

SECTION THREE
VILLAGE OF
CHEVY CHASE

News & Views

MAY 2007

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

Bulk household trash
Curbside pickup

MONDAY, MAY 7

CPR Class
Phillips Hall, CCUMC
6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 8

Village Elections: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Annual Meeting: 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

Bulk household trash
Curbside pickup

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

Council Meeting
CCUMC Room 10, 7:45 p.m.

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MAY ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS

Section 3's Village Manager has been busy collecting house stories...and finding reasons to call folks back, to get more information, to interview people to get additional information. There are so many wonderful stories in every house. We've even had residents call on old neighbors who used to live here to help contribute to the wealth of information we've received. Thank you! If you haven't submitted the stories about your home, it's not too late, we're continuing our search to collect as much information as possible to better understand how rich our history is. **Samples of the finished product and photographs of your house will be at the annual meeting, May 8.** Take a moment to vote and join us in the Eppworth Room which is located at the foot of the stairs near the Shepherd Street entrance to the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church. We'll also have a map with our best understanding at this time, of when each home was built according to our records and the state assessment records.



What happens at the Annual Meeting? The budget is reviewed and approved for the following fiscal year, the year's activities are summarized by each of the Council members and any pressing issues in the community are discussed. Come and join in, be a part of this very special community and the Annual Meeting. If you are concerned about not having a sitter, bring the kids along so that they can learn first-hand how to participate in democracy at home. We'll have sodas, juice and cookies for all.

CHEVY CHASE HISTORICAL SOCIETY GALA A SUCCESS!

A special thank you to **Ambassador Peter and Diane Terpeluk** of Section 3's Bradley Lane for donating the use of their lovely home for the Chevy Chase Historical Society's Annual Spring Gala in honor of Section 3's 100th anniversary. So many people in the community were involved in the planning of this event—**Helen Secrest, Susan Elwell, Evelyn Gerson**, as well as many other members and leaders of the Historical Society.

Catering by La Ferme, outdoor dining, a harpist, and even a birthday cake to the community, made this event a stunning success. Lots of Section 3 faces were in evidence at the event and a great time was had by all.

**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 evening, April 11. All Council members except **Paul Kiernan** were present.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Council is considering putting out a bid package to hire a firm to operate speed cameras on Connecticut Avenue and Brookville Road. Apropos of that interest, the Council talked with **David Mostofi** of Optotrafic about their system of speed monitoring which allows all three lanes of traffic to be monitored and ultimately ticketed. The firm has done a test on Brookville Road and discussed with the Council the possibility of doing a test on Connecticut Avenue. The Village Manager is going to do additional research on other vendors and help the Council develop a bid package for these services. In the interim, Optotrafic has agreed to do a free test set-up on Connecticut Avenue to determine the volume of speeders closer to the area near Chevy Chase United Methodist Church.

Chevy Chase Village is going to be using the contractor who was selected by Montgomery County, however that service only monitors a single lane at a time.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Council discussed the proposed budget including the fact that there was a possibility that the County's contribution to our operating budget under the heading of tax duplication might be lowered. (Note: The County Council has subsequently lowered the figure from that proposed by the County Executive).

The Council also discussed the fact that contracts for both Waste Collection and Landscaping were up for renewal. The Village Manager is working on the bid packages which will go out in early May so that the Council can make a decision at the June meeting for work to begin on July 1, the beginning of our fiscal year. Each bid package will be for a period of three years with an option to renew for a fourth year.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

Bill Brownlee reported that he was to review the patio planned by the **Corbetts** of Shepherd Street to be certain that all runoff did not adversely affect the neighbors.

It appears that the Nigerian Ambassador's residence is under contract to a private owner/occupant. As soon as more information is known, News and Views will report.

The Council discussed the efforts by the **Lanter/Brindley** family to move some trees in hopes that such an effort would satis-

fy those who had objected to their location due to visibility problems. It was determined that there is still a number of people who find the remaining trees an obstruction and a letter would be sent to the family asking them to move all the trees. Mr. Brownlee agreed to discuss alternatives with the Lanter/Brindleys and ask them to submit a new variance request by the next Council meeting.

The Council agreed with the Village Manager that Verizon's desire to bring in new lines to serve DSL, cable and telephone service should be contingent upon their agreement to take care to protect our trees, sidewalks and roadways. Special arrangements will have to be made with Verizon to climint any of damage to public and private property.

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

The Easter Egg Hunt was discussed and some suggestions were made for next year's event. The Council noted with thanks all the work done by **Evelyn Gerson** and **Kelly Virbikas** to make the event a success. Kudos to Mindy's Catering for not only preparing great food but having a wonderful staff person to assist us. Thanks to all those who helped with the set-up and take down of the tables, chairs, etc., and to the **Barrys** for the loan of their front lawn for the tent.

The House Stories project is growing with each passing day. Much more research needs to be done but it's hoped that a few sample completed house stories will be on hand for the Annual Meeting along with other information on the settlement of Section 3 and the wonderful people in it.

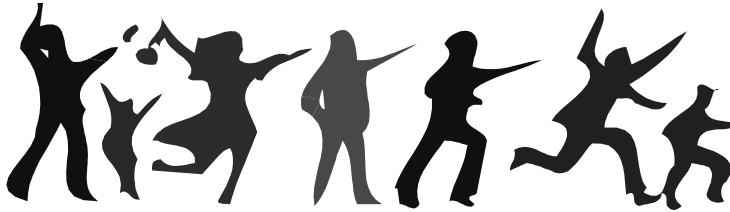
Work is progressing on possible locations for the May House Tour.

VARIANCE APPLICATION

The **Lanter/Brindley** family of Connecticut Avenue has submitted a variance to place a line of trees one foot inside their fence facing Connecticut Avenue. The variance will be taken up at the Annual Meeting.

RED CROSS CPR TRAINING FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS

If you haven't already signed up for the Infants and Toddlers' CPR class, it's not too late. The class will run two nights, three hours a night, May 7 and 14 at Phillips Hall at the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church. The fee is \$60, made payable to Section 3 of the Village of Chevy Chase. We need people to sign up in advance to be certain we have enough materials for everyone. Call the Village Manager at 301 656-9117 or e-mail her at villagemanager@chevychase3.com to sign up and then drop your check off at her house. Thanks to **Jen Roberti** for spearheading this effort. If you made a commitment to participate, please send your check in asap!



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

We have so many talented lawyers in Section 3, we missed mentioning that **David Isbell**, former head of the D.C. Bar Association, of Covington & Burling also was listed as a Super Lawyer in the area of Professional Liability: Defense. Kudos to all our lawyers...and sorry for omitting David's name from the list.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Please join Section 3 parents for a Kindergarten Round-up of those students who will be attending Rosemary Hills in the fall. This will be an opportunity to meet new families and we are also seeking to raise money for the school's playground fundraising campaign which seeks to have new playground equipment installed before September.



The event will take place on Sunday May 20th at the Methodist Church Playground on the corner of Delaware and Shepherd from 4:30 to 6:00. We are providing Pizza and popsi-cles. For more information contact Wendy Eaton (Olivia Ohrenstein's mom) at 301-986-8403 or weaton13@aol.com

RESIDENT YARD

TRASHED WITH BEER CANS

The rear yard of the **Fern** family residence on Georgia and Raymond Streets continues to be the source of unwanted dumping of beer cans. We now have a neighborhood watch group of individuals who will be vigilant regarding this thoughtless behavior. Any littering of this kind will be reported to the police. Anyone with knowledge of who might be continuing this behavior should notify the Village Manager so that appropriate action can be taken.

IMAGINATION STAGE PRODUCES "NEW KID"

If you have a 6 year old or older, take them to some live theater at Imagination Stage in Bethesda. Ticket prices range from \$10 to \$20. The play by Dennis Foon, about a Vietnamese boy who goes to America, is performed in "English and jibberish" and charts the progress of a child learning a new language and culture. For more information, contact the box office at (301) 280-1660.



BCC RESCUE SQUAD RECRUITING DRIVE



One of the nation's most impressive volunteer based rescue squads, B-CC Rescue Squad is looking for new volunteers. They seek men and women, 18 years or older, who want to respond to emergency calls and serve as a volunteer at least one night a week as an emergency medical technician, paramedic, firefighter or administrative help.

Applicants don't need any prior experience or training. Prospective EMTs, paramedics and firefighters receive free, professional training at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Academy leading to state certification, as well as annual physicals. You can receive further training in swift-water rescue, rope rescue, and confined space rescue. Administrative members help with dispatching apparatus, fundraising, public relations and other important tasks which don't require a physical exam.

If you are interested, contact the membership hotline at (301) 657-5557 or e-mail membership@bccrs.org or visit www.bccrs.org. The recruiting drive runs through September, although the squad recruits volunteer members year-round and welcomes applications for membership anytime.

NEED TO DUMP SOME HAZARDOUS MATERIALS?

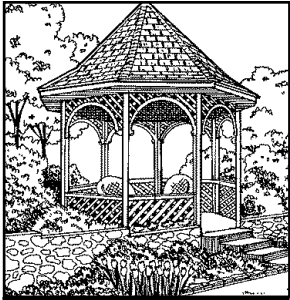
On Saturday, May 19, the Silver Spring International Middle School at 313 Wayne Avenue in Silver Spring (at Dale Drive and Wayne Ave, not far from Georgia Ave and the Beltway) will accept your noxious chemicals from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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IT'S SPRING! THAT MEANS BIKE RIDING! REMEMBER, YOU ONLY HAVE ONE HEAD...AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY REQUIRES THAT ANYONE UNDER 18 MUST WEAR A HELMET AT ALL TIMES WHEN RIDING A BIKE.

IF YOU ARE A DRIVER, BE AWARE THAT WE HAVE NARROW STREETS AND LOTS OF BIKE-RIDING CHILDREN...PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY!

IF YOU ARE A PARENT OF A BIKE RIDER, PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO TALK WITH YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT SAFE BIKE RIDING SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENTS WITH BIKES AND CARS....