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Bowie Women Trailblazers Award Recipients

Six exceptional and inspirational women received the inaugural City of Bowie Women Trailblazers Award at the May 15, 2023 City Council meeting. The award recipients are: The Honorable Sheila R. Tillerson Adams, Ms. Evelyn J. Archie, Ms. Elizabeth M. Hewlett, Esq., Dr. Jacqueline R. Marshall, Ms. Kathleen M. Parker, and Dr. Maggie E. Ray.

The program was created by City Council to acknowledge area women for the efforts they've made in their careers or in public service. Councilmembers selected the honorees from among women in business and government and from those in the community who are making an impact in the City or in the region. Congratulations to these fantastic and hardworking women. Read about their many accomplishments at www.cityofbowie.org/womentrailblazers.



Monarch Waystation Cleanups

Help Green Team members get the City's pollinator gardens ready for warmer weather at the Kenhill Center on **May 25** from 9 - 10:30 a.m. Learn about pollinator gardens and how to care for them. Student Service Learning (SSL) hours are available. Capacity is limited to five volunteers per cleanup event, so register today by emailing Erin Oxenford at exenford@cityofbowie.org.

Rabies & Microchip Clinic

Stop by City Hall on **May 20**, between 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a low-cost rabies and microchip clinic. Vaccines and microchips will be administered by a local veterinarian. Rabies vaccines are \$10 each and microchips are \$15 (cash only). Please bring a completed vaccination form and county license

application with you, which can be found at www.cityofbowie.org/rabiesclinic. Please call 301-809-3002 for more details or questions.

Walk to End Domestic Violence

Join the Community Outreach Committee for the Walk to End Domestic Violence on **May 20** at Allen Pond Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The focus of this event is to prevent violence through education. Vendors and support groups will be on hand. All ages can register to participate in advance or onsite at 9:30 a.m. For more information, visit the [walk's webpage](#) or contact Lori Cunningham at lcunningham@cityofbowie.org.



Movie Night at Belair Mansion

Bring the whole family to Belair Mansion for movie night on **May 20** at 8:30 p.m. "The Bad Guys" (PG) is a hilarious animated movie about a notorious gang of animal criminals trying to rehabilitate themselves. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs, some snacks and enjoy a movie under the stars.



Heritage Day at Belair Stable

Stop by Belair Stable's annual Heritage Day celebration on **May 21** from 12 - 4 p.m. Experience live Bluegrass music, face painting, pony rides, puppet shows, a blacksmith demonstration, and learn about Bowie's racing history.



Bowie Farmers' Market Returns May 21

The Bowie Farmers' Market opens for the season on **May 21**. Not only will you find fresh, locally grown fruits and vegetables at the market, but there will also be vendors selling meats, pastries and breads, and a variety of plants. Additionally, you can shop for spices, jams, and handmade crafts.

The market takes place on Sunday mornings (through October) from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the parking lot of the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts (15200 Annapolis Road), next to the Bowie Public Library. For more information, contact the Special Events Manager at 301-809-3078 or mcorley@cityofbowie.org or visit www.cityofbowie.org/farmersmarket.

Sunday Sunset Concert Series

It's that time of year! The Sunday Sunset Series will begin on **May 28** and run every Sunday through Labor Day Weekend at Allen Pond Park. Visit www.cityofbowie.org/concerts for a list of bands.

2nd Star Productions Presents "Something Rotten" at the Playhouse

Set in the 1590s, brothers Nick and Nigel Bottom are desperate to write a hit play but are stuck in the shadow of Renaissance rock star, William Shakespeare. When the local soothsayer foretells that the

future of theater involves singing, dancing, and acting at the same time, Nick sets out to write the world's very first musical. But amidst the scandalous excitement of the opening night, the Bottom brothers realize that reaching the top means being true to thine own self, and all that jazz. "Something Rotten" runs at the Bowie Playhouse from **May 26 - June 24**. Performances are every Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. Visit [2nd Star Production's website](#) to purchase tickets.

Memorial Day Parade

Don't miss one of Bowie's most loved events! The Memorial Day parade begins at 11 a.m. at the Bowie High School Annex on **May 27**. The route continues down Belair drive (toward 450), turns right on Sussex Lane, and then makes another right onto Stonybrook Drive where participants will perform in front of the reviewing stand at Acorn Hill Park. View the parade from the reviewing stand or bring a chair and watch anywhere along the parade route! For more information go to www.cityofbowie.org/parade.



Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Park

On **May 29**, local veterans' organizations will be hosting a Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Park in Old Town Bowie at 11 a.m. The ceremony is an opportunity to honor and remember the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The event is open to the public and will pay tribute to our fallen heroes on this important day of remembrance.

Convertibles Needed for Bowie's Memorial Day Parade

Are you the proud owner of a convertible? Would you like to show off your car and drive in a parade? The City of Bowie is seeking convertible vehicles to drive VIPs in the 2023 Memorial Day Parade on **May 27**. If interested, please contact Matt Corley at 240-563-2271 or mcorley@cityofbowie.org.

Memorial Day Holiday Closures

City offices, the Senior Center, Gymnasium, and historic properties are closed on **Monday, May 29** in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. There is no trash or recycling service on this date. Service will resume on your next regularly scheduled pickup day.

Field of Honor

Between **May 26 and June 5**, Sussex Lane Park will be transformed into a Field of Honor, featuring a display of US flags flying in solemn formation in honor of those who serve or in memory of those who served in the past; dedicated to veterans, active military personnel, professions that have helped during the pandemic, and to loved ones lost. The opening ceremony will take place on Sussex Lane Park at 7 p.m. on **May 26**. We invite you to walk among the field of flags during the week they are on display and remember the honorees for their shared legacy of service

Through a partnership with the Colonial Flag Foundation, those interested in participating can visit our Field of Honor webpage to purchase a flag for \$40 and dedicate it to a person or group of their choice. The purchase deadline is **May 19**. Dedicated flags can be picked up at City Hall from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. starting June 6. For more information, visit www.cityofbowie.org/fieldofhonor.

Do you Play Tennis? Or is Pickleball More Your Speed?

The City of Bowie has received a number of requests from residents to provide a dedicated pickleball facility (not a pickleball court overlayed on a tennis court) within the City. Rather than incur the costs of converting the Glen Allen Tennis Court (Glen Allen Park is the only City owned tennis court) or constructing a new facility, City staff has been working with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) to have one or all of the existing M-NCPPC owned tennis courts at the Huntington South Park (13311 11th St.) converted to dedicated pickleball courts. If you would like to share your opinion on this conversion, [please complete this survey](#) by **May 30** to give your input on the possible addition of dedicated pickleball courts at Huntington South Park.



Job Openings

The City of Bowie is currently seeking candidates for several positions listed below. Full time employees are eligible for medical, dental, vision, life and long-term care insurance, a 401(k) with employer match, and a 457 savings plan. They also have paid holidays and earn leave. Visit www.cityofbowie.org/jobs for links to job postings.

Open until May 19

- [Public Information-Intelligence Specialist](#) - Police Department
- [Contractual: Special Events Coordinator](#) - Community Services
- [Part Time Gymnasium Attendant](#) - Community Services

Open until May 26

- [Temporary Laborer: Storm Water \(Seasonal\)](#) - Stormwater Seasonal

Open until June 2

- [Utilities Services Worker](#) – Utilities Division: Public Works

Open until June 9

- [Equipment Operator](#) - Street Maintenance Division

Open until filled

- [Entry Level Police Officer](#) - Police Department
- [Communications Specialist II](#) - Police Department
- [Family Counselor](#) - Community Services
- [Part time Ice Arena Attendant](#) - Community Services
- [Part time Bus Driver](#) - Community Services
- [Building Maintenance Superintendent](#) - Community Services
- [Solid Waste Driver/Collector](#) - Public Works
- [Solid Waste Collector](#) - Public Works

Visit <http://www.cityofbowie.org/jobs> for details or to apply.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

May 18

- [Virtual Stakeholders Meeting – Proposal to Build Homes on Vacant Lots in Ternberry](#) | 7 p.m.

May 20

- [Weed Warrior Workday](#) | 8:30 a.m.
- [Rabies Vaccination & Microchip Clinic](#) | 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- [Second Annual Walk to End Domestic Violence](#) | 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- [Movie Night at Belair Mansion – “The Bad Guys”](#) | 8:30 p.m.

May 21

- [Bowie Farmers’ Market Opens for the Season](#) | 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- [Heritage Day at Belair Stable](#) | 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

May 23

- [Bowie Advisory Planning Board – Proposal to Build Homes on Vacant Lots in Ternberry](#) | 7 p.m.

May 25

- [Monarch Waystation Cleanup at the Kenhill Center](#) | 9 a.m.

May 26

- [Field of Honor Opening Ceremony](#) | 7 p.m.
- [Wine and Design at Belair Mansion: Diamond Art Coasters](#) | 7 p.m.
- [Bowie Playhouse: “Something Rotten”](#) | 8 p.m.

May 27

- [Memorial Day Parade](#) | 11 a.m.
- [Bowie Playhouse: “Something Rotten”](#) | 8 p.m.

May 28

- [Bowie Playhouse: “Something Rotten”](#) | 2 p.m.
- [Sunday Sunset Concert – U.S. Navy Band Commodores \(Jazz\) at Allen Pond Park](#) | 7 p.m.

May 29

- [Memorial Day Holiday – City Offices Closed](#)

May 31

- [Fairy Tale Fun at Belair Mansion](#) | 10 a.m.

June 2

- [Senior Information Fair](#) | 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- [Bowie Playhouse: “Something Rotten”](#) | 2 p.m.

June 3

- [Bowiefest](#) | 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- [Bowie Playhouse: “Something Rotten”](#) | 8 p.m.

Visit www.cityofbowie.org/calendar for details about other upcoming events sponsored by the City.