

Bowie News Flash

July 2014

News

Celebrate Independence Day at Prince George's Stadium

Join the City and the Bowie Baysox at Prince George's Stadium, located at 4101 Crain Highway, on Friday, July 4th to celebrate America! The event is free and open to the public with the gates to the stadium opening at 6 p.m. Food and drinks will be on sale at the stadium, but no food or drinks may be brought into the stadium. The Fabulous Hubcaps will provide entertainment beginning at 7:30 p.m. Come early and enjoy the show, but be sure not to miss the fireworks at dark (approximately 9:15 p.m.) and stay for the Fabulous Hubcaps' 30-minute finale afterwards. For more information, please contact Matt Corley, Special Events Coordinator, at mcorley@cityofbowie.org or 301-809-3078. Please note: All bags will be checked upon entrance to the stadium.

Traffic Changes on the Fourth

To help those who attend the City of Bowie's Fourth of July celebration at Prince George's Stadium get home safely, the Bowie Police Department announces the following changes to traffic patterns after the fireworks on the evening of July 4th:

- No left turns from northbound Crain Highway (US 301) at intersections with Collington Road, Heritage Boulevard, and Harbour Way.
- No left turn or access to Collington Road (MD 197) from Rip's parking lot.
- No access to Bowie Gateway Center (Target, Kohl's, Comfort Inn, etc.) from Governor's Bridge Road.
- No access to Crain Highway north from Bowie Gateway Center lots.

Details and maps can be found on our website or in the attached Fourth of July Traffic flyer.

City Holiday on the Fourth of July

July 4th is a city holiday. All City facilities are closed and there will be no refuse or recycling collection.

Beat the Heat at the Bowie Ice Arena

The Ice Arena reopens July 5th after being closed for its annual maintenance. Summer skating camps will begin this month. Half-day and full-day camps are available for children, as well as, learn-to-skate group lessons for children and adults.

Visit the Bowie Farmers' Market

The Bowie Farmers' Market is open for the 2014 season. Market vendors offer fresh locally grown produce, fruit, cut flowers, plants, breads, pastries, jams, jellies, meat and more. The market operates in the parking lot of the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts at Bowie High School, 15200 Annapolis Road on Sundays, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., through October 26, 2014. For more information, contact Matt Corley at 301-809-3078 or mcorley@cityofbowie.org.

Volunteer to Mark Storm Drains!

Are you part of a scout, civic, church, parenting, homeschool or other group looking for a volunteer project? We are looking for groups to apply storm drain markers in select areas across the City. Markers are applied to storm drains along the curbs of City-owned streets to increase awareness that water and anything else entering the storm drain flows directly into our streams. This project can be a one-time weekend or evening event that takes anywhere from 2-5 hours, depending on how long your group wants to work. The task involves the application of a four-inch steel disc marker to the storm drain with an adhesive. All supplies are provided. You simply need to have a group leader and willing volunteers. If Prince George's County students work, they can earn Student Service Learning hours. If interested, please contact the City's Watershed Manager, Tiffany Wright, at 301-809-3043 or twright@cityofbowie.org. To see a picture of a marked storm drain, please go to www.cityofbowie.org/GreenProjects. Thanks for your interest in helping us *Green Bowie!*

Nominations Sought for Bowie Public Safety Awards

The Greater Bowie Chamber of Commerce and the Bowie Public Safety Committee have partnered to sponsor the Third Annual Bowie Public Safety Appreciation Luncheon to be held Friday, August 22, 2014 at the Comfort Inn & Conference Center in Bowie. The event honors those who work to make Bowie a safe place to live and work, whether they serve in career or volunteer capacities.

Nominations must be for performance of duties within Bowie by first responder public safety professionals, including sworn law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services personnel. The nomination deadline is Friday, July 18, 2014. The nomination form is available on the Chamber and City websites (www.bowiechamber.org or www.cityofbowie.org). For more information, please contact the Chamber at 301-262-0920 or info@bowiechamber.org.

Outreach Grants Deadline is July 28

The City of Bowie offers Community Outreach grants to local organizations serving the Bowie community. Grants are awarded in areas such as social services, youth programs, senior citizen programs and mental health. Individuals, groups, and organizations that provide services to assist Bowie's underserved residents are eligible to apply. Grantees are selected by the Community Outreach Committee. For more information and an application form, please visit www.cityofbowie.org/cocgrants or call 301-809-3014.

Events

7/1 – Blood Drive – 2 - 7 p.m. at Bowie Gymnasium. To register, please contact the Red Cross at 1-800-RedCross or www.redcrossblood.org.

7/4 – Independence Day Holiday – City offices closed. No refuse or recycling collection.

7/4 – Celebrate Independence Day at Prince George’s Stadium – Gates open at 6 p.m. Entertainment begins at 7:30 p.m. with the fireworks following at dark (approximately 9:15 p.m.). For more information, contact Matt Corley at 301-809-3078 or mcorley@cityofbowie.org.

7/5 – Saturday Concert Series – Days of Vinyl (Top 40/Classic Rock) 4 - 6 p.m. at Town Green Park, 9th Street (MD Route 564). These free concerts will be presented “in the heart of the antique district” in Old Town Bowie. Concerts 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.

7/6 – “Community Day” at Bowie Farmers’ Market 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. parking lot of Bowie Center for the Performing Arts at Bowie High School. See equipment demonstrations from local Fire/EMS, Police Departments, and Bowie Animal Control. Free shaved ice for all attendees. For more information, please contact Matt Corley, Special Events Coordinator, at 301-809-3078 or mcorley@cityofbowie.org.

7/6 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – US Naval Academy Crabtowne Stompers (Jazz) 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.

7/7 – Collector’s Corner 2 - 4 p.m. at Belair Mansion. Learn new (and old!) ways to care for and preserve fine art. Visit with experts, take home new knowledge! Free, but reservations are required. For information, please contact 301-809-3097. Or contact 301-809-3089 or museumevents@cityofbowie.org.

7/7 – City Council Meeting - 8 p.m. at City Hall.

7/8 – Tuesday Time Travelers – Get In the Game! 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. at Belair Mansion. Gamesters ages 6-11 are invited to join in for a morning of 18th and 19th century games. No “Angry Birds” or “Farmville,” but trap ball, hoop rolling, graces, giant pick up sticks and lots of fun table games will be included. Participants will make a game to take home. Free. For more information, please contact 301-809-3089 or museumevents@cityofbowie.org.

7/8 – South County Senior Center Show Stoppers 12:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Back by popular demand and ready to delight with their entertainers, dancers and comedy skits. They will make you smile and tap your shoes. For more information, please contact the Center at 301-809-2300.

7/10 – An Evening of Magic 6 p.m. at the Senior Center. The Bowie Senior Magic Club will dazzle with a mystical evening of comedy, amazing feats of prestidigitation, mind reading, and magic. Register by July 3. The cost for residents is \$5 and \$6 for nonresidents. For more information, please contact the Center at 301-809-2300.

7/11 – 7/26 – “Sex Please, We’re Sixty” at Bowie Playhouse Mrs. Stancliffe’s Rose Cottage Bed & Breakfast has been successful for many years. Her guests return year after year. Her next door neighbor, the elderly silver-tongued, “Bud the Stud” Davis believes they come to spend time with him in romantic liaisons, and Mrs. Stancliffe reluctantly accepts the fact that “Bud the Stud” is, in fact, good for business. Add to the guest list three older women, and a retired chemist who has developed a blue pill called “Venusia,” after Venus the goddess of love, to increase the libido of menopausal women. The pill has not been tested. When Bud gets his hands on some of the Venusia pills, the fun begins, as he attempts to entertain all three women! Produced by Bowie Community Theatre. Performances are at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and matinees are at 2 p.m. on Sundays. *Adult language and subject matter. For tickets, visit www.BCTheatre.com or 301-805-0219.

7/12 – Saturday Concert Series – Off Track (Bluegrass) 4 - 6 p.m. at Town Green Park, 9th Street (MD Route 564). These free concerts are “in the heart of the antique district” in Old Town Bowie. Concerts 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.

7/13 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – US Naval Academy Electric Brigade (Rock/Motown/R&B) 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.

7/14 – City Council Meeting - 8 p.m. at City Hall.

7/15 – Kids Kaboose 10:30 a.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.

7/19 – Saturday Concert Series – Motor Driven (Classic Rock) 4 - 6 p.m. at Town Green Park, 9th Street (MD Route 564). These free concerts are “in the heart of the antique district” in Old Town Bowie. Concerts 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.

7/20 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – US Air Force Airmen of Note (Jazz) 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.

7/21 - 9/12 – *The Enemy Nearly All Around Us* at Belair Mansion is an exhibit detailing life in this area during the War of 1812. Of particular importance is the effect the campaign in our area had on the Ogle family of Belair and their relatives throughout Prince George’s County and in Washington, D.C. The exhibit can be enjoyed during Mansion open hours, Tuesday - Sunday, 12 - 4 p.m. Free. For more information, please contact 301-809-3089 or museumevents@cityofbowie.org.

7/22 – Time Travelers – *Travelers in Training* 10:30 a.m. at Bowie Railroad Museum. Bowie was born on the railroad! Time Travelers aged 6-11 will discuss Bowie’s early history, railroading...learn that “hooping it up” doesn’t mean making a lot of noise, and spot a train or two as they whiz by the station. Free. For more information, please contact 301-809-3089 or museumevents@cityofbowie.org.

7/26 – Saturday Concert Series – *Project Natale (Jazz)* 4 - 6 p.m. at Town Green Park, 9th Street (MD Route 564). These free concerts are “in the heart of the antique district” in Old Town Bowie. Concerts 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.

7/27 – Sunday Sunset Concert Series – *The Winstons (Motown)* 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.

7/28, 7/30 & 8/1 – Skate in the Shade at the Bowie Ice Arena 12 - 1:30 p.m. Bowie Ice Arena and the SHADE Foundation have teamed up to give your skin a break this summer. Admission and skate rentals are free during these three special sessions. And remember...the sun’s harmful rays are at their peak between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Learn more about skin cancer prevention at www.shadefoundation.org.

7/31 - 8/21 – Belly Dancing Class at the Senior Center 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Thursdays. Instructor Sasha will teach hand and arm movements, slow and fast hip movements, shimmies, walks, and more. The fee for this four-week class is \$20 for residents and \$25 for nonresidents. Register at the front desk by July 23. For more information, please contact the Center at 301-809-2300.

Upcoming Events

National Night Out Against Crime – Tuesday, August 5th from 6 - 8 p.m. at Allen Pond Park.