

SECTION THREE  
VILLAGE OF  
CHEVY CHASE

# NEWS & VIEWS

DECEMBER 2011

## CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
Last bulk trash pick-up of 2011, curbside

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
Council Meeting 7:45 p.m.  
Room 109 CCUMC

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
Holiday Event  
Cookie Decorating for Section 3 Children  
4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 9**  
Christmas Tree pick-up curbside  
NOTE: you can leave out your tree any Monday with yard waste. No plastic covering, this tree will become mulch

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Council Meeting, 7:45 p.m.  
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## BILL PRIGG MEMORIAL DRIVE NETS LOTS OF WARM CLOTHING!

As always, Section 3 residents were generous in their donations of warm clothing for those less fortunate. We managed to fill two SUVs with all your wonderful gifts and brought them to Martha's Table before Thanksgiving. Martha's Table operates a shop called "Martha's Outfitters." It's open only to those who qualify because of their low incomes and everyone must pay a dollar to have access to the shop to "purchase" the items they need. The dollar is all they pay for the clothing you donate.

This year we were fortunate to have a large collection of men's, women's, and even children's warm coats, sweaters, and jackets. We also donated a large collection of shoes, many, many warm hats, scarves and gloves! So many pants for women, tops for men and women, sweaters and about 16 quilts and blankets!

It's nice to know we all contributed to making others thankful at this time of the year.

## SENIORS' BRUNCH A BIG HIT

More than half of all Section 3's seniors joined together for a delightful fall brunch at the Chevy Chase Village Hall on Saturday, November 19th. Mr. Omelette served up delicious custom omelettes and pastries and coffee and juice. Neighbors who hadn't seen one another in years joined together to catch up and meet folks they've never met before.

Special thanks to Chevy Chase Village for allowing us once again to use their facilities free of charge.

## CHEVY CHASE AT HOME CELEBRATES FIRST YEAR

There are 84 paying member households of new Chevy Chase @ Home organization to help area seniors age in place. There is a cadre of trained volunteer who have helped neighbors with trips to the doctor, to the store, to do errands at the post office.

Even if you are not a member, you can volunteer to serve. The group urges those who can help with transportation to volunteer, or you can join one of the groups' many committees: communications, community service providers, development, membership, social networking and programs, and of course, Volunteer Services. If you want to volunteer, contact the group at [volunteers@chevychaseathome.org](mailto:volunteers@chevychaseathome.org) or call (301) 657-3115, or visit their website: [www.chevychaseathome.org](http://www.chevychaseathome.org)

*\*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, November 9th at the home of Council Chairman **Bill Brownlee**. All members, except **Dave Ohrenstein** who had a business conflict, were in attendance.

The Council approved the minutes of the October meeting as they appeared in the newsletter.

### PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES

There have been no arrests in the burglary to the **Miller** home on Delaware Street, but the truck that was involved in the theft and seen on Section 3 streets was recovered in Clinton, Maryland, having crashed into a house there. No suspects have been arrested however.

The Council agreed to sign the MOU with Montgomery County regarding disposal of storm damage debris in the event of a FEMA-subsidized disaster.

### BUILDINGS AND ROADS

All the utilities at 3821 Bradley Lane have now been installed. A.B. Viers is to do the final milling and paving of the disturbed areas, but, because of scheduling, may not get to it until just prior or just after Thanksgiving. The Village Manager has been working closely with the subcontractors, who took over two months to complete the sewer work instead of two weeks, as well as the Pepco and Washington Gas crews.

The developer of the property has put up a fence without a permit and violated Section 3 rules for the proper height from the front building line to the street. After repeated emails since early June and a letter from our attorney in August, the developer and the two owners will be served with citations with fines of \$500 each for failure to comply with our rules.

The head of buildings and roads for the Council, **Carolyn Greis**, indicated that the Watkins/Stone family of Georgia Street has received a permit to put up a fence at their home.

The Council voted to approve all the changes to Chapters 3, 6 & 7 regarding fees and organization of the information so that it's easier for residents to use. The effective date is November 29th. The Code of Ordinances on the website will be updated at that time.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

A number of CDs matured in October and have been reinvested at the highest available rates. The interest rate climate is poor, but the Village Manager has been able to identify some FDIC and Maryland chartered banks with relatively higher rates.

The goal is always to ladder CDs so that funds come available with regularity. Because of the higher FDIC insured amounts, we are reducing the numbers of accounts we have, which makes their management a bit easier.

### COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL

The Halloween party went off extremely well. About 18 large pizzas were consumed in just 45 minutes! Special thanks to **Felix Amerisinghe** as the pirate leader, to **Judy Corbett** and **Kit Cameron** for handing out pizzas with lightening speed and **Marion Robertson** for handing out the prizes for all the children! Thanks too to **Kelly Derrick** and **Sheba Diough** and Ruth Ann Browder for helping with the decorations.

The Village Manager reported that the contract is signed for the Seniors' brunch with Mr. Omelette and that there would be follow-up invitations in the mail to remind seniors to RSVP.

The special wine and cheese event for single women in Section 3 will take place in December.

The Warm Clothing and Blanket drive needs as much support as possible this year. The Village Manager will send out an email reminding people of the deadline before Thanksgiving.

The BCC Rescue Squad matching fund drive is going well. A reminder will be sent out as the deadline is December 1.

### OTHER

The Council discussed the problem that occurred when attendees at the pre-Halloween laser show dress rehearsal on Fulton Street thought that the bar for a private party held by the **Mandells** across the street was open to anyone. The Council agreed to send a letter to them expressing their regrets over the situation which occurred and offered to work with them to figure out a way to avoid this problem in the future.

The Village Manager discussed the need to develop a records management and records retention schedule which is required by the State Archive. This unfunded mandate means going into the storage bin, assessing all the records and taking inventory, then developing a schedule for destruction and/or retention of records which must be state approved. There are a number of other municipalities who have yet to develop a schedule and some who have. She has attended a meeting with representatives from the state archives to learn what their expectations are and will try and research what other jurisdictions that have such plans have done. She pointed out this is a monumental task. The Village rents a 5' x 10' storage bin with supplies for various events and records for every year since incorporation in 1981.

The Council agreed that the next "on line" yard sale should be next January.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.



Congratulations to the **Detleffs** on the birth of their daughter **Gianna May**, born October 10th. Brothers **Ollie, Nate and Sully** are thrilled to have a baby sister!

A special welcome to **Phil Molton and Marilou Gutierrez-Molton** and their children, **Sazehelle**, age 11 and **Carly**, age 8. They've just moved into 7007 Fulton Street after living in Singapore for the past eight years, although originally they are from Australia. He is with the World Bank.

Congratulations to the **Gormans** who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a special mass at Blessed Sacrament with all family members present and a party afterwards.

## CC LAND COMPANY MEETS WITH CACC OVER HEIGHTS, DENSITIES

In an effort to work with representatives of the community, the Chevy Chase Land Company met with a small group of representatives from the Connecticut Avenue Corridor Coalition (CACC) to discuss the Land Company's evolving thinking regarding their portion of the Chevy Chase Lake area. They presented a working model, essentially to scale, to show the masses they propose as they work through the details of their proposals. It should be noted, that the Planning Board staff has already developed their proposed plan for this same area and the two are still worlds apart, particularly as it relates to height and densities. The group hopes to continue to work with the Land Company but at first blush, their plans still call for not enough open space and buildings that are too high with densities that probably will not be supported by traffic studies.

Interested residents can contact the Village Manager or come to the next Council meeting where the plans, as they stand now, will be discussed.

## DIRECTORY UPDATE

Since the publication of the last directory a year ago, we have had 16 new families move into the Village with 22 different last names! The update enclosed here does not include all the babies who have been born since then—we'll save that for the next full update since they won't be using the phone quite yet... Remember, the month and year of birth of each child under 18 is not only a good way to find playmates, it's also a good way to find sitters!

### SEEING DOUBLE?

The newest twins to Section 3 are the **Lanpher** girls, **Jenna & Harper**, who will soon be moving into 3708 Raymond Street and soon to arrive will be another set of twin girls at the Reeves household next year on Georgia Street.

Section 3 has a long tradition of twins...starting with the homeowning generation...**Marcia Shannon** lives next door to her twin brother, **Walter Pennington**. **Kathy Rothermel** is a twin, but her sister does not live here. The **Rosses**, the **Crosses**, the **Sheridan/Stewarts** all had twins, now grown and out of the neighborhood. There may be other homeowner twins we don't know about.

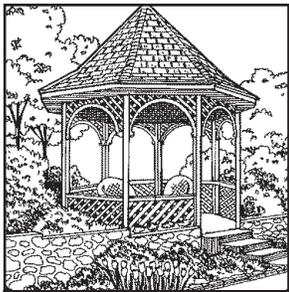
In the current crop of children of Section 3 homeowners, we have **Dahlia and Summer Saifee**; **Madison and Logan Daw**; **Phillip and Daniel Slade**; **Henry and Caroline McCullers**; **Isabel and Olivia Kessler**; **Anastasia and Annika Edelen**; **Luke and Miles Harmon**; **Kate and Christopher Kearns**; **Jonathan and Emily Leon-Salans**; **Henry and Lucy Manning**; **Haley and June Peacock**; **John and Hallie Slidell**; **Emily and Nathan Thompson**; and finally, **Leyton and Holden Trenor**. That's a lot of twins for such a small community—lots of experience for those just getting used to living with twins—and even babysitters who understand twins because they are a twin!

### SIBLINGS

In addition to **Marcia Shannon and Walter Pennington** being twins, we have a number of other homeowning siblings in the neighborhood. **Lisa Jaycox and Tamara Kessler** are sisters, and **Hollis Dittersdorf** and one of our newest residents, **Pier Haffenreffer** are sisters. **Anu Connor and Anjali Chaturvedi** are sisters. **Rhonda Baines and Deborah Harris** are sisters. **Barbara Prince** is a cousin of the **Chaps** on Shepherd Street and **Nancy Smith** on Connecticut Avenue is a cousin of **Pat Wyman** on Raymond Street. Given the fact that Section 3 is just one-tenth of a square mile, that's a LOT of relatives in a small area! No wonder it feels like a big family—it is!



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IF YOU ARE GOING AWAY FOR THE HOLIDAYS, LET YOUR NEIGHBORS KNOW, LEAVE ON SOME LIGHTS, HAVE SOMEONE TAKE IN YOUR PAPERS. IF YOU ARE AWAY DURING THE DAY, ASK A NEIGHBOR TO TAKE IN ANY PACKAGES THAT MIGHT BE LEFT ON YOUR FRONT PORCH BY DELIVERY SERVICES. DO NOT BROADCAST THE FACT THAT YOU ARE NOT AT HOME...AND MAKE SURE DOORS AND WINDOWS ARE LOCKED AND PEOPLE KNOW HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU WHEN YOU ARE GONE.

