

# Bowie News Flash

**August 2012**

## News

### **National Night Out Against Crime 2012 – August 7, 2012**

The Bowie Police Department and its community partners are gearing up for National Night Out 2012. It promises to be a fun and informative night for everyone who attends. There will be entertainment and games for the children, free ice cream and a chance to drop Bowie Police Chief John Nesky or Councilmember Todd Turner in the dunk tank. It is also a great opportunity to learn more about crime prevention from the Police Officers who will be present and learn about other aspects of public safety at the information booths throughout the park. This free event takes place at Allen Pond Park, 3330 Northview Drive from 6 to 8 p.m.

### **Beat the Heat at the Bowie Ice Arena**

The Ice Arena reopened in July after a two-month hiatus for maintenance. Summer skating camps are underway. The facility offers camps, group lessons, public sessions, birthday parties, pickup hockey, pickup figure skating and stick and puck sessions. For more information, visit us online at [www.cityofbowie.org](http://www.cityofbowie.org) or call 301-809-3090.

### **Calling All Bowie Artists, Crafters, and Performers!**

The arts-friendly City of Bowie is home to a number of artists, crafts persons, and performers. To celebrate the unique talents of our hometown artistic community, both the City's Arts and Economic Development Committees want to create a database of information on our local artistic community. The City then plans to use the data for two important upcoming projects: a Bowie Artists Directory and a possible application to the State of Maryland for designation as an Arts and Entertainment District. Please complete the survey, found at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/bowieartists2012> by **August 30, 2012**.

### **Have a Party at the Bowie Skate Park!**

The City now offers rental of the "event pad" at the Bowie Skate Park for activities such as birthday parties, etc. For more information, contact Matt Reno, Department of Community Services at 301-809-3076 or [mreno@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mreno@cityofbowie.org).

### **Administrative Hours for Bowie Police Department**

The Bowie Police Department has expanded its administrative hours to better serve the community. The new administrative hours are **Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.** The administrative offices are closed on the weekend and all holidays.

## Events

**8/2-8/11 – “Shakespeare’s The Comedy of Errors” at Bowie Playhouse** This comedy by William Shakespeare is full of mistaken identities and slapstick. It tells the story of two sets of identical twins accidentally separated at birth. Antipholus of Syracuse and his servant Dromio of Syracuse arrive in Ephesus, which is the hometown of their twin brothers, Antipholus of Ephesus and his servant Dromio of Ephesus. When the two from Syracuse encounter friends and families of their twins, a series of mistaken identities lead to wrongful beatings, the arrest of one of the twins, theft, madness and more. This production is presented by Annapolis Shakespeare Company. Learn more by calling 410-703-1289 or visit [www.annapolishakespeare.org](http://www.annapolishakespeare.org).

**8/6 – City Council Meeting** - 8 p.m. at City Hall.

**8/7 – National Night Out Against Crime** 6 - 8 p.m. at Allen Pond Park. This annual event will include police displays, child fingerprinting, free child ID cards, along with crime prevention and safety information. Children can meet Iron Man, McGruff the Crime Dog and enjoy a moon bounce, dunk tank, face painting and free food. Please join us for an evening of family fun!

**8/12 – “Corn Roast” at Bowie Farmers’ Market** 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. in the parking lot of the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts at Bowie High School. Come by and enjoy free corn on the cob fresh off the grill, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. For more information, please contact Matt Corley at 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

**8/12 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – 40 Dollar Fine** 7 - 8 p.m. at Allen Pond Park. These concerts offer relaxing entertainment for the entire family. All concerts are free. They are canceled in case of inclement weather. For more information, please contact Matt Corley, Special Events Coordinator, at 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

**8/14 – Tuesday Time Travellers – It’s Not All On the Wall** 10:30 a.m. at Belair Mansion. A look at ALL the art at Belair Mansion. Ages 4-11. No reservations required. Free. For more information, please contact 301-809-3089 or [museumevents@cityofbowie.org](mailto:museumevents@cityofbowie.org).

**8/17-9/1 – “Unnecessary Farce” at Bowie Playhouse** The Washington area premiere of this comedy that follows Billie and Eric, a pair of inept police officers, who set up a sting operation to trap the crooked mayor. Nothing can go wrong – but everything goes wrong with their plan! Set in a pair of matching hotel rooms, the play is filled with doors slamming, clothes flying, and bagpipes bleating – all of which adds up to an over-the-top tale of mix-ups and mayhem that’s laugh out loud funny from start to finish. Presented by Prince George’s Little Theatre, 301-937-7458 or [www.pglt.org](http://www.pglt.org).

**8/18 – Book Lovers Expo** 9 - 11:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. A free community event featuring local authors. There will be readings throughout the morning. Genres

represented include mystery, thriller, poetry, fiction, children's well-being, romance, paranormal, and self-help. Join us and help make the Center the newest literary hotspot in town! For more information, please contact the Center at 301-809-2300.

**8/18 – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Back to School Bash** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the City Gym. Games, moon bounces, entertainment, parent resource area, music, food and more. Backpack give-away to first 300 children ages 4 - 12. Please bring an item for the Bowie Food Pantry. For more information, please contact the Gym at 301-809-2388.

**8/19 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – The McDuffees** 7 - 8 p.m. at Allen Pond Park. These concerts offer relaxing entertainment for the entire family. All concerts are free. They are canceled in case of inclement weather. For more information, please contact Matt Corley, Special Events Coordinator, at 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).

**8/21 – Kids Kaboose** 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. at Bowie Railroad Museum. Railroad fun and games for youngsters ages 1-11. Free. For more information, please contact 301-809-3089 or [museumevents@cityofbowie.org](mailto:museumevents@cityofbowie.org).

**8/25 – Rochambeau's March Through Bowie** 12 - 4 p.m. at Belair Mansion. Join us for Belair Mansion's annual commemoration of the end of the Revolutionary War. Visit with Revolutionary War troops (of both sides), participate in a military drill, enjoy some 18th century games, or join the 18th century ladies at their sewing circle for some stitching and gossiping. Free. For more information, please contact 301-809-3089 or [museumevents@cityofbowie.org](mailto:museumevents@cityofbowie.org).

**8/26 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – US Air Force Airmen of Note** 7 - 8 p.m. at Robert V. Setera Amphitheater, Allen Pond Park. These concerts offer relaxing entertainment for the entire family. All concerts are free. They are canceled in case of inclement weather. For more information, please contact Matt Corley, Special Events Coordinator, at 301-809-3078 or [mcorley@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mcorley@cityofbowie.org).