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Reminder to all Residents...Stay Informed

The Village Board of Managers and staff have been very busy over the past year as the reports at the Annual Meeting held on April 19 reflected (see insert for highlights), and these busy times are expected to continue.

Residents are reminded that the Village's primary source for disseminating information is through the *Crier*, however, reminders regarding upcoming events and other important timely information is disseminated through the listserv and on the Village website. For instance, did you know that the *Crier* is posted on the website with a link provided on the listserv almost four+ days before the *Crier* arrives in your mailbox?

If you have not done so already, please enroll in the listserv (instructions on page 6) and be sure to check the website at www.chevychasevillagemd.gov regularly.

Requests for Speed Humps & Stop Signs

Four requests were heard by the Board of Managers at its regular meeting on April 12:

- 1) The first request from residents in the unit block of Hesketh Street between Cedar and Magnolia Parkways is for two speed humps. Twenty residents signed the original petition.
- 2) The second request from residents in the 5500 block of Center Street is for two speed humps on either side of (and some distance away from) the crest in the roadway. The crest is approximately mid-block. Eleven residents signed the original petition.
- 3) The third request is from the residents of Center Street for two stop signs on Cedar Parkway as you approach Center Street. Twenty-four residents signed the original petition.
- 4) The fourth request from residents in the 5400 block of Center Street, west of Kirkside Drive (otherwise referred to as the dead end of Center Street), is for one speed hump. Fifteen residents signed the original petition.

The Board approved all four requests pending a 30-day comment period, which formally began on April 15 (when notices were posted) and will end on May 15. If it is determined that comments received in opposition to any of the above requests exceeds the original number of signatories on the original petition, that specific request will be re-presented to the Board for further consideration at the June 14 regular Board meeting.

If the comments received in opposition to any of the above requests does not exceed the number of signatories on the original specific petition, the speed humps and/or stop signs will be installed shortly after the 30-day comment period expires.

To submit your comments, email the Village office at ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov and please specifically state which request your comment is regarding.

Tentative Agenda

Board of Managers' Meeting

Chevy Chase Village Hall

Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Note: The full agenda will be available on the Village website by Friday, May 7.

June Appeal Deadline: May 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

Appeals

3706 Bradley Lane

209 Primrose Street

26 Oxford Street

102 East Melrose Street

101 East Melrose Street

102 East Kirke Street

Old Business

New Business

Chairman's Report

Manager's Report

Police Report

Building Permits/Code Enforcement

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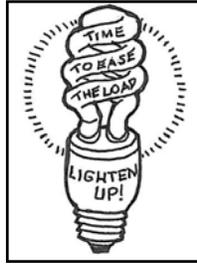
Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers' Meeting, 2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall

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In The Village

The Village Green Annual Report

The Energy and Environmental Committee, has been in existence for about 2 1/2 years and has more than 10 active Greenies which have made important contributions in pursuit of EEC objectives. The Committee operates with three assumptions in mind with which I hope that the Board,



Staff, and the members of the EEC are in agreement:

- The goal of reducing the Village's carbon footprint is a real goal and a priority concern.
- Energy and Environment are cross cutting issues that relate directly to much that we do in the community and therefore allows the EEC to have broad but prudent involvement in a number of the Village's activities.
- The members of the EEC represent an excellent resource. If employed correctly, they can assist the Board and Staff in making our Village a model of sound environmental and energy practices.

Past Activities of Note:

- A Comprehensive Energy Assessment of the Village Hall is in the process of being implemented. A number of the recommendations have been closed including having installed automated light controls and weather-stripped and caulked windows and doors. Other recommendations which need to be addressed on a priority basis are replacing incandescent light bulbs with light bulbs that are more efficient and address the issue of life span, reliability and functionality.
- A proposal for a photovoltaic installation which is a recommendation that was in the Village Hall Assessment. Once the EEC has reviewed the proposal, it will be forwarded to the Board for their review.
- A Green Vehicle Procurement Policy has been adopted and being implemented.
- EEC Members are playing active roles in the Play Ground, Tree, and Public Works Committees.

Items to Be Considered in the Future:

We can anticipate that there will be EEC involvement in the activities associated with the development of

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the Wohlfarth property in an environmentally sound way. In this regard it has been recommended that all trees planted in the future in the Village should be limited to native species. I hope that the EEC will pursue this option.

- ECC members participation in the selection of the new contract for recycling.
- Developing an SOP for Village operations
- Becoming designated as a "Tree City USA"
- There are a number of the members on the committee that have suggested that we should start addressing the energy problems in terms of the role of the individual and the home owner which is the focus of many community programs including Section 4. This would involve promoting energy audits of homes and training focusing on the role of the individual. This is a possibility that the Committee may wish to address in the future if the Board is in favor of the EEC moving in that direction.

I want to thank all the Greenies for their hard work in realizing the progress to which the EEC has contributed. I also want to encourage any resident of the Village to join the Green Gang. In terms of my own role in the EEC, this summer will mark three years of my involvement in promoting the role and Chairing the EEC. On July 1 I will resign the Chair and slip into a role of a participating Greenie.

*Submitted by: Larry Heilman,
Environmental Committee Chair*

Public Hearing Notice

The Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers will convene on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. to hold a public hearing and to consider possible adoption of:

- ◇ **Resolution No. 03-02-10:** An Ordinance to amend Section 8-1(p) of the Chevy Chase Village Code to modify the definition of lot coverage to exclude certain projections from the calculation of lot coverage.

Copies of this draft ordinance may be obtained at the Chevy Chase Village Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, you may download a copy at www.chevychasevillagemd.gov or you may submit a request for the draft Ordinance to be mailed to you.

In The Village

Annual Meeting Notes

The 96th Chevy Chase Village Annual Meeting was held on Monday, April 19. The annual New Resident Social was again combined with the Annual Meeting. The New Resident Social was created so that long-time residents can welcome new residents to the community and for new residents to meet their new neighbors. It was also an opportunity to receive an update on activities within and around the Village.

This year's Social featured hors d'oeuvres from *Mindy's Catering* of Washington, D.C. and a performance by the popular *Great Zucchini* for the enjoyment of our younger residents. Babysitters were provided so parents could attend the Annual Meeting.

Special thanks are extended to the Village's Community Liaison/Administrative Assistant, Grace Brock, for organizing the evening's festivities, and to the following helpers who made the New Resident Social a wonderful event: Lily Biggar, Berry Dann, Isabel Dann and Kat Baird.

As hoped, many residents remained for the Village's Annual Meeting. Board of Managers Chair Douglas Kamerow, began the Annual Meeting by presenting his State of the Village report (see next column for highlights).

The Board approved a resolution to adopt the budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 as presented by the Budget Committee and a second resolution to levy a tax on certain real and personal property under provisions of Section 6-203 of the Tax Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Committee and Commission Chairs provided updates on their respective activities during the past year. Synopses of each are included in this issue of the *Crier* (see insert).

Nominating Committee Chair, George Kinter reported that there were seven candidates running for three seats on the Board of Managers.

The Village wishes to extend special thanks to Hesketh Street resident Alice Kinter, also of the Garden Club of Chevy Chase, for providing beautiful flower arrangements for the evening. All flower arrangements came from properties and parks within the Village and were a wonderful addition to the evening.

State of the Village Report from Board Chair Douglas Kamerow Highlights & Lowlights

- New Village Manager, Shana Davis-Cook, appointed December 1, 2009.
- Triennial Resident Survey conducted in September 2009 with a response rate of 63%. Responses to the survey will guide future services, initiatives and funding levels.
- The \$1.14 million deficit projected for the current fiscal year motivated the Board to create a Budget Task Force to assist the Manager in preparation of the FY2011 budget and future budgets in expectation of further income shortfalls and expense increases. The FY2011 reflects an approximate \$422,000 deficit, and does not reflect a real estate tax increase, maintaining the constant yield rate.
- The Village continues to defend two current lawsuits: Leahy, et al vs. Montgomery County, et al (Chevy Chase Village) challenges the County's and three municipalities operation of our *SafeSpeed* Programs (the Village has modified its contract to remove any doubt that the Village's program is non-compliant with the law); and Cary M. Euwer, Jr. vs. Chevy Chase Land Company, et al (Chevy Chase Village) in which a resident on West Lenox Street is suing for adverse possession of a portion of the Cedar Parkway public right-of-way, north of West Lenox Street.
- The Brookville Road sidewalk and initiatives to replace deteriorating sidewalks and insufficient street-lighting throughout the Village are all in the planning stages and will be funded by the Village's *SafeSpeed* Program revenues. This program continues to slow drivers, resulting in fewer collisions and increased safety for drivers and pedestrians.
- The Board approved a franchise agreement with Verizon to allow installation of *FiOS* TV, internet and phone service beginning fall/winter 2010.
- The Village launched its new website last September, which was developed with the assistance of a panel of residents.
- Special thanks were made to the Public Works staff, led by Director Jerry Lesesne, for their hard work this past winter in keeping Village roads clear after record-breaking snowfalls.

The Village Hall

The Senior Corner

**Meet and Mingle— 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

On May 4th, Sandy Geller will continue her popular gathering of story tellers, “myself growing older”. Just to make it more fun, Sandy has asked us to bring along a childhood picture ourselves.

On May 18th, Troy Fox, CFP CRP, with 17 years in financial planning works with the Royal Bank of Canada in their Chevy Chase office. Troy has prepared a presentation on financial planning as it should be considered from a seniors viewpoint. In addition Margaret Nolan, CPA and personal Financial Planner, will speak to us about organizing our everyday lives. Ms. Nolan has assisted Seniors in dealing with insurance, medical and legal issues.

On June 1, we will have the usual M& M activities.

On June 15, our Estate Planning program will be held. Judy O’Hara, a well known estate planner in the Chevy Chase area will share her expertise with us and answer your questions.



Remember to mark your calendars and look for our announcements in the *Crier*, on your e-mails or for a phone call. Feel free to call me at 301-656-0597 or email at betty.oconnor@comcast.net

Betty O’Connor

Committee on Children, Youth & Families

The weekly Toddlers Group will host a Mother’s Day Party on **Thursday, May 6** from **9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** in the Village Hall. Come and enjoy snacks for the kids and coffee and bagels for mom’s and caregivers.

For more information, contact Kristen Best at (202) 460-1256 or kristenabest@yahoo.com. Keep an eye out for the Upcoming second annual Backpack Donation and ice cream social in June! More details to come in the June Crier.



2010 Resident Directory

Residents may now pick-up their 2010 Resident Directory from the Village office or Communications Center.

Board Actions—April 12, 2010 Board of Managers Meeting

Minutes: March 8, 2010—approved.

Committee Reports: Building Facilities Commission—Appointment of Pam Somers as Interim co-Chair, Elissa Powell and Roxann Steinberg. **Committee on Children, Youth and Families:** Appointment of Margaret Babbington as the Co-Chair.

New Business:

Contract Authorization Requests—Rummel, Klepper & Kahl to provide additional engineering support for the Brookville Road Sidewalk Project in the amount of: \$30,000—approved. **Mid-Atlantic Inspection Services Inc.** to provide plan review and pro-active code enforcement services (sole-source)—approved.

Supplemental Appropriation Requests—\$150,000 from tax-based reserves to Administration, Legal: General Counsel—approved. Board Election expenses: \$1,000 from tax-based reserves to Administration, Elections—approved. Permitting & Pro-Active Code Enforcement Services: \$40,000 from Administration, Personnel to Administration, Operations—Other Professional Services (*Mid-Atlantic Inspection Services*—approved. Installation of two speed humps in the block of Hesketh Street between Cedar and Magnolia Parkways: \$4,000 from *SafeSpeed* reserves to *SafeSpeed* Facilities & Infrastructure, Streets—Contracted (*Chamberlain Contractors, Inc.*)—approved pending 30-day comment period. Installation of one speed hump in the 5400 block of Center Street between the Belmont Avenue extended public right-of-way and Kirkside Drive and two speed humps in the 5500 block of Center Street between Kirkside Drive and Cedar Parkway: \$6,000 from *SafeSpeed* reserves to *SafeSpeed* Facilities & Infrastructure, Streets—Contracted (*Chamberlain Contractors, Inc.*)—approved pending 30-day comment period.

This is a synopsis of the Board’s actions. To view an archive of the approved minutes from the Board’s meetings, please visit the Village website at www.chevychasevillagemd.gov.

The Police Beat

To e-mail Police Chief Roy Gordon: roy.gordon@montgomerycountymd.gov

Seat Belts—Special Enforcement



During the Month of May, Chevy Chase Village Police will issue citations for seat belt violations as part of a statewide campaign.

The risk of being involved in a fatal crash is significantly greater at night as compared to the daytime.

- NHTSA research shows that fewer people wear their seat belts at night than during the day.

In 2007, 14,464 passenger vehicle occupants died in crashes between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 5:59 a.m., according to NHTSA research. Of that number, 63 percent were not wearing seat belts, compared to 45 percent of unbelted daytime (6:00 a.m. and 5:59 p.m.) occupants.

Depending on the hour of the day, belt use among passenger vehicle occupant fatalities can vary by nearly 31 percentage points – from a high of 61 percent at 10:00 a.m. to a low of 30 percent at 3:00 a.m.

Seat belts save lives – they are the best defense against injuries and fatalities.

- In 2007 alone, seat belts saved an estimated 15,147 lives. An additional 5,024 lives could have been saved if seat belts were worn at the time of the crashes.
- One in five Americans still fails to buckle up regularly.
- Employing safe driving practices, day and night, is the key to keeping drivers, their passengers, and other motorists on our nation's highways safe. A seat belt can mean the difference between life and death.

For additional information, please visit www.nhtsa.gov.

Our Key Program only works if we have your key! If you have not already done so, please return your house key in case you or a family member gets locked out and so the Village Police can access your home in an emergency.

CALEA Assessors Recommend Reaccreditation for the Village Police Department

The assessors for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies held an exit interview with the Village Manager, Chief Gordon, Sergeant Dasilva, Corporal Tiedemann, Public Safety Coordinator Jackie Parker, and Demetri Protos. The assessors thanked us for our hospitality and forthrightness. They commented that it was apparent to them that the public safety personnel enjoy working here and enjoy what they do. The assessors also complimented the unique programs we offer our residents and the diversity of our vehicle fleet.

The assessors concluded by stating that the agency did an excellent job complying with 316 of the 464 standards outlined by CALEA without allowing compliance to change the personality and style of the Department. Accordingly, the assessors have recommended us for our fourth reaccreditation award. The final report should be received within the next 45 days. The Commission will make its final ruling in July, which can either be in agreement, disagreement or a modification of the assessors' recommendation. The Village can be proud of the police department's achievement and nomination for its accreditation award which represents its high standards for professionalism in the Law Enforcement community. CALEA accreditation is a goal set by many agencies but achieved by few, especially those agencies the size of Chevy Chase Village.

Pet ID Program

Village officers continue to retrieve stray pets in the neighborhood. In late 2000, the Village Police Department began its Pet ID Program. Residents submit a photograph and short bio of their pet. When a stray pet is found, Communications staff review the album so the pets can be reunited with their families.

The Pet ID Program only works if your pet(s)' information is included in the pet album. If you have not already done so, please complete a Pet ID Program enrollment form, available on the Village website, for ALL of the pets in your home

For more information regarding the Pet ID Program, contact the Village Communications Center at (301) 654-7300.

Community News

Commission and Committee Vacancies

Building Facilities Commission—formulates and submits to the Board of Managers for its approval proposed rules and regulations concerning public use of the Lambert Room, Humphrey Hall and the Tuohey Conference Room, standards of the eligibility for use, hours of use, rental fees, conduct during use, permits for use, damage to equipment, building or utility and enjoyment of the Village Hall.

Previous members, Karen Spangler, Cara Medeiros and Pam Somers along with previous Commission Chair Elizabeth Bausch have opted not to renew their terms; however, Ms. Somers has been kind enough to step in as interim Chair until a new Chair is appointed. Margaret Babbington of West Irving Street, Roxann Steinberg of West Lenox Street and Elissa Leonard of Cedar Parkway were appointed to the Commission last month, but two vacancies remain. If you are interested in serving on this Commission, please contact Village Manager Shana R. Davis-Cook at shana.davis-cook@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Committee for Seniors—Chaired by Betty O'Connor of Grafton Street, this Committee serves as a liaison to the multi-community senior village group, Chevy Chase @ Home.

The Committee focus is to improve the quality of life for seniors here in our community by providing social activities, networking and resource sharing opportunities and volunteer outreach. To volunteer on this Committee, contact Betty O'Connor at (301) 656-0597 or betty.oconnor@comcast.net.

Grand Opening of Whole Foods in Friendship Heights

Whole Foods will open its doors at **4420 Willard Avenue** Chevy Chase, MD 20815 with a Bread Breaking Ceremony on **Tuesday, May 18** at 10:00 a.m.

In addition to the abundant selection of grocery items, there will be a Coffee Bar that opens at 6:00 a.m., Monday-Friday, in-house smoked bbq, a “flip” Burger Station, Gelato Bar, Pizza Station, Mediterranean “Shish” station, Hot Bars and Salad Bars perfect for breakfast, lunch and dinner. There will also be a 123-seat café with free WiFi and complimentary 1-hour parking with purchase.

Village Permitting

Due to a staffing vacancy, permitting assistance is available in the Village office during the following days and times:

Mondays: 12:00 p.m. through 3:30 p.m.
Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m. through 3:30 p.m.
Thursdays: 9:00 a.m. through 3:30 p.m.
Fridays: 9:00 a.m. through 3:30 p.m.

Due to this limited schedule, residents are asked to call in advance to Speak with Victoria “Tori” Hall before coming into the office to ensure that she is available to assist you with your permitting needs. Wayne C. Fowler will assist in-field code enforcement.

Please email permitting questions and requests to: **ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov**. All permitting forms and a list of permit fees are available on our website at www.chevychasevillagemd.gov.

We appreciate residents’ patience with this limited schedule as we seek to fill our permitting position. As always, if you have general questions or need assistance, please contact the Village at (301) 654-7300.

Village Listserve Sign-Up Instructions

1. Type *groups.yahoo.com/group/ccvillage* in your web browser.
2. Click on *Join This Group* in the blue box on the top-right side of the screen.
3. If you do not have a Yahoo! ID, click on *Sign Up* at the bottom-right of the screen. (If you are already have a Yahoo! ID, sign-in as normal.)
4. Follow the sign-up instructions.

Congratulations, you are now enrolled in the Village listserve! Now that you are enrolled, you can post and view messages from other residents on various topics. To post a new message, type *groups.yahoo.com/group/ccvillage* in your web browser, and then click on *Post* in the blue box on the left side of the screen.

Listserve are a convenient tool for sharing information; enroll in the Village listserve today!

Any residents experiencing any difficulties signing up are welcome to call the Village staff for assistance.



5906 Connecticut Avenue
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Village Board Elections
Saturday, May 8, 2010
Polls Open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mark Your Calendar!

- May 4 & 18:** Chevy Chase @ Home Meet & Mingle
- May 5:** Spring Cleaning Event
- May 8:** Board of Managers' Election
- May 16:** Block Party Fundraiser for Haiti

Article Deadline for the June 2010 CRIER: June 1, 2010.



**Public Works Department/
Trash Collection**

Resident input regarding the contracted services for trash and recycling collection is an important factor during the evaluation of these services.

The Village provides rear-door collection

of refuse and recycling as a convenience to our residents. Please leave your gates unlocked to allow access to your receptacles and remember to contact the Communications Center if either your refuse or your recycling was not collected.

On windy collection days, please weigh down the lids to your paper and trash receptacles. This small effort saves the collection crew from chasing lids and debris all over the neighborhood and ensures your lids aren't lost.

Special Pickups

Special pickups of bulk items are collected on Wednesdays. Requests must be submitted either by phone or the Village website by 2:00 p.m. on the preceding Tuesday to ensure collection.

Motor Vehicle Administration on Wheels

The MVA mobile service bus will visit the Friendship Heights Village Center from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 2010.

For further information, go on the MVA website at: www.mva.state.md.us/location/montcty.htm or call the MVA at (800) 950-1682, ext. 2.

Building Permits Issued April 2010

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|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 24 Grafton Street | Repair deck replace trellis |
| 17 Magnolia Street | Replace gutters and roof |
| 5506 Montgomery Street | Flagstone walkway, regrade |
| 5506 Center Street | Replace A/C unit |
| 6116 Western Avenue | Privacy Fence |
| 4012 Oliver Street | Replace concrete driveway |
| 5501 Park Street | Replace driveway apron |
| 4115 Oliver Street | Repair/replace driveway |
| 3921 Oliver Street | In-fill addition |
| 8 Quincy Street | Roof work |
| 37 West Lenox Street | Installation of new curb |
| 16 Primrose Street | Replace water service |
| 3 Quincy Street | Build detached garage |
| 10 East Kirke Street | Replace portion of fence |

Commission/Committee Reports Highlights from the 96th Annual Meeting

Audit: Chair Timothy Trifilo stated that the Village received a clean audit report from independent audit firm *Lindsey and Associates*, for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2009.

Budget: Chair Samuel Lawrence advised that due to a decrease in revenues coupled with an increase in expenses, the Manager projected a substantial deficit (\$1.14 million) by the end of the current fiscal year, June 30, 2010 (for more information, please see the April 2010 issue of the *Crier*). Following the Board's approval of several cost-cutting measures, the projected deficit for FY2011 is \$422,000.

Building Facilities: Acting Chair Pam Somers reported that the Commission is in transition due to the resignation of Chair Elizabeth Bausch, and Commissioners Karen Spanger, Pam Somers and Cara Medeiros. She noted that Roxann Steinberg, Margaret Babbington and Elissa Leonard had recently been appointed, but two vacancies remained. Once these remaining vacancies are filled, the Commission will focus its attention on working with the Environmental Committee regarding energy efficient lighting options for the Village Hall.

Children, Youth & Families: Co-Chair Kristen Best explained that Margaret Babbington will be taking the place of previous co-Chair Minh Le, who had co-Chaired the Committee for a few years. Ms. Best recapped some of the new events the Committee sponsored including a Haiti Fundraiser that raised almost \$8,000, entertainment and coffee for the parents at several of the weekly Toddler Groups, the Red Cross Babysitting course, a Backpack Donation & Ice Cream Social, a Book Club as well as ever-popular classic Committee events like Movie Nights and Parents' Nights Out. The Committee seeks block captains to help get the word-out and coordinate for upcoming events. Over the next year, raising money to support the Haiti earthquake relief effort will be the Committee's year-long service project.

Emergency Preparedness: Co-Chair Oliver Davidson advised that the Village was greatly prepared for the emergency situations during the two record breaking snow storms. Mr. Davidson reminded residents to get vaccinated to help prevent the flu during flu season. Village staff including Director of Municipal Operations Michael Younes, Police Chief Roy Gordon and Village Manager Shana R. Davis-Cook continue to participate in County- and State-level activities designed to protect residents in case of a possible emergency.

Environmental (*The Village Green*): Please see page 2 of the May issue of the *CRIER* to view the Environmental Committee's report from the Annual Meeting.

Ethics Commission: Chair Kate Clark stated that the Ethics Code is available for viewing in the Village office. There were no ethics violations over the previous year.

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) Local Advisory Panel (LAP): Chair Thomas Bourke explained that the LAP continues to review residents' applications submitted to the County's HPC for Historic Area Work Permits to ensure proper administration of the historic review process.

Investment Committee: Investment Committee Chair Gail Feldman advised that the investment income has decreased drastically and the Committee, along with assistance from Legal Counsel, the Finance Director Demetri Protos and the Village Manager, continue to look for sound financial investments within the parameters of the Village's Investment Policy.

Parks: Chair Alice Kinter stated that her Committee continues to oversee the general upkeep and maintenance of the Village's parks, which need more plantings, benches and professional landscape design, although there are currently no monies included in the FY2011 budget for this purpose.

Personnel: Chair David Kushner noted the wonderful job performed by the Village staff does. Mr. Kushner noted the staffing cuts and freezes reflected in the FY2011 budget.

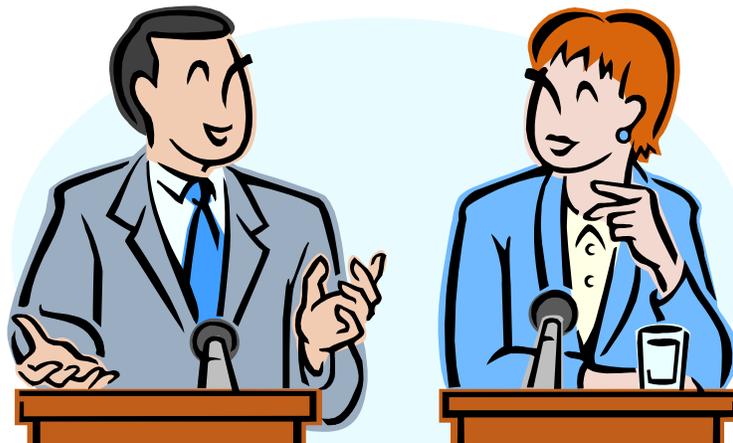
Public Safety: Chair Saul Goodman began by explaining that his Committee serves as the citizen advisory Board to the Village Manager and Police Chief overseeing both the police force and communications staff. Mr. Goodman and Chief Gordon highly encouraged residents to call in to the Village's Communications Center whenever they see, hear or sense a suspicious situation.

Public Works: Co-Chair Thomas Jackson commended Director of Municipal Operations Michael Younes, Director of Public Works Jerry Lesesne and the Public Works crew for the 600+ man hours spent during the three large snow storms this past winter. He also stated that there are two projects in the planning stages, which are sidewalk and streetlight replacements to improve pedestrian safety.

Seniors: Chair Betty O'Connor reported that the Committee for Seniors together with Chevy Chase @ Home had started a bi-weekly event called Meet and Mingle. This event gives seniors an opportunity to get out of the house and enjoy each others' company, refreshments, seminars and entertainment. Ms. O'Connor advised that, while she would like to devote more time to the Committee, she continues to seek volunteers to assist her.

Tree: Chair Bob Elliott stated that weather had delayed this spring's tree planting program; however, the Committee intends to plant approximately 20-22 trees throughout the Village in the coming weeks. Mr. Elliott welcomed resident feedback as the Committee proceeds into the spring planting program.

Candidate Forum held at the Town of Chevy Chase



Eleven neighboring communities will co-host the first public debate between incumbent Roger Berliner and challenger Ilaya Hopkins—Democratic candidates for the District 1 seat on the Montgomery County Council. The discussion will take place on **Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Lawton Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane, in the Town of Chevy Chase.

The debate is intended to help residents better know Montgomery County Council candidates and their views before the primaries on September 14. The Democratic opponents will face off on important local issues, and answer your questions. Charles Duffy, host of Montgomery Municipal Cable TV's "Political Pulse," will moderate.

Cosponsors for the District 1 forum are Citizens for a Better Bethesda, Chevy Chase Section 5, Chevy Chase Village, Chevy Chase West, East Bethesda, Edgemoor Citizens Association, Garrett Park, Martin's Additions, Rollingwood Citizens Association, the Town of Somerset, and the Town of Chevy Chase.

Become informed before the primary elections on September 14, 2010! Come out on June 1 at 6:30 p.m. to meet the candidates.

Rescheduled



Rescheduled

The Haiti Fundraiser has been rescheduled for
Sunday, May 16, 2010

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

at Triangle Park

(corner of Kirkside Drive and Oliver Street)

Bring the whole family for bbq from
Red, Hot and Blue, live music,
moon bounce, games, face painting,
bake sale, and even a doggie
grooming van. Pets welcome!!

Community service hours will be awarded to volunteers.

Please contact Margaret Babbington at
margaret@babbingtoninc.com for details.

*Please help the Committee on Children, Youth and Families
continue their commitment to raise funds for Haiti*

In the event of rain, this event will be held at the Village Hall