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**Village of North Chevy Chase**

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**Village Council:**

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| Chairman      | Adrian Andreassi |
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| Treasurer     | Chas Stuart      |
| Secretary     | Maury Mechanick  |
| Member        | Fern Lapidus     |

Fire Board Representatives:  
Anne Fox , Dave Albinson, and  
Amy Morris

**Next Village Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 8 pm., in the Community Lounge, NCC Christian Church.**

**Agenda Highlights:**

- Capital Project report
- Tree planting report
- SHA projects

**Permit applications:**

A permit to erect a shed at 3709  
Stewart Driveway

**Village Permit:** Village permits are required for additions or alterations to existing structures and new construction as well as for the replacement or erection of fences. Please refer to the Village regulations for details or contact the Village office at 301-654-7084. A copy of the Village regulations and permit forms are available on the Village website at [www.northchevychase.org](http://www.northchevychase.org).

**MVA on Wheels:** The schedule for MVA on Wheels visits to the Friendship Heights Village Center, 4433 South Park Avenue are:  
Monday Nov. 20 Monday Dec. 18  
Hours are 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

**Bulk Trash Pickup:** The next bulk trash pickup is scheduled for **Saturday, December 9.**

**Leaf Collection:** Weekly curbside leaf collection has begun and will continue through January 15<sup>th</sup>. Leaf collection is scheduled for Mondays each week, weather permitting. Leaves are not to be shredded. Sticks, rocks and other debris are not collectible, and should not be mixed in the leaf pile.

**FY2017 Village Audit:** The Village auditor has completed the FY2017 Audit of Village finances, and printed copies are available. If you wish to obtain a copy of the final audit, please call or e-mail the Village Office. A limited number of copies is available.

**Snow Reminder:** It is not too early to be reminded that, during snow events, cars should be parked in driveways or on the **even side** of the street. This should help to “speed the plow”.

**Ivy Alert:** “English” ivy is an evergreen perennial native to Eurasia and Northern Africa. It was brought to this country by immigrants and has been widely used as an ornamental plant because it grows

well in shade. Ivy was widely planted by builders of new homes instead of using more expensive, labor-intensive grass. However, ivy has escaped from our landscapes and has overgrown trees, neighbors' yards and shrubbery. Ivy may look pretty, but it chokes out native plants and flowers on which birds and butterflies feed. Ivy makes trees top-heavy and more likely to be brought down in a storm. It stunts tree growth by using up soil nutrients, strangling the tree and restricting air circulation.

Ivy growing on the ground can be dug up to get all the roots. This is best done in the fall. If it is growing on trees, it can be cut at the roots and again at chest height. Leave the cut vines on the tree to die naturally. Pulling the vines off the tree will damage the bark.

***Porcelain Berries:*** Another noxious vine that has taken over the landscape is the porcelain berry vine. This vine has a pink/blue/purple berry about the size of the eraser on the end of a pencil (but round). Berries are spread by birds, which is why the vines grow well along fences and in the tree canopy. SHA has been clearing invasive vines from Beltway interchanges to slow the spread of of the vines on the ground and in the tree canopy.

***Status update on Village Website and Residents Only Section:*** Although the on-line directory is still missing information on a number of Village residences, we would like to go live with the Residents Only Section of the Village website at this time.

Village residences who want to receive the password for accessing the Residents Only Section should send a request to [secretary@northchevy Chase.org](mailto:secretary@northchevy Chase.org) and the Village Secretary (Maury Mechanick) will send you an email with the password for the Residents Only Section. Also, if your contact information is not currently listed in the on-line directory and you would like for it to be included, please send an email with that information to the same email address and the on-line directory will be updated to include your information.

The specific information that we are requesting for each residence includes the names of any adult residents at the location, the street address, phone number (preferably land line if available, but a cell number is also acceptable) and the email address of at least one of the adult residents at that location. We will also list the names of any children and the names of any pets if the residents desire to have such information included in the directory.