is a tedious process but we will do the best we can, hopefully without a tax rate increase.

Support our Town Library: It is open on Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., Thursday 10:00 a.m. until 7:30 p.m., Friday 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and Saturday 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Preschool Story Time is every Thursday Morning at 10:30 a.m. Pajama Story Time is Thursday, May 1, (The Frog Prince Puppet Show), June 26, and July 31 at 6:30 p.m. These programs are for children ages 2-6 and their families. Skins, Skulls, and Shells for ages 9-12 yrs, Friday, April 18 at 11:00

a.m. Books, Bogs, and Bugs for ages 5-9 yrs, Thursday, June 19 at 11:00 a.m. What's the Buzz? for ages 7 and up, Thursday, July 10 at 2:00 p.m. Sherman the Shorebird for all ages, Thursday, July 31 at 11:00 a.m. For more information call 410-648-5380.

DATES & ACTIVITIES TO REMEMBER

Olivet UMC Flea Market

Apr. 26, Olivet Church in Galena, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Galena's VFC Shrubbery Auction

Sunday, May 4, Auction starts at 1:00 p.m. but items will be available for viewing at 11:00 a.m.

3rd Annual Dogwood Festival

May 10, Dogwood Shopping Plaza, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sassafras River Georgetown Harbor Fireworks & Boat Parade

July 4, Sassafras River at Georgetown's Harbor, Parade Starts at 5:00 p.m. and fireworks are at dusk

Annual Bull Roast

July 26, St. Dennis Church, 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Adults-\$17.00, Children-\$10.00, under 5/free

* The Mayor and Council meet the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m..

* The Planning and Zoning Board meet the last Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

* The Park Committee meets the third Monday of the month, as needed.

* The Board of Appeals holds a hearing upon receipt of an application for a variance or conditional use.

All meetings are open to the public.

* Town Office Hours are 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. The Town Manager/Zoning Administrator is in the office twice a week, call first to meet with him. Town Office telephone number is 410-648-5151.

Galena's VFC All-You-Can-Eat Breakfasts-Sundays, Apr. 27, May 11 & 25, June 15, July 6 & 20, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Adults-\$7.00, Children 3 to 12-\$3.00

Living Well Class

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & June 5, Galena Town Hall, 9:30-12:00 noon. Free of charge. A six-week class for those with chronic illnesses. For more information contact Sandee Trakat 410-348-5661.

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