

SECTION THREE
VILLAGE OF
CHEVY CHASE

NEWS & VIEWS

APRIL 2011

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6
Bulk Trash pick-up, curbside

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13
Council Meeting
CCUMC Room 109
7:45 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17
Easter Egg
Hunt &
Luncheon
Gazebo Park
12:00 noon

**WEDNESDAY,
MAY 4**
Bulk trash curbside

TUESDAY, MAY 10
Section 3 Annual Elections & Meeting



EASTER EGG HUNT, LUNCHEON

It's time for the annual Easter Egg hunt and luncheon for all Section 3 families with children! While the hunt is limited to children 6 and under, the event is for families with older children as well. Mark Sunday, April 17th on your calendar, gather at the Gazebo Park and bring a basket for kids six and under. Older siblings can watch and coach and join everyone with their parents for lunch. The gates will open at 12 noon sharp for children 3 and under and after a five minute head start, children 4 to 6 will be allowed to join in. After 15 minutes of full-on egg hunting frenzy, we'll all sit down for a luncheon with finger foods and drinks all around for children, grandchildren and grandparents... So join us!

Special thanks to **Debbie Glynn** for helping organize this event, to the Barry family for the once again generous use of their yard, and to **Chris Erceg** for being a fabulous Easter bunny!

ZONING REVISIONS AND CHEVY CHASE LAKE SECTOR PLAN TOPIC FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The future of our neighborhood and of everyone in Montgomery County is currently being debated in two different projects underway at the Planning Commission level. The first (see *News & Views* February 2011) involves the development of the proposed Chevy Chase Lake Sector Plan, in which the area just to our north is being reconsidered in a new master plan. A number of Section 3 residents participated in a planning workshop in March to give the Planning Board Staff feedback on what they might like to see as this area gets re-developed around the purple line.

On a much broader scale, the planning board is working with consultants and citizens to revamp the Montgomery County zoning ordinances with new sets of "objective" standards for almost anything one might want to build. It's not clear yet how the master plans for each area and this new zoning code would interact or relate. What is clear is that we as citizens need to be involved and informed from the very start so that we don't get the kind of development we don't want and we do get the kind of development we *do* want. This affects our ability to shop, commute, enjoy our community and the future value of our properties.

To explain all these important zoning issues to us and how we can have an impact on the decision making process is Pat Baptiste, a member of the Board of Managers of Chevy Chase Village, a former member of the Planning Commission and a member of the Zoning Advisory Board. Pat will be the keynote speaker at the annual meeting. So make sure to come, these two planning efforts will have a direct affect on our community.

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**In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and our desire to have our meetings open to everyone in our community, Council meetings are held at the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church which has handicapped elevator access via the parking lot entrance. We are grateful to the Church for their generosity in allowing us to use their facility each month.*



COUNCIL ACTIONS

The Council met on Wednesday, March 9th. All Council members except **David Ohrenstein** were present.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as they appeared in the newsletter.

Public Safety Issues

The police patrols appear to be working well. A number of warnings have been issued to both Section residents and visitors.

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

Utilities are to be installed for 3821 Bradley Lane. Until WSSC provides Section 3 with definitive plans for the sanitary sewer depth and location, including the lateral lines, no other approvals for Pepco, Washington Gas or Verizon can be granted as they too must go underground and we don't want a situation where one utility runs into the other. WSSC's connection is the largest and that must come first.

A permit for the demolition of a garage has been granted new resident Andreas Guessmann as well as a building permit for a rear addition at 6812 Delaware Street.

We are expecting to start on the sidewalk at Bradley Lane and Brookville Road shortly. The trees that were blocking the new sidewalk will be taken down shortly. We are waiting for WSSC to

fix the leak at the intersection of Brookville and Bradley which they are supposed to do on March 14th. The Village Manager, in concert with the head of operations for Chevy Chase Village, has been working with Pepco and the State Highway Dept. trying to coordinate the repairs with WSSC, the milling and paving of Brookville Road and the Pepco work digging and placing new poles all along Bradley Lane and part of Brookville Road. The goal is to disturb residents as little as possible and to coordinate work crews so that the work can be done as expeditiously as possible.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Council spent considerable time reviewing the proposed budget for fiscal 2011-2012 (see story this issue).

The Council re-invested funds in American Bank at a rate higher than Independence Federal's proposed "rollover" rate for the same funds.

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL

Everything is set for the "Everybody's Irish" party. The Village manager announced that she would not order the tent until the last moment and get a smaller tent if the weather was good rather than ordering a larger, more expensive tent if the weather is rainy.

Planning is just getting underway for the Easter Egg Hunt and Luncheon (see story this issue).

The meeting at 9:30 pm.

REQUEST FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR MAY 10, 2011 SECTION 3 ELECTION

I (name) _____ of (street address) _____ am unable to attend the election for Village Council members from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on May 11th and therefore request an absentee ballot. I understand that I can pick up a copy of the ballot at the home of the Village Manager anytime after Friday, April 15th and that I must return my ballot no later than 5:30 p.m. on the day of the election in order for my vote to be counted. I also understand that facsimile votes will not be considered valid.

Signature

VOTER REGISTRATION

Unlike most jurisdictions, if you live in Section 3, we want you to vote in our elections—even if you're not a citizen of the U.S. Our only requirement is that you be 18 years of age and own or rent in Section 3. Those who have registered with us in prior years do not have to re-register. If you are listed in the Section 3 directory, you don't need to show us proof that you're a resident. If you're not listed in the directory, we will need a copy of a driver's license with your Section 3 address or a bill proving that you are indeed a resident.

Just fill out this form and submit it to the Village Manager (3801 Bradley Lane) prior to 5:00 p.m. on election day and we'll be happy to have you vote.

Name

Street Address

Signature

Print your Name



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

SECTION 3'S NEWEST NEIGHBOR

Congrats to **Allison and David Mandell** on the birth of baby **Alexandra** on February 28th. Brothers **Michael** and **Max** are delighted with their new little sister.



SECTION 3'S OWN PATROLMAN HONORED

Brian Merryman, one of Section 3's own police patrolmen, was recently honored the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce 37th annual Public Safety awards ceremony.

Merryman received an honorable

mention of valor award after saving a woman who was attempting to end her life by jumping off the I-495 overpass bridge over Georgia Avenue. The woman was subsequently removed from the bridge and taken to the hospital without injury. Brian has also received several recognition certificates in honor of the award from Senators Mikulski and Cardin, Representative Chris Van Hollen and a Governor's Citation from Governor Martin O'Malley.

Congrats Brian!

VILLAGE MANAGER TESTIFIES BEFORE MARYLAND HOUSE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

In an effort to ease the ability of municipalities to negotiate with power companies, Delegate Al Carr has introduced a bill (H.B. 905) that would establish the criteria for municipalities who wish to purchase their own street lights and mount them on Pepco poles. The legislation defines the standards for a jury in a condemnation hearing to make decisions about the levels of fair market value that should be paid to the electric company.

Our attorney in this matter, Mr. Tim Hyland of Stein, Sperling, also testified before the committee on Section 3's behalf.

SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

They say to never look a gift horse in the mouth, but when the State Highway Administration's contractors began digging up Connecticut Avenue driveways and sidewalks without notifying anyone in Section 3—well, we had to. After a few hissy fits, we were able to communicate with SHA the need to have "wings" on driveway aprons (essential to get from a 9' wide lane into one's own driveway—a straight, right-angle driveway was not going to do the trick), and the State graciously agreed and had the contractor, MLuis, re-do all the driveway aprons that were incorrectly poured between Raymond Street and Shepherd Street.

After telling us for years that we would have to foot the bill for any sidewalk repairs, it turns out that with ADA Compliance funding, State Highway is making dramatic improvements up and down Connecticut Avenue. You will be able to walk to Chevy Chase Supermarket from Section 3 entirely via the sidewalk. Whereas before, in front of the library and in that area, you had to walk on grass or in the mud, now the sidewalk will take you there! And what's more, for those of you who have waded through the deep pools of water after a mild rainstorm on the block between Raymond and Bradley, that area of Connecticut Avenue will also be repaired by State Highway's contractors—all this spring! As soon as they begin cutting sod (it's been too soggy of late), then sod will be laid down in areas where there is straw and seed at the moment.

CHEVY CHASE @ HOME

On April 5th, Section 3's own Barbara Scupi, a psychotherapist, will join therapist Sandy Geller in a discussion, Challenges of Growing Older: Issues of Mental Health. This informative Meet & Mingle (M & M) program is sponsored by CC@H and is also free and open to the public: 2:00 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall.

And at the April 19th M & M, local artist Millie Shott will show us how to have Fun with Collage. She will demonstrate how this art form encourages new possibilities of expression and will bring materials, so that everyone can have a go at it. 2:00 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall. Come join the fun!

Section 3's own **Nathan Billig, MD**, will lead an interactive seminar discussion on "Who Does Well in Old Age?" On Wednesday evening, May 4th, Billig will lead the discussion regarding how we deal with the aging process in ourselves and others. The event will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall. Free and open to the public.

PROPOSED FY 2011-2012 BUDGET

This year's budget presents more than the usual number of challenges. On the income side, we are not yet certain as to how much we will get from the County to reimburse us for services that they would have otherwise had to provide our residents had we not purchased and provided them ourselves (tax duplication). We know that the State Highway funds have been slashed to a fraction of what we used to receive (see table at right). And of course, we can't predict what all our hard-working residents will make during this fiscal year so our share of income tax revenues is extremely conservative. We are planning for an amount that is close to what we budgeted for this line item in 2004!

On the expense side, we have been fortunate in that we rebuilt most of our deficient roadways a number of years ago and have maintained our streets and sidewalks so that we don't envision any major repairs or large expenditures. Our biggest expense, if we prevail in our dealings with Pepco, will be our new street lights that will come out of our Capital Improvement Fund.

SPECIFICS ON THE INCOME SIDE

Last year at this time, we dramatically slashed our income tax expectations to \$300,000. And in fact, we collected closer to \$400,000. We will take in about \$10,000 more than we budgeted for the current fiscal year. However, because estimates at the state level are so bleak, we have decided to be exceedingly conservative for next year and only budget \$285,000. In hopes that once again, we will be pleasantly surprised.

Estimates for **tax duplication** funding from the County are difficult to predict and we have decided for planning purposes to use a 40 percent reduction figure from last year's income. The County's budget continues to cut back funding to municipalities and they are very likely to short us and rather than be optimistic, we are being conservative. As for State Highway funding, we have already been told, instead of the \$30,000 or so we used to receive (we got 10 percent of that last year), we will more than likely receive \$1333. next year. There is a possibility that legislation currently under consideration would restore some of the Highway User Revenue Funds to individual municipalities but as of this writing, it's not clear if that will occur. If it does, we stand to gain an additional \$6000. County budgets are also being severely shorted as well. The only bright side of the State's diminution in funding has been this year, with ADA compliance funding, we have been able to get a lot of the sidewalk on Connecticut Avenue and driveway aprons replaced (see story this issue).

With interest rates continuing to be low, we will budget a minimum in **interest** on our various CDs. We search for the best rate

possible and have 20 accounts in FDIC insured or federally collateralized institutions in some 16 different banks and have tried to ladder those investments as much as possible.

SPECIFICS ON THE EXPENSE SIDE

Since the year 2000, we have taken our property tax revenues and used a portion of them to pay the non-deductible **county land-fill fee** which appears on your property tax bill. We have not received definitive word as to what that charge will be for the upcoming year and will budget \$11,000 because last year the charge was a little over \$10,000 and the County Executive is trying not to raise taxes on already strapped residents.

We continue to work with Charles P. Johnson to keep our GIS files updated and with Bill Bissell, our civil engineer, on water issues and expect we will do so in the coming year. While we have cut back on engineering and consulting services, we need to be able to hire the expertise we don't have in house in certain key technical areas for the benefit of our residents.

We had expected to hire an arborist under contract to help us care for our tree canopy and a separate landscape firm to take care of the park, the no outlet gardens and the greenways at this time last year. Instead, we have hired a landscape firm, but have brought on board Paul Wolfe of Integrated Plant Care, who serves as our arborist on a fee basis, which has saved us considerable funds. Paul has been very helpful in pruning our street trees and dangerous trees prior to this winter's storms so that we did not have as many problems with power outages. He even identified trees that Pepco needed to trim back! He has for the first time ever, pruned all our serviceberry trees and has done a wonderful job in advising us on tree care and been there when we needed the chipper! So our grass and trees budget reflects more of the reality of how much we anticipate spending next year.

Legal fees went considerably over what they have in past years, but in response to the community, we needed to hire expertise to help us oppose the effort to expand the daycare center on Connecticut Avenue. For next year, we anticipate that we won't have unusually high legal bills.

Police patrols, which started in February using off-duty County policemen of our own selection, have been very helpful. The cost is significantly less than we paid Chevy Chase Village for police services and then patrols are more under our control. In addition to paying their hourly charges, we also incur additional expenses for police liability insurance and workman's compensation for our patrols. Even with these two additional costs and payroll taxes, we are still paying less than we had in the past.

Recycling charges are limited to paper bags for yard waste distributed in the fall to each household. We have decided to use the

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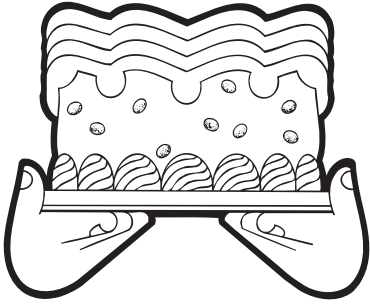
CHEVY CHASE SECTION 3 BUDGET

Income	Actual FY 08-09	Actual FY09-10	Budget FY 09-10	Budget FY 10-11	Actual FY 10-11 YTD	Proposed budget FY 11-12
Building Permits	\$2,090.00	\$220.00	\$100.00	\$140.00	\$160.00	\$140.00
Cable TV	\$5,959.57	\$6,197.78	\$5,000.00	\$5,200.00	\$4,467.63	\$5,200.00
CCUMC Trash	\$6,150.00	\$2,310.00	\$2,310.00	\$2,550.00	\$0.00	\$1860.00
Corporate Taxes	\$207.54	\$80.01	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.46	\$0.00
County Duplication	\$32,322.00	\$32,322.00	\$32,322.00	\$30,000.00	\$27,474.00	\$16,484.00
Court & Misc fees	\$28.20	\$14.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49.08	\$0.00
Income Taxes	\$511,977.33	\$397,777.74	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$185,991.59	\$285,000.00
Interest	\$47,876.61	\$39,850.16	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$16,411.19	\$16,000.00
Interest Income from Taxes	\$108.25	\$119.45	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$70.32	\$25.00
Parking Fines	\$581.25	\$480.00	\$200.00	\$350.00	\$206.25	\$50.00
Personal Property Taxes	\$198.86	\$240.47	\$37.50		\$297.16	\$0.00
Property Taxes	\$44,465.52	\$48,992.74	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$53,473.44	\$53,000.00
State Highway	\$31,488.09	\$4,986.46	\$28,965.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,595.75	\$1,333.00
Total Income	\$683,453.22	\$533,590.91	\$438,897.00	\$406,365.00	\$290,196.87	\$379,092.00
Expenses						
Accounting Fees	\$7,192.08	\$7,662.50	\$7,200.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,515.00	\$7,800.00
Bank Service Charges	\$161.49	\$270.40	\$150.00	\$180.00	\$40.17	\$100.00
Charitable Donation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Community Promotion	\$17,030.58	\$24,833.74	\$18,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$16,763.18	\$18,000.00
County Landfill Charges	\$8,379.25	\$6,357.00	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$10,648.51	\$11,000.00
Depreciation Expense *	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dues and Conventions/Dinner	\$4,153.34	\$4,591.80	4,500.00	\$4,200.00	\$2,946.80	\$4,000.00
Engineering Study/Services	\$8,881.94	\$56,616.00	\$80,000.00	\$17,000.00	\$2,490.00	\$5,000.00
Equipment	\$800.00	\$1,583.36	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$56.37	\$300.00
Grass & Trees	\$38,211.60	\$28,949.13	\$35,000.00	\$59,000.00	\$27,782.12	\$40,000.00
Insurance	\$12,685.21	\$11,467.60	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$7,716.35	\$10,000.00
Legal Fees	\$6,803.94	\$20,154.38	\$6,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$38,289.61	\$7,500.00
Messenger	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14.63	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$797.51	\$813.54	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$79.78	\$400.00
Newsletter	\$8,966.35	\$8,597.42	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$5,721.85	\$10,000.00
Office Supplies	\$462.33	\$525.23	\$500.00	\$600.00	\$477.85	\$600.00
Party-in-the-Park	\$12,732.15	\$12,143.10	\$15,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$12,742.98	\$15,000.00
Payroll and Taxes	\$51,133.68	\$56,785.37	\$55,000.00	\$65,490.00	\$46,020.40	\$62,000.00
Police	\$9,300.00	\$7,850.00	\$10,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$640.00	\$4,500.00
Postage and Delivery	\$2,092.09	\$2,291.91	\$2,500.00	\$2,800.00	\$1,696.51	\$2,300.00
Recycling	\$9,162.46	\$3,798.10	\$1,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$2,408.57	\$3,800.00
Rent	\$1,980.00	\$2,145.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,220.00	\$1,400.00	\$2,200.00
Snow Removal	\$6,917.00	\$35,746.70	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,329.30	\$15,000.00
Street Lighting	\$7,619.85	\$5,030.59	\$9,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$4,779.64	\$8,500.00
Street Repairs	\$6,164.43	\$63.47	\$15,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$127.00	\$5,000.00
Street Signs	\$14,909.34	\$506.00	\$35,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$3,860.15	\$6,000.00
Telephone and On-Line	\$1,632.71	\$1,613.45	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,188.84	\$1,800.00
Waste Collection	\$74,024.28	\$75,490.44	\$75,000.00	\$82,000.00	\$52,742.33	\$78,000.00
Water	\$303.47	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Total Expenses	\$312,497.08	\$375,886.23	\$418,650.00	\$462,990.00	\$262,977.94	\$319,050.00
Capital Improvement Reserve Fund**		\$13,047.87	\$500,000.00	\$600,000.00	\$390.00	\$700,000.00**

Our fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30. * as of March 30, 2011

* Depreciation expense is not included in the total as it cannot be compared to this current fiscal year as the depreciation hasn't yet been taken. ** Only a portion of this will be spent in FY 11-12.

ONE WEEK BEFORE MOTHER'S DAY, A FREE FAMILY OUTING



FULL OF FUN AND LOCAL HISTORY

Trolley tours of early local architecture, “Chevy Chase trot” dance lessons, and the painting of a community mural will be among family-friendly activities

planned for “Chevy Chase Celebrates,” a free event hosted by the Chevy Chase Historical Society in partnership with five historic Chevy Chase neighborhoods on Sunday, May 1, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Jane E. Lawton Center, 4301 Willow Lane, in the Town of Chevy Chase.

The Society is marking its 30th anniversary with this party for the community, complete with a mammoth birthday cake. Residents can be videotaped sharing their memories of family and neighborhood celebrations for the Society’s archives. In addition, adults can talk with the authors of a new book, *Place Names of Chevy Chase*, being released by the Society on May 1.

The full schedule of “Chevy Chase Celebrates!” activities follows. For more information, visit www.chevychasehistory.org.

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green covered recycling bins for both bottles and cans as well as paper (one for each), so as your blue bin becomes destroyed, we will replace with a covered green bin—much less expensive and unwieldy.

Costs for **street repairs and street signs** are estimated to be minimal in the coming year, but we can always expect to need funds for a certain amount of sidewalk repairs to avoid tripping hazards and dangerous situations.

We are pulling another \$100,000 from our reserves to put into the Capital Improvement Fund. Pending some legislation in Annapolis, we may have to take Pepco to court to condemn the small place on the street light poles that we want to use for our new street lights and new street light layout.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS



Council elections are held every year—there are five members of the com-

munity who each serve two year terms in staggered years. This year three seats are up for the election; that of Council Chairman **Bill Brownlee**, Vice Chair **Natasha Saifee** and Buildings and Roads representative **Carolyn Greis**.

The deadline for potential candidates to submit their statements was Monday, March 21st. Here are their statements:

WILLIAM H. BROWNLEE

I have had the privilege of serving on the Council for 12 years, so to many of you, my comments may be in Yogi’s immortal words: Deja Vu all over again”.

During my time on the Council, we have made the community safer with the installation of the sidewalk on Brookville Road, we have increased the number of community social events, we have repaired or rebuilt many of our streets (no potholes allowed) and we have updated our building regulations to prevent overbuilding while still allowing our residents to improve their properties. At the same time, we have maintained a prudent fiscal policy, avoiding any deficits in a period of decreased County and State funding.

Those with whom I have served on the Council have all been hard-working and enthusiastic and we have worked in harmony, with a minimum of bureaucracy and with the aid of many volunteers from the community, to make Section 3 a real community. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to be a member of the Council working with other members and with the Village Manager as future projects are implemented. I would be pleased if you would vote for me, but whether or not you do, let me repeat what I have said in previous years.

Come to the Annual Meeting, voice your ideas or concerns and VOTE.

CAROLYN GREIS

It has been a privilege and a true pleasure to serve on the Village Council for the past six years, the last four as the Buildings and Roads Representative. I am honored to represent our residents who give so generously of themselves to the community and proud to serve alongside my fellow council members who labor diligently and thoughtfully on their behalf. I would welcome the opportunity to serve another term.

As a member of the Village Council, I have worked toward the preservation and enhancement of those things our community members value here in Section 3: resident safety, well-lit streets and sidewalks, dependable waste and snow-removal services, well-maintained infrastructure, well-managed finances, beautifully landscaped public spaces, accurate property information, and social events that foster neighborliness. Though each resident may have his or her own viewpoint about such issues, it is clear that I am surrounded by neighbors who largely share my priorities. Together, we are a community, and our council members should confront our common problems in an effort to realize our common goals. Our local government can be very successful at affecting our daily quality of life but only if it listens carefully and openly to residents' concerns and uses sound judgment in finding resolutions. We will be tested in the future as pressures mount related to the specter of higher-density development in Chevy Chase Lake and greatly reduced coffers due to county and state financial woes, among others—but we are ready.

It has been a rewarding experience as Building and Roads Representative to discuss with residents their proposed plans to improve their homes and property and to guide them through the local permitting process, with special consideration given to the relationship between our ordinances and Montgomery County's. It has been equally rewarding, though often more challenging, to work with the several developers who have come to do business in Section 3, to educate them about our local ordinances and subsequently enforce them as necessary.

My heartfelt feelings about living in this wonderful neighborhood haven't changed in the ten years since my family moved here except to grow in magnitude. My husband and I bought a house here not knowing what a vibrant sense of community awaited us, nor what a sense of individual and communal caring would surround us, nor how quickly I would come to say "I never want to leave!" I take seriously the responsibility to represent our residents and to contribute to that special quality of life here in Section 3. With your vote on Election Day, I can continue to see that responsibility through.

NATASHA SAIFEE

I have served as Vice Chair of Section 3's Council for the past eight years. Through this service, I have learned much about our community and what can be done to ensure its continued success.

When I first decided to run for office, it was to have the opportunity to get to know more people and become more involved in our community. I could have never imagined the great pride I would take in belonging to our neighborhood; so much so, that when my husband, Salim and I were looking for another house in Chevy Chase, I insisted we not leave Section 3. The friendships and relationships we have made go beyond mere acquaintances. There is a very special quality about Section 3, which makes it a joy to live in and an honor to serve its residents.

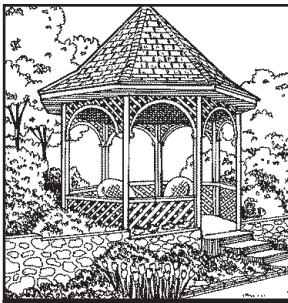
As a current member of the Council, each decision I have been a part of works towards the common goal to ensure the wellbeing of our residents, with fiscal responsibility at the center of my decision making. Especially, in times of economic stress, the Council has carefully worked towards improving our community while being increasingly aware of possible losses of funding due to budget cuts in the County and diminished tax returns for a given fiscal year. We have been fortunate to have been prudent in our outlook and spending to ensure a strong financial picture for our residents with solid goals for future spending planned.

At times, there can be issues which arise within our community, but with diligence, every effort is made to come to a reasonable solution for all parties involved. Listening to your concerns and suggestions is the best way for me to help reach an acceptable agreement to all parties.

On a personal note, I look forward to moving into our new home in Section 3 over the summer and hope to continue enjoying this great neighborhood we all call home. I ask for your vote in the upcoming elections and look forward to continue my service for the next two years.



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FORM 502 MARYLAND RESIDENT INCOME TAX RETURN

OR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING 2010, ENDING



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Social Security number 123456789		Spouse's Social Security number	
Your First Name JOE	Initial	Last Name DOE	
Spouse's First Name	Initial	Last Name	
Present Address (No. and street) 1234 MY STREET			
City or Town CHEVY CHASE	State MD	Zip Code 20815	
Name of county and incorporated city, town or special taxing area in which you resided on the last day of the taxable period. (See Instruction 6)		Maryland County MONT	City, Town, or Taxing Area CH CH SEC 3

TAXES DONE??

By now you've likely sent off your 2009 tax return prepared. If not, please remember to indicate that you live in Section 3 of the Village of Chevy Chase on your Maryland returns!!!

It's the only way the state knows to credit us that portion of your income tax that flows through to municipalities!