



**TOWN OF QUEENSTOWN**  
**May 2018**



**HELP NEEDED TO RETRIEVE OYSTER CAGES** – Volunteers are needed to help pull oyster cages, dump oysters in baskets, and assist in transferring to local reefs. Adults and children may participate. This program has been ongoing in Queenstown for several years now and is a great way to help restore local oyster beds in the Chester River and the Chesapeake Bay. We have several property owners who allow the cages to be housed at their docks over the winter, including the Town and Queenstown Harbor. Anyone with a dock could house some cages for next season if they wish. There is no charge to participate. Anyone interested in volunteering on June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., or has any questions, should contact David Sutherland at 410-490-0465.

**KEEP YARDS CUT AND CLEAR OF WEEDS** – Spring is finally here, and with it, the growing of grass and weeds! Reminder - Town Code requires that all grass and weeds over 6” be cut.

**RECYCLE CARTS NOT FOR TRASH** – Anyone participating in the recycling program should have received a cart for that purpose. The carts are NOT to be used for household trash. Should the Town find a cart being used for household trash, it will be removed from your property. The trash company will not pick up recycle carts on trash collection day. Customers are required to provide their own containers for trash collection.

**TOWN PICNIC SCHEDULED – JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>** – There will be a town picnic at the Queenstown Community Park on Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 3-5 p.m. The Town will provide hamburgers and hotdogs. We ask that everyone planning to attend please bring a covered dish or dessert to share. Anyone interested in assisting with games for children, please contact Pat Bowell at 410-212-9297. If possible, please RSVP to the Town Office at 410-827-7646 or via email at [townoffice@queenstown-md.com](mailto:townoffice@queenstown-md.com) so we can get an idea on how many hamburgers and hot dogs to purchase. We will be providing some tables and chairs, however, if you have a chair, bring it along just in case!

**PLEASE KEEP IT DOWN!** – We have received various complaints from residents regarding noise from their neighbors or nearby properties. From the Town Code:

- **Section 6.1 Loud or unnecessary noise prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to make, continue or cause to be made or continued any loud, unnecessary or unnatural noise or any noise which endangers the health, safety or welfare of the community or which annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, rest, health, peace or safety of others within the Town of Queenstown.
- **Section 6.2 Disorderly conduct.** The following acts, among others, are declared to be loud, unnecessary, disturbing and a danger to the health, safety and welfare of the community and its people, in violation of Section 6.1, but the enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive:

- A. Using, operating or permitting to be played any musical instruments or other musical devices (including, but not limited to live music or performances), or any radio, television, computer, sound amplifier, or any other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound, in such a manner as to disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of any person or persons in the vicinity. The operation of any such machine or device between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. in such a manner as to be plainly audible at a distance of twenty-five (25) feet from the building, structure, device or vehicle in which it is located shall be a prima facie evidence of a violation of this section. Any person or persons who cause production of said sound through the operation of the machines or devices enumerated herein may be deemed a violator of this Section.
- B. The keeping of any dog, bird or other animal causing frequent or long-continued noise shall disturb the comfort or response of any person or persons in the vicinity.
- C. The use of any chain saw, tractor, machinery, automobile, motorcycle, truck, or vehicle so out of repair or loaded or operated in such a manner as to create loud and unnecessary grating, grinding, rattling or other noise between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
- **Section 6.4 Violations and penalties.** A violation of this Chapter 6 shall constitute a municipal infraction pursuant to Section 1.11 of the Town Code, and shall be punishable by a civil fine in the amount of \$25.00 for the first offense, and \$50.00 for a second and subsequent offenses. Each day that a violation occurs shall be considered a separate offense.

**FIRE HYDRANTS NOT FOR COMMERCIAL USE** – There has been an increase in commercial vehicles obtaining water from the Town’s fire hydrants, mainly on the south side of Rt. 301 on Del Rhodes and near the Outlets. **The town has not given any company permission to obtain water from our hydrants.** We would appreciate your help in identifying any commercial vehicle/tank you see obtaining water from a hydrant, with the exception of the fire department. If possible, note any name, phone number, vehicle description and/or tag number from the vehicle obtaining water and provide it to the Town Office.

**NO OPEN YARD BURNING** – The Town of Queenstown prohibits open yard burning of leaves, garbage, household items, branches, etc. Fire pits, for recreational use, may be used provided the fire is contained.



**MEMORIAL DAY – OBSERVED MONDAY, MAY 28th**

*Thank you to all who have served...we remember your sacrifice today and every day*

(Recycling and trash collection each will be pushed back one day that week)