



CHEVY CHASE VILLAGE CRIER

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Board of Managers' Meeting
Chevy Chase Village Hall

June 10: Resident Directory Update Forms Due

June 11 & 13: Chevy Chase@Home Events
(see article on page 6 for more information)

June 17: MVA on Wheels

July 4: 4th of July Parade to the Park & Party

July 8: Board of Managers' Meeting

August 6: National Night Out

September 9: Board of Managers' Meeting

**July Appeal/Variance Deadline:
Monday, June 17 by 5:00 p.m.**

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STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR RESPONDS TO THE VILLAGE'S REQUEST FOR REEVALUATION OF THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON CONNECTICUT AVENUE AT LENOX ST.

Early last month, the Village's Pedestrian Safety Committee submitted a letter to the State Highway Administrator, Mr. Gregory Slater, formally requesting reconsideration for either a three-color or HAWK signal to allow pedestrians to safely access the crosswalk on Connecticut Avenue at Lenox Street. This request is the continuation of the Village's years' long effort to achieve a safe crossing for pedestrians across Connecticut Avenue south of Bradley Lane.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE BOARD ACTION: ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS REGARDING ACCESS TO THE BROOKVILLE ROAD PARK DOG EXERCISE AREA

Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut Avenue

The Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers held a Public Hearing during its regular meeting on May 13, 2019 regarding use of the Dog Exercise Area at the Brookville Road Park.

The Board will hold a second Public Hearing during its regular meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019. In addition to accepting additional testimony, at this meeting the Board will consider adoption of modifications to park access, including membership sign up or a possible residency requirement. No action item has yet been designated. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The Park officially opened last summer and the Board's intention for the first year has been to monitor use and any unintended consequences that may arise. This includes noise, traffic and aggressive dogs. Park stewards have been enlisted as well as ongoing assessment by Village staff.

The Board is continuing to accept comments regarding use of the park. Residents who are unable to attend the Public Hearing on June 10 may submit written testimony for the record either by e-mail to ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov or directly to the Village office at 5906 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

**MARYLAND'S COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS
UPHOLDS MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S LAW
BANNING PESTICIDES ON LAWNS**

SUBMITTED BY THE VILLAGE'S

ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE

Montgomery County's 2015 ban on "cosmetic pesticides" for lawn care may finally be implemented. The law would prohibit the use of certain chemicals that have been linked to cancer and other conditions. The Maryland Court of Special Appeals sided with Montgomery County, reversing the Circuit Court's ruling that invalidated the County's 2015 law banning certain dangerous pesticides for cosmetic purposes on lawns.

Many county residents had opposed the 2015 legislation, worrying about the impacts the law's implementation would have on residents' ability to maintain the appearance of their lawns. The pesticide industry, lawncare companies and a trade association argued that the County overstepped their authority and that the legislation was in conflict with, and preempted by, state law. The Montgomery Circuit Court judge agreed and overturned the law in 2017. Now the Maryland Appeals Court has struck down that decision.

"This is a big win for our environment and public health", stated County Councilmember Tom Hucker, Chairman of the Council's Transportation and Environment Committee. "It affirms our County authority to protect our residents, especially our kids, from the harmful threats that pesticides and other toxins pose." The law excludes golf courses and exempts agricultural land. It does not prohibit the use of pesticides for the control of insects.

The Montgomery County government added that the County Attorney is reviewing the court's decision and how it will affect the law's implementation and will advise the Department of Environmental Protection on the timing of the enforcement. Although unlikely, the plaintiffs can still appeal the decision to the State's highest court. The Village's Environment and Energy Committee will continue to brief the Village on developments with respect to the Law's implementation and what this means for residents in practice. Stay tuned.

*Marilyn Bracken, Ph.D., Co Chair
Environment & Energy Committee*

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

MAY 2019

3718 Bradley Lane	Convert a deck to a screened porch
11 West Irving Street	Replace two A/C units located in the side yard
5409 Center Street	Replace an A/C unit located in the rear yard
124 Grafton Street	Construct rear terrace
14 Hesketh Street	Replace A/C unit located in the side yard
35 West Lenox Street	Reduce and replace front walkway and terrace
15 West Irving Street	Replace an A/C unit located in the side yard
22 Hesketh Street	Construct new piers, fence and gates
5419 Center Street	Replace fencing in rear yard
29 West Irving Street	Install fencing in rear yard

WHEN THE POWER GOES OUT...

When a power outage occurs, it is important for all residents to call the following two phone numbers:

- 1. PEPSCO at 1-(877) PEPSCO-62 / 1-(877)-737-2662**
- 2. Village Communications Center at (301) 654-7300**

If the power is restored and goes out again in a matter of minutes, the above two phone calls must be made again so the new outage is registered.



GARDEN TIP OF THE MONTH:

Remove spent lilac and rhododendron blossoms. Pinch the bulbs of fall blooming plants (Asters, Mums and Joe Pye Weed). Prune azaleas immediately after blooming.

*BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE
VILLAGE'S PARKS & GREENSPACES COMMITTEE*

COMING SOON: 2019 RESIDENT DIRECTORY

It's that time of year again to update the Village Resident Directory. Letters have gone out for all residents to confirm or update their contact information. Please return to the Village Hall or complete online **by June 10, 2019**. Copies of the 2019 Directory will be available at the 4th of July Event.

...Continued from the cover article, "State Highway Administrator Responds to the Village's Request for Reevaluation of the Pedestrian Crossing on Connecticut Avenue at Lenox Street."

These efforts led to the 2016 installation of a painted pedestrian crossing and flashing beacon at Lenox Street. Despite concentrated enforcement efforts and education programs geared at both pedestrians and drivers, the community continues to feel that the crossing is unsafe.

In late May, the Village received a formal response from Mr. Slater, which can be viewed on the Village's website. In summary, Mr. Slater states that he has directed the SHA District 3 Traffic office to perform a new study of the location to evaluate and recommend pedestrian safety enhancements. The letter states that the analysis should take up to 60 days to complete, at which time the findings and recommendations will be shared with the Village.

As we await the results of SHA's analysis, residents are reminded to **CROSS WITH CAUTION** when using the pedestrian crosswalk on Connecticut Avenue at Lenox Street. This pedestrian crosswalk is **NOT A THREE-COLOR SIGNAL**, therefore, **THERE IS NO RED LIGHT** that will signal drivers along Connecticut Avenue to stop. Drivers are not required to stop for the flashing beacons nor are they required to stop while a pedestrian remains on the curb.

When using the crosswalk, please remember the following:

- Wait for a break in traffic.
- Press the button to activate the yellow flashing beacons.
- An audible message will play alerting you that the flashing beacons have been activated (please remove earbuds and head phones so you can hear this message) and will continue for the duration of the flashers' activation: "Yellow flashers activated for Connecticut; cross with caution".
- **TRAFFIC IS NOT REQUIRED TO STOP** unless a pedestrian is within the crosswalk.
- **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CROSS UNLESS YOU ARE SURE THAT IT IS SAFE TO DO SO.**
- The flashing beacons may stop flashing before you are able to completely cross Connecticut Avenue. The beacons are programmed to flash for 32 seconds, which may not provide sufficient time for pedestrians to wait until it is safe to cross and safely do so.

Village Police continue to monitor for driver compliance, but it is abundantly important that pedestrians use the crosswalk with utmost care and caution and that drivers heed the flashing lights and remain alert for pedestrians in the crosswalk.

DO I NEED A PERMIT?

If you are thinking of installing a generator, starting a renovation, constructing an addition, beginning a landscape or storm water management project or any other exterior home improvement projects, please contact the Village office to determine what permits may be required. There are County and Village building regulations that may apply.

Contact the Village office at: (301) 654-7300 or ccvpermitting@montgomerycountymd.gov.

When in doubt, reach out!



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Administrative office and Public Works Department will be **closed** on **Thursday, July 4** in observance of Independence Day. The Communications Center and Police Department remain open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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<https://www.facebook.com/CCVillage>

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BOARD ACTIONS:

MAY 13, 2019 BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING

Approval of Previous Board Meetings' Minutes

April 8, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting - *approved*

Variance Request

• **A-7480 (Variance) 34 West Kirke Street:**

- a) Maintain a terrace which was constructed and which encroaches a maximum of three feet, one inch (3'-1"); and
- b) Construct proposed steps which would encroach a maximum of four feet, two inches (4'-2") both forward of the twenty-five (25) foot front (Cedar Parkway) building restriction line. - *withdrawn by the applicant.*

Matters Presented for Board Consideration and Possible Action

- **Resolution No. 05-01-19:** A Resolution of the Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers, adopting the revised 2018 Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan. - *adopted as drafted*
- **Resolution No. 05-02-19:** A Resolution to amend, ratify and confirm the Village Investment Policy. - *adopted as drafted*
- **Resolution No. 05-03-19:** An Ordinance to adopt traffic and parking controls as authorized by Chapter 13 "Traffic Control Generally", Sec. 13-3. "Restriction of Traffic and Parking" on Hesketh Street, Kirkside Drive, and Brookville Road. - *adopted as drafted*

Contract Authorization Request

Motion to authorize the Village Manager to extend the contracts for Refuse & Recycling, Consulting Arborist, Consulting Landscape Architect Design Services and Janitorial Services. - *approved*

Purchase Authorization Request for the FY2020 Capital Budget

Motion to purchase two hybrid police cruisers to replace existing vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$76,000 (\$38,000/cruiser) from Hertrich Fleet Services under the Howard County Maryland contract. - *approved*

Committee Matters

Tree Ordinance Board: Board appointment of Elizabeth Tyndall of East Melrose Street to serve as a member for a three-year term expiring April 2022, Susan Kirby of East Lenox Street to serve as a member to complete a term expiring April 2021 and Kate O'Scannlain-Johnson of Grove Street to serve as an alternate member for a two-year term expiring April 2021. - *approved*

This is a synopsis of the Board's actions. To view an archive of the approved minutes, or to listen to audio recordings of the most recent Board Meetings, please visit the Village website: www.chevy Chase Village MD.gov by clicking on "Board of Managers Meetings" under the header "Quick Links" on the homepage.

Next Regular Board of Managers' Meeting: Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

WELCOMING OUR NEWEST BOARD MEMBER: LINDA WILLARD

Linda Willard lives in Chevy Chase Village with her husband, Stephen, and her three children, Stephen, John Talbott and Julia. Linda and her family moved from Washington, D.C. to the Village in 2010. Linda is an environmental and legislative attorney who has worked in both public and private practice. She was a counsel to the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, and she was an attorney at Verner, Liipfert and Sullivan & Worcester. She has served most recently as a counsel and senior policy adviser for the TCH Group.

She has been a tireless volunteer in her children's schools, serving for the past two years as Secretary to the St. Albans School Parents' Association and for the past six years as Co-Chair of the Book Fair at Beauvoir School. With her husband, she donated time and resources to the Smithsonian and the Washington National Cathedral. In 2018, Linda was a candidate for Delegate to the Maryland General Assembly.

Linda has an undergraduate degree in History with a minor in Theology from Georgetown University and a law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.



THE POLICE BEAT

E-mail Police Chief John M. Fitzgerald: john.m.fitzgerald@montgomerycountymd.gov

MOVING?

EXPECTING A LARGE TRUCK DELIVERY?

Residents are encouraged to contact the Communications Center to have temporary 'No Parking' signs installed in front of their home when moving in/out of the Village or when expecting a large truck delivery.



No Parking signs will be posted at least one day prior to the move or delivery date as a courtesy to notify neighbors that the parking spaces are needed to accommodate a large truck for a specified period of time as posted on the signs.

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Our Key Program only works if we have your key! If you have not already done so, please return your house key in case you or a family member gets locked out and so the Village Police can access your home in an emergency.
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PET ID PROGRAM

Village officers continue to retrieve stray pets in the neighborhood. In late 2000, the Village Police Department began its Pet ID Program. To participate, residents simply submit a photograph and short bio of their pet. When a stray pet is found, Communications staff will review the Pet ID files to reunite the pet with its family.



The Pet ID Program only works if your pet's information is included in our pet album. If you have not already done so, please go to www.chevy ChaseVillageMD.gov and complete the Pet ID Program enrollment form provided under the "Forms" menu for ALL of the pets in your home (including dogs, cats, birds, ferrets, guinea pigs, hamsters, rabbits, etc.).

Pets that cannot be identified are turned over to the Montgomery County Animal Shelter. Digital photos can be emailed to ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov.

For more information, contact the Village Communications Center at (301) 654-7300.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE FOR VACATION...

If you will be away from home for more than twenty-four hours, contact the Communications Center at (301) 654-7300 to arrange for a house check. House check requests can also be submitted via the Village's website at www.chevy ChaseVillageMD.gov (click on "Police Services" under the "Police" tab).

For added security, the Police Department recommends having mail held at the Post Office by completing **PS Form 8076**. In addition, if you expect a package from either UPS or FedEx, please leave a neighbor's address with the Communications Center so they may receive your packages.



The summertime volume of packages and mail received in the Communications Center often exceeds the limited space available. Your assistance is appreciated!

STAY ALERT!

Schools will be out for summer soon

With schools soon letting out for the summer and an abundance of warm weather on the way, please be mindful of children riding bicycles and playing outside.

Important Reminder: Water Safety for Kids

Remember to keep a sharp eye on your children when they are near a pool or any other body of water. According to the CDC, every day about ten people die from unintentional drowning (non-boating related) in the United States. Of these, two are children aged 14 or younger. That means that over 700 children 14 or younger drown each year in the U.S. Drowning ranks fifth among the leading causes of unintentional death in the United States.



COMMUNITY NEWS

THE SENIOR CORNER

June is here and we welcome summer – the months of vacations and relaxation. We have a few programs to help you enjoy summertime here in the Village.

Tuesday, June 11 - 2:00-4:00 PM - Reid Dunavant, Senior Vice President of Doyle Auctioneers DC/ Mid-Atlantic Regional Auctioneer Office will share a fascinating presentation of his experiences behind-the-scenes of the Antiques Road Show, where he served as an appraiser from 2004-2016. He will also give us his reflections and opinions on the current antiques market, and answer some of your questions. Come and bring a friend – it will be an interesting program.

Thursday, June 13 - 10:00-11:30 AM - The “Brunch Bunch” You are also invited to drop into the Olympia Café to join friends and neighbors for brunch and friendly conversation. Purchase a cup of coffee or other beverage and “sit and chat” with other drop-in friends.

****FOR THE SUMMER – SAVE THE DATES****

Tuesday, July 23 - 2:00-4:00 PM - Summer Movie - Julie and Julia - this is a 2 hour film, but so entertaining (we will try to have a short intermission). As usual, we will serve popcorn and drinks. Bring your friends and enjoy the summer break.

Tuesday, August 13 - Annual Ice Cream Social - we will have ice cream and, for those who love the “floats” of yesteryear, root beer. Our start time and entertainment information is “TBD”. Mark your calendars.

September - Murray Horwitz will offer us a fascinating evening with his varied experiences. More information will be featured in next month’s issue of the *Crier*.

Our programs here in the Village are open to everyone. We bring informative and entertaining events to you in cooperation with Chevy Chase Village and Chevy Chase@Home.

If you have suggestions, ideas or topics that you would have us offer, please call or e-mail me at 301-656-0597 or bettyoconnor2@verizon.net.

Betty O'Connor
Chair, Village Committee for Seniors

JOIN THE CREW; *THE COMPOST CREW*

- Food-waste recycling--otherwise known as “composting” is a great way to reduce your carbon footprint and greenhouse emissions while returning nutrients to our soil and food system.
- The Village has partnered with *The Compost Crew* to provide low-cost household collection of food-waste. *The Compost Crew* provides each household with an airtight bin and compostable bags; all you have to do is separate your organic waste and leave the bin by your trash and recycling receptacles for collection on the designated day for weekly pick-up. The collected waste is processed at a composting facility in Maryland and, after six months of service, households can request that a portion of your contributed waste be returned in the form of rich, finished compost or nutrient-rich soil.
- For more information regarding the household composting collection service, including current rates, please visit the “Food Waste Recycling Program” page on the Village website under *Quick Links* on the homepage. The more households that sign-up, the cheaper the service is for all, so sign up today!

MAINTAINING RIGHTS-OF-WAYS

Spring is *finally* here and that means shrubs and plantings are set to bloom. Take a walk around your property...are all of the public sidewalks surrounding your property clear of low-hanging branches, overgrown bushes and vines? Is the grass in the right-of-way and tree box area mowed and maintained at less than ten inches in height? Does any shrubbery block sight lines for vehicles?

Be a considerate neighbor (and comply with the Village Code) by mowing the grass and pruning back any overgrowth that interferes with pedestrian use of the sidewalks abutting your property. Clearing these obstacles will continue to make the Village pedestrian, stroller, and bicycle friendly and safe for all.

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL BLAST(S)

Urgent News Blast are emergency alerts that are sent out only on an as-needed basis. **General News Blast**, which are geared toward community events, Board Meetings, etc. will be sent out weekly. To subscribe: Visit the Village’s website at www.chevychasevillagemd.gov and click notify me.

VILLAGE TEENS

Village teens are available for a variety of services. Please email the Village office at ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov to add a teen to the list and to make changes.

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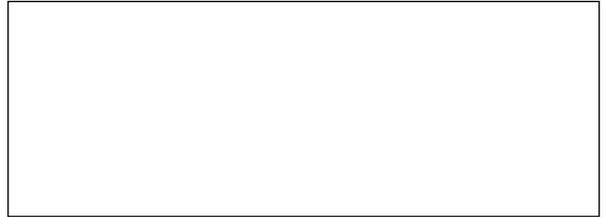
*Join your neighbors for the
4th of July Parade to the Park!
See the enclosed flier for details.*

BOARD OF MANAGERS

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VILLAGE MANAGER

Shana R. Davis-Cook



TRASH & RECYCLING COLLECTION; SPECIAL PICK-UPS

Resident input regarding the contracted services for trash and recycling collection is an important factor during the evaluation of these services. Please contact the Village office to provide your feedback.



The Village provides rear door collection of refuse and recycling as a convenience to our residents. Please leave your gates unlocked to allow access to your receptacles and remember to contact the Communications Center if either your refuse or recycling were not collected.

Special Pickups of bulk items are collected on Wednesdays. Requests must be submitted either by phone or through the Village website by 2:00 p.m. on the preceding Tuesday to ensure collection.

During the week of July 4th, Special Pickups will not be impacted by the holiday and collections will be made on **Wednesday, July 3**. Requests for collection must still be submitted by **2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 2**.

HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR REFUSE AND RECYCLING

Week of Independence Day: July 1 - 6, 2019
(NO CHANGE: Monday, July 1 to Wednesday, July 3)

IF YOUR NORMAL COLLECTION DAY IS...	YOUR COLLECTION DAY WILL BE...
Thursday	Friday (7/5)
Friday	Saturday (7/6)

*Rent the Village Hall
for your Next Event!*



The mobile service bus will visit the Friendship Heights Village Center along Friendship Boulevard on **Monday, June 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** For more information, call (301) 656-2797 or visit www.FriendshipHeightsmd.gov