



# BOWIE SPOTLIGHT

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## Celebrate Bowie at the 39th Annual Bowiefest!

Celebrate BOWIE at Bowiefest on **Saturday, June 4** from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Allen Pond Park. This year Bowiefest will feature the dynamic group Dean Crawford & the Dunn River Band, nominated THE BEST COUNTRY BAND IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND. Bowiefest will also feature the Go-Go Symphony, a go-go band backed by an orchestra; WiseEyes Band offering folk rock; and the Earth, Wind and Fire Cover Band will have you grooving to classic soul.

Texas Road House will sponsor its 5th Annual Rib Eating Contest. This year we have added a third stage in the children's area with many different performers including a puppet show and magician.

Bowiefest is a long-standing tradition in the City. It brings the best of Bowie's civic organizations, entertainers and businesses to one place for one day. Around the Pond you can sample food from area vendors including pulled pork, pit beef, corn dogs, cotton candy, soft serve ice cream, funnel cakes, Italian sausage, frozen fruit drinks and fresh-squeezed lemonade. For information about Bowiefest, and the full schedule, go to [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org) and put Bowiefest in the Search area or call 301-809-3078.

## RAD Self-Defense Training Classes

The Bowie Police Department is pleased to offer another RAD (Rape Aggression Defense) awareness and physical defense training class for adults. RAD is a program of realistic self-defense tactics and techniques for women. The course consists of a series of six classes, held in the evenings from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. at the Kenhill Center. The Monday series runs on Mondays from June 6th through July 11th and the Wednesday series begins on June 8th and runs through July 13th. For more information or to register, please call 240-544-5777.

## Centennial Garden and Certified Habitat Tour

On **June 11, 2016**, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., join the Bowie Centennial Garden and 5th Certified Habitat Tour and learn how your neighbors welcome birds, butterflies, and other wildlife to their yards. Visit seven National Wildlife Federation (NWF) certified habitats and the City's smallest park to learn how you too can help Bowie become a Certified Community Wildlife Habitat. Information can be found at [www.cityofbowie.org/habitat](http://www.cityofbowie.org/habitat) or by contacting Tiffany Wright at 301-809-3043 or [twright@cityofbowie.org](mailto:twright@cityofbowie.org).

## Cop for a Day

Saturday, **June 18**, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Prince George's Stadium (home of the Bowie Baysox). Ride in a police car, chase a bad guy, handcuff a suspect and find evidence at a crime scene. Learn something new and have some fun while raising funds for Special Olympics. For more information, please contact the Bowie Police Department at [cops@cityofbowie.org](mailto:cops@cityofbowie.org).

## Low-Cost Rabies Shots

Cats, dogs, and ferrets must receive their first rabies vaccine by four months of age and they require regular booster shots every one to three years. There are many low-cost shot clinics held in our area with costs between \$5 and \$20. Prince George's County Animal Services has shot clinics the first Thursday of every month from 12 - 2 p.m. and the PGSPCA has shot clinics the first Sunday of every month from 1 - 3 p.m. A list of shot clinics can be found at [www.cityofbowie.org/AnimalControl](http://www.cityofbowie.org/AnimalControl) under Pet Vaccines. Request a copy of the list by calling 301-809-3002 or emailing [slopez@cityofbowie.org](mailto:slopez@cityofbowie.org).

## City Gym "School is Almost Out"

**Friday, June 3, 2016, 8 - 11 p.m.** is designed as a great evening program for boys and girls ages 11 through 15. Entertainment will include a DJ, video games, laser tag and The Eliminator. Also a basketball game between the Bowie Police Department, Gym staff and teens, and more! We have great door prizes, food and fun for all. Tickets are only \$5 and all proceeds support the Police Department's annual holiday "Shop with a Cop Day". Tickets are available at the door, or they can be purchased at the Police Department or the Gym in advance! For more information call the Gym at 301-809-2388.

## Beautification Awards

The City, in cooperation with Soroptomist International of Bowie-Crofton, is accepting nominations for these awards. Visit [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org) and search Beautification Awards. For information: 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

## Register for Camp and Lessons at Bowie Ice Arena

The Ice Arena is currently closed for annual maintenance. It will reopen in July for summer skating, camps and group lessons. For information and registration, visit the City's website at [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org) or call 301-809-3090.

## Paper Shredding and Styrofoam Recycling

**6/18, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.** The Public Works Department has scheduled a paper shredding and Styrofoam recycling event at the Bowie High School parking lot. Residents can bring up to five tall kitchen bags or five archive boxes for shredding. Documents may be observed while they are being shredded. Styrofoam must be free of any debris (glue or tape).

## Farmers' Market

Every Sunday, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. in the Bowie High School parking lot (15200 Annapolis Road), through October 30, 2016. For more information, 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

## June Jam Skate Competition

**6/12, 12 - 6 p.m.** at Bowie Skate Park in Allen Pond Park. For information: [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org) or 301-809-3076.

## Sunday Sunset Concert Series Begins

**5/29, 7 - 8 p.m.** at Allen Pond Park. Concerts every Sunday through 9/4. Canceled in inclement weather. For information: [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org), 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

## Saturday Concerts

4 - 6 p.m. at Town Green Park in Old Town Bowie. Concerts every Saturday June 18 - July 30. For information: [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org), 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

## Veterans Corner

**Need help with benefits** - Service Officer available every Tuesday 7 - 9 p.m. at the DAV.

**Need general information** - American Legion (301-464-9814), 9605 Old Laurel-Bowie Road, Bowie, MD 20715. Meets monthly, fourth (4th) Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

**The following organizations meet at the DAV Post (8205 Laurel-Bowie Road, Bowie, MD 20715):**

- Marine Corps League (301-706-2491) - Meets monthly, second (2nd) Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
- VFW Post 8065 (301-464-3730) - Meets monthly, first (1st) Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
- DAV Post #7 (301-464-8899) - Meets monthly, second (2nd) Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

**For information on legislation, benefits & programs**, tune to the Veterans Forum on Bowie Cable TV Channel 11 (Verizon) or 77 (Comcast). Consult the guide for time.



**Guys and Dolls** 5/27 - 6/25 at the Bowie Playhouse. For ticket information: 301-832-4819 or [www.2ndstarproductions.com](http://www.2ndstarproductions.com).

**Driven to Abstraction** City Hall Art Gallery exhibit runs through June 17. Next, **Sampler: Artists Pick** runs 6/20 - 9/16. Artist reception on 6/29 at 7 p.m. Free and open to the public (during City Hall hours).

**New Children's Stage at Bowiefest** Entertainment includes a reptile show, a singing duo Bridgette and Dawn, the Beal Street Puppets, and Magician Magic of Speed.

For more information, contact Annette Esterheld at [aesterheld@cityofbowie.org](mailto:aesterheld@cityofbowie.org) or 240-544-5601.

## MUSEUMS

301-809-3089 or [museumevents@cityofbowie.org](mailto:museumevents@cityofbowie.org)

### GAMES PEOPLE PLAYED

6/11, 12 - 4 p.m. Belair Mansion Free

### AT THE SIGN OF THE HORSE & SADDLE - TAVERN NIGHT AT BELAIR

6/18, 7 - 9 p.m. Belair Mansion Reservations required. \$25 pp.

### KIDS KABOOSE

6/21, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Bowie Railroad Museum Ages 1-11 Free

### SIX MONTHS TIL CHRISTMAS!

6/25, 12 - 4 p.m. Belair Mansion 30% off all Christmas items in the Mansion Gift Shop

### WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM!

6/29, 2 p.m. Belair Mansion Kids 6 - 12 are invited to make and eat ice cream. Dress like 1916 to celebrate the City's Centennial! Free. Reservations required.

## CITY GYM

4100 Northview Drive 301-809-2388

### SENIOR FIT

6/20 Classes move to Kenhill Center for the summer.

### NIKE BASKETBALL CAMPS: GIRLS CAMP

7/11 - 7/15 Ages 6-17

### BOYS CAMP

7/25 - 7/29 Ages 12-17

8/1 - 8/5 Ages 12-17

Information: [www.ussports-camps.com/basketball](http://www.ussports-camps.com/basketball) or 1-800-NIKECAMP.

### 5 STAR BASKETBALL CAMP

**GIRLS:** 6/27 - 7/1 Ages 9-17

**BOYS:** 7/18 - 7/22 Ages 9-15

Information: 301-762-2121 or [info@5starbasketball.com](mailto:info@5starbasketball.com).

## ADULTS 55+

### Bowie Senior Center

14900 Health Center Drive 301-809-2300

### DAYS & TIMES

M/W/F 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

T/TH 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

SAT 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

### THE WINDTALKER EXPERIENCE

Wednesday, 6/1, 10 a.m. (must arrive by 9:45 a.m.)

### AGELESS GRACE

Wednesday, 6/8, 1 p.m.

Exercise program

### AVIATION HISTORY

Thursday, 6/9, 10 a.m. Speaker presentation

### MAINTAINING FINANCIAL HEALTH

Tuesday, 6/14, 5:30 p.m.

Speaker presentation

## CITY COUNCIL

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