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225th Anniversary Celebration

Watch for upcoming notices about events and special promotions this year. The Washington Monument Commemorative Ceremony – a Historic Re-Enactment by the Christian Ardinger Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will be held on Saturday, July 1 at 11am at the Washington Monument State Park located at 6620 Zittlestown Road. For more information, visit boonsborohistoricalsociety.org * April 30 Big Cork Vineyards, 5:30pm * June 23 Hagerstown Suns Game, 7pm * August 13 Town Birthday Party &

- Concert, Shafer Park, 2:25pm
- * September 16 & 17 Barbara Ingram School for the Performance Arts student written program at the Stage House at G. Boone's, time TBD
- * September 23 2.25 Mile Road Race, ending in Shafer Park - 9am

YARD DEBRIS SITE OPENS **MONDAY PICK-UP RESUMES**

The Yard Debris Site at 6927 Monroe **Road** will open for Town residents on Saturday, April 1st. Hours are Tuesday thru Friday from Noon - 2pm and Saturday from 7am - Noon.

To access the site, residents must obtain a free 2017 permit at Town Hall. Monday curbside yard debris pick-up starts on Monday, April 3rd. Remember, a maximum of 8 brown paper lawn bags per household pickup are permitted per week.

SPRING CURBSIDE CLEAN-UP Saturday, May 20th

Collection begins very early, please make sure to have your items at your curbside on Friday night. The trash truck will come by only once.

*Items collected are appliances; electronics; metal, plastic & wood furniture; rugs and carpeting (must be rolled & tied); mattresses; paint cans with kitty litter and miscellaneous junk

*Items NOT accepted are televisions, car batteries, tires, construction and remodeling materials, toxic materials

*Recyclables: Items that are in reasonably good condition, please consider donating them at Shafer Park during the Green Fest event on May 13th

South Mountain Little League Opening Day Ceremonies will be held on April 8th at 10:00 am at their field located at 6819 Monroe Road.

> For more information visit www.smllbaseball.com

SHAFER PARK CLEAN-UP Earth Day & Arbor Day Celebration Sunday, April 23RD

Join the Park Board to celebrate Arbor Day and participate in the annual Park Clean-Up from 1pm - 4pm. All volunteers are welcome and greatly appreciated!! No registration necessary, simply show up wearing work clothes, boots and bring gloves!!

Boonsboro's Farmers Market Opens on May 2nd and will be held every TUESDAY thru October 10th, from 4pm until 7pm in Shafer Park in the area between Pavilions 1 & 2. Buy fresh & local!

Reminder!! Pedestrians have the rightof-way in all cross walks. Please stop to allow pedestrians to safely cross the street...it is a Maryland State Law.

Boonsboro Town Hall will be closed on

May 29 - Memorial Day *Trash/Recycling - Wednesday, May 31 July 4 - Independence Day *Trash/Recycling - Wednesday, July 5

SHAFER PARK OPENS

Monday, April 10th is opening day for Shafer Park. Be on the look-out for the NEW **Tot Lot** located behind the Police Department & our Walking **Trail** near the pond © Leashed dogs are allowed in the Park and pet waste stations are available for use. Please pick up after your pet!

ANNUAL FISHING DERBY Saturday, May 6th

The Fishing Derby will be held at the Shafer Park fishing pond behind the Boonsboro Library. Please enter via the Park road off of Potomac Street beside the Police Department. Registration for ages 1 to 6 is 7:30 to 8:30am; fishing time is 8:30 to 10:30am. Ages 7 to 12 register at 10 to 11am; fishing time from 11am to **1pm**. Fishing poles will be provided for any child without one and prizes will be awarded to everyone!!

9th ANNUAL GREEN FEST Saturday, May 13th - 10am to 5pm

Sponsored by the Boonsboro Green Fest Committee, the event features eco-friendly products and crafts, energy-saving information, services and demonstrations. Recycling stations will be set-up for drop-offs. Located in our beautiful Shafer Park, the event hosts outstanding speakers, all day musical entertainment, a fitness and health tent, a Kids Zone and great food and drink.

Admission is free!!

1st ANNUAL VETERAN'S FISHING DAY Saturday, May 13th

The Veteran's Fishing Day will be held at the Shafer Park fishing pond behind the Boonsboro Library from 8am to 1pm. Please enter via the Park road off of Potomac Street beside the Police Department. This NEW event is open to ALL Veterans and sponsored by the Clopper-Michael Post 10 American Legion and the Hagerstown Elks Lodge 378. Fishing poles will be provided for anyone without one.

NATIONAL PIKE WAGON TRAIN Sunday, May 21st

The National Pike Wagon Train will again end its journey in Shafer Park around 1pm. There will be pony rides for children, as well as blacksmith and spinning demonstrations. Delicious food items will be available to purchase from local non-profit groups.

www.nationalpikefestival.org

BOONSBORO AMBULANCE & RESCUE CO. CARNIVAL

Friday, May 26 - Saturday, June 3

For special ride nights, entertainment information and the fireworks date please visit the Rescue Co. or Town's website.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE Sunday, May 28TH

The annual wreath laying ceremony and memorial service will be held at the monument in front of the Town Hall beginning at 1pm. The parade begins at 2pm, forming at the High School and ending at Reeder's Alley on South Main Street. Event hosted by the American Legion Post 10 Ladies Auxiliary.

Summer Concerts in Shafer Park

The Park Board hosts a variety of free concerts in Shafer Park during the months of May through September. Please check the 'Event Calendar' on the Town's website and the enclosed EDC Spring/Summer Event brochure for dates and times. Lawn chairs and blankets are always welcome!! ©

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday, July 2nd (Rain date is Monday, July 3rd)

The annual Independence Day
Celebration will be held the evening of
July 2 at 5pm, with Fireworks
starting around 9:30pm

Entertainment and fun activities for children will be provided all evening, and refreshments will be available for purchase. Please feel free to bring lawn chairs or a blanket. *Groups interested in selling food and drinks should contact Town Hall for an application*

Don't Pour Grease Down the Drain!!

Grease clogs up the sewer lines and it also interferes with the wastewater treatment process. It can cause sewer backups, expensive plumbing bills and increased costs to all residents due to the increased maintenance and treatment costs.

BEC Composting Bin Program

We currently have composting bins for Town residents to purchase for \$20. Stop by Town Hall to complete an application with proof of residency. Funds generated from these sales will be used to purchase additional bins. Please limit ONE bin per household

Interested in serving on a Town Commission? There are currently vacancies on the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals. Please submit the form online via the Town website or stop in at Town Hall. Applications due by April 28 at 4:30pm

Streetlight Outage Information

To report a streetlight outage, please call Town Hall and we will submit a 'repair request' to Potomac Edison for you. To speed the process, please make sure you have the closest 'address' to the pole. It usually takes about 2-3 days to have a light repaired by PE.

New Employee in Public Works

Please welcome our new Municipal Service Worker Carl Saunders, Jr. to our Public Works crew. If you see him, make sure to stop by and say hello!!



Our local small businesses contribute to our schools, sports teams and community through donations, their advertising and tax dollars, and payroll to many local residents. When you have the choice to shop the big box stores, the internet or our Boonsboro shopkeepers and service providers, Love Your Local businesses first and they'll love you back! In return for your support, Boonsboro businesses will be offering "First Saturday Specials" for Town residents the first Saturday of every month @ Keeping things simple, there will be no membership cards - just mention that you are a local before checkout. Offers and participation are set by each business and may change at their discretion. Visit LoveYourLocal.net for information and a list of businesses.

PLEASE be considerate and remember to **pick-up** while walking your dog... especially in Shafer Park, in your neighborhood '**common areas'** or in someone else's yard. It is not pleasant having to clean-up after others' pets.

Boonsboro's **Animal Control Ordinance** is enforced by the *Washington County SPCA*. If you are having major problems with neighborhood animals running loose, damaging or defecating on your property; dogs barking excessively so as to disturb the neighboring area, acting aggressively or living in unsanitary conditions...Please contact the **SPCA** immediately at **301-733-2060**.

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