



# Town of Oxford

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From the Commissioners:

**Welcome to our new Planner, Marilyn Williams.** Marilyn comes to us from Wicomico County Planning, has extensive experience in planning and zoning, is a Certified Floodplain Manager, and has experience with FEMA funded projects.

**Strand Beach Living Shoreline Improvements:** planting is anticipated in April, the remaining improvements will be scheduled outside of the summer season.

**Dugout Memorial Park.** Acquisition of park elements is underway, a workshop is planned for anyone that would like to participate in the layout and discuss opportunities for memorials. Date and time to be posted on the town website.

**Stormwater Management Improvements.** Following engineering review and recommendations, the Commissioners are currently reviewing proposed improvements to manage stormwater and mitigate tidal flooding in several areas in town, and anticipate identifying two or more projects to be constructed in the near future.

Following an **MDOT Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program Grant Award**, Talbot Thrive is working on the design of the "Oyster Trail" - an Oxford Park Connector providing a shared use path from the Causeway Park, through Dugout Memorial Park and onto the Talbot County Conservation Park. More info to come!

## Oxford 2024 Election for One Commissioner



There will be an ELECTION in the Town of Oxford to fill the expired term of one COMMISSIONER for a three-year term of office.

### IMPORTANT DATES

You may register for candidacy at the Oxford Town Office, Monday through Friday, 9 to noon / 1 to 4 p.m.

The deadline for registration as a candidate for office is Monday, May 20, 2024, at 4 p.m.

Last day to register to vote is Tuesday, May 21, 2024. Last day to register as a write in is June 8, 2024.

Last day to request an absentee ballot is Tuesday, June 11th, 2024.

**ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024, FROM 8 A.M. UNTIL 8 P.M.**

AT THE OXFORD COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING, 101 MARKET STREET, OXFORD, MD



JOHN WESLEY PRESERVATION SOCIETY

**SPRING SOUL**

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY  
WITH THE COMFORT ZONE BAND

**SATURDAY MAY 11**

7 - 10 pm

OXFORD COMMUNITY CENTER

APPETIZERS AND DESSERTS

CASH BAR

TICKETS \$25

GET TICKETS IN ADVANCE AT

[JOHNWESLEYCHURCH.ORG](http://JOHNWESLEYCHURCH.ORG)

START YOUR EVENING WITH THE OXFORD MUSEUM'S  
Memories and Musings: Oxford Voices from the 1960s  
PROGRAM AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH 5:00 - 6:30 PM



## R GORDON GRAVES COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

-established 2021

We are currently accepting applications from Talbot County students who are pursuing their post high school education.

More information can be found at [www.oxfordmd.net](http://www.oxfordmd.net)

### Do you need Flood Insurance?

Everyone in Oxford should have Flood Insurance.

Oxford is a FEMA designated CRS Community and as such all residents qualify for 5 to 15 % discount on their Flood Insurance. Please contact the Town Floodplain Manager if you have any questions regarding Flood Protection - Flood Insurance and your Property.

410-226-5122 or [oxfordplanner@goeaston.net](mailto:oxfordplanner@goeaston.net)

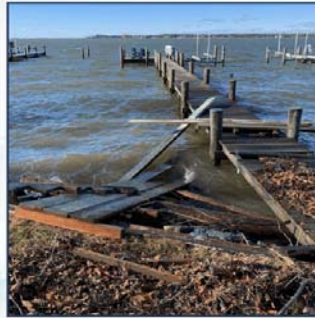


Follow the Oxford Community Center on Facebook, watch previous live shows on YouTube, and check the OCC website for the latest offerings, including the following Community Partner Events:



## FLOODS, HIGH TIDES AND EROSION IN OXFORD

Are you concerned?



Come to a 3 Part, Interactive Series at OCC to learn, discuss, and explore our options.  
April 10, May 1 and June 5 at 5:30PM



RSVP OXFORDCC.ORG

## IMPROV at OCC



featuring **IMPROV**  
*Easton*

Using audience suggestions, Improv Easton creates scenes and characters on the spot, making each show a unique and unforgettable experience. Don't miss your chance to be a part of the laughter!

April 12th at 7PM  
Tickets: \$10  
OXFORDCC.ORG



## Unleash Your Inner Captain: Safer Boating Skills for Every Adventure



Interactive presentation on boating safety skills and emergency preparedness led by Captain Gary Culver of Culver Yacht Services and Coast Guard BM1 Bryant Gooch.



The presentation will cover a range of crucial topics including:

- rules of the road
- weather preparedness
- marine radio use
- float plans
- boat safety checks
- impaired boating laws
- emergency equipment
- hands-on emergency drills

Attendees will learn lifesaving skills to handle common boating emergencies through group discussions and simulations.

April 11th at 5:30 pm  
OXFORDCC.ORG

Free and open to the public.  
Refreshments & oysters will be available for purchase.  
Space is limited, sign up today to unleash your inner captain!



CULVER YACHT SERVICES



## Vanities

by Jack Heifner



April  
18 - 28



## The Stage @ OCC PRESENTS

Hannah Gill  
AND HER SEPTET JAZZ BAND

MAY 25th 7:30PM

Oxford Community Center  
"The Stage @ OCC"

Click Here For More Info and  
Order Tickets!



One Night in Old  
June 1st '24  
The Party starts at 6:30pm

# HAVANA

Salsa, Spirits & Cigars!

Tickets \$75



Celebrating over 300 years of fun on the Eastern Shore

APRIL 27, 2024  
SCHEDULE  
OF EVENTS

On Saturday, April 27, 2024, we are looking forward to another great day celebrating life in our village with our Annual Parade along Morris Street from the Robert Morris Inn to the Causeway Park, games and exhibits in Town Park, the dog walk and dog show, lots of food and music, free Oxford Ferry rides, Open House at the Oxford Cooperative Lab and the USCG Station Oxford, Church of the Holy Trinity Plant Sale, Oxford Library Mega Book Sale, Pickleball Clinics and Tournament, specials and activities offered by our merchants and restaurants throughout town, plus much more! This family event brings our residents and visitors together to welcomes Spring. It is open and free to the public.

There is still time to donate funds to help cover the cost of materials and equipment and financial grants of arts support to the schools that participate in the parade. Oxford Day volunteers number more than 100 with an estimated 2,000 hours of donated labor. And that doesn't count the non-profits and Oxford organizations, and our Town Crew who also provide services for the event. We appreciate your support of these dedicated efforts to help us continue to make Oxford Day fun and memorable for all who participate.

Oxford Day is a 501(c)3 organization. please make checks to **Oxford Day** and mail to Oxford Day, P O Box 213, Oxford, MD 21654.

**NOTE: Streets coming into town will be closed at 10:15 all the way to the Strand in preparation for the parade – for approximately two hours. Please plan accordingly!!!!**

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please email [info@oxfordday.org](mailto:info@oxfordday.org) to let organizers know. For our latest Schedule of Events and photos from past events, visit [www.oxfordday.org](http://www.oxfordday.org) Thank you so much for contributing to treasured tradition and for participating in the day's activities. You are part of what makes this town worth celebrating.  
*Kathleen Case ~ Oxford Day Event Chair 410-336-3444*

START TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
7:15 a.m.	Oxford Community Center	Talbot Hospice Memorial Walk Gathering
7:45 a.m.	Oxford Community Center	Talbot Hospice Memorial Walk Begins
8:00 a.m.	Library on Market Street	Huge Book Sale! Fun Raffles! Ends at 1:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.	Causeway Park	Talbot Humane Registration & Blessing of the Animals & Dog Walk
9:00 a.m.	Church of the Holy Trinity	Church of the Holy Trinity Plant Sale
	Tennis Courts	Pickleball Tournament - Novice
	Town Park	Oxford Community Center Breakfast Booth
	Town Park	Oxford Dog Show
	Town Park	Oxford Day Information Booth
	Ferry Dock	Free Walk-on Rides on Oxford Ferry - ALL DAY, one RT per person
9:30 a.m.	The Strand	Parade Participants Arrive to take Positions for Parade
10:00 a.m.	Town Park	Family Hour: Games & Fun for Parents & Kids until 11:00 a.m.
	Oxford Museum	101 S. Morris Street: Open for the Season - New Exhibit
	Treasure Chest	11 South Morris Street: \$75 Gift Basket Raffle - All Day
	Oxford Vintage & Trade	Wilson & Banks St. - 21.654% Off Everything + Refreshments
	Mystery Love on a Penny	202 S. Morris Street: Open; Booksale 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
	Town Park	Great food: OCC, Robert Morris Inn, Capsize, Doc's Sunset Grill
	Town Park	Local Non-Profits Share Information & Answer your Questions
	Town Park	Lots of Local Art & Crafts: Fine Art, Books, Jewelry, Gifts, Accessories
	Town Park	Water's Edge Museum Information Table
	Town Park	Heart Centered Healing & Animal Communication
10:15 a.m.	<b>MORRIS STREET</b>	<b>STREET CLOSURES (at Causeway Park for Parade)</b>
10:30 a.m.	Market Street	Waters Church BBQ Chicken, Fish Fry & Women of Waters Bake Sale
	Scottish Highland Creamery	103 S. Morris Street with Special Flavor for Oxford Day: Spring Fling
	Causeway Park	Scottish Highland Creamery Ice Cream Cart through 2:30 p.m.
11:00 a.m.	<b>MORRIS STREET</b>	<b>PARADE (from The Strand to Waterman's Lot)</b>
11:30 a.m.	Tennis Courts	Pickleball Tournament - Intermediate
12:00 p.m.	Watermen's Lot	OVFD Burgers & Dogs through 1:30 p.m.
	Oxford Community Center	Crab Cake Lunch Party
	Water's Edge Museum	101 Mill Street: Museum Opens for Season (Wed-Sat 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)
	Oxford Cooperative Lab	DNR, NOAA Educational & Fun Activities for Families; USCG Boat Display; Auxiliary Exhibits & Giveaways
12:30 p.m.	Town Park	USCG Water Rescue Demo on Tred Avon River (if available)
2:00 p.m.	Water's Edge Museum	Gospel Concert (Rain Location Waters Church)
4:00 p.m.	Pope's Tavern	Outdoor Food & Live Music



You can reach the town office at 410-226-5122, or by email:  
 Town Manager, Cheryl at [oxfordmanager@goeaston.net](mailto:oxfordmanager@goeaston.net)  
 Admin Assistant, Lisa at [townoffice@goeaston.net](mailto:townoffice@goeaston.net)  
 Planning, Marilyn at [oxfordplanner@goeaston.net](mailto:oxfordplanner@goeaston.net)

Commission and Board meeting dates and agendas are posted on the town website prior to meetings - [oxfordmd.net](http://oxfordmd.net)

PO Box 339, 101  
 Market Street,  
 Oxford MD 21654

**Do you need a building permit or tree removal permit?** Please always check with the office before doing any work to avoid having to speak with us after the fact...

Visit the town website [www.oxfordmd.net](http://www.oxfordmd.net) to find more information regarding Oxford Building Codes and Building Permit Applications. You can also find the Town Charter, Town Code, and many other documents relevant to the operation of the town government.

**Office Hours: 9 am to noon / 1 pm to 4 pm**  
**Closings are listed on the town website. Dropbox outside front door.**



Commission President Tom Costigan attended a Civil Air Patrol's ceremony where Cadet 2nd Philip R Horner was presented the Brigadier General Billy Mitchell Award, along with an Oxford Commissioner's Resolution recognizing his achievement.

## You're Invited!

Join us in celebrating\*  
**The Oxford Garden Club's  
 20th Anniversary**

Friday, June 7, 2 pm to 5 pm  
 Oxford Community Center

### Featuring Two Keynote Speakers:

**Susie Middleton**, President,  
 Federated Garden Clubs of MD, Inc. speaking on  
 "Giving Back: Garden Clubs' Role in the Community"  
**Terry Holman**, Director, District I, FGCM, speaking on  
 "Native Tree Planting: The Alice Rush McKeon Legacy"

### Additionally:

- \* Recognition of Past Presidents \*
- \* Horticulture and Floral Design Exhibits \*
- \* Slide Show of OGC's History & Accomplishments \*



\* with nibbles and drinks

## OXFORD POLICE NEWS



The CROSSWALK has been installed in front of the Town Park. Please remember Pedestrians always have the right of way in a CROSSWALK.

Congratulations to our first Community Police Academy graduates!

Follow us on  
 Facebook!

@Oxford-MD  
 Police

Where by-  
 weekly  
 statistic  
 reports are  
 posted.



Oxford Police Department: Emergency - 911  
 Non-Emergency - 410-226-5650



With a grant from the National Garden Club's Plant America Program, the **Oxford Garden Club** undertook the design and planting of a low maintenance garden in the town's Bank Street Park, planting an over 300 sq. ft. area in the spring of 2023. In late fall they followed up with 700 daffodil bulbs provided by the Bonnie Stevens Memorial Fund, which is managed by the Oxford Garden Club.

*PLANT AMERICA Community Project Grants help enhance and beautify public areas and community gardens. Project grants to National Garden Clubs Inc. member clubs help educate about the joys of gardening and create a pride throughout the community. Grants may be used for physical landscaping or environmental projects, or for horticultural or educational opportunities for the community.*