

SECTION THREE  
VILLAGE OF  
CHEVY CHASE

# News & Views

MARCH 2011

## CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2**

First bulk trash pickup of 2011  
Curbside

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9**

Council Meeting  
CCUMC Room 109 7:45 p.m.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 17**

Everybody's Irish Party  
Gazebo Park  
6:30—8:30 p.m.  
Snacks and liquid refreshments  
for all ages  
(see story this issue)



**MONDAY, MARCH 21**

Deadline for submissions to be on the Council  
(see story this issue)

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6**

Bulk Trash pick-up, curbside

## ST PATRICK'S DAY EVERYBODY'S IRISH PARTY: SAVE THE DATE!

Section 3 residents will come out of winter hibernation on Thursday, March 17th for the annual "Everybody's Irish" party at Gazebo Park for adults and children. So save the date!

We promise the usual assortment of "green" food—in keeping with the spirit of the day, we will offer snacks ranging from the classic Irish corned beef sandwiches to the ethnically diverse foods like green bagels, green eggs and ham, guacamole, and lots more! For children, green Gatorade is the refreshment of the moment along with milk and water and for adults, nothing but good Irish beer as a hearty refreshment!

So do a jig and come over to catch up with friends and neighbors between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. on the 17th! "May the wind be at your back."

## PLANT EXCHANGE & NEIGHBORHOOD GARDENERS GET READY FOR ACTION

As you look over your garden in anticipation of spring, think about plants you'd like to thin out that might look better in someone else's garden! With the help of garden exchange coordinator Mary Lou Steptoe, we're gearing up for a busy springtime with plants changing locations with a mere email or phone call! Her email address is [mlsteptoe@gmail.com](mailto:mlsteptoe@gmail.com). Her phone number is (301) 654-4034.

We are also looking for perennial flowers to plant in the Gazebo Park... particularly shade loving plants like hostas. If you have something you'd like to donate, contact the Village Manager at [villagemanager@chevychasesection3.org](mailto:villagemanager@chevychasesection3.org).

## CHEVY CHASE SECTOR PLAN COMMUNITY DESIGN WORKSHOP

Mark March 12 to span one hour (you pick the hour) between 11 a.m. to 4 p.m, to learn what is planned for the Chevy Chase Lake area (near Chevy Chase Supermarket and the gas stations near 8101 Connecticut Ave.). You must register in advance by contacting the planning department at (301) 495-2115. If you don't participate and learn about these plans, when they occur, you won't have anyone to complain to because the planning department is making extensive efforts to reach out to the community to get your input—now is the time and it's only an hour! To register, visit the Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan website at <http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/community/chevychaselake/>.

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*\*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.*



## COUNCIL ACTIONS

The Council met on Wednesday, February 9th at CCUMC Room 109. All Council members were present.

The Council voted to approve the minutes of the January meeting as they appeared in the newsletter.

### PUBLIC SAFETY

With the able assistance of the two new Montgomery County police officers we have contracted with to patrol our neighborhood, a survey of all the house numbers in the community has been taken to be certain that emergency services and first responders can find your home quickly. About a dozen houses were found to be missing adequate street numbers or had those numbers so obscured that it would be difficult to find. The Village Manager will be communicating with those homeowners individually.

The two officers have begun regular patrols in the neighborhood at random times, which provides coverage at all hours of the day and night.

### BUILDINGS & ROADS

The **Jennings** family has been issued a permit for a fence.

The **Butlers** at 3701 Bradley Lane are looking into possibly getting a lower bid to move the trees in front of their home to make room for the sidewalk. If they get a lower bid than the community was able to get, then we will proceed with their contractor. Because of a high-pressure gas line in the roots, the trees have to be hand dug.

The drainage survey of the dead-end street continues and no significant issues have been identified that have not already been addressed.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The Council recently opened a new CD at American Bank. The money was withdrawn from Independence Federal as the rate they offered for a "rollover" was not sufficient. The Village Manager continues to hunt for qualified banks in which to place our assets at the highest interest rates possible in this low interest environment.

### COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

The Seniors' Brunch is all set for February 19th and a reminder postcard will go out closer to the event. All the arrangements have been made for the room, the caterer and linens.

The caterer has presented a proposed menu for the

Everybody's Irish Party on March 17th (see story this issue).

Bridget Hartman, new president of the Chevy Chase Historical Society, addressed the Council to let it know of upcoming activities and a desire to work much closer with municipalities on building a collection of historical items from our communities. The CCHS will be putting together a series of on-line exhibits on the history of each of the municipalities and are working on oral histories with many of our senior community members.

She asked that we mark our calendars for Sunday, May 1st where the organization will have a three-hour, fun-filled history event for all the Chevy Chases. Further information will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

## TALK ON SCAMMING SLATED FOR CHEVY CHASE@ HOME MARCH 1

Montgomery County State's Attorney John McCarthy will talk about "Scamming: Don't Be a Victim" at the "meet and mingle" meeting sponsored by the Chevy Chase@ Home group. The free program will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall.

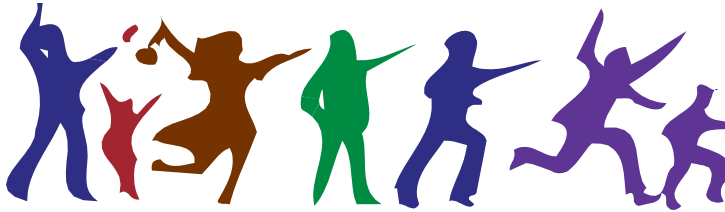


## CHIPPER YIELDS THREE TRUCKLOADS!

Last year, following the "Snowmageddon" storms, the Council decided to hire a chipper to come through the neighborhood and save everyone the trouble of independ-

ently hiring tree surgeons to come and take away all the limbs lost in the big storm. At the end of several days, we hauled off four truckloads of tree limbs via the chipper as well as a good deal of bamboo.

This year, while the storm was harsh and schools were closed, we didn't lose power in Section 3, but we did lose a lot of trees—more than many of us realized...three truckloads full in fact! The chipper's trip through the neighborhood was successful and Section 3 was able to clean up much of the mess from the storm. Thanks to all who cooperated and to our arborist, Paul Wolfe, who arranged for Bush's Tree Service to come in and take away all those fallen branches and turn them into mulch.



## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Congrats to **Judy Kearns** whose daughter, Nicole Bourgea has her art work on display at Politics and Prose bookstore. She is currently working on a series of large-scale portrait installations exploring the protective psychological instincts surrounding the experience of being noticed. If you don't have time to visit the exhibit, then visit [www.nicolebourgea.com](http://www.nicolebourgea.com) to see what talent has

been spawned by one of our own!



We note with sadness the sudden passing of the Chief of Police of Chevy Chase Village Roy Gordon of leukemia on January 28th. Chief Gordon was a great help to us all in Section 3, sending us crime alerts on a regular basis and working

with us for years when we contracted with Chevy Chase Village for police services. He served for 15 years in Chevy Chase Village, 10 of them as Police Chief. A true public servant, we will miss him.

### VARIANCE APPLICATION

Marc Weller, the developer of the new house at 3821 Bradley Lane, has applied for a variance to replace the wrought iron open work that had topped the old 4' stucco fence along Connecticut Avenue and Bradley Lane with wooden lattice work. Approval of the variance request would allow Mr. Weller to retain the 6' height of the existing fence as installed by the Nigerian ambassador (with a variance) prior to his acquisition of the property. Visually, it would allow Mr. Weller to link the taller support pillars together in a decorative yet open manner. A short demonstration span has already been installed by the developer to make sure that it achieved the design look he wanted. The Council will be voting on the variance request at the March meeting.

## SENIORS' BRUNCH A HIT

This year's Seniors' Brunch was held in a more intimate, easy-to-get-to location: the Eppworth Room of the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church. Close to 40 Section 3 seniors gathered for a delicious brunch of custom-made omelettes, bagels and pastries provided by caterer Mr. Omelette. Bright red tables gave the room a festive air. Old friends gathered to catch up and neighbors who hadn't had an opportunity to meet others were introduced.

Special thanks to the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church for allowing us to use their facilities free of charge.

## CHEVY CHASE LIBRARY

The large budget deficits facing Montgomery County have led to steep cuts in many community services, such as our local library. Chevy Chase library does not have a full time adult services librarian and budgets for books and magazines have almost been cut in half.

Did you know you can donate magazine subscriptions to the Chevy Chase Library? If you are interested, given budget restraints, this is a nice way to make a difference for very little money, all of which is deductible! Contact the library manager Mildred Nance or call her at (240) 773-9590 for more information.

If you are cleaning out bookcases or CDs and videos, consider donating them to the library. They will sell the donations and use the proceeds to fund library programs. Tax receipts are available at the front desk.



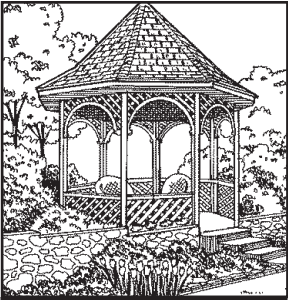
## CONSIDER RUNNING FOR OFFICE

The Section 3 Council is run by five elected officials who serve staggered two year terms. This year, the terms of Council chairman Bill Brownlee, vice chair Natasha Saifee, and Buildings and Roads Representative Carolyn Greis expire. All three indicate they will be running again.

If you would like to run for office, please submit a statement about yourself and your qualifications and why you would like to be on the Council. The statement should be between 250 and 300 words. Submit your statement by Monday, March 21st. 5:00 p.m. either via email to the Village Manager or drop it off at her home at 3801 Bradley Lane. Voting will be at the Annual Meeting, Tuesday, May 10th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Annual meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m.



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**FORM 502 MARYLAND  
RESIDENT INCOME TAX RETURN**

OR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING 2010, ENDING



**2010**  
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Print Using Blue or Black Ink Only

Social Security number <b>123456789</b>		Spouse's Social Security number	
Your First Name <b>JOE</b>	Initial	Last Name <b>DOE</b>	
Spouse's First Name	Initial	Last Name	
Present Address (No. and street) <b>1234 MY STREET</b>			
City or Town <b>CHEVY CHASE</b>	State <b>MD</b>	Zip Code <b>20815</b>	
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 <b>MONT</b>	City, Town, or Taxing Area <b>CH CH SEC 3</b>	

## TAXES TAXES TAXES

Please remember when you fill out your Maryland returns to indicate that you are a resident of Section 3 of the Village of Chevy Chase! Without that identification, we do not get our share of your income tax payments which we need to help support all the activities and services provided by your most local government.