

Forecast

NOVEMBER 2015

NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE

Bethesda Sector Plan Workshop – November 3

The Long Range Planning Committee (LRP) will host a public workshop on November 3 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Town Hall to discuss the Bethesda Sector Plan, its implications to the Town, and our Town's related initiatives. Tricia Daniels and Grant Davies, co-chairs of the LRP, will moderate this workshop.

The Bethesda Sector Plan, a twenty year plan for downtown Bethesda that addresses land use and density, urban design and character, open space, mobility, and environmental quality, has significant potential impacts for Montgomery County, Bethesda and our Town.

The Town Council recently voted to approve a position statement, posted on the Town's website, on potential development of the public parking lots adjacent to the Town as part of the Bethesda Sector Plan. Council member Fred Cecere, liaison to the LRP, has presented the Town's position to the Planning Board, which will hold additional work sessions on the Bethesda Downtown Plan before sending it to the County Council for approval.

Public Hearing on Town Ethics Law

On November 11, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on an ordinance to amend the Town's public ethics law. The proposed ordinance, which was introduced at the Council's October meeting, would continue to allow for write-in candidates for Town elective office, but would require a successful write-in candidate to file a financial disclosure statement within 7 days following certification of election results. The Town ethics law currently does not specify when a successful write-in candidate must file a financial disclosure statement. The law imposes a pre-election filing requirement only on those candidates who file a nominating petition to have their name appear on the ballot, but write-in candidates need not file a nominating petition. A complete copy of the proposed ordinance is available on the Town website and in the Town Office.

If you are unable to attend the November 11 Council meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall, you may submit comments on the proposed ordinance to the Town Office at 4301 Willow Lane or by email to townoffice@townofchevyCHASE.org.

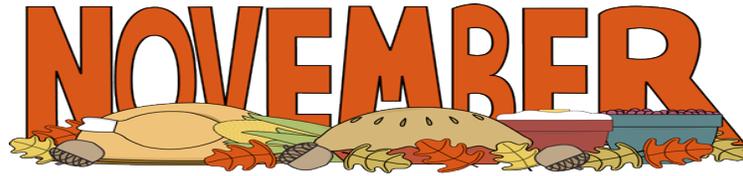
Mayor's Message Al Lang

The Town's Community Relations Committee is now clearly full speed ahead: 4 events were held in October, including the Joel Rubin Iranian Treaty discussion and the walk with Tolbert Feather, Town arborist. Three events are planned for November. Family Movie Night is back and there are 2 important opportunities where we can help others: contributing clothing during the cold winter months, (November 1 through January 31), and being generous so others may enjoy Thanksgiving. Details are in this Forecast.

While our focus continues on our 3 priorities -- Bethesda Sector Plan, (please see adjacent column), Town's revenues analysis, and Purple Line mitigation efforts, I am working with staff to address the October Forecast's simpler rules, simpler times message. As an example, all too often, residents who wish to undertake simple renovations to their homes, such as replacing non-conforming front steps or porches, have to jump through hoops to obtain a variance from the Town. Amending the variance process, by allowing administrative approval for certain requests, can go a long way towards simplifying your lives and saving you time and money.

I close by announcing we will hold a Bill Hudnut event, to thank and honor Bill, former Council Member and Mayor, for his diligence and dedication to TOCC. Details will be forthcoming.

NOVEMBER



- November 1 - 17 – 7th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets Drive, Town Hall
November 1 - January 31 – Winter Outerwear Clothing Drive, Town Hall
Thursday, November 5 – Community Relations Committee, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Monday, November 9 – Climate and Environment Committee, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, November 11 – Council Meeting, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, November 11 – Veterans Day Holiday, Office Closed
Thursday, November 12 – Public Services Committee, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Friday, November 13 – Movie Night for Families, Town Hall, 6 p.m.
Monday, November 16 – Long Ranges Planning Committee, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, November 17 – Purple Line Mitigation Ad Hoc Committee, Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, November 17 – Land Use Committee, Lawton Center, 7 p.m.
Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27 – Thanksgiving Holiday, Office Closed

TOWN UPDATES

Holiday Trash Collection

Household and yard trash will be collected on Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11. Household trash will not be collected on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26, but will be collected on your next regularly scheduled trash day.

Leaf Collection

Leaf collection has begun and will continue through the second week of December. Please rake leaves to the edge of the curb to be vacuumed. Leaves must be free of debris such as sticks, bottles, cans and rocks. A map of the leaf collection schedule can be found on the Town website at

www.townofchevy Chase.org



Town Teen List

For the most current list, please email townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or call the Town office at 301-654-7144.

Committee Members 2015-2016

In the October Forecast, the following names were inadvertently omitted from the Committee and Board Member Roster for 2015-2016: Chandrani Ghosh, Climate and Environment Committee; Alex Okuliar and Julie Stanish, Community Relations Committee; and John Murtagh, Long Range Planning Committee. Andy Hill was appointed to the Purple Line Mitigation Ad Hoc Committee on October 7, 2015.

TOWN EVENTS



Movie Night for Families

Friday, November 13, 6 p.m., Town Hall

Toy Story 1 is the featured flick at Movie Night for Families on Friday, November 13. Toy Story was the first feature-length, computer-animated film and the first theatrical film produced by Pixar. It was released by Walt Disney Pictures in 1995 and it is now widely considered by many critics to be one of the best animated films ever made. Showtime is 6 p.m. Pizza drinks, & popcorn will be available. Space is

limited, so please RSVP at [301-654-7144](tel:301-654-7144) or by email to townoffice@townofchevyCHASE.org. Parents must accompany their children throughout the movie.

Winter Outerwear Clothing Drive

November 1 - January 31

The Town's Community Relations Committee, working with the Lawton Community Center, is collecting clean, gently-used or never used warm coats, gloves, mittens, scarves, hats, and heavy sweaters, pants, and socks to donate to local charities serving those in need. Clothing boxes for your donations are in the Town Hall (Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and the Lawton Community Center (Monday thru Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday until 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.)

Stage Kiss at Round House Theatre

Thursday, December 10, 7:30 p.m.

Join your friends & neighbors for an evening at the Round House Theatre on Thursday, December 10 at 7:30 pm. The play, *Stage Kiss* by MacArthur Fellowship recipient Sarah Ruhl, follows two actors with a past, cast as romantic leads in a 1930's melodrama, who, as events unfold, begin to blur the line between the stage & real life. We'll gather at 7:15 pm in the patron's lounge at the theater before the show for distribution of tickets. There will be a post-show discussion, which all are welcome to join. Round House is at 4545 East-West Hwy, 1 block from Wisconsin Ave. The price of discounted tickets is \$30. Please RSVP at [301-654-7144](tel:301-654-7144) or by email to townoffice@townofchevyCHASE.org. Organized by the Community Relations Committee.



AROUND CHEVY CHASE

November with CC@Home

Tuesday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 17, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. -- Chevy Chase At Home invites you to unlock your inner artist at this 2-session workshop with local artist Millie Shott, who will teach you how to "Make A Memorable Mosaic Plaque" at the Chevy Chase Village Hall. Millie will bring most of the supplies, but asks that participants bring any broken pottery or glass they may have at home. Those chipped bowls or handleless teacups that you couldn't bear to toss might just become part of a memorable work of art!

Thursday, November 12, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. -- Brunch Bunch will hold its monthly get together at the Olympia Cafe on Brookville Road. Drop in and buy a breakfast treat or just a cup of coffee and join the conversation at the CC@ H table.

Pilates, Zumba Gold -- Drop in opportunities available. For more information, please call 301-567-3115. And as 2015 begins to wind down, consider becoming a CC@ H Member, volunteer, or donate for next year. We are your community senior village -- neighbors helping neighbors stay at home. Please visit our website to learn more at www.chevyCHASEathome.

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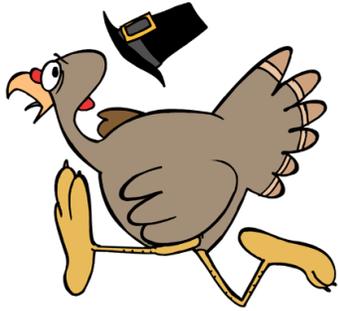
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Town Crier

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Alert TOCC

The Town is pleased to offer **Alert TOCC**, which notifies subscribers with a phone call in the event of Town service interruptions or Town responses to emergency situations, including water main breaks, snow removal issues, etc. This optional service is offered in addition to the existing Town Crier e-mail alert system and Town website. To subscribe to this service, visit the Town website, www.townofchevyCHASE.org, or call the Town Office at 301-654-7144.



7th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets

Sponsored by
Town of Chevy Chase
B-CC High School
Lawton Community Center

*Serving families in need
through the YMCA Linkages to Learning of Montgomery County*

Here's how you can help!

- **Drop off/mail a check payable to YMCA-YFS** starting November 1 through November 20 to the Town Hall (4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase, MD 20815), Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. All donations welcome!
 - \$25 purchases a turkey
 - \$50 purchases groceries
 - \$75 purchases an entire Thanksgiving dinner
- **Drop off/mail a gift food card** from Giant Food or Safeway to the Town Hall. All donations welcome!
- **Drop by the Town Hall on Saturday, November 21 from 1 to 3 p.m.** to assemble or decorate dinner baskets. All Town residents are welcome and will be put to work!
- **Can't get to the Town Hall or have questions?** Contact the Town's Community Relations Committee by calling the Town Office at 301-654-7144 or Bridget Hartman (bridget@hartmanjr.net) or Georgia Guhin (gbguhin@gmail.com).

This year, Town residents will help 80 families in Montgomery County receive a bountiful Thanksgiving meal. Please support this community effort.

