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Young Artists Art Show Updates

The Village will hold its Eleventh Annual Art Show in the Village Hall during the entire month of April. We are excited to announce that this year, our art show will feature artwork created by children, ages 1-18, for an art show themed, "Why I Love Chevy Chase". The artwork can be in any medium from traditional painting or drawing to the more creative such as lego sculpture or diorama! Prizes will be awarded to several outstanding young artists, including a Popular Vote category, at our closing dessert reception on Sunday, April 28th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Board Update on Ethics Ordinance and Effect on Village Election Timing

As we reported last month, the Village's renewed request for an exemption from the detailed and intrusive financial disclosure requirements of the State Ethics Law will be heard by the State Ethics Commission at its meeting on March 14, 2013, and a decision is expected at that time.

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Annual Meeting: Monday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

The Chevy Chase Village Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

The Annual Meeting is an excellent opportunity to get caught-up on issues affecting the Village. Residents who have moved into the Village during the past year are especially encouraged to attend to see their Village government in action, and to meet Village Committee/Commission members and elected officials.

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Budget and Tax Matters

Public Hearing on the Draft FY2014 Budget

The Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers held a work session on February 20 to review the proposed operating and capital budgets for the fiscal year that will begin on July 1, 2013 and end on June 30, 2014, as prepared by the Village Manager and staff. The Board will hold an initial **Public Hearing** on the draft budget and tax rate during its regular meeting on **Monday, March 18**. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Copies of the budget summary and details will be posted to the Village website by the second week in March and hard copies can be obtained at the Village office. Residents can submit comments in advance (c/o the Village office) or during the Public Hearing.

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Board of Managers' Meeting

Chevy Chase Village Hall

Monday, March 18, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Appeals

5910 Cedar Parkway

3933 Oliver Street

4 Quincy Street

11 Primrose Street

27 Primrose Street

Note: The full agenda will be available on the Village website by Friday, March 15.

April Appeal Deadline:

3/18 at 5:00 p.m.

Save these Dates for Upcoming Events:

March 5: Chevy Chase @ Home's Meet & Mingle— 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

March 18: Board of Managers' Meeting— 7:30 p.m.

April 4: Volunteer Appreciation Event and Art Show opening— 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

April 8: Board of Managers' Meeting— 7:30 p.m.

April 15: Annual Meeting— 7:30 p.m.

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5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815

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

Village Board to Consider Adoption of an Ordinance to Require Right of Way Mowing by Abutting Residents

At the January Board meeting, the Board (by a vote of 4 to 1) voted to eliminate mowing on Village rights-of-way located between the sidewalk and curb except for the area along Connecticut Avenue (which is a large State right-of-way, including a large area with double sidewalks along part of Connecticut Ave). The Board action followed a report from the Village staff and a review of resident feedback in response to cover articles in the December and January issues of the *Crier*, a home-page feature on the Village website, and weekly blast emails since early December soliciting community feedback on the potential elimination of the right-of-way mowing service. The responses received ran more than 80% in favor of eliminating right-of-way mowing, which would save the Village about \$14,000 per year.

At the March meeting the Board will consider amendments to the Village Code to implement this decision. A copy of the proposed amendments will be posted to the Village website well in advance of the meeting. Any residents with questions should contact Michael Younes at the Village office (michael.younes@montgomerycountymd.gov).

Next Round of WSSC Water Main Replacements to Begin mid-March

Over the next 9 months, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) will begin to replace, upgrade, and, in some cases, relocate almost two miles of water main lines throughout the Village.

The existing water mains are at the end of their useful lives, many of which were installed in the early 1950's. The resulting work is intended to cause a notable reduction in the number of water main breaks experienced in the Village. A listing of the affected streets and what residents can expect during construction is available by visiting the Village's website at www.chevychasevillagemd.gov and by clicking on the "WSSC Water Main Replacement Project" link under the "News" tab.

Please monitor the Village website (www.chevychasevillagemd.gov) for further updates or contact Director of Municipal Operations, Michael Younes, at (301) 654-7300 michael.younes@montgomerycountymd.gov

Volunteer Appreciation Event and Annual Village Art Show

The Village will hold its second Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event while showcasing the Eleventh Annual Art Show in the Village Hall on Thursday, April 4 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. These wonderful events are being held together in an effort to bring Village residents together. The Art Show will continue through Saturday, April 28, where a closing dessert reception and award ceremony for local youth artists will be held.

Rent the Village Hall for
your Next Event!

FORM 502 MARYLAND RESIDENT INCOME TAX RETURN

OR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING 2012, ENDING

Print Using Blue or Black Ink Only	Social Security number		Spouse's Social Security number		
	Your First Name	Initial	Last Name		
	Spouse's First Name	Initial	Last Name		
	Present Address (No. and street)				
	City or Town		State	ZIP code	
	Name of county and incorporated city, town or special taxing area in which you resided on the last day of the taxable period. (See Instruction 6)		Maryland County	City, Town, or Taxing Area Chevy Chase Village	

Tax Return Reminder

When preparing your State of Maryland tax return for 2012, please remember to enter **Chevy Chase Village** in the proper block of **Form 502/503** as shown here.



In The Village

Board of Managers' Meeting Board Actions—February 11, 2013

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes:

January 14, 2013 Regular Meeting and Executive Session—approved as amended.

Special Permit Requests:

A-6263 (Special Permit): 24 Hesketh Street. Demolish a detached garage located in the rear yard of the property—approved.

A-6267 (Special Permits): 27 Primrose Street. (a) Construct a new pair of cheek walls alongside new steps in the Primrose St. public right-of-way. The proposed walls would terminate 12" from the public sidewalk; (b) Install a handrail measuring 6' in length alongside the west side of the proposed steps. The proposed handrail would be located 2' from the public sidewalk at its closest point; (c) Install a lamp post in the Primrose St. public right-of-way. The proposed lamp post would be located alongside the west side of the proposed new walkway and would be located 9'-2¾" from the public sidewalk; (d) Replace a concrete driveway with a bluestone border the apron of which would measure a maximum of 33' in length in front of the two car garage in the rear yard of the property—approved.

Committee Appointments & Reports:

Legal Services Review Committee

Ms. Baptiste announced that the Board had accepted the Legal Services Review Committee's recommendation and has contracted with Suellen Ferguson as new outside Village Counsel.

Old Business & Status Reports:

Staff Report and Board Discussion

Landscape Maintenance Contract – Chemical Use Program. Mr. Younes provided the Board with an overview of the chemical treatments (pesticide, fertilizer, etc.) currently authorized under the Village's landscape maintenance contract. The Board directed staff to investigate alternative treatments with the current landscaping company and to report back to the Board at its next regular meeting in March.

Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan

Ms. Baptiste reported that the County Council will hold a Public Hearing on March 5 regarding the draft Sector Plan. Before it was submitted to the Council, the Planning Board increased the staff's recommended allowable height and density limits.

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Some of the development will be subject to funding for the Purple Line. Board Chair, Pat Baptiste will testify at the County Council hearing to express concern with the proposed height and density and traffic impacts of the draft Sector Plan. **Rescheduling of the March Regular Board Meeting.** The Board voted to reschedule the March Regular Board Meeting to Monday, March 18, 2013 to allow the Board to convene following its hearing on a renewed exemption request before the State Ethics Commission.

This is a synopsis of the Board's actions. To view an archive of the approved minutes, please visit the Village website: www.chevychasevillagemd.gov by clicking on Governance, Board of Managers, Board Meeting Minutes.

Contact the Village prior to beginning any building or home improvement project, including installation or replacement of driveways, fences and air conditioning units.

Email the Village office

ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov



to verify if a permit is required for your project.

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Committee/Commission Chairs and representatives will provide reports of their Committee/Commission's activities over the past year. Also at the Annual Meeting, the Board will adopt the operating budget for FY2014 (July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014) and will set the real estate and personal property tax rates for the same period. Candidates for the Board of Managers will be announced by the Elections Committee, in addition to nominations which may be received from the floor.

All residents are invited to join the Board in recapping the past year's events and accomplishments and to look ahead to the goals for the upcoming year.

In The Village

The Senior Corner

Meet & Mingle Tuesdays 2:00-4:00 P.M.

We had a wonderful turnout for our February events: “Virtual Tour of the C & O Canal” and “Family History and Genealogy”! What a wealth of knowledge our residents have shared with us.

March 17—Sunday Event. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. A St. Patrick’s Day treat!! A Guitar Master Class. David Russell, an internationally known classical guitarist, will hold his Master Class in the Village Hall. A Grammy award winner as best instrumental soloist in classical music. The International Conservatory of Music, with the co-sponsorship of Chevy Chase Village and Chevy Chase @ Home, is bringing him here to us. Please see the enclosed flyer.

March 19—St. Patrick’s Day Party. Join us for our annual M&M party celebrating with the “Wearin’ of the Green” and some special Irish treats. And we have a special guest “Elloise Schoettler”, the professional Storyteller, cable TV host, and blogger, who will spin her yarns, including some from the Emerald Isle (with a *Southern Irish* brogue). Come and join the party and bring a friend or friends along.

April 2—Sue Bogner, PhD, author of “Misadventures in Healthcare”, will give us “Practical Advice on Preventing Medical Errors”. This informative program could be a life-saver for all of us.

April 16—Judge Joan Churchill, a retired immigration judge, will speak to us on “Comprehensive Immigration Policy: Factors to Consider”. This will be a very interesting talk on a topic of concern to all of us today.

If you have any suggestions or questions, feel free to call me or e-mail me at: bettyoconnor2@verizon.net or 301-656-0597

Betty O’Connor
Chair, Village Committee for Seniors
Board Member, CC@ H

Motor Vehicle Administration on Wheels

The mobile service bus will visit the Friendship Heights Village Center Monday, March 25 from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. For more information, call (301) 656-2797 or visit: www.FriendshipHeightsmd.gov.

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A report from Board Treasurer Mr. Gary Crockett along with a summary of the proposed budget will be included in the April issue of the *Crier* in advance of the Board’s **second Public Hearing on Monday, April 8. Adoption** of the FY2014 budget and tax rates will take place during the Village’s Annual Meeting on **Monday, April 15**.

REMINDER: The Village’s primary source of revenue is the municipal share of residents’ income taxes. **Please remember to write/type “Chevy Chase Village” in the “City, Town or Taxing Area” box on your income tax return** (see page 2 of this issue of the *Crier* for an example). Doing so will NOT increase your tax liability, but **ensures that the portion of your income taxes that should be allocated to the Village will be appropriated correctly by the State**. Otherwise these monies remain with Montgomery County.

By marking Chevy Chase Village on your income tax return you assist us in continuing the services and infrastructure that have contributed toward making the Village such a wonderful community.

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As a result of the timing of the Ethics Commission meeting, **the Village Board is postponing by one week, until March 18, 2013, its regular open meeting**. It is anticipated, by that time, that the extent of the financial disclosures required of candidates for the Village Board will be determined and that prospective candidates will then be able to make a fully informed decision as to whether they wish to stand for election to the Village Board and make the required public financial disclosures. It is further anticipated that candidates will then have until the Village’s Annual Meeting on April 15 to decide whether they will make the required financial disclosures and to declare their candidacies for election to the Board. The Board, and the Village Elections Committee, will keep you apprised of further developments.

The Police Beat

To e-mail Chief John Fitzgerald: john.m.fitzgerald@montgomerycountymd.gov



Police Department Seeks Reaccreditation

Every three years, the Village Police Department undergoes intensive scrutiny to retain its nationally accredited status. In April, the Chevy Chase Village Police Department is scheduled for an on-site assessment to verify that it continues to meet hundreds of professional standards. Two non-local police chiefs (one from Hamilton, Ohio and the other from Portage, Michigan) trained to perform an audit will take a close look at our department from April 7 to April 10, 2013.

Administered by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), the accreditation program requires agencies to comply with best practice standards in four basic areas: policy and procedures, administration, operations and support services.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Monday, April 8, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The session will be conducted in the Chevy Chase Village Hall located at 5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD.

Agency employees and the public are also invited to offer comments by calling (240) 876-1493 on April 8, 2013 between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Calls will be answered by the visiting assessors.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address agency's ability to comply with CALEA's Standards. A copy of the standards is available for review 24 hours a day at the Chevy Chase Village Police Department at 5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD. For additional information about this process call (301) 654-7300 and speak with Chief John Fitzgerald or Public Safety Coordinator, Jacqueline Parker, during normal business hours or, Sergeant Adventino Dasilva during the evening hours.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the Chevy Chase Village Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia 20155 or www.calea.org.

Pick-up After Your Pet, Please!

The Police Department has recently received complaints about dog waste in public spaces. Residents are again reminded to clean up after their pets! This is not only the neighborly thing to do, it is the law. *Dogipot* plastic bag dispensers are located throughout the Village to assist pet owners in performing this unsavory duty. Violators may be fined \$100 for the first offense.



Help Us Reduce Thefts in 2013!

During the months of January and February, our police officers visited every home in the Village and delivered a crime prevention flyer with a very important message to reduce thefts. The message is simple; we ask that all residents do the following four things:

1. Lock your car every time you park.
2. Remove all valuables from your car.
3. Leave your front porch light on all night long.
4. Call the police whenever you see or hear anything suspicious.

Please incorporate the above habits into your daily routine, and together, we will reduce crime in Chevy Chase Village!

Community News

Chevy Chase Village Historic District Information

The Chevy Chase Village Historic District is designated on Montgomery County's Master Plan for Historic Preservation. For more information about what this means – including Historic Area Work Permit requirements, County and State tax credits, and other resources – call the Planning Department's Historic Preservation office at (301) 563-3400 or visit the web site at <http://montgomeryplanning.org/historic/>

Montgomery County Historic Preservation Tax Credit – deadline March 31

If you own a property in the Chevy Chase Village historic district you may be eligible for a property tax credit from Montgomery County. The County offers a tax credit equal to 10 percent of documented expenses for exterior maintenance, restoration or preservation work. Eligible work includes repairs, restoration, or preservation of exterior features of designated structures. If you did work on your house during 2012 and have the receipts you can apply by March 31, 2013. The County's web site has more information and the application: http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/historic/grants/tax_credit_programs.shtm

Energy Audit Opportunity for Historic District Property Owners

Montgomery County's historic preservation program has received a grant to provide energy audits for the owners of historic houses across the county. The audits are free to property owners, and will be performed by a state-certified home energy specialist. Home energy audits are the most effective way for home owners to identify simple, cost-effective solutions to improve the energy efficiency of their homes. Information about the program and application materials will be available at www.montgomeryplanning.org/historic and on Twitter and Facebook (see below).

Follow Montgomery County Historic Preservation on Twitter/Facebook

If you use Twitter or Facebook you can keep up-to-date about historic preservation by following @MoCoHistPres on Twitter and joining Montgomery County Historic Preservation on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Montgomery-County-Historic-Preservation/453171408043163>)

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We invite any young artist in Chevy Chase to participate in this show. This is not limited to only Village residents, but artwork must fit with the theme, and, depending on size, be framed and ready to be displayed. Interested artists should contact Elizabeth Dalgard as soon as possible.

If your child would like to exhibit artwork or if you have any questions about the show, please email Elizabeth Dalgard at edalgard@gmail.com. The deadline to reserve your child's spot in the art show is March 10.

Painting and Pizza Party

In honor of our first kids art show this year, we will be hosting a Pizza & Painting party on Thursday, March 14th at 4 pm at the Village Hall. Please join Elizabeth Dalgard for a fun afternoon of creating art for our April Art Show themed, "Why I Love Chevy Chase." All participants can enter their artwork into our show which will be hung at the Village Hall for the month of April.

Prizes will be awarded at our Dessert Reception on April 28th, including a Popular Vote category, where people can vote for their favorite works of art! Elizabeth will have 2 different sized frames available for purchase by cash or check at our painting party for \$10 or \$15. Any child is welcome to attend and submit artwork as long as they adhere to our show theme. We hope to see you all there!



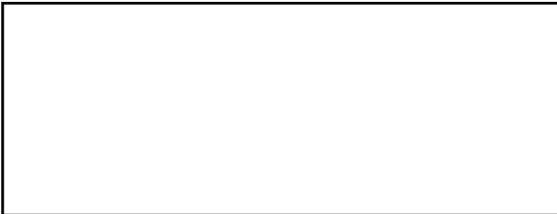
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VILLAGE MANAGER

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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 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. Please remember to move any vehicles parked in your driveway on collection day so the crew can safely access the items for collection.

Building Permits Issued in February 2013

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| 5815 Cedar Pkwy | Install gas line to house |
| 5508 Grove St. | Replace fence |
| 5513 Montgomery St. | Install a/c unit |
| 136 Grafton St. | Construct addition & portico |
| 5503 Grove St. | Construct one-story addition |
| 23 Hesketh St. | Two-story addition. |
| 5910 Cedar Pkwy | Install line underground |



**Chevy Chase Village
Streetlight Improvements
Update**

At the March 18 meeting of the Board of Managers, staff will present an update on the status of PEPCO LED streetlights and proposed streets to install sample LED streetlights. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Chevy Chase Village Cordially
Invites Residents to Attend
The 2nd Annual Volunteer
Appreciation Event!



Thursday, April 4, 2013
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
(Remarks at 7:00 p.m.)

At The Village Hall
5906 Connecticut Avenue
Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Please Join us for an evening of appreciation and art.
This is a time for us to thank all of those residents who
volunteer to make the Village such a wonderful community.
To add to the beauty of the event, the Eleventh Annual Art
Show will be exhibiting beautiful works by the Community's
youth throughout the Village Hall.
This Year's Show theme is "Why I love Chevy Chase".
Light refreshments and Wine will be served.

Chevy Chase Village

Presents

A St. Patrick's Day Party!

Wednesday, March 13

5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

at the Village Hall



Resident Volunteer Jill Watson has planned a fun-filled afternoon with games, refreshments and cookie decorating!

Be sure to wear green to celebrate
St. Patty's Day !

For ages 4 through 10

Chevy Chase @ Home Events

Chevy Chase Village Hall



Sunday, March 17, 2013

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Guitar Master Class



David Russell, an internationally known classical guitarist, and Grammy award winner as best instrumental soloist in classical music, will hold his Master Class in the Village Hall, with the co-sponsorship of Chevy Chase @ Home, and with the International Conservatory of Music.

Plan to come early to secure a seat.



Tuesday, March 19, 2013

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Come and join the party and bring a friend.