



**TOWN OF CHESHIRE**  
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**2025 Cheshire Fall Festival**



**Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025– Food Trucks and Music**  
**Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Cheshire Fall Festival**  
**Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Carnival 12pm-6pm**

The highly anticipated annual Cheshire Fall Festival has been scheduled for Friday, September 12th and Saturday, September 13th. The celebration begins on “Food Truck Friday” including the carnival and two concerts, and continues all day Saturday with vendors on the Bartlem Park Great Lawn, culminating with the annual fireworks show (sponsored by Regency Centers of the Shops at Stone Bridge). For additional information and a complete schedule of events, please go to <http://cheshirefestival.com/>.

**Bartlem Beats Summer Concerts**

If you have not been able to attend the Bartlem Beats concerts yet this summer, you still have the chance! The final concert will be held on **Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-8pm** at the Bartlem Park Great Lawn. We hope to see you there as we wrap up the 2025 season with a very exciting performance from American Girl, a Tom Petty and The Heartbreakers Tribute Band.



## **Dan Pugach Big Band at the Bartlem Park Great Lawn**

Ball & Socket Arts is partnering with the Friends of the Cheshire Public Library on a very special edition of Live @ the Factory with Dan Pugach Big Band! Bring your lawn chairs and a picnic dinner for an evening of original big band music from the Grammy-winning Dan Pugach Big Band at Bartlem Park's new bandshell!

Grab your spot and start your picnic at 5:30. Music from 6:00-8:00pm. In the event of rain, the concert will be moved to the Cheshire High School Thorpe Auditorium.

Advance registration encouraged. Register through Ball & Socket Arts at <https://ballandsocket.org/events/2025/danpugachbigband>.

## **HoneyPot Disc Golf Course at Cheshire Park**

As of today, thirteen of the eighteen basket ground sleeves have been installed at the future disc golf course location at Cheshire Park. Basket installation will begin once the remaining five ground sleeves are installed. The Town is hopeful that the course will be playable for mid-September 2025.

Remaining items for the project team include finalizing signage and the kiosk along with "GPSing" the course layout.

Thank you to the dedicated group of local disc golf enthusiasts for their hard work along with the assistance of Cheshire DPW and Recreation staff.



## **Projects Around Town Updates**

- **Bartlem Park Parking Lots and Access Drives**

Milling and paving of the main driveway into and through Bartlem Park, the northern parking lot near the grass fields and the pool parking lot, began on August 4<sup>th</sup>. All visitors are encouraged to enter into the park into the new parking lots near the turf field and utilize the sidewalks to access facilities and areas within the park. Public Works staff will be on site to facilitate access to those that require accommodations. Please allow extra time when attending programs and visiting the pool and park as there may be brief driveway closures, and some parking areas will be temporarily closed. The grading is being completed this week with the paving binder coat scheduled to follow. The main drive into Bartlem will be closed Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup> for grading. The final top coat paving will begin the last week of August and should conclude by the first week of September.

Thank you for your patience as we work to improve Bartlem Park for the community!

- Bartlem Park South – Bandshell Update

As reported last month, the contractor for the bandshell experienced some delays in the assembly of the steel frame of the band shell but has committed to the Town that it will be completed before the Fall Festival. The tongue and groove wood roof decking and metal outer shell has been completed. Concrete pouring for the top of the stage area began today and should conclude tomorrow. The remaining steps include site work, construction of the rear walls and electrical/lights installation.



**Upcoming Town Council Meetings:**

**Town Council Capital Budget Workshop & Public Hearing**  
Monday, August 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., Town Council Chambers

**Town Council Special Meeting (Tentative Capital Budget Adoption)**  
Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., Town Council Chambers

**Town Council Regular Meeting**  
Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Town Council Chambers