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*Next Village Meeting* will be on Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at 8 PM in the Community Lounge, NCC Christian Church.

## **Agenda Highlights:**

- Snow removal contract
- Leaf removal contract
- Fall Capital Projects

## Bulk Trash Pickup: The next bulk trash pickup is scheduled for December 9.

*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 or walls. Please refer to the Village Regulations for details or contact the Village office at 301-654-7084. A copy of the Village permit form is available on the Village Website, www.northchevychase.org.

*Check your Smoke Detector:* More Americans have smoke detectors than ever before, but nearly half don't work!!! Without a working detector, fire can spread unnoticed through your house, blocking escape routes and filling rooms with deadly smoke. Be sure to install a new battery at least once a year. Changing batteries as we return to Eastern Standard Time every year is a good habit to begin. While you're changing the battery, be sure to dust or vacuum the inside of your detector.

MVA on Wheels: The schedule for MVA on Wheels visits to the Friendship Heights Village Center, 4433 South Park Avenue are:
Monday, Oct. 30 Monday, Nov. 20
Monday, Dec. 18
Hours are 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

*Chevy Chase Fire Department:* The Chevy Chase Fire Department will hold its annual Open House from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM on **Saturday, October 14th.** Featured events include supervised fire engine

rides, demonstrations by members of specialized teams, Fire Truck Slide, Safety House and Hot Dogs and Cokes for all.

*For PEPCO Customers on Life-Support Equipment:* If you or a member of your family is on life-support equipment, here are some tips on how to be prepared:

- Have a backup plan and make arrangements now for long-term outages.
- Consider whether a portable generator is right for your situation. If you purchase a generator, install it correctly and follow all safety rules.
- Sign up for PEPCO's Emergency Medical Equipment Notification Program. This service provides automatic advance notice of scheduled outages as well as warnings of large storms. The program DOES NOT offer priority restoration following outages. Customers must have their physician certify that a medical need exists.

To enroll or to obtain a free brochure, call (202) 833-7500 or visit www.pepco.com to download further information.

*Village Tree Status Report:* If you have lost a Village tree recently, either to storms, disease or PEPCO and would like a replacement, please contact the Village Office. The Village will survey and prune remaining trees, and plant replacements through the late fall and winter seasons. The rainy spring and extremely hot, dry summer have been particularly stressful to Village trees, so the program of removal of large dead branches before leaf drop, pruning and planting will be larger than usual.

*Leaf Collection:* Weekly curbside Village leaf collection will begin **October 15** and will end approximately **January 15**. Leaf collection is scheduled for Mondays, weather permitting. (It takes almost two full days to collect all the Village leaves). Leaves are not to be shredded. Sticks, rocks and other debris are not collectible, and should not be mixed in leaf piles.

*Yard Waste:* Village yard waste is collected on Mondays. This is a reminder to place yard waste in paper waste bags or in marked plastic trash cans **ONLY!!** There is a \$500.00 fine to the waste company for every plastic trash bag found in their load, plus the driver has to dump, hand-sort and reload his cargo. Also, branches should be no longer than 4 feet and must be bundled, not loose. Please make this a smooth part of the waste removal process.