
Martin's Edition



A Newsletter for the Village of Martin's Additions to Chevy Chase



A NOTE FROM COUNCIL MEMBER ARTHUR ALEXANDER...

In July 2010 I was elected to the Village Council of Martin's Additions. I thought it might be interesting to reflect on my experience of the past fifteen months. A motivation in seeking election to the Council was my delayed recognition that the upkeep and nurturing of the community required constant attention to planning, doing, and managing. Someone, obviously, was performing these functions. As a 20-year resident with virtually no previous involvement, I thought it was time to contribute to the effort.

I have not been disappointed. What I received was an education in the art, practice, and mechanics of suburban management. My first meeting introduced me to the subject of sump-pump discharge onto the street, which caused the accumulation of ice, mud, and slimy stuff. The Council adopted a policy to prohibit this activity. The Village manager subsequently made plans, since implemented, to have these offending sump pumps drain into the storm sewers.

Other potential problems have been reviewed and not acted upon after more information was accumulated. An example is the issue of storm water runoff. A community survey found that there were few actual problems, although the storm water task force and council members noted that the trend toward larger houses and paved areas created a potential for future concerns. However, given the absence of a clear and present problem, and considering the difficulty of formulating a rule that would address it, no further action was deemed necessary.

An interesting case arose recently when a waiver to the existing zoning ordinances was requested. When the zoning regulations were first formulated, it was recognized that the rules would apply to the average property, but that reasonable exceptions might be necessary in the future for unusual cases. The waiver request involved a corner property with setbacks on two sides, as dictated by the ordinance. However, because of historical changes in property lines, the required setbacks imposed an unexpected penalty on the property in question. Since this was the first waiver requested of

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◆ NEW POLICE CAPTAIN COMING TO VMA COUNCIL MEETING NOV. 17th!

Capt. Dave Falcinelli, the new District 2 Police Chief, along with Sgt. Callan and the beat officer for Martin's Additions, will attend the November Council meeting beginning at 7 PM. Come with your questions! Put it on your calendar!

◆ HEAVY TRASH SAT. NOV 12th ◆ DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET

Leaf bags are provided for the purpose of leaf removal. The streets are periodically cleaned, but this service is not intended to pick up residents' leaves. You can assist the Village by cleaning the gutter in front of your home.



◆ THANKSGIVING DAY TRASH PICKUP

No pick up Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24th.
Next Pick up Monday, Nov. 28th.

◆ PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY IN MARKET AREA!

The volume of traffic in and around the market area has increased dramatically with contractors, residents, the utility trucks and people passing through who visit the businesses here. Be careful!

◆ IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT YARD WASTE COLLECTION!

The last yard waste pickup for the year will be in December 19th. Get to work on your yard clean up now! Weekly collection will resume on in mid-March.



◆ VMA OFFICE "TOYS FOR TOTS" DROPOFF LOCATION

The Village Office toy drop location for Toys for Tots Program starts now. **New, unwrapped** toys can be brought to the office. Toys are particularly needed for the 11-15 year old age group.

VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETINGS

November 17th at 7:00 PM. Village Office
Agenda includes presentation by new Capt. of Police District 2. Public Comment on Proposed Ordinance 10-11-1 related to permissible expenditures.

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the Council, a good deal of consideration was given to this case.

When I first joined the Council, two issues excited much comment among the residents: the budget and electricity unreliability. The first meeting that I attended passed a budget with greatly reduced expenditures and an increased tax rate. Residents vigorously debated both the distribution of cutbacks and the higher tax. After the Council passed the budget and tax increase, the Village has been attentive to the need for economy in its operations. The spirited discussions I believe had an impact on how we view our activities, especially while revenues are low.

The other main issue was the unreliable electricity supply in the north end of the Village. Close work with Pepco technicians identified the specific circuit responsible for most of the outages. Pepco placed this line on its high priority list for upgrading, which has subsequently occurred to positive effect. Almost no outages have occurred, even during a hurricane and major storms. While public outcries against the power company certainly made them sensitive to customer complaints, the Manager's quieter and less clangorous close work with knowledgeable officials led to real gains.

I have learned that not all problems are solvable within the constraints imposed by budgets and preferences. Also, not all issues turn out to be problems with more information and analysis. The Village depends on the minute to minute resolution of numerous things that pop up, sometimes involving Council policy debates, but more often, the attention of the Village Manager. I have enjoyed participating in this activity. *Arthur Alexander*

PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY IN MARKET AREA!

The volume of traffic in and around the market area has increased dramatically with contractors, residents, the utility trucks and people passing through who visit the businesses here. Parents need to be vigilant and watch their children around the parking lot and drivers need to be more careful of pedestrians. A very small boy was seen walking home alone from the market, texting on his phone, oblivious to all the traffic.



WELCOME NEW POLICE CAPTAIN TO BETHESDA & MARTIN'S ADDITIONS!

The Montgomery County Police 2nd District, our Police District, recently welcomed a new commander, *Captain David Falcinelli*. We are honored here in Martin's Additions that the new *Captain will attend the November 17th Council Session to meet our Council and interested residents*. He is bringing Sgt. Callan as well as one of the Beat Officers to discuss safety in Martin's Additions and criminal activities in and around our community. We hope that residents will attend this meeting, welcome the new Captain and listen to the word on crime from the experts and get questions answered.

Captain Falcinelli has an expansive background and experience in many aspects of community safety and concerns. After graduating from Notre Dame with a degree in Business Administration and spending several years working as a Certified Public Accountant, Dave Falcinelli changed career paths and entered the police academy in 1988. He began to ascend through the ranks making significant stops along the way as a department leader in traffic safety. Promoted to sergeant in 1997, he was selected as the first full-time supervisor of the alcohol enforcement unit. In 2001, he attained the rank of lieutenant and assumed the overall leadership role for all traffic safety operations.

As Deputy Director of Special Operations Division, he organized statewide traffic safety campaigns such as "Smooth Operator" and "Click It or Ticket." He also coordinated all major event special traffic details such as presidential visits, PGA golf tournaments, County Fairground Events, road races, and many other activities in the County. In 2005, he attained the rank of captain and has worked as the Director of both the Animal Services and Internal Affairs Divisions.

In these assignments, he gained valuable experience in policy and planning review, worked extensively with outside groups to include unions and the collective bargaining processes, budget directors, the County Council and the County Executive. We are excited to have such a qualified and experience Captin at the helm of our Police Department.



**PUBLIC COMMENT TO BE TAKEN ON ORDINANCE 10-11-1
Thursday November 17, 2011**

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MARTIN'S ADDITIONS TO CLARIFY PERMISSIBLE EXPENDITURES AND PROHIBIT THE DONATION OF VILLAGE FUNDS TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS.

**CHAPTER 2
GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION**

Section 2-401: Expenditures

- (a) The Village Council may expend municipal funds for any public purpose, including but not limited to the following:
- (1) Village sponsored celebrations;
 - (2) Membership in the Maryland Municipal League and other organizations relating to the business of the Village;
 - (3) Attendance of Village officials and employees at conferences, meetings, and seminars on matters relating to the business of the Village;
 - (4) Beautification of public places within the Village;
 - (5) Purchase of books, periodicals, and other publications relating to the business of the Village;
 - (6) Office **equipment and** supplies; **or**
 - (7) **Any other purpose deemed to be public and to affect the safety, health, and general welfare of the Village and its occupants.** [Donations or contributions to support public institutions, programs, or facilities serving or otherwise benefiting the Village and/or its residents. As of April 14, 1999, such public institutions, programs, or facilities include:
 - (i) The public schools that serve children residing in the Village: i.e., Rosemary Hills Primary School, Chevy Chase Elementary School, Westland Middle School, and Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School;
 - (ii) The Chevy Chase branch of the Montgomery County Public Library;
 - (iii) The Chevy Chase Fire Department;
 - (iv) The Shepherd Street park.
- (b) Donations or contributions may be made pursuant to subsection (a) (7) to support capital improvements or other extraordinary needs of the public institutions, programs, or facilities, but not to support current operating budgets. If the Village Council determines that such donation or contribution will benefit the Village and/or its residents, the Village may give the donation or contribution directly to the public institution, program, or facility or to a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code that supports the public institution, program, or facility.

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- (c) Requests for donations or contributions pursuant to subsection (a) (7) must be made to the Village Council in writing and contain the specific amount requested, the proposed use of the requested funds, and the anticipated timing of the expenditure of the requested funds. If the entity requesting the donation or contribution is a tax-exempt organization, it must provide the Village with documentation of its tax-exempt status.

The recipient of any donation or contribution must commit the funds to the use specified in the written request and must provide the Village with a report documenting that the contribution was used for the purpose for which it was made. The Village Manager shall ensure that such documentation is received in a timely fashion.]

- (d**]b**) No expenditure may be made unless funds therefore have been properly appropriated. Funds not appropriated at the time of the annual levy shall not be expended, nor shall any funds appropriated be expended for any purpose other than that for which appropriated, except by a two-thirds vote of all members of the Village Council.

- (e) The aggregate amount of all donations or contributions pursuant to subsection (a) (7) in any fiscal year may not exceed the interest earned by the Village during the immediately preceding fiscal year unless approved by the unanimous vote of all members of the Village Council.]

- (c) **No municipal funds may be expended for donations or contributions to public or private institutions, programs, facilities, or charities, whether or not such entities benefit the Village and/or its residents.**

- (d) **Nothing in this section shall preclude the Village Council from encouraging Village residents to support institutions, programs, facilities, charities, or other entities that benefit Village residents or from facilitating the work of such entities, for example, by mentioning them in the Village Newsletter or allowing the use of the Village office for meetings and functions.**

Introduced: October 20, 2011

Public Comment Taken: November 17, 2011

Possible Action Date: December 15, 2011

If acted upon, Effective Date: December 26, 2011

Bold Underline indicates new material

[Bold Brackets] indicates material deleted

*** indicates material unchanged

HOLIDAY TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE



THANKSGIVING DAY

(Thurs., Nov. 24)

NO PICK UP. Next pick up will be Monday, November

28th.



CHRISTMAS DAY (Sunday, Dec. 25)

No Impact on Service

NEW YEAR'S DAY (Sunday, Jan. 1)

No Impact on Service

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP: Monday, January 2nd, and Monday, January 9th **ONLY.**

BULK TRASH PICK UP DATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF MARTINS ADDITIONS



(The second Saturday of every other month)

November 12, 2011

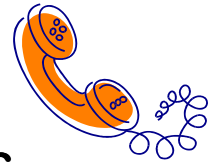
January 14, 2012

March 10, 2012

May 12, 2012

CHECK THIS OUT! GREAT NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

AT YOUR SERVICE! [YOUR SERVICE LIST.ORG](http://www.your servicelist.org)



A terrific opportunity to find locally recommended service providers is being offered to residents of Martin’s Additions—a local service list akin to Angie’s List that pulls together all the recommendations that have been posted in the past on our Martin’s Additions list serv. It allows for expansion of the recommended list by its member users. It is *YourServiceList* and can be found at www.your servicelist.org. It is free and specific to Martin’s Additions only (meaning only Martin’s Additions residents can recommend and review service providers).

Over 60 recommendations and reviews on everything from plumbers to mechanics from our Martin’s Additions listserv are now organized on www.YourServiceList.org. These recommendations were culled from our historical files by creators Steve Conley, (formerly of Cummings Lane) and business partner Dom Fuccillo. They used that information to create “YourServiceList.Org”. Imagine being able to just go to a website and find the plumber your neighbor recommended but whose email you deleted. You can also recommend providers yourself (anonymously) and rate ones already on the site (also anonymously, if you wish.) As a community we can expand our own service list based on our own experiences.

In addition to always having preferred and recommended service providers at your finger tips, you can also receive information about deals, called Group Deals, being offered by any number of the service providers. This benefits vendors because they can schedule a number of visits in the neighborhood on one day, saving them travel time. These notices come only once a week. If you decide that you don’t want to receive the deal of the week you can opt out of that offering. Recently a highly recommended window washer offered a 20% discount to members of the Chevy Chase Village service list because they had multiple jobs in the Village neighborhood. We can benefit this way also! Your participation is absolutely **FREE**, and **your name and email address will be protected at all times.** You can read all the terms and conditions associated with the Service List once on the website.

Want more information?

1. Go to www.your servicelist.org
2. Click the button that says “Watch the demo below, read more about us or meet the team.”



Want to join now that your know more?

1. Go to www.your servicelist.org.
2. Enter **martin’s additions** in the neighborhood field (this is case sensitive and should be entered exactly as written here).
3. **Enter your email address** in the “join a neighborhood” field and then **create a password** of your choosing. You’re signed up! (Creating an account is the only way to make sure only Martin’s Additions residents can access the website)
4. Now you can view the recommendations and reviews that your neighbors have already posted.

Residents can help build this list by adding their own referrals and reviews. www.YourServiceList.org can also be shared with friends and neighbors. The more providers there are to choose from, the more savings Martin’s Additions residents will be able to enjoy.

MAJOR VILLAGE TREE PLANTING PROGRAM UNDERWAY

An intensive tree planting effort is underway in the Village which is intended to address the significant loss of trees from storm damage over the past two years and the recent tree removals by PEPCO that were a part of their Reliability Enhancement Project.



Twenty-five trees will be planted this fiscal year; 23 this fall and the remaining two next spring. A new tree will be planted in almost every place where a tree was removed with a few exceptions. There were some places where space would not allow a new tree but they are well outnumbered by places where a new tree could be planted on the public right-of-way.

The tree planting locations and tree selection was carefully planned by the Village arborist Paul Wolfe of Integrated Plant Care and the Village Tree Supervisor Dan Gardner, incorporating the Arbor Day Foundation Principles and PEPCO's Guidelines of "Right Tree, Right Place." First and foremost is consideration of the power lines along the street. In addition, several other factors were part of the equation. They selected trees that would assure *diversity* of the tree stock in the community, thus reducing vulnerability to insects and disease. Diversity also provides more interest! They designed a nice *mix of native and exotic trees* from pin oaks, to Silk Lilac trees to Amur Maples, Ginkgo, Kousa Dogwoods, Redbuds and more. A new cherry tree variety known



as an Autumnalis cherry which blooms twice a year was also chosen. They selected varieties that are strong street trees, good for our environment and good for our property values! We are on our way to recovery.

OPERATION: TREAT OUR TROOPS DRAWS ALMOST HALF A TON OF DONATIONS!



For the first time ever, Martin's Additions participated in a Montgomery County Community Services Week volunteer project, setting up **Operation: Treat our Troops** under the guidance and with the help of Doug Stein of Wexford Homes, (the builder of 7216 Chestnut Street). This project collected "treats" for troops on



the front in Afghanistan and Iraq. Many residents of Martin's Additions contributed both food and non-food items to the cause. Donations were received from

Town of Somerset residents, Section 3 residents, Montgomery County government employees and a man who drove to VMA all the way from Long Island with a trunk full of goodies for the troops.



Packing day was Saturday, October 22nd the final day of Service week—nine volunteers packed up 15 large boxes—five more than the project's original goal. These 15 boxes contained over **850 lbs of "treats"**—from thick cotton socks to Gold Bond Foot Powder to Beef Jerky



to hand sanitizers and much more. The boxes will be shared with the platoons of each of the recipients. A special thanks to Doug Stein who contributed \$500 toward shipping the boxes overseas and his friends Mark and Darci Glass-Royale who were kind enough to make up the balance needed for shipping. The troop



donation box will remain in the Village Office if anyone is moved by the giving spirit over the holidays.

VILLAGE HALLOWEEN PARTY ROCKS!



Lots of ghosts, goblins and monsters made the Village's Annual Halloween Parade and Party on Turner Lane a success. A Wizard's Castle 4-in-1 Moon Bounce, face painting, drawing activities, pumpkin painting and crafts entertained old and young alike on Sunday, October 30th. It was another successful annual

Halloween Parade and Party in Martin's Additions! The weather was cold but sunny and turnout was spectacular. Thank goodness we avoided the snow the day before!

As always, many thanks for this fabulous party go to resident Keith Allen, whose home at the end of

Turner Lane serves as the hub of event planning and execution. Keith's crew of George Dobud, David Bjorkland, Riley Markham and Patrick O'Donnell were always available to lend a helping hand.. Popcorn, healthy treats, and cold drinks disappeared quickly—and so did the candy. (Thanks to John Kay for helping to pack the candy bags.) Paul Wolfe of Integrated Plant Care delivered a truck- load of little pumpkins perfect for painting! Holly Worthington of Turner Lane helped set up the crafts and supervised the fantastic pumpkin painting. Justin Woodson provided the funky music and led the parade in his awesome pirate costume along with the gorilla in the motorcycle sidecar. His side-kick wench and ever beautiful wife, Maria assisted throughout the event. Bill Catherwood and Steve Schmal were indispensable, making popcorn, setting up tables, chairs and tents. Thanks to resident Lillian Parr (Quincy) and friend Elian for expertly and tirelessly manning the craft table. We also had support from volunteers from outside the community, Nathan Poland and Erin Abrahams.

The Halloween event added 260 pounds of food for Manna, bringing our total for October to 408 pounds and the year to date to 4,046. The goal is to collect 5,000 pounds by the end of the year. There are lots of pictures of the Halloween event on our website. Go to www.martinsaddition.org and click on "Photos" to see the collection. Please share you photos with us!



CHEVY CHASE LAKE SECTOR PLAN DELAYED

The Montgomery County Council has delayed any decisions on the Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan for several months. The Council took this action at the request of the Chevy Chase Land Co., which recently hired new staff and formally announced they were hitting the "reset" button on their proposal for development of the site. The Land Co. is scrapping its original proposal for 4.3 million sq. ft. of space in buildings 15 to 19 stories high. The County Planning Board released an outline for the area that called for 1.2 million sq. ft. of development with height caps of 6.5 stories.

Clearly, the two groups are very far apart in their visions for the site. More to follow.

PURPLE LINE ON THE MOVE



On October 7, 2011 Governor Martin O'Malley announced that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has given its approval for the Purple Line to move forward and enter the Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase. By granting permission to begin preliminary engineering, the Purple Line becomes one of a small of number of projects nationwide that are eligible for federal funding. Work on the project now moves to preparation of more detailed plans, schedules and cost estimates, as well as completion of environmental studies. As a result of this approval the MTA is holding community meetings to discuss the project's progress with the public. For more information go to: <http://www.purplelinemd.com/public-involvement/upcoming-meetings>.

ADVICE IN PROTECTING YOUR HOME

Here are important tips from the police for identifying and preventing crime:

LOOK FOR:

- Someone looking into windows or parked cars.
- Abandoned cars.
- Property being taken out of houses where no one is at home.
- Someone shouting for help.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS:

- Have a trusted neighbor check on your house periodically when you are on vacation.
- Put indoor lights on timers when not home.
- Use outdoor lights to eliminate hiding spots near entry points.
- Always lock car doors and close windows.
- Do not leave electronic devices visible in cars.

Remember: **never** confront anyone who you think is doing something illegal. **Call the police!**



**DON'T FORGET TO
CHANGE YOUR SMOKE
ALARM BATTERIES**

DC Weather Line Info STILL AVAILABLE
just like the good ole' days:
202-589-1212.

TO OUR TERRIFIC NEIGHBORS: THANKS FOR GIVING!



Our Village's generous spirit was in evidence once again at this year's Halloween parade and party on Sunday, Oct. 30th. Many of you brought along cans and boxes of non-perishables for our ongoing food drive to benefit the clients of Manna Food Center. The next day, Monday, we delivered 240 pounds of late-October donations to Manna's central warehouse in Gaithersburg. The Center, as you may know, serves families at risk of hunger throughout Montgomery County – and indeed, the need continues to grow.

On our twice-monthly delivery trips, we've seen a growing line of people picking up a small box of food to help feed their families for three or four days. For many in today's tough economy, there simply isn't enough cash left to put food on the table after paying for housing, clothing, insurance, gasoline, utility bills and so on. It's heart-breaking – and at the same time, it's heart-warming to see the response from giving folks like yourselves. (Clients are eligible for food only once a month and must have a referral every time.)

After more than three years of taking contributions to the warehouse, the Martin's Addition's "delivery team" is greeted warmly by Manna staff, both those working at the front desk and those assisting with unloading and shelving the food, and we never leave without an effusive "thank you" – a thank you we pass along to all of our Village donors.

With the holiday season fast approaching, starting with Thanksgiving, we're counting on everyone to keep the Manna project in mind. Our goal of delivering 5,000 pounds of food again this year is within reach. Just a can or two a week from each and every household in Martin's Additions and we will get there. To make giving easier, there will be a second box from now until year's end in the Brookville Market. The regular box, of course, is at the foot of the stairs leading to the Village Office. To learn more about Manna, including a list of most-needed items and other volunteer opportunities, go to www.mannafood.org.

OUT AND ABOUT THE VILLAGE

◆ **HELP KEEP US INFORMED** of new residents and interesting doings in Martin's Additions! Call or email the Village Office.



SHARE WHAT YOU NO LONGER NEED

Don't throw it away! A *Wider Circle* charity, which is located in Bethesda, would be delighted to have your household goods. This wonderful nonprofit charity, which comes to pick up items, serves needy people who have very little. Call 301-657-1010 to donate; visit www.awidercircle.org to learn more.

A NEWSWORTHY NOVEMBER FOR CHEVY CHASE AT HOME



"Alzheimer's Disease; Is There News We Can Use?" is the compelling title of a presentation by Dr. Trey Sunderland, an international leader in geriatric psychology. Following his long and distinguished career at NIMH, Dr. Sunderland has led the Society of Biological Psychiatry and the Advisory Board for the Greater Washington Alzheimer's Association. He consults at the

Washington Home, and maintains an active private practice locally.

Dr. Sunderland plans to describe ongoing biological and treatment research, as well as the fascinating, but controversial, developments in the diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease. This special program will be held at 7:00PM, **Thursday, November 17th**, at the Chevy Chase Village Hall.

On **Thursday, November 10th**, the lively Brunch Bunch will again meet at the Olympia Coffee Shoppe, 7021 Brookville Road, at 10:00 AM, for good conversation over coffee, or even a belated breakfast. Several CC@H Board members will be there to greet you, and to answer your questions.

On **Tuesday, November 15th**, Lois Fern and her friends are going to bring us some fun. Their presentation, called, "The Show and Tell of New-Fangled Devices," will give you the opportunity to look at, play with, and perhaps even learn to use some of those fascinating new gadgets, with mysterious names like Blackberry, iPod, iPad, Kindle, and Smartphone. Be sure to bring your curiosity. Your questions will be handled with care. As usual, there will be fine refreshments. The program begins at 2:00 PM, at the Chevy Chase Village Hall. Visit their website at www.chevychaseathome.org.



LOCAL ARTIST OPEN HOUSE

Bernice Duvall, resident of 3414 Taylor Street since 1970 and practicing artist since 1972, is having an **art sale at her house in early December: Friday the 2nd from 5 pm - 8 pm and Saturday the 3rd from 10 am - 4**

pm. Bernice has participated in many exhibits: Glenview Mansion, Rockville, University Club, DC, Charles Sumner Museum, Academy Art Museum, Springfield Art Museum, Springfield, MO, Strathmore Hall, North Bethesda (Baltimore Watercolor Society), Federal Reserve, DC and Baltimore, Arts Club, DC, On the Hill Gallery, Yorktown, VA, Arts Club, NY, Salmagundie Club, NY, Mall Galleries, London, England. She has participated in group exhibits in Louisiana, Florida, New York, Virginia, Wash., DC, Oklahoma, Texas, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Missouri. Her clients have purchased paintings and taken them to: England, Wales, Sweden, France, Japan, New Zealand, Denmark. Bernice said, "I have done a few craft shows locally, but have mostly focused on my paintings over the years. Crafts are an equally important way of expressing oneself using artistic techniques in a variety of ways with all types of materials to create art. Some craft objects are mounted or hung as display pieces, others are more utilitarian." She will be selling a number of her smaller paintings and handcrafted gift items, some of which utilize plants from her garden. It's a great opportunity to do holiday shopping in a low-key setting. You can contact Bernice at bbd.art@earthlink.net.

HARMONY THRU EDUCATION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Born and Bred VMA Resident Aids Disabled Children in India

Please join Seth Shaffer, the Founder and President of Harmony through Education and resident of Shepherd Street, for the **Third Annual Harmony Through Education Art and Artifacts Silent Auction** and cocktail party **Saturday, December 3rd at 6:30 pm.** The Auction proceeds will be used by **Harmony** to provide general, vocational, healthcare, and nutrition education and assistance for disabled children in the rural Himalayan town of Dharamsala, India. **Harmony's** mission is to expand the school to serve more children and then build more schools in other developing countries.

The event will take place at the **Wisconsin Place Community Center 5311 Friendship Blvd. in Chevy Chase, MD.**



The Auction will also be a party. Hors d'oeuvres, desserts, and drinks will be provided to make your early Saturday evening a great time to visit with friends and neighbors. The silent Auction will feature limited edition photographs by internationally renowned photojournalist, Kulwant Roy, fine art paintings by a local artist, Tibetan yak blankets woven by Dharamsala artisans, designer jewelry, a weekend getaway to New York City, a week at the Shaffer home in the Hamptons, tickets to local entertainment events, spa packages and much more!

Spend the evening visiting and holiday shopping while helping to raise funds for special needs children. Spread the word and bring friends to the event.

[Harmony Through Education is a 501(c) (3) non-profit. Harmony wishes to thank our generous sponsors **WHOLE FOODS-Friendship Heights, BROOKVILLE PHARMACY and BROOKVILLE SUPER MARKET**]. **"Education is the key to opening the doors of life."**

NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE CHEVY CHASE LIBRARY



* **Preschool story-time**—Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. November 1, 8, and 15 (ages 2-6)

* **Bilingual story-time**—with Senora Lupe Marks, Tuesday, Nov. 22 at 10:30 a.m. (ages 2-6)

* **Non-fiction Book Group** - Wednesday, November 9, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Miracle at Philadelphia: The Story of the Constitutional Convention, May to September 1787 by Catherine Drinker Bowen.

Great Books Book Discussion - Wednesday, November 9, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Aristotle's Metaphysics. Discussion led by Dianne Levine.

* **Fiction, Memoir, and Biography Book Group**—Wednesday, November 16, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks.

* **Jefferson Café** - Friday, November 18, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. "Agnes the Ageing Suit" by James Crabtree from the July 22, 2011 issue of the "Financial Times." Copies of the article are at the reference desk.

* **Sponsored by the Friends of the Chevy Chase Library, 8005 Connecticut Ave. Chevy Chase.**

**BEFORE WE “SNOW IT”
we’ll be shoveling! Get
ready.**



The Village is assembling a list of snow shoveling services in order to help residents be prepared to clear their sidewalks and driveways this coming winter. You may recall that Martin’s Additions has suspended its snow shoveling program due to budgetary constraints. Residents are required by law to clear their sidewalks. Here are some names we have so far:

◆ **Mulheron Tree (and Snow Removal) Experts**, the contractor who provided snow shoveling services for Martin’s Additions in the past, has agreed to write individual contracts for residents desiring snow shoveling/snow blowing services for sidewalk and driveway clearance for the coming winter. If you are interested in getting more information about these services please contact: Maria Jeffers at Mulheron Tree Experts, Inc., Phone: 301-942-6700, Fax: 301-942-6734 or by email at (Maria@mulherontreeexperts.com).

◆ **Meridian Landscaping, LLC** has been recommended as a reliable shoveling and plowing firm, using both snow blowers and hand shoveling. They service the Virginia, Washington and Maryland suburbs. You can reach **Matt Kucik of Meridian Landscaping, LLC** at 202-236-6018 or at Info@MeridianLandscapes.com

ALSO ON THE LIST:

- ◆ **Verges Services of Kensington**, 301-942-6666
- ◆ **Alfonso Prada Shoveling and Plowing** 240-286-8509
- ◆ **Pedro Lazo Services** 202-309-3138
- ◆ Our **Community Helpers List** on the next page provides names of neighborhood shovelers.



**WHO DO YOU USE TO
SHOVEL YOUR SNOW?**

If you can make a referral for a snow shoveling service you have used, please forward the information to the office. We will continue to update our Snow Services List in an effort to help residents be prepared.

VMA COMMUNITY HELPERS LIST SUBMISSION FORM

Add your name to our community helpers list! The list acts as a public service announcement for teens seeking jobs and Village residents seeking individuals to provide a variety of services. This is a free opportunity to advertise your services and to earn some money! Prices for these services are negotiated between the helper and the resident. See our current Community Helpers list on the next page. If you have any questions, call the Village Office at 301-656-4112. Forms can be Faxed to 301-656-0030. Snow shovelers are always in demand!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (home) _____ (Cell) _____

PLEASE CIRCLE THE SERVICES YOU WANT TO OFFER:

Snow Shoveling, Baby-Sitting, Pet Care, Yard Work, Tutoring, General Chores, Computer /Technology

Assistance. Other _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent’s Signature if you are under 18 years of age.

ANIMAL CONTROL COMPLAINTS ABOUND. DO YOU KNOW THE LAW?

The Village Office Complaint Log records many incidents about barking dogs, dogs (AND CATS!) on the loose, dogs frightening people and other dogs, dogs soiling people's yards, and people not minding the pooper scooper law. Time for a refresher course! Martin's Additions follows Montgomery County Laws

VIOLATIONS:

Animal Noise: Penalty for Violation - \$100



(Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-203(a)(6)) An owner must not allow an animal to cause noise that is loud enough and persistent enough to disturb another person's quiet enjoyment.

Animal Trespass: Penalty for Violation - \$100

(Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-203(a)(3))

An owner must not allow an animal to enter private property without the property owner's permission.

Animals At Large: Penalty for Violation: \$100 for first offense, \$500 for each subsequent violation.

Any dog is at large if it is outside the owner's premises and not leashed, unless it is a service dog, is in a dog exercise area designated by the Maryland National Capital park and Planning Commission, or is participating in an approved activity.

Any other animal (i.e., cat or livestock animal) is at large if it is outside the owner's premises and not leashed or immediately responsive to verbal or non-verbal direction. Also, for the record, "outdoor" cats are illegal in Montgomery County, unless they are completely restrained to the owner's property.



Unwanted Contact: Penalty for Violation: \$500

The pet owner must prevent unwelcome or unsolicited threatening physical contact or close proximity to a person or a domestic animal that occurs outside the owner's property that may cause alarm in a reasonable person, such as biting, chasing, tracking, inhibiting movement, or jumping.

Animal Defecation ("pooper scooper" law): Penalty for Violation - \$100

(Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-203(a)(2))

An owner must not allow an animal to damage or defecate on property outside of the owner's property. An animal may defecate on public property or the common area of property in which the owner shares an interest if the owner immediately removes and disposes of the feces by a sanitary method approved by the Director. Feces may be picked up in a plastic bag. If this bag is placed inside another plastic bag, it may be put out for disposal in your normal household trash.

Dangerous Animals: Penalty for failing to keep a dangerous animal confined — \$500 - \$2500 and/or impoundment of the animal. (Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-202)



An animal is deemed to be potentially dangerous if it has inflicted a bite on a person either on public or private real property or has killed or inflicted severe injury to a domestic animal when not on the owner's property or has attacked without provocation. An animal which has been declared to be potentially dangerous and subsequently engages in one of these behaviors again will then be deemed to be dangerous. Animals which have been declared dangerous or potentially dangerous by other jurisdictions must be removed from Montgomery County unless the Division Director waives the requirement and imposes restrictions for the animal to remain in the County.

Animals which have been deemed to be dangerous must be kept confined in a secure enclosure to prevent direct contact with humans or other animals, and must be leashed and muzzled, and under the control of a person at least 18 years old who is physically able to restrain the animal any time it is removed from the owner's property. An animal which has been declared to be vicious or dangerous by the Director or the Animal Matters Hearing Board may have additional restrictions imposed.

To Report An Animal Bite Or A Violation Of Animal Control Laws:

call the Animal Services Division at 240-773-5960 or 240-773-5925.

For after-hours emergencies, call 240-773-5900.





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◆ **HOLIDAY FUND KICK-OFF SOON!**

We will again be collecting contributions to a Holiday Fund for our sanitation personnel. Watch for the Holiday letter from the Village.



**Council Meeting
 November 17, 2010**

Preliminary Meeting Agenda

Call to Order 7:00

Presentation & Q&A: Capt. Falcinelli, MCPD District 2

- Residents Comments, Concerns & Contributions
- Public Comment: Ordinance 10-11-1 Amendment of Chapter 2 : Section 2-401
- Building Administrator's Report:
- Action on Minutes
- Action on Financial Report for October
- Manager's Report
- Snow Plow Contract
- Adjournment

VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings are held every **third Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm** in the Village Office located at 7013 B Brookville Road, unless otherwise posted. The Meeting Agenda is posted on the Village Bulletin Board outside the Brookville Supermarket prior to the meeting and on the Village website www.martinsadditions.org on the Friday before the meeting.

A preliminary agenda is published in this newsletter. Contact the Village Office if you wish to have an item considered for placement on the meeting agenda at least two weeks in advance of the meeting. A complete copy of meeting minutes are available in the Village Office, posted on the bulletin board and available at www.martinsadditions.org.