



## VILLAGE OF NORTH CHEVY CHASE: MONTHLY NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2025

### SEPTEMBER VILLAGE MEETING

September 16, 2025 – 7:30pm – Hybrid platform (Zoom instructions will be sent to the Village's email list) \*Approval of July Minutes \*Treasurer's Report \*Permits \*Intersection safety study \*Streetlighting \*Trees \*SRA 25-02 updates

developments in the Village through helpful monthly newsletters and other updates from Village Manager, Susan Theis, related to Village-wide composting, Kensington Parkway streetlight upgrades and County zoning legislation impacting the Village. Please do not hesitate to reach out via the Village email, mobile, or on the sidewalk with any requests or recommendations to further enhance our wonderful community.

### CALENDAR (2025)

Sept 16: Village Council Meeting  
7:30 pm (hybrid)  
Sept 18: Curbside Donation, Clothing  
Donation Nation  
Sept 19: Curbside Donation,  
Furniture/Non-Clothing Items  
Donation Nation  
Sept 20: Bulk Trash Pick Up  
Sept 28: National Good Neighbor Day  
Oct 1: Village Leaf Collection begins  
Oct 21: Village Council Meeting  
7:30pm (hybrid)  
Nov 18: Village Council Meeting  
7:30pm (hybrid)

### VILLAGE-SPECIFIC NOTICES

**New (Returning) Village Manager:** I feel incredibly fortunate to have the opportunity to support the Village Council and serve the community again as Village Manager (where I served from 2018-2021) after spending three years in Singapore with my family. I enjoyed keeping abreast of



#### VILLAGE COUNCIL

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### **New Council Treasurer:**

Hello neighbors, Geetika Sripathi here. I'm thrilled to have joined the village council in July as Treasurer. I grew up in Montgomery County and moved to the village in 2018 with my partner, Amit, and rescue-dog, Mookie, after nearly a decade in New York City. Our six-year-old daughter, Uma, has lived in the village for her entire life and just started 1st grade.



During my time in the village, I've been active in our amazing community, having joined our environmental committee and serving as the chair of the village nominating committee. I am passionate about creating a safe and sustainable neighborhood and building a strong sense of community here in North Chevy Chase. You may have met me at our annual Spring Fair overseeing the kids' craft table and art show, watering and weeding the native diverters, or distributing ballots during our village council elections. Throughout my career, I've worked extensively in digital marketing and advertising for both corporate and mission-based clients. I completed my master's degree at Northwestern University with a focus in marketing analytics and my undergraduate degree at Carnegie Mellon University.

### **Village Council Chair Award:** Adrian

Andreassi, the Village Council Chair, received well-deserved recognition at the Maryland

Municipal League's summer conference by being presented with an award for twenty years of service and inducted into its Hall of Fame. Thank you for your service, Adrian!



### **Donation Nation:**

Donation Nation will be coming through the Village prior to bulk trash pick up. Donation Nation accepts furniture and appliances, household items such as dishes and glassware (they ask that those items be boxed up and not mildewy or significantly stained) and office furniture and furnishings such as chairs, computers, copy machines, filing cabinets, desks and more. They also accept clothing but request that it be placed in a bag and labeled for Donation Nation.

**Pick up of bagged clothing curbside will be on Thursday, September 18 and non-clothing and furniture will be picked up on Friday, September 19.**

Please only put out items scheduled for pick up that day. No specific timeframe is scheduled both days - trucks should be in the area throughout the day.

Additional information on the organization can be found at:

<https://www.donationnationusa.org>

**Bulk Trash:** Bulk trash pick up is scheduled for **Saturday, September 20.**

Items must be at curbside by 7 AM. Our contractor uses different trucks to haul different items, so certain items may be removed before others. Included items: Washing machines, dryers, stoves, hot water heaters, other major appliances, furniture/parts of furniture, large toys, bicycles, swing sets, bath tubs, sinks, toilets, do-it-yourself amounts of earth, sand, gravel, demolition debris and construction waste, parts of automobiles, but not fleet tires. Excluded: Large tree stumps, poisons, acids, caustics, explosives, oil or other flammable liquids, motor vehicles and parts such as batteries, tires, bricks, general construction material, iron pipe over 10 ft long, large rocks, wood piles, large tree limbs, dead animals, human or animal feces and ammunition.

**Leaf Collection:** Village leaf collection will begin **October 1** and continue weekly through



**December 31.** Please place leaves curbside and make them accessible for

pick up by truck. Please also note that sticks, trash, rocks and other debris will not be collected and leaves should not be shredded. The contractor will also remove leaves from the two diverters along Montgomery Avenue at Stewart and Kenilworth, over the storm drains, and at the three bus stops along Kensington Parkway.

**Composting:** Interested residents are still able to sign-up for the free Village service with Compost Crew. To learn more please go to the Village website at [northchevyCHASE.org](http://northchevyCHASE.org) and find the link to Compost Crew under the Services tab. You may also contact the Village Manager for more information.



**Crime Alerts:** Over the past few weeks, a Village resident experienced a burglary of their home and others experienced rummaging of unlocked cars. Montgomery County policy requests that residents remain vigilant by locking doors, utilizing alarm systems and cameras – if available, avoiding unattended packages, and notifying neighbors if out of town. Please call the non-emergency police number at #301-279-8000 if any suspicious activity is seen.

**Resident Contact/Directory:** It is vital that the Village have updated contact information (email, phone) for Village residents. The Village sends out via Constant Contact time-sensitive updates related to crime alerts, construction

projects, emergency utility repairs, snow removal, and other important issues that affect the community, as well as the monthly newsletter and Council meeting agendas. If you have not received an email from the Village within the past two weeks, then you are likely not on the list. Please provide your information to the Village Manager at [nccinfo@northchevyCHASE.org](mailto:nccinfo@northchevyCHASE.org) or via text or call to #301-654-7084. In an effort to foster the community, the Village would like to ensure the directory - accessible on the Village website (passcode protected) - is updated as well. Please take a moment to verify that your information is up-to-date and reach out to the Manager if you need the passcode.

**Intersection Safety Study:**

Representatives from Brudis & Associates, a traffic engineering firm, will be conducting a field investigation of traffic movements and operations at the intersection of Connecticut Ave/Jones Bridge Rd/Kensington Parkway later this month. Based on that, the firm will develop recommendations to improve the intersection's safety, which it will present to the Village Council upon completion of the study.

**Village Street Lighting:** The Village anticipates that Baldwin Line will start running the lines for installation of the new streetlights along Kensington Parkway around the end of September or October, with completion of the overall project likely by the end of the calendar year.

**Aggressive Pets:** Please be mindful that per municipal code section 4-203 and County Code Chapter 5-202, it is important that pet owners prevent unwelcome or unsolicited threatening physical contact or close proximity to a person or a domestic animal.

**Street Parking:** Residents are requested to avoid street parking that is directly across



from a driveway or that can complicate the ability of cars to enter or exit driveways in either direction. Thank you for your consideration.

**Native Plant Gardens:** The Village appreciates the recent weeding by the voluntary environment committee members of the native plant gardens at the diverters along Montgomery Ave and Stewart and Kenilworth.



**Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party:** Did you attend the July 4th block party this year? Please email the Village Manager with your feedback! We'd love to hear your thoughts on the location, food, activities, and any other perspectives to help shape next year's event!

**Permit Reminders:** Fall is a great time to refresh your home and yard, but before you begin any exterior improvement project, please contact the Village Manager to determine what permits may be required. County and Village building regulations may both apply.

## **GENERAL INTEREST**

**National Good Neighbor Day!** This was proclaimed an official holiday by President Jimmy Carter in 1978 and since 2003, has been celebrated each year on **September 28**. National Good Neighbor Day celebrates value of connecting with our neighbors and creating strong, healthy communities.

### **Workforce Housing Legislation**

**Approved:** The Montgomery County Council approved ZTA 25-02 on July 22, which allows for "workforce housing" - including duplexes, triplexes, townhouses,

and small apartment buildings - along major transport corridors, including Connecticut Ave. The legislation becomes effective November 1, 2025. A public hearing on a related subdivision regulation amendment (SRA 25-02) will be held on September 16, 2025 and would limit the consolidation of consecutive lots to a maximum of three and prohibit workforce housing on "flag"/pipestem lots, lots with no frontage, and "through" lots. The Village continues to coordinate with neighboring municipalities to address the impacts of the legislation on our communities.

## **HIGHLIGHTS JULY COUNCIL MEETING**

*(Official minutes will be posted to the website)*

### **Treasurer's Report for June 2025:**

Combined income of \$93,507.30 and combined operating expenses of \$16,343.50 for the month of June. Current fiscal year to date revenues came to \$534,424.69 and operating expenses came to \$304,393.97. Total current assets, consisting of operating balance plus reserves (including ARPA funds received and not yet expended), came to \$3,342,636.13.

**Permits Approved:** 3817 Kenilworth Drwy – modification of existing sun room/patio, including replacement of exterior walls, approved pending execution of Site Management Agreement.

### **Consideration of native tree planting offer to Village residents in Village ROW or on residential property.**

Given the current condition of existing Village trees, including many of which will require significant work over the next few months, the Village Council decided to pause efforts of planting new Village trees for FY 2026, at least until maintenance work on existing trees has been completed.