



Forecast

DECEMBER 2017

NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE



Thursday, December 7
Community Relations*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13
Seniors' Holiday Buffet
Town Hall, 12 p.m.
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Wednesday, December 13
Town Council
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 14
Public Services*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 14
Land Use*
Lawton Center, 7 p.m.

Monday, December 18
Long Range Planning*
Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 18
Purple Line Mitigation*
Lawton Center, 7 p.m.

December 25 & 26
Christmas Holiday
Town Office Closed

Monday, January 1
New Year's Day
Town Office Closed

Winter Clothing Drive
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* Town Committee meeting

Message from Mayor Mary Flynn

This year, WSSC and Washington Gas installed new underground water and gas mains along many Town roadways. Digging up our roads is disruptive and inconvenient, but necessary to assure safe and reliable access to water and natural gas. We are fortunate to live in the Town, as, unlike unincorporated areas of Montgomery County, we have the authority and means to finish the job by repaving streets, repairing curbs, and installing new driveway aprons for our residents. The utility work will quiet down over the winter and pick back up in the spring. A color-coded progress map of the utility work is posted on the Town website.

Development in downtown Bethesda is accelerating, with numerous projects along the west side of Wisconsin Avenue already in progress. The Apex building, which will house Bethesda's Purple Line station, is being torn down, starting from the back of the building. Elm Street is closed to build new elevators to the Metro Red Line, which will serve transfers to and from the Purple Line and other nearby commuters. The Town, along with nearby community leaders, are monitoring development.

As part of work on the Bethesda Downtown Plan, we advocated for and won approval for a Design Advisory Panel and Implementation Advisory Committee. Town resident and architect Rod Henderer earned a spot on the five-person Design Advisory Panel, and the Town nominated Dedun Ingram to represent the Town on the twelve-person Implementation Advisory Committee. We thank them both for volunteering to serve on these prestigious and important working groups.

If you have not done so yet, I encourage all residents to subscribe for Purple Line construction updates on the Purple Line website at <http://www.purplelinemd.com/construction/>. To report a problem as work proceeds, call the Purple Line construction "hotline" at 240-424-5325. Leave a descriptive message so they can identify the right person from the Purple Line team to call you back.

Finally, I thank everyone who contributed to the Thanksgiving food drive, and wish everyone joy and happiness this holiday season.



**5th Annual
Holiday Gift Drive**
See inside for details

TOWN EVENTS

22nd Annual Holiday Buffet for Seniors and Retirees

Wednesday, December 13, 12 p.m., Town Hall

Join friends and neighbors at the 22nd annual Holiday Buffet for Town Seniors and Retirees on [Wednesday, December 13](#) at noon in the Town Hall. While you feast on a delicious meal, you will have a chance to visit with old friends and meet some new ones. Please RSVP to [301-654-7144](tel:301-654-7144) or townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org. We look forward to seeing you!

Brighten the Holidays for Domestic Violence Victims

It's time for the 5th annual Holiday Gift Drive when we collect donations for local victims of domestic violence and their children, who are clients of the Montgomery County Family Justice Center and Chesapeake Counseling. As in past years, we ask you to be generous and extend a helping hand to these needy families.

There are two donation options: 1) gift cards in denominations from \$10 to \$50 for stores such as Target, Marshalls, Kohl's, Ross, Giant, or Sears or 2) checks made out to Montgomery County Family Justice Center. Please deliver your donation to the Town Office, or put it through Ann Wild's mail slot at 7104 Oakridge Avenue. (To receive an acknowledgment for tax purposes, be sure to include your name and e-mail address on the envelope.)

Gift cards and checks for the Holiday Gift Drive will be collected through Friday, December 15, but will be accepted gratefully at any time of year. If you prefer to "adopt" a family and shop for specific items for them, contact Cathy Wolf at wolfcs@starpower.net.

This drive is coordinated by the Community Relations Committee. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

Winter Outerwear Clothing Drive

November 1 – February 28

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 (Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and the Lawton Community Center (Monday thru Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.).

Calling All Town Authors!

Have you written a book and would like to talk to Town residents about your work and offer your book for sale? If so, let us know so we can reserve your table at the upcoming Town Book and Author Event. Please give the Town office your contact information by calling [301-654-7144](tel:301-654-7144) or by email at townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org. Date and time of the event to be determined. We hope to have all types of books. Sponsored by the Community Relations Committee.

Town Residents' Facebook Page

Town residents now have their own Facebook page! This page is not owned by the Town, but by residents. It is a "closed" group, which means that the page can be found by people who search for it, but comments and photos can only be posted and seen by members. Find the page by logging onto Facebook and searching "Town of Chevy Chase Residents." Any questions, or for help with Facebook, please contact Wicca Davidson at wicca@wiccadavidson.com.

TOWN UPDATES

Leaf Vacuuming to End on December 18



Vacuum trucks will collect leaves continually, street by street, through Monday, December 18. A map detailing the collection schedule is available on the Town website. All leaves should be raked to the curb, not into the street. After collection has ended, please place leaves in reusable containers or paper yard waste bags and place them at the curb by 7 a.m. for Monday yard waste collection.



Holiday Trash Collection Schedule

Household trash and yard trash will not be collected on Christmas Day, Monday, December 25 or on New Year's Day, Monday, January 1. Household trash will be collected on your next regularly scheduled trash day, while yard trash will be collected on the day after each holiday.

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.

No Parking on Grass or Sidewalks

We want to remind residents that the Town prohibits parking any vehicle on the grass area between the curb and/or gutter and sidewalk, or parking on any sidewalk. Also, the County Code, which is applicable in the Town, prohibits parking opposite to the flow of traffic (left wheels to curb). Please be courteous to your neighbors by observing these rules.

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

Club Friday is Back at the Lawton Center!

Club Friday returns to the Lawton Community Center (December 2 & 17; January 6 & 20; February 3 & 17 and March 3 & 17). Students in grades 3 through 6 are guaranteed two hours of games, sports, movies, music, prizes and a snack bar each Friday from 7 to 9 pm. Doors open at 6:30 pm for early parent check-in. To register on line, go to activeMontogmer.org (course 26969). Fee is \$52.

The Lawton Center is also looking for volunteer parents to continue to make Club Friday a safe, fun evening for our pre-teens. To volunteer, please contact Jordan Henson, Center Director, at 240-777-6855 or jordan.henson@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Bethesda's Winter Wonderland

December 2, Veterans Park, 1-4 p.m.

Celebrate the holiday season December 2, 2017 from 1 to 4 p.m. in Veterans Park in downtown Bethesda with a variety of performances, live ice sculpting, a visit from Santa Claus and more! For more information, visit www.bethesda.org.

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Happy Holidays from Chevy Chase At Home!

On Tuesday, **December 19**, please join us for some seasonal cheer at the Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut Avenue, from 2 to 4 p.m. This year's **Holiday Party** will feature a jolly sing-along with Roy Barber, musician-composer and leader of the Parkinson's choir in Chevy Chase. And there will be delicious festive refreshments as well, so do come and bring a friend!

Another CC@ H - sponsored gathering that's open to all is **Brunch Bunch**, held on the second Thursday of each month at the Olympia Café, 7021 Brookville Road. Everyone is invited. This month it's on Thursday, **December 14**, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., so just drop in, buy a cup of coffee or even a full breakfast, and pull up a chair at the CC@ H table for some lively conversation. It's always interesting and fun and a great way to get together with old friends and meet new ones! We'll hope to see you there.

Happy holidays to all!

