



SECTION THREE
VILLAGE OF
CHEVY CHASE

NEWS & VIEWS

NOVEMBER 2016

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Bulk Trash Pick up, Curbside

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Council Meeting, CCUMC Room 107, 7:45 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

**Deadline for Donations of Warm Clothing & Blankets
(see story this issue)**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving

NO TRASH OR RECYCLING PICK UP

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

Bulk Trash Pickup--curbside,

Last bulk trash until March, 2017

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

Council Meeting, CCUMC Room 107, 7:45 p.m.

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ANNUAL WARM CLOTHING & BLANKET DRIVE BEGINS

Each year, in memory of a longtime Section 3 resident Bill Prigg, neighbors comb through their drawers and closets and collect gently used warm clothing and blankets for the homeless. Bill used to go downtown on cold nights to the heating grates and hand out blankets neighbors would give him for the homeless camping out in the cold. Later he worked directly with Martha's Table, a nonprofit charity downtown serving the very poor and the homeless. And so we follow his tradition and bring your donations to Martha's Table. Their shop, "Martha's Outfitters" is open only to those in need.

So as not to compete with your favorite holiday charities, we collect these items before the holiday season is in full swing but at a time when warm clothing is much appreciated. This year's deadline, always before Thanksgiving, is November 20th. That gives us enough time to sort the items and bring them downtown.

So take a look—socks are much needed for all ages, warm coats, mittens, hats, sweaters, warm pants, jackets, children's clothing and men's and women's of every size...they are all all important and you can make a difference. Drop the clothing off in plastic bags at either the front porch of the Village Manager (3801 Bradley Lane) or at the home of **John Dorsey and Kirsten Williams** where Bill Prigg used to live (3619 Shepherd Street) and where neighbors for decades dropped off donations for the homeless. John and Kirsten have graciously continued that tradition. The weather forecast predicts a cold winter.

Last year we donated two carloads full of clothing...this year let's try for three!

BRADLEY LANE TO GET NEW GAS LINE

Washington Gas will soon begin a project on Bradley Lane to replace the gas main, which dates back to 1939, with a new one. This will mean a trench will be dug in the street from 3721 Bradley Lane all the way to Georgia Street and Bradley Lane. The work will be done in segments, but there will be times when the street will be closed. Every effort will be made to keep it passable, but for those who regularly use the street, life could be difficult for about a month to six weeks. Parking on the street will also be restricted. This of course is added to the challenges presented to us by the closure of Beach Drive in Rock Creek Park and the safety closures of the red line. Plan to take a little more time and think through your route before you take it...it's going to be a bumpy ride for a while!

**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, October 12 in room 107 at CCUMC. The meeting began at 7:55 p.m. All Council members were present.

PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES

Both police patrols have done well in keeping the neighborhood safe. One of our patrols is often there early in the morning and has found four different people sleeping in cars...all there for legitimate reasons waiting to start work or sleeping before driving home due to fatigue. They continue to monitor the drivers who often ignore stop signs at Brookville and Taylor Streets.

BUILDINGS & ROADS

Carolyn Greis, Buildings and Roads representative, reported that the **Bruetman** family of 3823 Bradley Lane was issued a building permit for the construction of a gate across their driveway, for which a variance was re-issued at September's council meeting. The **Manning** family of 7005 Florida Street was issued a permit to construct a two-story addition, patio and porch at their home, for which a variance was also approved at the September council meeting. The **Guilley** family of 7010 Georgia Street was issued a permit to build a fence as well.

Taylor Rd. LLC, the developer working on 3602 Taylor Street was issued a demolition permit. They have received a county building permit for the proposed new home but has not yet applied for their Section 3 building permit as they are still working to comply with our village building requirements.

Two residents of Fulton Street came to the Council meeting to present their concerns about the location of the curb cut for the proposed new home at the dead end of the street at 7108. The Council discussed their concerns and the limitations of our ordinances vis-à-vis those concerns. The issue has also been presented directly to the builder who has promised to consult his engineers and architects to see if anything can be done.

The Village Manager indicated that she is waiting for a bid from a contractor to trim and shape all our street trees, something that has never been done in Section 3 and needs doing.

New trees will be planted before winter in the greenway on Shepherd Street and throughout the community furthering our biodiversity efforts as they proved to be so successful.

Raymond Street milling and paving is complete and miscellaneous concrete repairs throughout the community have been undertaken with minimal disruption. One driver did remove barriers on

the area between Connecticut Avenue and Delaware Street and drove on wet concrete gutters. Those gutters all had to be refinished because of the disregard for the street closure. The Village Manager reported that despite the core samples taken, Delaware Street did have a concrete foundation so rather than rebuild the entire block from Shepherd to Taylor Streets as originally planned, it was decided to mill off the top layer of asphalt, see the condition of the concrete below and do as we did on Raymond Street, cut out bad areas and replace with new concrete, then mill. She reported that about a third of the block is shown to have deteriorated, poor condition concrete and some other areas need patching which will be done the Friday following the Council meeting. One spongy area may need additional work but we will only know that when the milling is completed. Chamberlain Contractors has been very cooperative as this is a change from the original bid package and contract. Neighbors have been wonderful about cooperating and not using the street. We now have all new curb and gutter on the block and all new, wide wing driveway aprons to make it easier for residents to turn onto our narrow streets. Street marking may not happen for at least a week after the work is completed, which should be Saturday, October 15.

The Village Manager indicated that the County Council proposal to eliminate traffic studies around developments at Metro stops is still under consideration. She will draft a letter from Section 3 indicating our concern that waiving such studies could have adverse consequences and urging that this long-standing practice be retained.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The auditor has completed his work and Council members will get their copies of the annual audit shortly. Any residents who wish to review the audit can simply ask the Village Manager for a copy.

We have a CD coming due in early November but the rate climate is so poor that it's been hard to find institutions with decent rates.

The Village Council and Village Manager heard from State Senator Rich Madaleno regarding the audit of the Office of the Comptroller by the State Legislative Auditor. In order to get a more complete picture, we still need a copy of the private firm audit done for that same office prior to the one done by the Legislative Auditor because it is on the basis of that audit that Section 3 has received its local income tax revenues. If we cannot get it through our state Senator, then we will file a FOIA request for that audit.

COMMUNITY & SOCIAL

The turnout for Food Truck Night was excellent and all had a good time. One truck had an engine problem but cancelled in sufficient time so the other two trucks could bring more food. The lines

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

La Ferme has opened a new bar in the restaurant, a convenient place for Section 3 neighbors to gather for a drink and still be close to home! "Cognac," le bar, is open from 4:30 p.m. to closing with a happy hour Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Also in the neighborhood, the women's boutique, Lemon Twist, which many of you know from its many years at Chevy Chase Lake shopping center (first on the west side of Connecticut Avenue and more recently right near the Chevy Chase Supermarket) now has a new shop on the corner of Turner Lane and Brookville Road, right next to the barber shop. If you have a chance, stop in!

LEAF RAKERS WANTED

If you are a young Section 3 resident and you'd like to earn a little extra cash, let us know and we'll try and match you up with someone who needs their leaves raked. If you are a Section 3 homeowner and you want help raking leaves, let us know too and we'll try and match you up!

CHEVY CHASE AT HOME POST-ELECTION PROGRAM

Interested in exactly what a leading analyst says about the November election results? Chevy Chase At Home is sponsoring a fascinating talk by Charlie Cook, author of the *Cook Political Report*, at the Chevy Chase Village Hall on Thursday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL ACTIONS, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

were longer but no one went hungry. Go Fish Truck and Corned Beef King with desserts by Carmen's Italian Ices were all fabulous. We'll do our Spring Food Truck night in May before the swimming pools open.

We are in need of a leader for the Halloween Parade and Pizza Party. The Village Manager is working with Section 3 parents who are also parents of preschool children to decorate Phillips Hall in advance of our party on the 31st so that the preschool children can enjoy the same decorations for their party on the 28th.

The meeting adjourned at about 9:20 p.m.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN SECTION 3



Section 3 is about to get a series of major house demolitions and renovations. The **Manning** family of 7005 Florida Street is doing some renovations to their home which will expand it toward Fulton Street. A developer is about to embark on an extensive renovation of 3617 Taylor Street. Demolition is virtually complete at 3602

Taylor Street and is about to take place at 7104 Delaware Street. It won't be long before the house at 7108 Fulton Street is also demolished which means even in winter, we are likely to have trucks supplying these different building sites. Neighbors near all these locations are aware of the work about to take place or in progress. We will do our best to coordinate with builders to inconvenience our neighbors as little as possible, however, given how narrow our streets are, it's inevitable that we will ask for your patience and understanding as these homes take shape.

FOOD TRUCK NIGHT A HIT

They lined up at 5:30 and had business right away! Corned Beef King and Go Fish Truck and Carmen's Italian Ices served up delicious dinners to Section 3, Section 5 and Martins Additions residents and friends on Sunday night, October 9. Our third food truck, Just Gnocchi, broke down that morning and had to cancel but happily let us know in sufficient time so that we called the other two trucks and they stocked up to take up the slack. Everyone who participated, truck owners and their customers, left the evening satisfied, so thanks to you, we'll see them again next spring and hope that we can entice Hardy's BBQ back. Thanks to all who came. You helped make it a successful event; not to mention a fun one!

VARIANCE REQUEST

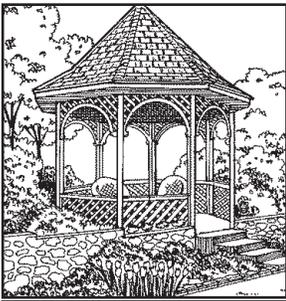
The **Weller** family of Bradley Lane requests a variance to temporarily install an ice rink in their rear yard which will extend eight feet into the 20-foot rear setback.



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IN PAPER BAGS OR BINS
THAT CAN EMPTIED**

**NO LEAF PILES, NO BLOWING INTO THE
STREET PLEASE! STREETS WILL BE
SWEEPED RIGHT AFTER THANKSGIVING.
WE'LL LET YOU KNOW THE DATE!**