



## 2014 Special Issue Board of Managers' Election

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### Board of Managers Election to be Held

Four (4) candidates are confirmed to run for three (3) seats on the Board of Managers of Chevy Chase Village. The four candidates are:

- **Robert Goodwin, Jr. (Bradley Lane)**
- **Michael Denger (Kirkside Drive)**
- **Kimberly Fried (Oxford Street)**
- **Elissa Leonard (West Lenox Street)**

The election will be held on **Saturday, May 10, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.** at the Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

### Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers Election Procedures

Contested elections are held on the third Saturday following the Annual Board Meeting. This year that day falls on May 10. The rules governing the Village elections are set forth in the Village Charter. The Village office publishes election procedures that coincide with the rules set forth in the Charter. Copies are available at the Village office. In the event the Charter or published election procedures do not address an issue, the Village Elections Committee will take into consideration, but will not be bound by, procedures adopted by Montgomery County and/or the State of Maryland for general elections.

All votes are cast by secret ballot. **Absentee ballots are now available** upon request at the Chevy Chase Village Office for residents who will not be available to vote in person on election day. **Qualified voters must appear in person to request an absentee ballot from the Village.**

Absentee voters must place their completed ballot in the provided ballot envelope and return it to the Village office before the polls close at 3:00 p.m. on May 10, 2014.

To be considered a qualified voter, a person must be a registered, qualified voter of the State of Maryland and have resided in Chevy Chase Village for thirty (30) days prior to the election. Persons who are registered with the County, but not qualified to vote in the general elections on the date of the Village election (i.e., under 18 years of age at the time of the Village elections) are not qualified to vote in the Village elections.

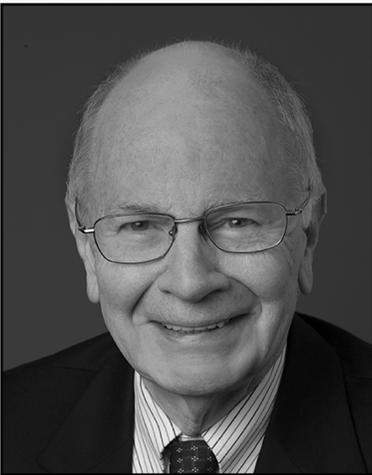
The Village Elections Committee, consisting of Village residents and Chaired by Ms. Charlotte Jones-Carroll of East Irving Street, will preside over the Village elections. The judges will verify voter names against a current Montgomery County voters list provided by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.

As each voter enters the Hall, judges will locate their names on the eligible voters list and place a check mark by each name. They will ask if the voter still resides at the address shown on the voter list. If the voter confirms residency, then the voter must sign next to their name in the voter registry. The judges will then issue a ballot. **Voters may vote for up to three (3) candidates.** After making their selection(s), the voter will place the ballot in the ballot box provided. If more than three (3) selections are made, all votes on the ballot will be disqualified.

A person who is not on the eligible voters list is considered a "Challenged Voter". If considered a "Challenged Voter," the person will be allowed to vote; however, the vote will be handled in the same manner as an absentee vote.

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# Candidate Profiles



## **Robert Goodwin, Jr.**

Bob Goodwin and his wife, Judy, have lived in the Village since 1976 and raised their four daughters here. Bob has been an MSI soccer coach, a member of the Blessed Sacrament Parish Council, and an active volunteer in activities related to his daughters' schools. He grew up on the DC side of Chevy Chase and attended Blessed Sacrament grade school and Gonzaga High School. Bob received his B.A. degree from Fordham University and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. He served as a community development Peace Corps Volunteer in rural Thailand prior to law school.

Bob has served as a member of the Board of Managers for the past year and, among his other Board duties, has served as the Board's interface with the Village Traffic Committee. Bob has been an active Board member this past year, applying his common-sense approach to issues that come before the Board. Prior to his selection to the Board he had served on the Village Traffic Committee and was also the organizer and Chair of the East Bradley Lane Traffic Committee where he led the successful ten year fight for traffic controls on Bradley Lane.

Bob believes that the Village has been exceptionally well governed and desires to see the traditions of its consultative approach to government continue while also looking for opportunities to improve Village procedures. As a resident of the eastern side of the Village Bob also believes that balanced representation of both east and west provides a valuable framework for Village governance.

Bob's skills at working effectively with others to solve issues have been amply demonstrated in the various roles he has had over his professional career including service in the Senior Executive Service, as a partner in a large firm, as co-founder of a successful international law firm, as an executive officer and director of a NASDAQ listed company with over 1,000 employees, and finally as Chair of a Department in the Graduate School of the University of Maryland University College. In all of these roles Bob has been known for his leadership and as a consensus builder and innovative thinker.



## **Michael Denger**

Mike Denger, of 5802 Kirkside Drive, and his wife, Mary, have lived in the Village for 35 years and raised their daughters—Lorna, Molly and Rachel—here. Mary and their daughters all graduated from Stone Ridge School in Bethesda.

Mike practiced law for 40 years until he retired from Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP at the end of 2010. For 15 years, he co-chaired the 100+ lawyer global Antitrust Practice Group at Gibson Dunn. He was a former Chair of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association. Since his retirement, Mike has coached the Stone Ridge Mock Trial Team and has worked with various high school debate teams.

Mike serves as Vice Chair of the Village Board. He is currently one of three Board members reviewing the Village's Committee structure. He is also working as one of two Board members helping the Parks and Greenspace Committee develop a long-range plan for Board consideration. He served as one of three members of the Village Legal Services Evaluation Committee, which, in 2011, prepared a report to the Board analyzing the Village's legal expenses, and made recommendations to reduce them.

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He was also involved in the search for and selection of new Village Counsel. Mike also served as Chair of the Village's Tree Committee in 2011-12.

In that role, he proposed a new approach to tree removal petitions (adopted by the Board in 2012) that was designed to reduce costs to the Village and affected residents while expediting the tree removal appeal process. He also recommended (and the Village Board adopted) a multiple year reforestation plan that involved planting 45 trees each spring and fall (or 90 trees each year, compared to 25 annually in prior years) to help the Village catch up with tree needs in Village rights of way and buffer areas. This plan is continuing in 2014. Mike has also worked on Village efforts to replant trees along Connecticut Avenue. He also took the lead for the Village on Financial Disclosure issues with the Maryland State Ethics Commission in 2012-13.

Mike wants to preserve those things that make the Village one of the most desirable places to live while holding the line on costs and making the Village more user-friendly for its residents.

Mike graduated from Northwestern University, where he serves on one of its National Advisory Councils, and from Harvard Law School. As a former National Debate Champion, he helped finance his law school education by coaching the debate team at MIT. He also was a founding member of the Board of the National Association for Urban Debate Leagues, which promotes interscholastic debate among students in hundreds of inner city high schools across the country. He was an officer in the United States Army Reserve.

The Dengers have been actively involved in the community. Mary has been active in numerous community and charitable activities, including the Garden Club of Chevy Chase, the Christ Child Society, the John Carroll Society and Stone Ridge, where she served as Board Chair.

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### **Kimberly Fried**

Kimberly (Kim) Fried of 107 Oxford Street has called Chevy Chase Village home for the past 22 years and along with her husband, Brandon, and two sons, Jordan (23) and Evan (19), she has enjoyed the special quality of life that the resources and neighbors of the Village have brought to her and her family.

A commercial banker in Washington for over 20 years, Kim serves as a relationship manager for BB&T, overseeing all aspects of her clients' banking relationships and creating strong, lasting ties in the local business arena since the early 1990s. Having served as an advisor for numerous businesses and nonprofits, Kim's aptitude for constructive problem solving has helped identify solutions for her clients that have helped provide better cash flow and management to their organizations. During her years in Chevy Chase, Kim has volunteered her time in a wide array of capacities throughout the local community. Through serving on the Steering Committee of the neighborhood preschool, contributing her time to various committees for her nonprofit clients, and sharing her expertise in local area business groups, her desire to serve on the Village Board is now her way of giving back to a community that has given her and her family so many reasons to proudly call Chevy Chase Village home.



Over the past two decades, Kim has watched her family grow up in the Village and as this time has gone by, has also watched as her community has grown and evolved around her as well. While no specific agenda is Kim's motivation, her hope is that she can provide a new perspective on important topics and concerns that face the Board each day. While the Village maintains a "west" and "east" side of our common municipality, it's her hope that she can provide a sense of balance on the board by representing those from both sides of Connecticut Avenue.

# Candidate Profiles



## **Elissa Leonard**

Elissa is a current member of the Board of Managers of Chevy Chase Village. She was past Chair of the Buildings Facilities Commission and has been involved in the Tree Committee, the Parks Committee and the Energy and Environment Committee.

Elissa Leonard is a filmmaker. She is currently directing a feature film screenplay she wrote, based on the true story of an ER nurse who takes on the medical establishment when she uncovers an epidemic of misdiagnosis. The film stars actress Annet Mahendru.

Elissa recently made a one-hour public awareness video on Diagnosing and Treating Vitamin B12 Deficiency in the Age of Folic Acid Fortification. She was a producer/writer at WNET-TV Channel 13's Innovation series (where she won two NY Emmy Awards), the Senior Story Editor at National Geographic Television's Explorer series, and a producer at The Educational Film Center's Powerhouse and Give and Take series.

Elissa is a member of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees of Levine Music. She is married to Jerome (Jay) Powell, a Governor of the Federal Reserve Board. They have three children, Sam (27) Lucy (24) and Susie (16). The Powells have been homeowners in Chevy Chase Village since 1998. Before that they lived in Pelham, New York 1993-1997. They lived in Chevy Chase Village 1990-1993.

Elissa received her undergraduate degree from Harvard in 1975 with a joint major in Visual and Environmental Studies and Government. She attended Montgomery County Public Schools.

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The challenged voter will be given an absentee package after the election judge writes "Challenged Voter" on the return envelope. The challenged voters will place their ballot in the ballot envelope, then place the ballot envelope inside the "Challenged Voter" envelope, sign across the seal and print their names and addresses on the front. These votes will be placed in a manila envelope or box labeled "Challenged Voter" and kept there until the vote count is conducted.

"Challenged Voter" ballots are counted only if those ballots would affect the outcome of the election.

If those ballots could make a difference, then official results will wait until Monday when registration can be verified by the Montgomery County Board of Elections. If they would not make a difference, the Village office will clarify the registration problems on the following Monday. Candidates receiving pluralities of the total number of votes cast will be declared elected.

In the event of a tie vote, another election will be held after ten (10) days notice is provided to residents by the Board of Managers.



Official Absentee Voter Card  
2014 Board of Managers Election

**I hereby certify that I will not be available to vote, in person, during the established voting hours (10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) scheduled for the Chevy Chase Village Board Election on Saturday, May 10, 2014.**

**I further certify that I am a registered, qualified voter in the State of Maryland. I am a resident of Chevy Chase Village and was residing in the Village thirty (30) days prior to the May 10, 2014 election date.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815**

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:** Office of the Village Manager  
Chevy Chase Village  
5906 Connecticut Avenue  
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815



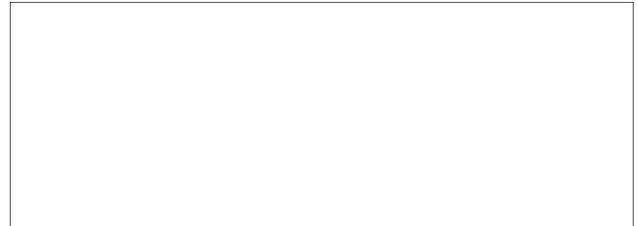
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## **Board of Managers' Election**

**Saturday, May 10, 2014**

**Polls Open 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.**

**FIRST CLASS**



## **Meet the Candidates Reception**

Residents will have an opportunity to meet and hear  
a presentation from each  
of the candidates on

**Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.**

**in the Village Hall,**

followed by a reception with light refreshments.

Residents will be allowed to address the candidates,  
so come prepared with your questions!