

**Town of Chevy Chase  
Community Relations Committee Meeting  
MINUTES  
December 16, 2009**

Meeting called to order at 7:20 pm.

Members present: Ann Wild, Kathy Strom, Scott Egloff, Julie Stanish, Bridget Hartman, Cathy Wolf

Minutes of the October 21 meeting were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Neighborhood Watch:** Scott Egloff reported that the next scheduled meeting for Neighborhood Watch is scheduled for January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Scott did happen to talk to Officer Dana Mathis who said that due to budget cuts it could mean she will be reassigned. She will try to keep us informed as to this status. Also real-time crime stats are hopefully coming to the web. These are supposed to be different than what is currently available. Because of possible budget cuts, it was proposed that the Town submit requests for Crime Watch signs. We will need to talk to the council or others about where to place signs and how many are needed. We need info on size and what they look like.

**Town Handbook.** Information on the index was sent out by Warren Rizzi. People are to send in any suggestions to Warren.

**Turkey Trot.** Bridget Hartman reports that between the town and BCC, 52 Thanksgiving dinner baskets were produced. And town teens and Linkages for Learning collected over 95 coats, scarves, etc., in their recent coat drive.

**Holiday Gift Drive.** Cathy Wolf reports that no more donors were needed for the gift drive and that she was planning to deliver the gifts the next day. It was suggested that she take photos that can be used in publicity and record-keeping.

**Manna.** Ann Wild reported that we have collected 657 lbs. of food to date.

**Bake-off.** Town Resident Erin Kopelman came to present ideas for a Town Bake-off. She suggests that there be a limited number of people at the event—but a large enough group. Also that it be limited to a specific type of baked good like pie, cupcake, etc. It was suggested by the group that we do the bake off for the Old/New Neighbors Meet and Greet on April 11, if the date is available, otherwise on April 18. Erin is willing to head up this activity and will ask Georgetown Cupcake to sponsor/judge the event.

**Spring Art Event**—Delayed discussion because Put Ebinger was not in attendance.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion and Dessert.** Climate experts are busy but still trying perhaps for Feb. Everyone is still very interested in this event.

**Community Service events.** Bridget is looking into perhaps doing something with A Wider Circle. Also a soup event was discussed for Bethesda Cares. Apparently the Town used to do this in the past. Interest in reviving this activity needs to be determined. It was decided to wait until the January meeting to decide which community service activity to pursue next.

**Membership in Committee.** Two members have dropped membership in the committee: Steve Keeble and Steve Lawton. However, the committee asked Erin Kopelman to join and she accepted.

**Appointment of Secretary for next meeting.** Scott Egloff volunteered—but since he typically has to leave early—Erin Kopelman volunteered.

**Adjournment:** 8:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Stanish