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Proposed Resubdivision of 7206 Meadow Lane

The Town Council will schedule a public hearing on the proposed resubdivision of 7206 Meadow Lane, also known as the "Li" property, as soon as we receive official notification from the County of this proposal. The Town will send residents a postcard announcing the date of the hearing. Residents are encouraged to attend this hearing to provide comments on the proposed resubdivision, which would create three single-family residential lots where there is currently one. The resubdivision plan will be available on the Town's website and in the Town office.

Public Hearing The contract purchaser of the property, CC Green Vision LLC, recently submitted a preliminary plan application to the Montgomery County Planning Board, which has designated it as Preliminary Plan No. 120100270. Pursuant to the Maryland State Code, the Town of Chevy Chase is authorized to make recommendations to the Planning Board regarding proposed subdivisions or resubdivisions of property within or bordering the Town. The Town Council will evaluate a proposed subdivision or resubdivision to determine if it is appropriate for and compatible with the neighborhood.

Earlier this year, the Town Council adopted procedures for reviewing proposed subdivision and resubdivision requests as well as standards to assist in evaluating these requests. With respect to the procedures, once the Town receives official notice from the Planning Board of a resubdivision request, the Town schedules a public hearing and notifies all residents of the date. The Council then conducts the hearing and votes to recommend approval or disapproval of the subdivision request, with or without proposed modifications.

When evaluating subdivision requests, the Town Council considers certain standards to determine if a proposed subdivision is compatible with the neighborhood. These standards assess whether the resulting subdivided lots would be of the same character as other lots in the immediate vicinity with respect to street frontage, alignment, size, shape, width and suitability for residential use. "Alignment" means the direction that the front of the lot faces (i.e. north, east, south or west). Generally, if all lots in a block face north or south, any new lots also should face north or south. In addition, the resulting subdivided lots should have a geometric shape that is similar to the other lots in the immediate vicinity (i.e. the proposed lots should generally be rectangular unless there is a different predominant geometric lot shape). "Properties in the immediate vicinity" includes all lots on the block(s) of the street on which the proposed lots would be located.

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The subdivision standards also provide guidance to property owners and members of the public who are considering proposing or opposing the subdivision or resubdivision of property in the Town of Chevy Chase. They are guidelines, and there may be special circumstances where the Town Council would recommend approval of a subdivision or resubdivision even if the proposed lots would not meet all of the standards. Alternatively, there may be circumstances where the Town Council would recommend denial of a proposed subdivision or resubdivision, even if the resulting lots would meet the standards.

If you are unable to attend the hearing to testify in person, you may e-mail comments to townoffice@townofchevychase.org or submit written comments to Town Office, 4301 Willow Lane, prior to the hearing date. You may also send written comments to the Development Review Division, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910. The Montgomery County Planning Board also will hold a public hearing on the plan application. Written notification will be sent to the Town no later than ten days before the hearing, and the Town will post this information on the listserv and website.

For more information on Town procedures, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144 or visit the Town website, www.townofchevychase.org, where they are posted. If you have questions about County Planning Board procedures, please contact the Park and Planning Commission's Development Review Division at 301-495-4595 or visit the following website:

http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/info/resident_guides/subdivison_process/intro.shtm



May

- Sunday, May 2 – Bike Day, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 4 - Election Day, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 4 – Annual Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, May 6 – Purple Line Mitigation Group, 7 p.m.
- Monday, May 10 – Land Use Committee, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 11 – Public Services Committee, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 12 – Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Sunday, May 16 – Classical Concert, 3 p.m.
- Monday, May 17 - Long Range Planning Committee, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 18 – Neighborhood Watch, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 19 – Community Relations Committee, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, May 20 – Environment Committee, 7 p.m.
- Friday - Sunday, May 21 – 23, Small Works for Haiti
- Friday, May 21 – Art and Wine, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- Monday, May 24 – Public Safety Informational Session, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 25 – Climate Protection Committee, 7 p.m.



Please check the Town website for up-to-date details about Town events and meetings.



CRIMEWATCH

4/19/10

A resident in the 4400 block of Stanford Street reported that a bike was stolen from his open garage.

4/10/10

The police reported that a resident in the 4200 block of Leland Street called the police to report "vandalism" that turned out to be an attempted burglary.

4/13/10

A resident in the 4100 block of Aspen Street reported his car was stolen from in front of his house.

4/1/10

A resident reported vandalism in Elm Street Park. The backs of two benches were damaged and the footings were ripped out of the concrete.

Please report all crimes to the police at the non-emergency number **301-279-8000**. For emergencies, call **911**. Please report incidents to the Town Office at **301-654-7144** so that we can notify our off-duty Montgomery County police officers. Crimes reported to the police are included in Montgomery County, Bethesda Station, Second District crime reports. We provide a link to those reports on our website.

TOWN HISTORY: 117 Years Ago in Our Town

Eighth in a series of historical vignettes published during 2009-2010.

Today a telephone is a camera, a radio, a GPS, and a connection to the World Wide Web. But in 1893 when the Rock Creek Railway trolley poles along Connecticut Avenue carried the first telephone line from D.C. to Chevy Chase Lake, the telephone was an upright black instrument without touch-tone, keypad or screen. A Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. switchboard operator connected your call.

By 1904, the C & P Telephone Co. Directory listed 24 residential lines in Chevy Chase. The Chevy Chase Land Company, the Capital Traction Company, Chevy Chase Club and the Chevy Chase College for Young Ladies (the current site of the National 4-H Center) also had telephone service. Service was organized into exchanges that generally reflected a specific calling area. As the Bethesda-Chevy Chase suburbs grew, so too did the demand for phone service. In 1928, C & P Telephone Co. built the Bethesda Exchange, a handsome two-story stone building on Wisconsin Avenue at Stanford Street. Its six-person switchboard handled 2,855 subscribers using the Wisconsin and Bradley exchanges. In 1940, dial service replaced operator service. Soon after "Oliver" was the familiar exchange for Chevy Chase. In 1953, C & P Telephone instituted a seven-digit numbering plan, and Oliver 2, Oliver 4 and Oliver 6 became what we know today as 652, 654 and 656.

Correction to the April History Vignette

The historical vignette in the April 2010 Forecast incorrectly stated that the Wires at 3911 Bradley Lane held an inaugural reception for President Harry Truman. Thank you Town resident and CCHS Director Stephanie Brown for correctly pointing out the party's honored guest was President Dwight Eisenhower.

PEPCO Repairs Light Fixtures and Utility Poles

The Town is pleased to report that PEPCO has repaired the 55 titled light fixtures and two leaning utility poles that were identified as part of the Town's street lighting evaluation and improvement study. These repairs should result in better, more directed street lighting at these locations and less light trespass onto private property. During these repairs, PEPCO also

replaced two mercury vapor fixtures that were missed during the conversion from mercury vapor to high pressure sodium bulbs.

Public Safety Information Session Help Increase Our Community Awareness

The Town's Neighborhood Watch program invites you to a **Public Safety Information Session** on **May 24 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Town Hall. The session will feature personal and home safety tips from nearby Neighborhood Watch coordinators and Montgomery County police officers. Samantha Nolan, Director of the Neighborhood Watch Program in Chevy Chase, D.C., will give a presentation that details ways to prevent 'crimes of opportunity' and strategies on how not to become the next victim of a crime. Mayor Adrian Fenty presented Samantha Nolan with the 2009 Mayor's Award for Lifetime Volunteerism for her dedication and leadership in the field of public safety. Police representatives from the County's 2nd District station also will speak regarding crime trends in the area and provide crime prevention tips. Their experienced insight and advice will help make us aware of ways in which to keep our families and homes safe. The Public Safety Information Session will officially mark the launch of the Neighborhood Watch Program. Come to the event to learn about preventing theft from vehicles, increasing personal awareness and keeping your home safe. The meeting also will provide an opportunity to meet your neighbors who are part of the Town's Neighborhood Watch Program and to find out how you can get involved.

Neighborhood Watch To Kick Off this Summer

The newly-approved Neighborhood Watch Program is set to officially launch this summer. Town residents and staff have developed the formal working plan for the program that was approved by the Town Council. The Town will continue to communicate with the Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) as the program moves forward. As you may have seen, the Town recently installed Neighborhood Watch signs throughout the Town. These were provided by MCPD, which officially recognizes and supports the Town program. If your street has a Block Captain already, he or she will be in contact with you this summer to coordinate contact information and to set up a block meeting. The program's continued success depends on community participation, so look out for your Block Captain and see how you can help. This is a great way not only to make your street safer and more aware, but also to meet your neighbors.

The program is still looking for more Block Captains. Any and all residents are encouraged to volunteer. Both walkers and dog walkers are especially encouraged to volunteer as Block Captains because of their familiarity with Town streets. Please contact the Town Office for more information and to sign up as a Block Captain. The following blocks still need Block Captains:

7100, 7200 44 th	7000 Hillcrest	6900 Ridgewood
3900, 4100 Aspen	3900, 4100, 4200 Leland	7100 Ridgewood
4100 Blackthorn	4400, 4500 Leland	4100, 4300 Stanford
4100, 4200 Bradley	6900, 7000 Maple	3900, 4100 Thornapple
4300, 4400 Bradley	7200, 7300 Maple	4200, 4300 Thornapple
7700 Chatham	7100, 7300 Meadow	3900, 4000 Underwood
7200, 7300 Connecticut	7400, 7700 Meadow	3900, 4000 Virgilia
7400, 7500 Connecticut	7400 Oak	4400 Walsh
4300, 4400, 4500 Elm	4200, 6900 Oakridge	4100 Woodbine
3900, 4000 E-W Hwy	7100, 7200 Oakridge	
4100, 4200 E-W Hwy	4400 Ridge	

Elm Street Park Amenities

Thanks to Donohoe Construction and Park and Planning, new lights and bike racks have been installed in Elm Street Park. We encourage you to take a walk through the renovated park.

Shades of Green

From the Environment Committee

Healthy “Green” Lawns and Gardens

We all love our yards and gardens. But some of the pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, and fertilizers we use can harm us, our children, our pets and the environment.

It's not news that a number of these products are linked to cancer and other serious health problems for anyone who handles or ingests them--hence labels advise using rubber gloves and masks. But are you aware that they persist on grass, in soil, air, and ground water, and when tracked inside can stay in carpet for up to a year?

Why use them when there are better and safer options? It's really not that hard to switch over to a new program that will keep your lawn and garden both green and “green.” Read on!

1. **Soil comes first.** For years, chemical applications have killed microorganisms essential for healthy growth. Replenish soil with natural products such as compost and “compost tea” (this really does exist) and organic fertilizers. For healthy grass also add minerals: lime, iron, and calcium. Local garden stores can test your soil to see if the balance of nutrients is right.
2. **Choose the right plant for the right place.** Plants-native or non-that lack proper sun, water and/or soil conditions are more prone to insects and disease. When they don't thrive, we're tempted to use pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers and more water to keep them going. Native species are naturally healthier with less maintenance.
3. **Fertilize naturally.** Chemical fertilizers are like junk food for your plants and lawn: addictive and unhealthy. They end up in our ground water or the Bay. Choose organic fertilizers, which are now widely available commercially. Earthworms and their castings (poop) keep roots healthy. Home made or store bought: COMPOST IS YOUR FRIEND!
4. **Fight bugs with Mother Nature's arsenal.** Buy a supply of ladybugs at the garden store. They are effective in fighting destructive bugs in your garden, as are preying mantises, birds and bats. Welcome them to your garden. Many plants repel insects, too!
5. **Use natural weed-busters.** Mulching your beds (2 inches is enough) and letting your grass grow a little taller will inhibit weeds. Choose natural corn gluten instead of “pre-emergent herbicides” to keep unwelcome seeds from sprouting. Defend against lawn weeds spreading from roots with an annual application of lime. Household vinegar is effective when used on new seedlings—and also controls “patio scum.”
6. **A little goes a LONG WAY!** (literally) If you must use pesticides, herbicides, and or other toxic products, do so sparingly! Apply them only on still days to avoid drift to healthy plants and neighbors' yards. Let neighbors know in advance so they can take precautions with their children and pets.

Healthy gardening is healthy for ALL growing things, including people. For MUCH more information about the whys and hows of avoiding dangers, and organic gardening consult SHADES OF GREEN on the Town website under “Quick Links”.

Town Directory

The Town directory is compiled every two years to provide an easy-to-use reference of residents. Each resident who is listed has authorized their inclusion in the directory. The Town does not sell or otherwise publish the names, addresses, or any other information listed. Please use the directory for your personal use only.

2010 County and State Elections: Why care?

Find Out Which Candidate Represents You Best For Montgomery County Council District 1 Seat



Hear County Council member Roger Berliner and challenger Ilaya Hopkins competing in the Democratic primary to represent our community on the Montgomery County Council, in their first public debate on **Tuesday, June 1, 7 p.m.**, at the Lawton Community Center. The Democratic opponents will face off on important local issues, and answer your questions. Town resident Charles Duffy, host of Montgomery County Cable TV's "Political Pulse," will moderate.

Come one-half hour early and meet the candidates at 6:30 p.m. Become informed before the primary elections on September 14, 2010. Here's a preview of where the candidates stand on key questions. They were asked to respond in three sentences or less.

Purple Line: What do you support, and where should we go from here?

Berliner: When I sought to represent the people of District 1 in 2006, I pledged to support a combined light rail/hiker biker trail. When this matter came before the Council, I joined all 8 of my colleagues on the Council, the County Executive, and the Planning Board in supporting this option. I have been and will continue to work closely with the Town of Chevy Chase Mitigation Committee and others to ensure that the project, if financed, is built in a manner that respects the neighborhood's most affected by the project.

Hopkins: I support designing and investing in a robust and integrated public transit system. I supported bus rapid transit on the master plan alignment including the trail because it offered lower cost, greater flexibility and a reduced footprint that addressed the community's concerns about noise and tree cover. I respect the selection of light rail as the preferred alternative and will work with the community to ensure the final design of the Purple Line addresses concerns of preserving recreational space and minimizing the impact on local neighborhoods and businesses.

What other solutions do you suggest for traffic congestion, as Walter Reed moves to the National Naval Medical Center in 2011?

Berliner: I believe traffic congestion represents one of the greatest threats to our quality of life. My response to this threat has been a comprehensive one, including: (1) I sponsored the current transportation test for development, a test that my predecessor had eliminated; (2) I successfully sponsored an amendment to the County Executive's budget savings plan to preserve Ride-On services – something I see as a 'core' government service; (3) my initiative to declare Rockville Pike/Wisconsin Avenue and Connecticut Avenue as "Sustainable Transportation Corridors" was enthusiastically supported by the Sierra Club, the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chamber of Commerce, the Smart Growth Coalition; the City of Rockville; and the Coalition of Military Medical Center Neighbors; and (4) I sponsored an amendment that will give developers in White Flint an incentive to take cars off the road.

Hopkins: I've worked with the Navy to ensure that the new Walter Reed's transportation plan emphasizes a multi-modal transit approach including rail, bus, carpooling, bicycle and pedestrian access. I have been engaged in this process since 2006 and have worked with local communities to provide viable transportation solutions that meet broad community goals. I also recognize that BRAC and the half a million new patients and visitors will mean many more cars on our roadways and was instrumental in securing \$150 million in federal funding for local transportation improvements to alleviate the stress on our neighborhoods and communities.

What is your position on the proposed County growth policy in Bethesda/Chevy Chase and neighboring communities?

[Note: The revised White Flint Sector Plan was approved by the County Council on March 23. Plans for Chevy Chase Lake and Kensington are now being reviewed by the Montgomery County Planning Board and are expected

to be considered by the County Council in the next few years.]

Berliner: We must strengthen our county's "growth policy" in order to ensure that we protect our established neighborhoods like Bethesda and Chevy Chase from overdevelopment, school overcrowding, and gridlock. When our growth policy was before the council last year, I sponsored and passed an even stronger school test than was recommended by the school system, our planning department, and a council committee. I have consistently supported the building moratorium threshold designed to protect our schools from overcrowding – and when a moratorium recently occurred in the BCC cluster, I encouraged my colleagues to fund the solutions needed to address the overcrowding in our schools – and we did. *continued on page 7*

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Hopkins: The recent building moratorium demonstrated that growth policy can highlight when our community is being stressed, but the County Council did little to address those concerns both in terms of dealing with overcrowding in our schools and managing the growth our community is experiencing. County growth policy needs to be more responsive and longer term with key triggers that can allow for adaptation and adjustments as community needs change. However, as we have seen, even improved policies require active, engaged leadership to make the policy effective and bring meaningful solutions that will address community needs.

With a \$947 million Montgomery County deficit, how would you close the budget gap?

[Note: The fiscal year 2011 budget will be adopted by the Council on May 27 and goes into effect on July 1, 2010.]

Berliner: Our current fiscal situation is literally without precedent. Over the long term, we must achieve greater efficiencies in our government by consolidating and restructuring to make our budget sustainable. In the short term, we face the most painful decisions imaginable. We will be asking our employees to make significant financial sacrifices; we will be laying employees off and furloughing them too; we will be cutting programs that are discretionary to the bone; and trying our best to preserve as much as we can of our absolutely essential core government functions such as public safety, schools, and our safety net services.

Hopkins: The historic nature of this deficit represents an unprecedented failure of the County Council to recognize oncoming fiscal realities and make hard choices to address a changing budget environment. We must focus on core services that are essential to our community and commit to delivering more with less, while examining programs and services that are ineffective or better left to the private sector. Partnerships with non-profits such as Manna, a food bank, A Wider Circle, a social service provider, and Bethesda Green, a sustainable living resource, are all excellent examples of how small investments can provide broad community benefits.

How do you propose increasing County revenues?

Berliner: We need to increase revenues to protect our excellent school system and public safety. The healthiest way for our county to do this is to increase the tax base. Arguably the most significant step the Council has taken in this regard is its approval of the White Flint Sector Plan, which is estimated to generate \$6-7 billion in additional revenues for the county. With the White Flint Sector plan, we are replacing acres of asphalt with a vibrant new walk-able community. We will also spur economic development by creating a favorable climate for bio-sciences, and capitalizing on our unique assets in the form of NIH, FDA, our existing bio-science companies, and our world renowned hospital and research organizations, such as Johns Hopkins.

Hopkins: County revenues dropped precipitously after the double impact of the housing crisis and the recession. We cannot allow our economy to stagnate. We must focus on helping the County's small businesses survive, keeping people employed and stabilizing the county's budget. We must attract new businesses and diversify our economy by making Montgomery County the destination for innovative businesses and the tax revenue and jobs they provide.

Roger Berliner, running for a second term, serves as lead member for energy and environment on the Council's Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy, and Environment Committee, and is a member of its Public Safety Committee. He is the Council representative to the County's Sustainability Working Group and Green Economic Task Force. Regionally, he serves on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Board of Directors and on COG's Climate, Energy, and Environment Policy Committee. For 20 years he has been president of Berliner Law PLLC, specializing in energy law. He received a law degree from McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California, and an undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College.
www.rogerberliner.com

Ilya Hopkins, a past president of the East Bethesda Citizens Association, serves on the County Executive's Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Implementation Committee that will relocate Walter Reed Army

Medical Center to the Bethesda Naval Hospital campus. She is on the Western Montgomery County Citizens Advisory Board, where she co-chairs the Quality of Life Committee; and serves on the board of Bethesda Green, a public-private partnership to promote sustainable living practices. Hopkins was formerly an organizational development consultant and international cultural exchange program officer. She has a master's degree from Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and an undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. www.ilyahopkins.com Cosponsors for the forum are: Citizens for a Better Bethesda, Chevy Chase Section 5, Chevy Chase West, East Bethesda, Edgemoor Citizens Association, Garrett Park, Martin's Additions, Rollingwood Citizens Association, Somerset, Town of Chevy Chase.

Da Capo Chamber Players

After a two-year hiatus, we are pleased to resume our series of chamber music recitals featuring Town resident David Garlock, pianist, and the Da Capo Chamber Players. This year, the program will feature a violin sonata by Beethoven, a quartet for piano and strings by Johannes Brahms, and music for string quartet by Beethoven and Mozart. Don't miss the return of the Da Capo Chamber Players on **Sunday, May 16 at 3 p.m.** in the Town Hall.

Artists Create Small Works for Haiti



ART SALE TO BENEFIT HAITI

EXHIBIT IN TOWN HALL FROM MAY 21 - 23

WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION: FRIDAY, MAY 21, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

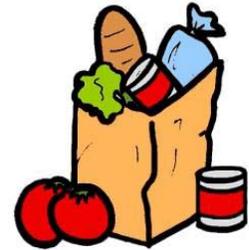
Mark your calendars for a wonderful Town event! This year the Town's art show will be a charity event to raise money for Partners in Health, a relief agency working in Haiti. Don't miss this opportunity to buy art at a bargain price and to contribute to a good cause.

Artists who work in any media are being solicited to donate framed works of art under 12" in length and width (including frame). We encourage all artists, including filmmakers, photographers, graphic designers, sculptors, potters, fiber artists, and jewelry makers to contribute a work of art. Art students (high school or college) are welcome to participate. Each piece will be priced at \$100 and all funds will be contributed to Partners in Health. To donate an art work, contact the Town Office at 301-654-7144 by May 10.

This much anticipated event will open with a wine and cheese reception on **Friday evening May 21, 6 – 8 p.m.** The show will be open on **Saturday, May 22, 2 – 6 p.m.** and **Sunday, May 23, 2 – 4 p.m.**

Manna Food Collection

Thanks to all of you who continue to contribute food to the non-profit Manna Food Center by dropping it by the Town Office. We increased our contribution by 78 pounds bringing our grand total to **961 pounds**. We will continue to collect food in the Town Office and at Town-sponsored events. Each time you shop, you may wish to simply buy one extra item for the food drive. When a grocery bag is full, drop it at the Town office or call 301-785-0933 for a pick-up. If you are interested in assisting with this project, please contact the Town Office.



Chevy Chase at Home

Joan Hoover, ChevyChase@Home

You'll be delighted to hear that on **Tuesday, May 4**, Sandy Geller has agreed to continue her very popular gathering of story tellers, "Myself Growing Older." We live among friends with fascinating lives. We love to share our stories, and we'd love to hear yours. Just to make it more fun, Sandy has asked us to bring along a childhood picture of ourselves. ("I would have recognized you anywhere!") On **May 18**, Troy Fox, who works locally for the Royal Bank of Canada, has prepared a valuable presentation for us on Financial Planning as it should be considered from a senior's viewpoint. Both of these interesting events will be held, as usual, at 2 p.m., at the Chevy Chase Village Hall, complete with refreshments and good conversation with new friends and old.

Host Families Needed for International University Students

We are looking for host families for three fantastic programs this summer. These programs bring together students from post conflict societies to aid in peaceful resolution of historic divides. The Washington-Ireland Program for Service and Leadership (WIP, www.wiprogram.org), the South African Washington Intern Program (SAWIP, www.sawip.org), and New Story Leadership (NSL, www.newstoryleadership.org) are seeking host families for university students from Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, South Africa and Israel and Palestine respectively. The students from WIP arrive early June and depart early August and are here for 8 weeks. The SAWIP and NSL students arrive early June and depart mid July and are here for 6 weeks. These interns are carefully selected from hundreds of applicants, and all of the programs are voluntary. If you are interested in the programs or for more information, please call 301-657-4343 or email TerryAbelEason@aol.com

Bethesda Garden Club Annual Plant Sale

Gardeners and anyone who loves plants won't want to miss the Bethesda Community Garden Club's annual plant sale. The 2010 Sale will be on **Thursday, May 6**. The sale, at the Bethesda Farm Women's Market, 7155 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, will run from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m. rain or shine -- come early. Find

wonderful buys on a large selection of perennials grown in members' well-tended gardens, plus herbs, annuals, native plants and shrubs. Novices and experts alike can pose their gardening questions to Montgomery County Master Gardeners on site throughout the sale. Proceeds benefit various community projects including landscaping at Bethesda and Davis libraries and a Montgomery College scholarship in landscape technology. Plentiful metered public parking is available in the

lot behind the Market. The Bethesda Community Garden Club -- celebrating 87 years of community service.

CCHS Spring Lecture Features Folk Musician

Long-time Chevy Chase, MD resident Ruth Crawford Seeger, matriarch of the first family of American folk music, will be the subject of the Chevy Chase Historical Society's spring lecture

on Wednesday, **May 5, at 8 p.m.** in the Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut Avenue. The public is invited to the free program. Seeger, a resident of West Kirke Street for many years, was one of the most significant American female composers of the 20th century and a leader in the American folk music revival.

Northeastern University musicologist Dr. Judith Tick will speak on "Ruth Crawford Seeger:

The Woman and the Artist." She will relate how Seeger was introduced to folk music by poet Carl Sandburg, whose children Seeger taught, and how Seeger went on to become an American folk music collector and scholar. A force in the American modernist music movement, Seeger would become the first woman to receive the prestigious Guggenheim Fellowship for music, an honor she won twice.

No reservations are required for this evening of local history. For more information, visit www.chevyCHASEhistory.org or call Shelly Brunner at 301/907-8072.



Judges - Georgetown Cupcakes Owners Katherine Kallinis and Sophie La Montagne

Town Bake-Off 2010



**Winner Caroline Mowry
pictured with her mom Kristin (left)
and Erin Kopelman, Chair of the Event**

Twenty-eight cooks of all ages entered the Bake-Off

Bethesda-Chevy Chase Roundtable Discussion Group

The Bethesda-Chevy Chase Roundtable Discussion Group will meet on **Wednesday, May 19 (Roundtable Discussion), Thursday, May 27 (Public Information Meeting) and Wednesday, June 2 (Roundtable Discussion) at 7:30 p.m. at Bethesda Elementary School.** These meetings will continue to solicit community input for the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Superintendent to review prior to making a recommendation to the Board of Education concerning school facility and articulation issues, including the possible expansion of some MCPS schools in the B-CC Cluster, such as Rosemary Hills Elementary, Chevy Chase Elementary, North Chevy Chase Elementary, and Bethesda Elementary. For more information about this issue and the details of each meeting, visit the following website:

http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/CommunityInfo_Roundtable.shtml

Town Crier Keeps Residents Informed

The Town uses the listserv to inform residents of timely news and information. To date, we have 760 e-mail addresses that receive the Town listserv messages. If you have not joined the Town's email alert system, the Town Crier, we strongly encourage you to do so. To subscribe, please visit the Town's website, click on "About the Town" and follow the instructions.

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TOWN COUNCIL

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RUN, WALK or RIDE!

Save the Trail! 5K Run & Community Walk/Bike

Co-Sponsored by the Georgetown Running Company and SaveTheTrail.org

Starting at Elm Street Park

Saturday, May 29
9:00 am - Noon

Schedule of Events:

9:00 AM - 5K Race Starts (Registration info below)

10:00 AM - Community Walk/Bike (No registration required)

5K Run info...

Register online now for the 5K race (\$25 entry fee) at:

<http://www.therunningcompany.net/savethetrail/>

Or Register on Race Day at Elm Street Park starting at 7:30 AM

- Fast and flat 5K course on Town streets and the Trail to Connecticut Ave and back
- Chip timing by MCRRC Race Management
- Prizes to top three overall finishers (men and women) / random prize drawing
- Tech T-Shirts & Totes for all on-line race registrants

Community Walk/Bike info...

- Free, non-competitive event
- Fun for the whole family - all ages
- Kids in strollers invited
- Dogs on leash welcome
- Bikes will take off at 10 am, followed by Walkers
 - Bike on Trail to Stewart Avenue, Silver Spring (or as far as you want)
 - Walk on Trail to Rock Creek Trestle (or as far as you want)

For More Info and/or to Volunteer (get Community Service Hours):

Contact Pam Browning at 301-654-0183; pbrow@verizon.net