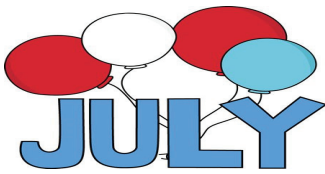




Forecast

JULY 2017

NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE



Tuesday, July 4
Independence Day
Picnic & Parade

Lawton Center grounds
12-2 p.m.

Thursday, July 6
Community Relations*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Monday, July 10
Climate and Environment*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 13
Public Services*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 13
Bethesda Downtown Plan*
Lawton Center, 7 p.m.

Monday, July 17
Long Range Planning*
Lawton Center, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 19
Purple Line Mitigation*
Lawton Center, 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 27
Land Use*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Monday, July 31
Town Council
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 18
Town Council
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

* Town Committee meeting

Message from Mayor Mary Flynn

I was thinking that summer is a time when many neighbors move into their new homes, and how our Community Relations committee members take the initiative to personally welcome new residents with a tote bag full of good information.

On further contemplation, it made me appreciate how much we depend on volunteers to make the Town such a desirable place to live. With so much justifiable focus on the Special Committees for the Bethesda Downtown Plan and Purple Line Mitigation, I'd like to take a moment to recognize the work of our five standing committees. Please join me by thanking our volunteer members and chairs, and consider volunteering this year. It's a great way to meet people and the Town can always use new ideas and another set of hands!

Many residents asked the Town to sign onto the Paris Climate agreement, as hundreds of mayors have already done. Elizabeth MacDonald, who chairs the **Climate and Environment** committee, reported that they are looking at ways to make the Town's signature meaningful and not just a gesture. They are excited to develop programs that reinforce the importance of thinking globally and acting locally.

Dedun Ingram and Craig Brooks led the **Land Use** committee for many years. This year they focused on comparing stormwater management requirements in the Town with those set by the County, and on a possible curb cut ordinance to reduce the impact of high-rise development at the Town's border. This committee deals with complex issues, and they handle them all with great care.

Prior to being elected to the Town Council, Joel Rubin chaired the **Long-Range Planning** committee. This committee discussed ways to gauge resident sentiment and address long-term challenges. They are eager to prioritize feedback and develop strategic policy recommendations to support the Council.

Dave Eason is the long-standing chair of the **Public Services** committee. Among many other things, they hosted a public meeting to receive resident feedback regarding the Town's permit parking policies. They will stay busy considering safe access across the Purple Line to the Capital Crescent Trail and maintaining safe streets when construction projects begin at the Town's borders.

I end where I started, with the very active **Community Relations** committee. They organize many community-building events to reach residents of all ages and interests. Wicca Davidson chairs this committee and is currently looking to train a co-chair. Even if you haven't served on the committee before, Wicca assures me that anyone can step up.

Thank you to all our committee chairs and volunteers, and welcome to our new neighbors! I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer and look forward to celebrating our nation's independence at the Town's annual Fourth of July celebration. See the details on page 2.

TOWN EVENTS

Independence Day Picnic and Parade

Tuesday, July 4, 12-2 p.m., Lawton Center Grounds

12 p.m.: Parade & Dixieland Band

The parade will begin at 12 p.m. led by the Dixie Land Trio. Come to the Lawton Center at 11:30 a.m. to decorate your bikes, scooters, wagons, and baby carriages. The Town will provide decorating supplies.



12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.: Picnic

Town residents will be treated to barbeque catered by *Red, Hot & Blue* and the famous *Ben and Jerry's* ice cream truck. Vegetarian options are available upon request. Bring your appetite and picnic blanket!

Calling All Rising K thru 2nd Grade Children and Parents for a Play Date in the Park

Saturday, September 2, 10 a.m., Lawton Center Playground

Gather together at Leland Park on Saturday, September 2 at 10 a.m. for light breakfast fare, coffee, juice and milk. Rising kindergartners will get a chance to meet other neighborhood primary school-aged children before the start of the school year and reduce first-day-of-school jitters.

New parents will have a chance to connect with “veteran” parents, ask questions and learn about what to expect as their child celebrates this special milestone. Please RSVP by **August 22** to the Town Office at townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or 301-654-7144.

TOWN UPDATES

Committee Volunteer Deadline Extended Until July 31

The Council has extended until Monday, July 31 the deadline to submit requests to serve on a Town committee or board for the coming year. Information about the various committees and boards is posted on the Town website. If you are interested in volunteering, please submit a brief note expressing interest to the Town Office. Your correspondence may be submitted by mail or e-mail to townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org and should include your name, address, telephone number, email address and a few sentences about why you would like to volunteer to serve.

Overgrown Vegetation

As a reminder, residents are asked to keep all streets and sidewalks clear of overgrown vegetation. Please prune vegetation to ensure unobstructed sight lines for pedestrians and motorists. The Town's vegetation maintenance standards are available for review on the Town website. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep Town streets and sidewalks safe.

Private Tree Maintenance Program

The Town continues to offer this program to assist Town residents with some of the costs associated with the maintenance of canopy trees on private property. Please visit the Town website or contact the Town office for details.

AROUND CHEVY CHASE

Bethesda Outdoor Movies

Tuesday, July 18- Saturday, July 22, 9 p.m., Woodmont Triangle

Enjoy five nights of blockbuster hits at downtown Bethesda's 12th annual outdoor movie series! Show times begin at 9 p.m. at the corner of Norfolk and Auburn Avenues. A limited number of chairs will be provided and attendees are invited to bring their own lawn chairs. Admission is FREE!

Bethesda Summer Concerts

Thursday evenings through July 27, 6- 8 p.m., Veterans Park

Live music rocks downtown Bethesda through July on Thursday evenings in Veterans Park, located at the corner of Norfolk & Woodmont Aves. Admission is free.



Bethesda Central Farm Market

Sundays, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Bethesda Elementary School

Come explore the Bethesda Central Farm Market on Sundays at Bethesda Elementary School, located at 7600 Arlington Rd. Admission is free.



MVA On Wheels will be in Friendship Heights from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on July 24, August 21, September 25, October 30, November 20, and December 18. The bus parks on Friendship Heights Boulevard adjacent to the Village Center. If you need a list of what the mobile service offers, please call 301-656-2797.

CC@ H Invites You to Our Ice Cream Social

Come beat the heat on Tuesday, July 18, 2 to 4 p.m. at our annual Ice Cream Social. Friends and neighbors are all invited to join us at the Chevy Chase Village Hall for this cool summer treat!

Brunch Bunch will get together at the Olympia Cafe on Brookville Road on Thursday, July 13, 10 to 11:30 a.m., and again on August 10. This is another CC@ H sponsored gathering that's open to all, so please drop by.

On Tuesday, August 15, come to our Free Summer Movie Event for a showing of Calendar Girls, a 2003 British comedy about a group of Yorkshire women who bare almost all to raise money for a worthy cause. Winner of the Best British Comedy Award, it features an all-star cast including Helen Mirren. 2 to 4 p.m., at the CC Village Hall. Popcorn and treats will be served!



County Council to Hold July 18 Public Hearing on Short Term Residential Rentals

On July 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Hearing Room in Rockville, the Montgomery County Council will hold a public hearing on Zoning Text Amendment 17-03 regarding short term residential rentals. A short term residential rental is the rental of all or part of a dwelling unit for periods of less than 30 consecutive days. More information is available at www.montgomeryplanning.org.

Town residents are encouraged to submit comments to the Town Council and the County Council regarding this proposed legislation. Comments may be submitted to townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org and to county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov.