SEPTEMBER 2017

NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE



Thursday, September 7 Community Relations*

Community Relations

Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Monday, September 11

Climate and Environment*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Thursday, September 14

Public Services*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Sunday, September 17

5K Run & 3K Walk Meadowbrook Park, 8:30 a.m. see page 3

Sunday, September 17

The Rockville Concert Band Lawton Center, 6-7 p.m. see page 2

Monday, September 18

Town Council Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 20

Purple Line Mitigation* Town Hall, 7 p.m.

September 23-34

Trash & Treasures see insert

Thursday, September 28

Land Use* Town Hall, 7 p.m.

TBD

Long Range Planning* see Town website

* Town Committee meeting

Message from Mayor Mary Flynn

Political, regulatory and court decisions are being made in rapid succession in support of the Purple Line light rail project, and it looks like it may finally be upon us. Informal discussions with county and state officials indicate that the Capital Crescent Trail may close for construction as early as mid-September. One of the first things to occur will be tree removal.

The Town is monitoring events, and I and fellow Councilmembers are staying in close contact to determine what Town actions and comments are appropriate.

By way of background, it is important to know that the Town's official position regarding the Purple Line was set two years ago. The Council at the time resolved unanimously to "focus the Town's efforts on mitigation of, rather than opposition to, the Purple Line." The current Council, with completely new members, has maintained this policy.

Some of the mitigation efforts that the Council has taken at the advice of the Special Committee on Purple Line Mitigation include advocating for onsite mitigation of storm water treatment and management; local, rather than remote, forest conservation measures; effective noise abatement; and safe crossing of the Purple Line tracks to the Capital Crescent Trail and B-CC High School. Records of public correspondence are posted on the Town website (www.townofchevychase.org).

The Town has developed relationships and will continue to work closely with representatives from the Maryland Transit Administration, Purple Line Transit Partners, Montgomery County Department of Transportation and others to advocate for the safest and least disruptive Purple Line along the Town's northern border. One of the most pressing things we are working on now is obtaining the latest project information that is pertinent to the Town's mitigation efforts.

If you are not already signed up to receive Town Crier updates, please sign up on the Town website to receive Town announcements. To receive updates from the Purple Line project itself, sign up at http://www.purplelinemd.com.

The Council recognizes that Town residents have strongly held opinions for and against the Purple Line. Yet most of us can agree that we all have an interest in ensuring effective mitigation of the impact of this project as it goes forward. The Council and the Special Committee on Purple Line Mitigation will remain vigilant and continue to work hard to minimize the negative effects of the construction and future operation of the Purple Line on the Town and our residents.

Neighborhood "Meet & Greets" Planned for Fall

Town Council Member Joel Rubin, who serves as the Council's Community Liaison, is planning to hold a series of neighborhood "Meet and Greets" this fall to engage residents about the Town and how the Council does its work. We will identity four neighborhood areas for outreach, including private homes to potentially host the events. The goal is to have one event each in September, October, November, and December. Each event will last approximately 90 minutes and will likely be held in the late morning on either a Saturday or Sunday.

These events will be an opportunity not only for residents to share their views of Town activities with one or more Council Members directly, but also for Town officials to discuss how residents can participate meaningfully in Town affairs. If successful, these events will continue into next year.

Seeking a Co-Chair for the Community Relations Committee

The current Chair of the Community Relations Committee (CRC) is concluding her service next year, and we are looking for someone to volunteer as co-chair who can be trained to lead this vibrant "handson" committee. The CRC is an active group of people, most of whom work full time, have families, and still enjoy planning and working on events to enhance the lives of Town residents. If you have attended the Chili Dinner, the Independence Day celebration, a movie night or the semi-annual Art Show, then you have reaped the benefit of this committee's work. If you would like these events to continue, and help plan other new events, please don't wait. Contact the Town and volunteer now to be the new co-chair. Call 301-633-2948 or email townoffice@townofchevychase.org.

TOWN DYDNTS

The Rockville Concert Band

Kick off fall by hearing Rockville's premier band, The Rockville Concert Band, play some rousing music including marches and show tunes on Sunday, September 17 from 6 to 7 p.m. on the grounds of the Lawton Community Center. The band has played in a variety of venues including the Millennial Stage/Kennedy Center, National Cathedral and two European tours. A bonus is to hear Town of Chevy Chase Councilmember Barney Rush (sax) and town resident Julie Stanish (clarinet). And, to make it a complete evening, you'll find two terrific food trucks, *Tasty Grill to Go* (Middle Eastern) and *Say Cheese* (Grilled Cheese +), that will be on site starting at 5 p.m. Come and meet your neighbors, eat some fun food and hear some terrific all-American band music. Great for young, old and everyone in between.

Veterans Town Hall Event in November

The Community Relations Committee is planning a Veterans Town Hall event to take place in November 2017. If this event is to happen, the Community Relations Committee needs to know how many veterans are living in the Town and if there is interest among our veterans in taking part. We hope to have veterans from all wars and branches of service involved.

The Town Hall event will be based on the Veterans Town Hall project that Sebastian Junger has been organizing, and Representative Seth Moulton (D-Mass) who served as a Marine lieutenant in Iraq, has espoused in Congress. You can read more about the premise of the Veterans Town Hall at http://www.sebastianjunger.com/vets-town-hall/.

If you are a veteran, please send your name and contact information to Wicca Davidson at wicca@wiccadavidson.com. The Community Relations Committee needs to have all responses by September 30 to determine if there are enough veterans living in town for this to be a meaningful event.

Save The Date ~ Flu Clinic! Tuesday, October 17, 4-7 p.m. in the Town Hall. More information will be included in the October Forecast newsletter.

AROUND CHEVY CHASE

CC@ H SEPTEMBER 2017 EVENTS

AGING IN AN ERA OF DISRUPTION AND OPPORTUNITY will be the topic of an evening program on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 7 p.m. Howard Gleckman, Senior Fellow of The Urban Institute, and President of Suburban Hospital's Board of Trustees, will discuss how we will deliver -- and receive -- aging services in a rapidly changing political, financial, and demographic environment. He will describe the key role that community-based organizations, such as Chevy Chase At Home, play at a time when we are living longer, public resources are limited, and families are shrinking. This is the last of a three-part series of lectures on health-care issues as we age. At the Chevy Chase Village Hall.

Join neighbors at Brunch Bunch on Thursday, Sept. 14, 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Olympia Cafe on Brookville Road. Everyone is welcome!

On Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2 to 4 p.m., at the CC Village Hall, CC@ H will present DANCE & MUSIC FOR PARKINSON'S: MOVEMENT, SONG & COMMUNITY. Based on a program developed by the Mark Morris Dance Group, this offers an enjoyable way for anyone - even someone using a walker - to increase coordination, flexibility, balance, freedom of movement, and strength. So come join the fun!

And in September our exercise classes, Gentle Seated Pilates and Balance and Zumba Gold will resume. Visit www.chevychaseathome.org for information and to register.

SAVE THE DATE — SUNDAY, OCT. 15, 2 TO 3:30 P.M.! Register now to hear Alexandra Zapruder discuss her recent book, Twenty-Six Seconds: A Personal History of the Zapruder Film.

Lawton Community Center Fall Schedule

This fall, Life Line Screening will offer ultrasound technology screenings at Jane E. Lawton Community Center. There are a variety of screenings, and one specifically checks the arteries for signs of plaque buildup. If you would like to have a screening or receive more information, please drop by the Community Center and pick up a flyer to pre-register and receive a special discount price, offered by Life Line. The event will be held Friday, September 29, 2017, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

We are also bringing back our popular picks: Boxing 4 Fitness and a couple of arts and crafts classes, Oil or Acrylic Painting -- Your Choice and It's A Stitch, a sewing class. Your classic favorites will be returning, 55+ Bone Builders and Bone Builders Plus (advanced), Pickleball (indoor court), Easy Yoga, Hatha Yoga & Stress Management and Pilates for Fitness. To register online for any of these opportunities, visit our website at www.ActiveMONTGOMERY.org. For specific information about the Center, please contact our front desk staff at 240-777-6855.

RunforEveryMind 5K Run & 3K Walk

Sunday, September 17, 8:30 a.m., Meadowbrook Park Run and walk through the trees and trails of Meadowbrook Park at the 2nd Annual RunforEveryMind on Sunday, September 17, 2017. For more information and to register, visit www.every-mind.org.





28th Annual Taste of Bethesda

Saturday, October 7, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Woodmont Triangle Bethesda's famous food and music festival brings 60 restaurants and five stages of entertainment to Bethesda's Woodmont Triangle. For more information, visit www.bethesda.org/bethesda/taste-bethesda.

The Town of Chevy Chase Welcomes Students Back to School!

DRIVE WITH CARE! WALK WITH CAUTION!

Please observe all posted traffic and permit parking signs in the vicinity of Chevy Chase Elementary School. Please remember that all dogs must be leashed when on school property, and owners must pick up after their pets.



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TRASH & TREASURES

The Town's fall Trash and Treasures is scheduled for the weekend of September 23 & 24. The Town offers this bulk trash pickup so that residents can dispose of items that are no longer usable, such as appliances (doors must be removed for safety), furniture, rolled rugs, mattresses, games and bikes. If the items are usable, we encourage you to review the list of Alternatives to Trash and Treasures (see reverse). We have tried to give you a variety of options.

GUIDELINES

- Please remember to bag, box or contain all of your discards.
- > Please do not put items on the curb before Friday afternoon, September 22.
- > The following items will not be picked up:
 - NO construction debris
 - NO parts of junked automobiles (engines, transmissions), boats or trailers
 - NO loose glass of any kind
 - NO firewood or fencing of any kind
 - NO paint cans
 - NO flammable or hazardous liquids or solids
 - NO recyclable items, such as newspapers, mixed paper or cardboard, landscape pots, old books and magazines, large plastic bins please recycle!
 - NO shrubbery cuttings, yard clippings, leaves or grass recycle with yard trash!

If you have questions about how to discard any of these items, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144. We will be happy to help you arrange a special pick-up for items that are not included in Trash and Treasures. There is a charge for a special pickup.

PICK UP SCHEDULE: At 7 a.m., Monday, September 25, a crew will begin clearing feeder streets to Chevy Chase Elementary School. During non-rush hours, the peripheral streets will be cleared. After these priority streets are cleared, the truck will proceed according to a pre-arranged schedule. Once a street has been cleared, the contractor will *not* return to that street. Residents who discard items after the street has been cleared will have to arrange for a special pick-up.

Hazardous Waste Disposal

The Household Hazardous Waste receiving area at the Shady Grove Solid Waste Transfer Station is located in the recycling drop-off section of the Public Unloading Area, 16101 Frederick Rd, Derwood, MD 20855. Please use the car entrance to the facility. The drop-off is open Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Household Hazardous Waste can only be received during these hours -- please do not drop off this material at other times. Batteries are accepted (alkaline batteries may be put in regular trash) as are fertilizers with herbicides; fluorescent light tubes and bulbs, including CFLs; herbicides; insecticides; mercury containing items; oil-based paints; paint thinners; pesticides; and used motor oil and most other oils. Visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling for a complete list of items accepted or for more information.

New Homes for Old Bikes

Bikes for the World's mission is to collect valuable but unwanted bicycles and related material -- parts, tools, and accessories -- in the United States and deliver them at low cost to community development programs assisting the poor in developing countries. If you have a bike you would like to donate, please take it to 11720 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD, 703-740-7856. A \$10/bike donation is suggested to defray shipping to overseas

charity partners. Receipts will be provided for all material and cash donations. For more information, please visit www.bikesfortheworld.org.

(See reverse side for Alternatives to Trash & Treasures)

ALTERNATIVES TO TRASH AND TREASURES

Donate Books

The Town will be collecting books for the Friends of the Library, Montgomery County (FOLMC) on Saturday, September 23 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Town Office. There are 17 FOLMC chapters at branches throughout the county, including Chevy Chase, Little Falls and Bethesda. Please bring gently used books (no damaged or mildewed books accepted) in a box or bag. Textbooks are welcome, but no magazines or encyclopedias will be accepted. The donations will benefit the libraries in Montgomery County.





Recycle Clothing and Home Goods

Recycle your gently used clothing and home goods and preserve our planet while helping your Montgomery County neighbors in need. The Interfaith Clothing Centers provide clothing/home goods free of charge to low income County residents. Please put items in secured plastic bags. Your donations are tax deductible. Interfaith Works

will have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on Saturday, September 23 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Donate Furniture and Household Items

If you have furniture or household items that you would like to donate, please bring them to the Lawton Center parking lot on Saturday, September 23 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. A Wider Circle collects gently-used items for families in need. Accepted items include beds, clean mattresses, dressers, tables and chairs, living room furniture, bedding, dish sets, baby items, professional clothing, and children's clothing up to size 4T. If you have items that are too large to bring to the drop-off, please contact A Wider Circle at 301-608-3504 or furnish@awidercircle.org, and they would be happy to schedule a pick-up date.

Shred Your Documents

Back by popular demand! The Town has contracted with SHRED-IT to have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on Saturday, September 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to shred paper for residents. Staples and paper clips are okay. Shred-It is bonded and insured. If you have additional questions, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144.



Recycle Electronic Equipment

The Town has contracted with *Potomac eCycle* to have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on Saturday, September 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the collection of the following electronic equipment: TVs, monitors, printers, copiers, stereos, VCRs & DVD players, camcorders, CD players, fax machines, calculators, scanners, electronic toys and microwaves. You can recycle any item with a plug. *Potomac eCycle* does not provide tax deduction receipts. If you have a question about items not listed, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144.

Donate Sports Equipment

Leveling the Playing Field (LPF) gives underprivileged children the opportunity to enjoy the mental and physical benefits of youth sports participation. They do this through the donation of used and excess sporting equipment to programs and schools serving low income communities. LPF will collect sporting equipment in the Lawton Center parking lot on Saturday, September 23 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Donate Building Supplies

The following organizations accept donations of reusable or new building materials. Please visit their websites or give them a call. For large items, both organizations will arrange special pickups.

Community Forklift <u>www.communityforklift.com</u> 301-985-5180 Habitat for Humanity <u>www.habitatmm.org</u> 301-947-3304