

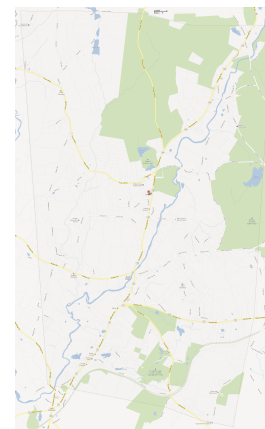
Chaplin Clean-Up Day

April 20, 2013 (Saturday)

We live in a wonderful town, filled with the natural beauty of forests, fields, rivers, streams, ponds and wildlife—as well as historic buildings and cemeteries. Sometimes we forget how interesting and beautiful our town is, and don't do all that we can to help preserve that beauty.

The Chaplin Conservation Commission is using the month of April to help foster pride in our town. We hope you will participate and encourage your friends and neighbors to participate in making Chaplin an even better place to live.

For the most up-to-date information, please view our web site at <http://chris.komuves.org/pride/>



If you feel disgusted when you see trash littering the sides of the road, here's a chance to do something about it! Our goal is to have as many people as possible clean up a section of road or other public area in Chaplin. Here's how it works:

1. Go to the website and choose an area that you or your household / organization are willing to clean up.
2. Email a note to cleanup@chaplinct.org with the area you'll be cleaning up and who you are.
3. On or before April 20th, perform the cleanup. Plastic trash bags and gloves will be available at the Chaplin Town Hall. If you come across anything too large for you to manage, let us know, and we'll ask the town to deal with it.
4. For the weekend of April 20th, there will be a dump truck at the Town Hall parking lot, into which you can deposit trash from the cleanup (please do NOT bring personal trash).
5. After the cleanup, send any comments, reports, or photos that you want to share about what you found to cleanup@chaplinct.org. These will be published on the cleanup web page.

For questions or comments, contact Chris Komuves at cleanup@chaplinct.org or (860) 455-9839.

After Clean-Up Town Party

3:00pm - 5:00pm Garrison Park

For everyone who participated in the cleanup, we will be gathering at Garrison Park for an after-cleanup party. Food and drink will be provided, and additional potluck contributions are welcome (but not required). From 4:00pm - 4:45pm, there will be a performance by the Natchaug River Jam.

Nature Walk with Juan Sanchez

5:00pm Garrison Park

After the Natchaug Jam performance, Naturalist Juan Sanchez will lead a nature walk around Garrison Field, departing from the gazebo. This will include a visit to the nearby vernal pools and a discussion of the benefits of this diverse area (open grassland, pond, wooded pools, and mixed hardwood forest) for birds and other wildlife species.

There will also be a Natchaug River Cleanup Day on June 8, 2013.