

SECTION THREE
VILLAGE OF
CHEVY CHASE

News & Views

JUNE 2018

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

Bulk Trash, Curbside

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

Annual Wine Tasting Event, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

Council Meeting, CCUMC Room 107, 7:45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

Bulk Trash, Curbside (postponed from July 4)

THURSDAY, JULY 12

Welcome New Neighbors Barbeque
Gazebo Park, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



WINE TASTING EVENT SLATED FOR JUNE 9

Section 3's Annual Wine Tasting Event is slated for Saturday evening, June 9, so line up your babysitters and write your checks for \$16 each to Section 3 of the Village of Chevy Chase and plan on having a great time!

We'll begin with three nice refreshing white wines at the **Nader** home on Fulton Street and from there, make our way to the **Dorsey/Williams** home at the corner of Fulton and Shepherd Streets for three cool, interesting rose wines and finally, we'll end up at the **Altamar** home on Delaware Street where we'll polish off the evening with some new red wines. What could be more fun?

Bring your own wine glasses; hors d'oeuvres will be provided by each host. Sign up fast by return email – villagemanager@chevychasesection3.org - and follow up with a check delivered to the Village Manager (3808 Raymond Street) but made out to Section 3. This is always a fun evening, the Section 3 equivalent of a "wine crawl." We look forward to seeing you. The event goes from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

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Yes!

We'll be at the Wine Tasting Event.

Enclosed is our \$16 per person check and our sign up sheet. All sign-ups and checks are due at the Village Manager's home (3808 Raymond Street) by Wednesday, June 7. You can also sign up via e-mail at villagemanager@chevychasesection3.org and follow up with a check made out to Section 3 of the Village of Chevy Chase.

Name(s)

E-mail Address for confirmation:

Enclosed is \$16 per person to defray the cost of the wine.

**In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and our desire to have our meetings open to everyone in our community, Council meetings are held at the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church which has handicapped elevator access via the parking lot entrance. We are grateful to the Church for their generosity in allowing us to use their facility each month.*

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION: NO SURPRISES

This year's Annual meeting was an opportunity for the Council to look back on the past year and forward to activities for the upcoming year. Council Chair **Bill Brownlee**, marking his 19th year on the Council, noted that "we have a unique bond as Section 3 residents—you see it every day and hear about it...someone is sick, neighbors join together without asking to provide meals for that neighbor and their family; someone has good fortune...a promotion, a recognition of their efforts at work or as a volunteer, and we celebrate that too."

Council Vice Chair **Susan Manning** detailed our successful fights to keep Brookville Road from being reclassified as a minor arterial road and instead retaining its designation as a primary residential street; our effort to dissuade County transportation planners from overloading Raymond St. by declaring in part of the master bike plan for Montgomery County; and our long-running struggle to get resolution of the problems with the condemned house at 3602 Taylor Street.

Buildings and Roads Representative **Carolyn Greis** expanded on the problems of the legal requirements of the foreclosure process for 3602 Taylor Street which has hamstrung our efforts to get the building removed. She went on to thank everyone for their cooperation last summer when we milled and paved Bradley Lane and repaired the swale there, and when we repaired portions of the road base and milled and paved parts of Georgia Street and all of Spring Street.

Ms. Greis then detailed all the building activities that have taken place in Section 3 in the past year: 1 new house, two additions, 12 fences and retaining walls, 4 dumpsters, 1 shed, 7 patios or decks, 6 driveways, 1 temporary ice rink, 1 pool, 2 porches and one set of stairs leading from a deck to grade and 6 variances. We have been busy!

She pointed out that despite some obvious "construction fatigue," what makes it easier for neighbors is that "we know our neighbors...we eat with one another, some of us vacation with one another...we are a close knit community."

We get to know our neighbors in part because of all the social activities that take place in Section 3. Council Secretary **Melissa Brown** detailed the many events we hold each year and took a moment to thank the many volunteers who make it happen—**Ellen McKenney** for her thorough job welcoming new neighbors, **Jan Augustine** for maintaining our website, this year's Easter Bunny **Mark DeLaquil**, **Jen Roberti** who manages to get

everyone in town baking for the cake walk at the Party-in-the-Park, **Scott Shuchart** who led the parade for Halloween, the **Wilson** family who take care each year to make sure the Gazebo Park is decorated for the holidays, the **Barry** family who graciously allow us to use their front lawn for all sorts of Section 3 events and all the folks who help out during the Party-in-the-Park.

We hold all the special events because we believe it's an important part of building and maintaining that sense of community. And happily, we manage our budget so that we can do these things. Treasurer **Mike Dietrich** capped off the presentations by discussing the budget (see next page) and proposing that we retain the current real property tax of two cents (\$.02) per \$100 assessed valuation and personal property tax for businesses of five cents per \$100 assessed valuation (\$.05). The Council voted to adopt both tax rates.

The budget includes moving another \$200,000 into the Capital Improvement Fund but otherwise conservatively projects income tax revenues and expenses.

Melissa Brown and Mike Dietrich won re-election with 16 votes each. The uncontested election drew a sparse crowd, but all those who voted were happy to have them both stay in office. With no controversies, the turnout this year was thin. Next year, we hope to see more of you.

All Council meetings are the second Wednesday of the month except August. We'd love to see you there and we'd love to have you see the myriad of issues that the Council addresses on any given month. We'll try and post the agenda for each meeting on our website.

The Council voted to approve the variance for a covered porch which falls into the front setback for the Manno/Vejarano family of 3810 Taylor Street. The newly elected Council members took their oath of office and the Council mutually agreed to hold the same offices for the coming year.

CHEVY CHASE AT HOME

CC@H's final June event has to do with everyone's final event: "Having the Last Word—an Obituary Writing Workshop" will be presented on the evening of Wednesday, June 20, at 7:00 p.m., at the Chevy Chase Village Hall. Sam Sloane has led this workshop numerous times and is able to put a positive and entertaining spin on what might otherwise be considered a somewhat grim subject. Pre-writing your own obit is a gift you give to those you've left behind, and this workshop will help to ensure that you've identified the things that are most important to you rather than leaving it to your loved ones to sort out.

CHEVY CHASE SECTION 3 BUDGET

| | FY 18-19 |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| INCOME | |
| Building Permits | \$4,000.00 |
| Cable TV franchise fees | \$10,000.00 |
| CCUMC trash collection | \$1,900.00 |
| County Duplication | \$31,500.00 |
| Income Taxes | \$465,000.00 |
| Interest | \$20,000.00 |
| Parking fines | \$60.00 |
| Property | \$53,091.00 |
| State Highway Tax | \$20,000.00 |
| Income total | \$605,551.00 |
| EXPENSES | |
| Accounting fees | \$15,000.00 |
| Bank Service charges | \$150.00 |
| Capital Improvement Fund* | \$200,000.00 |
| Community Promotion | \$25,000.00 |
| County Landfill Charges | \$8,000.00 |
| County Accounting fees | \$500.00 |
| Dues & Council Dinner | \$5,200.00 |
| Engineering Consult Svcs | \$12,000.00 |
| Equipment | \$850.00 |
| Grass & Trees | \$40,000.00 |
| Insurance | \$10,000.00 |
| Legal Fees | \$12,000.00 |
| Misc | \$500.00 |
| Newsletter | \$9,500.00 |
| Office Supplies | \$500.00 |
| Party-in-the-Park | \$18,000.00 |
| Payroll & Taxes | \$103,000.00 |
| Police Payroll & taxes | \$9,000.00 |
| Postage & Delivery | \$3,500.00 |
| Recycling-leaf bags, dogs | \$3,200.00 |
| Rent storage unit | \$2,650.00 |
| Snow Removal | \$20,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | \$9,000.00 |
| Street Repairs | \$10,000.00 |
| Street Signs, curbs | \$6,000.00 |
| Telephone & On-Line | \$2,000.00 |
| Waste Collection | \$84,000.00 |
| Water | \$500.00 |
| Wynne Payment | \$5,100.00 |
| Expense total | \$615,150.00 ** |
| Capital Improvement Fund*** | \$1,364,894.90 |

Our fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30.

* As of March 21, 2018

** This figure includes the allocation of \$200,000 to be added to the Capital Improvement Fund below.

*** Only a portion of this will be spent in FY 18-19.

CHANGES TO OUR ORDINANCES

In recent years, the Council has encountered a number of challenges where builders have not paid proper attention to our ordinances. This was put into sharp focus with the predicament presented by the structure at 3602 Taylor Street. In order to clarify our rules and tighten the penalties for disobeying those rules, the Council has proposed some clarifications which will result in revamped regulations. We are also going to tackle some areas that seem to present confusion for our residents.

The Council will be discussing these changes at the June meeting, so if you have thoughts and would like to participate in the discussion, we invite you to come to the meeting or communicate with the Council as to your concerns and/or preferences.

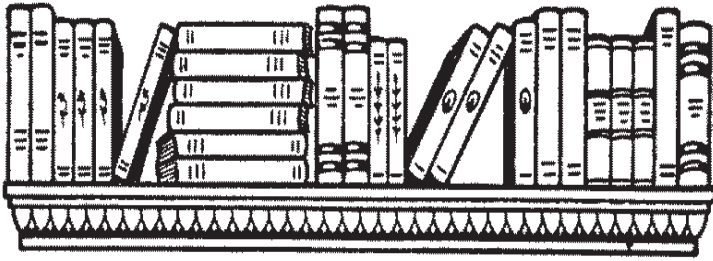
VARIANCE REQUEST

The **Woo** family of 7107 Georgia Street has requested a variance to construct a portico (a roof with columns) over their existing front stoop which will intrude approximately 4'-3" into the 30' front yard setback.

THINKING OF BUILDING AN ADDITION? A FENCE, A PATIO?



You probably need a permit...before you get too far into your planning, consider talking to the Council's representative for Buildings and Roads so that you're on the right path. Boundary surveys are required for most efforts, drainage plans are often required, and finally, if you're building something, check first to find out if you have to get a permit and/or need a variance to do what you want to do!



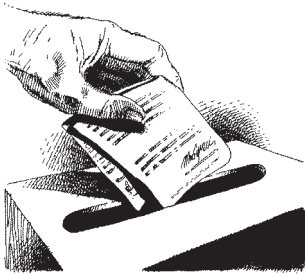
CHEVY CHASE LIBRARY EVENTS

Drop by between 10:30 am and 11:30 am on June 7 for simple toddler crafts. No registration needed. This program is supported by the Friends of the Library, Chevy Chase chapter. This is a summertime program for children of all ages and their families.

On Saturday, June 9 as part of the Summer Read and Learn Program Kickoff, Bach to Rock (B2R) Music School of Bethesda will provide a music and movement experience for young children and their grown-ups. Children will get to try different instruments. Then drop in anytime between 2:00 and 4:00 pm to make a music dreamcatcher! Also sign up for the Summer Read and Learn Program. Free! No registration necessary. This is a summertime program for children of all ages and their families.

PRIMARY VOTE IS KEY!

In 2014, the state of Maryland turnout for the primary election in Maryland was a pitiful 23% of eligible voters. We have to do better! For many offices in Montgomery County, the primary is the name of the game, so take a moment to exercise your responsibility as a citizen and vote on June 26th. If you know you are going to be busy that day, early voting at



the Jane Lawton Recreation Center in the Town of Chevy Chase will be from June 14 through 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily.

There are so many candidates and so many districts, take a moment to know what districts are yours to vote in:

Section 3 votes at the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church in Phillips Hall. There is an elevator for those who don't want to walk down the steps. Both the elevator and the stairs are located on the parking lot side of the Church. Section 3 is in Congressional District 8, Legislative District 18, Councilmanic District 1 and School Board District 3. These are important as you look at the sample ballots sent by the League of Women Voters.

Take some time and look into the backgrounds and platforms of each of the candidates and bring your own "cheat sheet" with you as there are so many names running for the same offices (vote for up to three, vote for up to four, etc). For example, for County Council at Large Seats, you can vote for up to 4 individuals—there are 33 people running for those four seats. Don't just pick the name you saw on a neighbor's lawn, look up what they have to say because our County is going to be facing some real challenges in terms of growth and planning and we have the first major turnover in Council members in many years thanks to term limitations.

Please do your research and do vote...we'd love to see a spectacular turnout in Section 3.

B-CC HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Mark your calendars for Thursday, June 21 when the B-CC High School Education Foundation will have a special event at Silver, 7150 Woodmont Avenue, Bethesda. Come for dinner and stay for a drink with the celebrity bartenders: B-CC alums and parents and Foundation board members.

Silver will donate a portion of the evening's proceeds to the Foundation, which helps all students at B-CC by funding academic support programs, grants for innovative programs and staff development.

PICK UP THE POOP PLEASE!



There is nothing more annoying than to take a walk in the neighborhood and come home with someone's dog poop on your shoes. There are seven doggie bag stations spread throughout the community so there is no excuse for folks not picking up after their dogs. Every winter we have a problem with dog owners being unwilling to bend over and pick up after their dogs...we ask that you be a considerate neighbor and if you see someone ignoring the obvious, challenge them to be a good neighbor on the spot please!



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Washington Caps Star **John Carlson** and his wife **Gina Nucci** have purchased the home at 3709 Bradley Lane. The family plans some renovations prior to moving in. This will make it possible for the two Nucci sisters, **Antoinette** on Spring Street and her sister on Bradley Lane to live in close proximity to brother Marcello in Martins Additions and parents Marcello Sr. and his wife Lorraine who live in the Town of Chevy Chase.

Section 3 has several other siblings who live or will soon live in the "hood." **Marcia Shannon** and **Walter Pennington** live next door to one another on Taylor Street and are twins. **Kim DeLaquil's** sister Liz Davis and her husband Zach and three children are soon to move to Taylor Street. As all their children play together every day, the move to Section will make the families literally even closer! We're looking forward to welcoming them to the neighborhood. It's amazing how many sisters live in Section 3: **Deborah Harris** and **Rhonda Baines**, **Lisa Jaycox** and **Tamara Kessler**, **Anjali Chaturvedi** and **Anupama Connor**, and **Pier Haffenreffer** and **Hollis Dittersdorf**. **Nathan Billig** is **Deborah Scheck's** dad, so Grandpa is right around the corner. **Josh Sherwin** and **Susan Manning** are siblings. Section 3 is only 1/10th of a square mile and we have an amazing group of related residents!

And while college fraternity brothers and sorority sisters aren't family, Section 3 has a whole group of neighbors who were drawn to our community together and continue to be friends. **Duncan Slidell** and **Weimi Duoguih** were fraternity brothers at Washington & Lee. **Angela Grossfeld**, **Colleen Leleck**, **Laura Carroll** and **Rebecca Howard** were sorority sisters at University of Maryland. And to make the connections even more solid, **Andrew Howard** and **Andrew Leleck** have been friends since childhood. Their families summered together in Bethany Beach and both went to Georgetown Prep together. Becca (Howard) and Colleen (Leleck) met their Andrews together at Summer House in Rehoboth Beach years later and both women ended up marrying the friends.

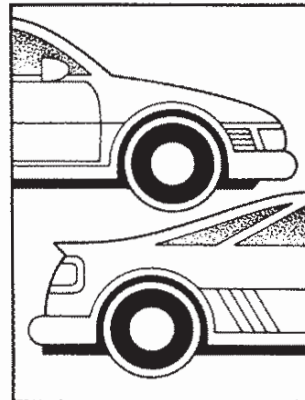
Are there other connections we haven't uncovered? It is indeed a very small world. Let us know about your connections to others in Section 3.

Congrats to **Celia Morral**, daughter of **Lisa Jaycox** and **Andrew Morral**, who will be attending Vassar College next fall. The **Sutherland** girls, daughters of **Hua** and **Andrew**, are also heading off to college in the fall: **Natalia** is going to the University of California at Santa Barbara and her sister **Maria** will be attending the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Welcome to **Erica** and **Bruce Kane** and their two girls, **Laurel**, age 14 and **Holly**, age 12, who have moved into the new home at 7104 Delaware Street. The family has been living in the area so Holly, who attends Silver Creek Middle School, knows lots of people in the area. Laurel will be starting at B-CC as a freshman in the fall, having attended Argyle, the technology magnet school here in Montgomery County.

THEY'RE BACK!

The weather is nice again so not only are the rabbits out in abundance, so are the folks who just can't wait until you forget to lock your car at night! A neighbor on Brookville Road has already had his car tossed...and you might be next if you don't remember to lock your car. Be mindful too that many of these quiet thieves of the night use that bike that you left on the lawn to make their escape to wherever they parked their car...so keep a watchful eye on those as well.



MVA ON WHEELS SCHEDULE

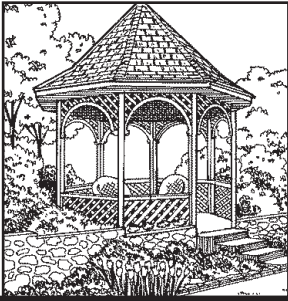
Need to get your license renewed? Get new tags for your license plate?

The MVA mobile office comes to Friendship Heights

monthly at 4433 South Park Avenue (the Village of Friendship Heights Town Hall) from 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. If you need any express services, they will be there June 25, July 30, August 20, September 24, October 29, November 26 and December 17.



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GOING AWAY?

LET YOUR NEIGHBORS KNOW WHEN AND WHERE AND HOW TO GET HOLD OF YOU. ARRANGE FOR PAPERS TO BE STOPPED AND ASK NEIGHBORS TO TAKE IN ANY PACKAGES OR MAIL THAT MIGHT ARRIVE WHILE YOU ARE AWAY. LOCK ALL YOUR DOORS AND LEAVE A KEY WITH A NEIGHBOR. LOCK THE CARS YOU ARE NOT TAKING AND LEAVE THEM IN THE DRIVEWAY IF POSSIBLE.