

THE QUARTERLY

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Section 5 Council

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Important Dates

- * Sunday, October 6
 Food Truck Night in Section 3
 at Gazebo Park
 (See Page 5 for details.)
- * Tuesday, October 8 Flu Vaccine Clinic (See Page 5 for details.)
- * Saturday, October 12 Chevy Chase Fire Department Open House (See page 5 for details.)
- Monday, October 14
 First Fall Leaf Collection
- Wednesday, October 16
 October Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall NOTE New Date
- Friday, October 18
 Deadline for Section's Free
 Tree Program
- * Tuesday, November 12 Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall

Town Council - New Policing Agreement

Last spring during budget discussions, we mentioned that the Section was exploring new ways to police our community. For many years, the Section has had an agreement with Montgomery County to provide additional police coverage for our municipality. In this agreement, the County assigned off-duty police officers to patrol Section streets at various time and days depending on the different officer's availability. This arrangement meant the Section had limited control as to the time and location of officer deployment. The Council voted last May to discontinue this contract as of June 30, 2019, and instead look to hire two off-duty officers to work exclusively in Section 5. Several surrounding municipalities including Section 3, Martin's Additions, and the Town of Chevy Chase currently police this way.

We are excited to announce that we have extended offers to two officers, Captain Jason Cokinos and Sergeant Mike Pratt, and both have accepted. The officers will become part-time employees of Section 5. Each officer will work a total of five hours per week for a total of ten hours. The officers' weekly schedule will vary, but they will work both overnight and day shifts, which will be coordinated in consultation with the Town Manager based on community needs.

For more information on Captain Cokinos and Sergeant Pratt, see page 2 of the newsletter.



Resident News

Section 5 extends a special welcome to new residents:

- Elizabeth and Adam McCluskey -3611 Thornapple Street
- Tricia Purdy and Daniel Messinger -3615 Thornapple Street
- * Caroline and Michael Hickey 3701 Thornapple Street
- Maggie and Brian Hetherington -3713 Thornapple Street

We also say goodbye to long-time resident Milo Coerper. Milo passed away on July 20. He and his wife Wendy have lived on Brookville Road for 66 years. The Section extends our heartfelt sympathy to Wendy and all the Coerper family.

NEW TO SECTION 5?

If you are new to Section 5, welcome!
We would love to greet you properly,
and make sure you have all the
information you need regarding
Section services and events. Please
take a minute to email the Town
Manager at
manager@chevychasesection5.org

Meet Captain Jason Cokinos



Captain Jason Cokinos is a 14-year law enforcement officer with a well-rounded career involving enforcement, problem solving, investigations, community relations, education, and management. Captain Cokinos currently serves as the Director of the Montgomery County Police Training and Education Division.

Meet Sergeant Mike Pratt

Sergeant Mike Pratt has been with the Montgomery County Police Department since 2003. Since 2015, he has been the Supervisor for the MCPD's 1st District Community Action Team. Sergeant Pratt has also worked in Martin's Additions and the Town of Chevy Chase for a number of years, so he is



very familiar with the community.

Building Permit Notices

Building Permits Issued:

- 7309 Brookville Road Re-grade yard Permit Approved
- 7311 Brookville Road Renovate and construct an addition to the existing residence - Permit Approved
- * 3 Leland Court Construct a patio and frontyard landscaping - Permit Approved
- 3808 Leland Street Replace existing fence -Permit Approved
- * 3701 Thornapple Street Place POD storage unit in private drive Permit Approved
- 3703 Underwood Street Widen existing driveway - Permit Approved
- * 3809 Underwood Street Replace existing fence - Permit Approved
- * 3701 Williams Lane Place POD storage unit in private drive Permit Approved
- * 3711 Williams Lane Renovate and construct an addition to the existing residence Permit Approved
- 3710 Woodbine Street Construct an addition to the existing residence and add a new patio -Permit Approved



Do I Need a Section 5 Permit?

-The majority of renovations
-Sheds or accessory buildings
-Fences - including replacements and/or
substantial repairs
-Driveway projects
-Patio projects
-Right-of-way projects
-Dumpsters or PODS
-Drainage projects including sump pumps and new downspouts

ALL REQUIRE A PERMIT

Looking to take out a tree? Most <u>public and</u> <u>private</u> tree removal also REQUIRES a permit.

Please contact the Town office before you begin. We will work with you to make sure you have the necessary information and avoid a costly mishap.

Sidewalk Project Update

The Section is still planning a sidewalk project that will target areas that tend to hold water or are in poor condition. The project met a slight delay this summer, but is currently out to bid. The timing of the work will depend on the contractor's availability, but it is likely to shift to spring. The Section will keep residents updated.

New Recycling Bins

Replacement recycling bins are available in both green (plastic/glass) and blue (paper). The Section provides small bins only. Email the Town Manager.

Tree Permit Removals

- * 3610 Thornapple Street Private Tree Removal
- * 3610 Underwood Street Private Tree Removal
- * 3711 Williams Lane Private Tree Removal
- * 3709 Woodbine Street Private Tree Removal
- * 3817 Woodbine Street Private Tree Removal

Fall Leaf Vacuuming Begins October 14

Leaf vacuuming occurs on Mondays starting on October 14 with the final collection in mid-December.

- * Leaves should be raked to the edge of the curb, not in the street.
- Please do not place leaves in bags. Take care that limbs, rocks, and any other heavy objects are removed.
- * If it rains on our regular vacuuming day, leaves will not be vacuumed that day.
- * If there is a heavy rainstorm, it will take at least two days for the wet leaves to dry sufficiently for vacuuming. Wet leaves clog the vacuuming machine.
- * Vacuuming will start on Williams Lane. Residents on Williams are asked to park their cars in their driveways or off the street when possible. The narrowness of the street makes it difficult for the leaf machine to pass otherwise.

Leaf Blower Reminder

Just a reminder about leaf blowers. Please be courteous and thoughtfully choose your work hours. As you clear leaves from your property, please take care that you are not transferring them to your neighbors. If you have a lawn service that handles your leaves, please make sure they are also aware.

Free Tree Program 2019

Section 5 will once again offer residents free trees this year to be planted in their private gardens. The Section will plant either small trees such as Redbud or Dogwood, or large trees such as Red Maple or Oak, depending on an owner's preference. The Section arborist, Dr. Tolbert Feather, will assist in choosing and siting the tree. The Section will pay for both the cost of the tree and its planting. The only cost to you will be to water it. The Section will also provide gator bags to assist in watering. The bags help to slowly and evenly deliver a high volume of water directly to the root system of a newly planted tree or shrub with no run-off or evaporation.

The deadline to request a tree is Friday, October 18. The trees will be planted in November. Please email the Town Manager if you are interested in obtaining a tree.

Understanding the Town Right-of-Way

As a reminder, Montgomery County regulations state that residents are responsible for the regular care and maintenance of the grass or plantings (this includes liriope) in the Town right-of-way.

The Town right-of-way is the area that runs in front of your home between the sidewalk and street. In the case of corner homes, it is both the front and side areas between the sidewalk and street.

For safety reasons, it is critical that residents make this a priority. Low-hanging branches, overgrown bushes, grass, and vines are a safety hazard. Please make certain your property is in compliance.

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Off-Leash Dogs

Please remember that dogs should not be allowed to roam off-leash for any reason.

Unless your dog is in a designated dog exercise area/dog park,
Montgomery County considers a dog at large if it is outside the owner's premise and not leashed.
Failure to follow these rules can lead to a \$100-\$500 fine.



Chevy Chase Fire Department Open House - October 12



The Chevy Chase Fire Department located at 8001 Connecticut Avenue is holding its annual Open House on Saturday, October 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Open House will feature fire engine rides for kids and adults, a safety house slide, fire fighting demos, fire helmets, tattoos, balloons and more!

Plus hot dogs and drinks for all!

Food Truck Night in Section 3

Section 3 is sponsoring Food Truck Night on Sunday, October 6 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Gazebo Park (located near Shepherd and Fulton Street intersection.) Food trucks include Red Hook LobsterDC, Hardy's BBQ, Corned Beef King, and Carmen's Italian Ices. Stop by for a quick and delicious dinner!

Section 3 Famers' Market

Don't forget the Farmers' Market every Saturday on Taylor Street (near the Brookville intersection.) The hours are 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Parking is available at La Ferme restaurant.

Stop in for farm fresh eggs, delicious organic vegetables, and fruit. Some weeks there will be a Food Truck serving breakfast!

Flu Shot Clinic at Chevy Chase Village

Get your flu shot early this year!

Flu Shot Clinic

Chevy Chase Village Hall, 5906 Connecticut

> Tuesday, October 8 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Please register by calling (301) 654-7300 or <u>ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov</u>

Flu Vaccine \$30.00

Preservative-Free Flu Vaccine \$32.00 (recommended for pregnant women and people with certain allergies)

High-Dose Flu Vaccine \$47.00 (recommended for individuals 65 and older)

Egg-Free Vaccine \$57.00

Checks or exact cash ONLY. Checks should be made out to Adventist Healthcare.

Free vaccinations for participants using Medicare Part B (if not part of an HMO). Card must be presented at time of vaccination for fee to be waived.

All vaccinations are available for children 9 years of age and older with parental consent.