

Spring 2025 Edition

# News from Boonsboro Town Hall

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Town Hall, 21 North Main Street, Boonsboro, MD 21713 **301.432.5141** Open: Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM

## Swap and Recycling Event

**Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

**9am to 2pm**

The Green Fest Committee is sponsoring a **FREE** event in Shafer Park. **Items will be collected, swapped, recycled or donated:** clothing, shoes, furniture, household goods, plants, eye glasses, scrap metal, electronics, **TVs & monitors**, bicycles, wine corks, art supplies, disposable razors, books, cases for phones, e-readers and tablets, Brita water filters, prescription bottles and so much more! In the **Plant Swap** area there will be a native tree give-away, as well as many native pollinator plants. Horizon Goodwill and Hagerstown ReStore will be collecting donations as well. The Boonsboro Police Department will be on site to collect medications for safe disposal. Please note that **Appliances containing FREON WILL NOT be accepted** and should be taken to the Washington County Landfill for proper disposal. Clothing for the swap will be collected on Wednesday, May 7 and Thursday, May 8 from 5pm to 7pm and on Friday, May 9 from 3pm to 6pm. If you have questions or wish to volunteer, please reach out to the committee. This is a great rain-or-shine event where we support our community by keeping resources in use and out of the landfill.  
**info@boonsborogreenfest.com**

**Reminder:** Pedestrians have the right-of-way in **ALL cross walks.** Please **STOP** to allow pedestrians to safely cross the street.  
**It is a Maryland State Law!!**

## SPRING CURBSIDE CLEAN-UP

**Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

Pick-up begins **very early**, please make sure to place your items at your **curbside** on Friday night. The J&J truck will come to your house **only one-time EARLY on Saturday.**

**\*Items collected** are appliances, electronics, metal, plastic and wood furniture, rugs and carpeting (must be rolled & tied), mattresses, **empty and dry paint cans** and miscellaneous junk  
**\*Items NOT accepted** are televisions, car batteries, tires, construction and remodeling materials, toilets, bricks, concrete and toxic materials.

**\*\*NO TVs or monitors please\*\***

## YARD DEBRIS SITE & YARD BAGS

The Yard Debris Site on Monroe Road will open on **Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**It will be OPEN EVERY Saturday from 8am – 12 Noon**

2025 Debris Site Permits are available at Town Hall. Stop in to pick one up!

**\*Monday curbside yard debris pick-up will begin on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

- Place your **brown paper** lawn bags at your curbside **Sunday evening. Do not leave bags out all week please!!**
- **No more than 8 bags** per household, weighing no more than **30 pounds**
- **NO dirt, mulch, stone, sod, dog poop, flower pots, cans, paper or other trash should be in the bags.**
- **Branches** must be no thicker than 4-inches and cut to a length of 4-feet. A maximum of 10 branches, tied into bundles, will be picked-up

## Boonsboro's Farmers Market

Opening Day is **May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**OPEN Every Tuesday - 4PM to 7PM**

**\* 241 Potomac Street** - in the parking lot next to the Police Department\*  
Vendors accept SNAP and eFMNP benefits. Please bring your own bags!!

**Boonsboro Town Hall**

**will be Closed on**

**\* April 18 – Good Friday**


**\* May 26 - Memorial Day**

**Trash/Recycling** – Wednesday, May 28  
(No delay for pick-up)

**\* June 19 – Juneteenth**

## **Please Do Not Flush Wipes!!**

Even if the package says “FLUSHABLE” wipes should not be flushed because they clog our sewer lines.

**Please only flush toilet paper** 



## **Please Do Not Pour Grease Down Your Drains!!**

Fat, cooking oil and grease also clog the sewer lines and interfere with the wastewater treatment process. It causes sewer backups, expensive plumbing bills and increased costs to all residents due to the increased maintenance costs. Please allow the fat, oil and grease to cool and collect it in a container to throw it away in the trash

## **Shafer Park OPENS April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Restrooms and Pavilions will open at this time, from dawn to dusk.**

**Reminder:** Dogs on leashes are permitted in the Park. Please be considerate and pick-up after your dog. No one wants to step in poop, and we do not want kids falling in. Clean up is part of being a responsible dog owner. Please be considerate and pick-up after your dog in the Park.  
**Remember a baggie or use one of ours. No poop left behind please!!**

**News from the Boonsboro  
Environmental Commission**

**Litter Pick-Up Challenge in April**

The Town is joining the National Wildlife Federation and Johnson Outdoors on a “Clean Earth Challenge” for the month of April. The BEC would like to involve the entire Boonsboro community in collecting trash in our neighborhoods, along streets and sidewalks, in Shafer Park and in other public places. The goal of this challenge, launched in 2022, was to collect a million pieces of trash. To date, the Country has collected more than 9-million pieces! **Follow the directions on the enclosed Tally Form for collection and submission of your results.** We will submit the results of the Town effort to the NWF. We will also document the Challenge on the Town’s Green Team 2026 application for recertification as a Sustainable Maryland Certified Municipality. **Let’s keep the momentum going all year long and be the CLEANEST TOWN IN WASHINGTON COUNTY! Thank you for your participation.**

**The Boonsboro Community Garden in Shafer Park is opening this month!!**

The greenhouse will be available for use starting April 5, 2025. Visit the Town website for information [www.town.boonsboro.md.us/communitygarden](http://www.town.boonsboro.md.us/communitygarden). Please submit your Garden applications as soon as possible to secure a spot for this growing season! If you have any questions, please contact the Boonsboro Community Garden management team at [communitygarden@townofboonsboro.com](mailto:communitygarden@townofboonsboro.com)

**SHAFER PARK CLEAN-UP**

***Earth Day & Arbor Day Celebration  
Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>***

Join the Park Board to celebrate Arbor Day and participate in the annual **Park Clean-Up** from **1pm – 4pm**. All volunteers are welcome. Wear boots and gloves and help pick up trash and debris from the streams and around the Park.

**A.T. Trail Angels - Happy Trails!!**

Boonsboro became an official Appalachian Trail Community in 2023. To help support hikers crossing the A.T. at South Mountain and US40, you can register to become a "Trail Angel." Trail Angels can offer rides to and from Town for hikers to resupply at Weis, Dollar General, etc., the laundromat, grab a bite to eat or maybe a coffee at Stone Werks. If you'd like to be added to a list on **FarOut**, the app that hikers use to navigate the Appalachian Trail, please send an email including your name and phone number to [wilderspice@gmail.com](mailto:wilderspice@gmail.com)

**Lions Club Chicken BBQ**

Shafer Park in **Pavilion 4**  
**Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** from  
11AM to 2PM *or until chicken runs out*

**ANNUAL FISHING DERBY**

**Saturday, May 3<sup>RD</sup>**

Held at our DNR Hawkins Grove fishing pond behind the Boonsboro Library. Enter via the Park parking lot on **Potomac Street**, beside the Police Department. **Ages 1 to 6** fishing time is **8:30 to 10:30am**. **Ages 7 to 12** fishing time from **11am to 1pm**.  
**Admission is free!! 😊**

**NATIONAL PIKE WAGON TRAIN**

**Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

The Wagon Train will again end its journey in Shafer Park around **12:30pm**. Come see the horses!!

**RESCUE COMPANY CARNIVAL**

**Friday, May 23 - Saturday, May 31**  
Held every year in Shafer Park with rides and great food starting at 5pm, and free nightly music entertainment at 6:30pm and 8:30pm.  
[www.town.boonsboro.md.us/carnival](http://www.town.boonsboro.md.us/carnival)

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruise for Kidz Auto Show**  
**Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 5pm**  
Admission is free! This annual Father’s Day car, truck and motorcycle show is held in **Shafer Park**, benefitting **Children’s National Hospital**, with great food, fun and music entertainment!! Rain Date: June 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Summer Concerts in Shafer Park**

The Park Board hosts **FREE** concerts in our **Park gazebo at 37 Park Drive**. Check the website & Facebook for updates.  
\* **May 4, 7pm** Hannah Michelle Band  
\* **June 8, 7pm** US Navy “Commodores”  
\* **June 14, 6pm** Spires Brass Band  
\* **June 22, 7pm** Gray Matter  
\* **June 29, 5pm** South Mountain Jam  
\* **July 5, 7pm** US Army 229<sup>th</sup> Band  
\* **July 12, 7pm** The Cruisers  
\* **July 13, 5pm** Dogstreet  
\* **July 18, 7pm** Josh Crews and Friends  
\* **July 26, 7pm** Rock Creek Revival  
\* **August 2, 7pm** US Navy “Cruisers”  
\* **August 3, 7pm** Rohrsersville Band  
\* **August 10, 7pm** Dawn Rix Band  
\* **August 16, 7pm** Shannon Leigh and the Good Bygones  
\* **August 16, 7pm** Swingin’ Harmony Jazz  
\* **August 23, 7pm** Terry Barbin and the Shenandoah Bluegrass  
\* **August 24, 5pm** Harmony Cornet Band  
\* **September 14, 5pm** Bilgewater Bluegrass  
\* **September 21, 3pm** Mason Dixon Barbershop Chorus  
\* **September 28, 5pm** Mack Berry Band

**Outdoor Movies in Shafer Park**

The Park Board and Boonsboro Library host **FREE** outdoor family movies in the Park field behind the Police Department, at **241 Potomac Street**. Lawn chairs, blankets, snacks & dogs are welcome!!  
\* **May 17, 9pm** “Tom & Jerry”  
\* **June 21, 9pm** “Despicable Me 4”  
\* **August 19, 9pm** “Inside Out 2”  
\* **September 16, 9pm** “The War with Grandpa”

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**Mayor:** Howard Long

**Assistant Mayor:** Tony Nally

**Council Members:** Ray Hanson, Terri Hollingshead, Marilee Kerns, Eric Kitchen and Rick Weaver  
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**Boonsboro Police Department**

301-432-6838

**Sheriff’s Office Dispatch**

**240-313-4345 or 911**