

**Thursday, January 5**Community Relations
Committee

Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Friday, January 6

Family Movie Night

Town Hall, 6 p.m.

Monday, January 9Climate & Environment
Committee

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Town Council

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Public Services Committee

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Friday, January 13

Movie Night for Grown-Ups

Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, January 16Long Range Planning
Committee

Town Hall, 7 p.m.

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Land Use Committee

Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 18Purple Line Mitigation
Special Committee

Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 25Bethesda Downtown Plan
Special Committee

Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Message from Mayor Scott Fosler

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. Time now to plunge back into the critical period ahead that will set the Town's course over the next couple of decades.

Town Utility Work: The major upgrade to the Town's aging infrastructure is now well along. Washington Gas is close to halfway done with its work, while WSSC has completed almost a quarter of its planned water main replacements. Work will continue through 2017, and the Town will repave all of the impacted roads as the work is completed.

Bethesda Downtown Plan: We've taken a tremendous step forward in joining an alliance of nearly a dozen area civic organizations, under the aegis of the Coalition of Bethesda Area Residents (CBAR). The Town is represented in this alliance by members of the Special Committee on the Bethesda Downtown Plan. Together, we are drafting a letter to the Montgomery County Council that will include a detailed set of community recommendations regarding the Plan's approach to balancing development with increased demands on school capacity, traffic and transit, and park and open space. The letter also makes clear that we all want development that is compatible with residential neighborhoods.

In the meantime, I continue to join other representatives of our Town and our neighbors in meeting with the County Council and their staff to press our case.

Purple Line Mitigation: With the help of the Special Committee on Purple Line Mitigation, the Town Council continues its discussions about safe access between the Town and the Capital Crescent Trail, with specific emphasis on the proposed Lynn Drive underpass. We are discussing this issue with representatives from the MTA and Montgomery County, and we will engage the community as we progress.

The Town also recently wrote to our federal legislators asking them to oppose any waivers to federal law that provides the principal protection against the harmful impacts from the construction and operation of the light rail line. I followed up with State Delegate Al Carr and other Town residents to reinforce this message in a meeting with U.S. Senator Ben Cardin, who gave us his strong assurance that he would work to defeat any such waivers if they arise. The Town also submitted comments related to storm water management and forest conservation permits requested by the MTA from federal and state agencies.

William H. Hudnut III: In closing, it is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of former Town Mayor Bill Hudnut. We are very fortunate to have had the opportunity to honor Bill's life and legacy at a celebratory event we held for him in the Town Hall in September. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Beverly, and his entire family.

Very best wishes to everyone for the New Year.

TOWN EVENTS

The following events are brought to you by the Town's Community Relations Committee.

Family Movie Night – “The Secret Life of Pets”

Friday, January 6, 6 p.m., Town Hall



Described by reviewer Red Tomatoes as "Fast-paced, funny, and blessed with a talented voice cast, *The Secret Life of Pets* offers a beautifully animated, cheerfully undemanding family-friendly diversion." A kind-hearted, sweet story about what pets do after we've gone off to work or to school. 91 minutes. Pizza, drinks and snacks. Please come to the Town Hall by 5:40 for food and drinks. Show starts promptly at 6 and is 90 minutes long. Space is limited, so please RSVP to 301-654-7144 or townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org.

Town Coffee

Friday, January 13, 9:30-11 a.m., 4401 Walsh Street

Please join your neighbors for a Town Coffee hosted by Nilmini and Joel Rubin at 4401 Walsh Street. Reconnect with your neighbors or extend a warm welcome to a new neighbor. All ages welcome. Please RSVP to townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or 301-654-7144. If you are interested in hosting a future Town Coffee, please include that information with your RSVP.

Movie Night for Grown-Ups - “Dior and I”

Friday, January 13, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

Our featured film brings the viewer inside the storied world of the Christian Dior fashion house with a behind-the-scenes look at the creation of Raf Simons' first haute couture collection as its new artistic director. “Dior and I” intimately demonstrates the tricky balance between art and commerce, perpetuating a mythology while attending to the bottom line, and doing it with the pressure of a ticking clock. The film also shines a light on the toil it takes to create a look that's effortless – the meticulous structure and painstaking detail that make a gown float ethereally. Melding the everyday, pressure-filled components of fashion with mysterious echoes from the iconic brand's past, the film is also an homage to the seamstresses who serve Simons' vision. Please arrive at 7:30 for savory snacks and wine. The movie will start at 7:50 and runs 90 minutes. Please RSVP to 301-654-7144 or townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org.



Winter Outerwear Clothing Drive

Continues until 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, sweaters, pants, and socks to donate to local charities serving those in need. Clothing boxes for your donations are in the Town Hall and the Lawton Community Center. This drive runs until January 31, so please check your closets and drawers for possible donations.

Save The Date ~ Magic Show! Friday, February 3 at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall. Bring your children for a thrilling show with magician Michael Chamberlin. Pizza, popcorn and drinks will be served. Space is limited, so please RSVP to 301-654-7144 or townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org. Children must be accompanied by an adult during the entire event. Please note this show is in early February!

TOWN UPDATES



Recycle Your Christmas Tree!

The Town offers curbside pickup of Christmas trees. All wire, ornaments and tinsel must be removed. Please place the tree at the curb by 7 a.m. on Monday for regular yard waste collection.

Please Remember to Shovel Your Sidewalk

Following inclement weather, it is important to ensure that the sidewalk adjacent to your house is cleared of snow and ice. If the accumulated snowfall is less than 3 inches, you are responsible for clearing the sidewalk. The Town will clear the sidewalks when snow accumulates to 3 inches or more.

Preparations for Winter Weather

The Town's Winter Weather Preparedness flyer is available on the Town website at www.townofchevy Chase.org. We encourage you to review this information before the winter season begins.

Connect with the Town

Residents may sign up on the Town website to receive Town Crier emails, Alert TOCC voice messages and an electronic copy of the FORECAST newsletter. Information on how to connect with the Town using Facebook and Twitter also is posted on the Town website.

Crime Watch

Please report all suspicious activity and crimes to the Montgomery County police at the non-emergency number: 301-279-8000. For emergencies or crimes in progress, call 911. Any information you can give to the police will help to make us safer. In addition, please report incidents to the Town office at 301-654-7144 so that we can notify our off-duty Montgomery County police officers.

AROUND CHEVY CHASE

CC@H Offers a Little Laughter for the New Year

We could all use a little more laughter in our lives these days, and CC@ H has just the answer. On **Saturday, January 21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall**, Rae Cooper will share some videos from Victor Borge's TV show, complete with comments and annotations from Rae. Bring a friend and enjoy delicious refreshments along with the laughs!

On **Thursday, January 12**, drop by the **Olympia Cafe on Brookville Road**, any time between **10 and 11:30 a.m.** for **Brunch Bunch**, our regular monthly gathering of neighbors for coffee and conversation. Open to all.

Our next **Volunteer Training** will take place on **Thursday, January 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon**, at the **Town of Chevy Chase Town Hall**. Please consider joining our wonderful group of neighbor volunteers. For more information, visit our website at www.chevy Chaseathome.org or call 301-657-3115.

New **Exercise Classes** starting on **Wednesday, January 11**. We offer **Gentle Seated Pilates/Balance** on Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons, and **Zumba Gold** on Wednesday mornings.

In 2017, **MVA on Wheels** will begin its nineteenth year of service in Friendship Heights. The bus will park on Friendship Boulevard adjacent to the Village Center from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** on **January 30, February 27, March 20, April 24, May 22, and June 19**.

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