



# Chevy Chase Citizens NEWS

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## Calendar

### February

- 16**—CCCA Monthly Meeting, 7:30 pm, Community Center
- 17**—CCCA Garden Club, "Container Gardening," 7:15 pm, Community Center
- 20**—NNV Estate Planning Seminar, 12:30 – 2:00 pm, Community Center
- 22**—ANC 3/4G, 7:30 pm, Community Center
- 24**—2nd Dist. Citizens Advisory Council, 7:00 pm, 3320 Idaho Ave., NW

### March

- 2**—PSA 201 Community Meeting, 7:30 pm, Community Center
- 8**—ANC 3/4G, 7:30 pm, Community Center
- 20**—CCCA Senior Expo (in lieu of Monthly Meeting), 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, Community Center
- 22**—ANC 3/4G, 7:30 pm, Community Center
- 24**—CCCA Garden Club, "Home Garden Design," 7:15 pm, Community Center
- 24**—2nd Dist. Citizens Advisory Council, 7:00 pm, 3320 Idaho Ave., NW

### Save the Dates

- April 20**—CCCA "Green" Meeting, 7:30 pm, Community Center
- May 18**—CCCA Public Safety Meeting and Elections, 7:30 pm, Community Center

**NEXT MEETING 7:30 PM , TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16**

## Voting Rights & Local Autonomy: What's Next for DC?

Citizens of the District of Columbia and residents of Chevy Chase, DC enjoy many benefits from living in our neighborhood and city. Privileges we lack, however, are voting representation in Congress and local autonomy. The Association will focus on these matters at its next membership meeting on Tuesday, February 16 at 7:30 pm at the Chevy Chase Community Center (5601 Connecticut Avenue, NW).

Two local non-profit organizations that are tackling these difficult issues will present updates on their current work, respond to questions and listen to feedback from the audience.

Abigail Levine, Program Manager at DC Vote, will provide a report on the status of the DC Voting Rights Act and the organization's decision to expand its mission to include the fight for full democracy by working to end congressional interference in local affairs. Statehood has been identified as DC Vote's next major campaign.

Walter Smith, Executive Director of DC Appleseed, will address the issues of legislative and budget autonomy in Washington. DC Appleseed works to solve problems affecting the daily lives of those who work and live in Washington, DC. For several years DC Appleseed has been a central player in the effort to gain greater local control for the District of Columbia. We will learn more about the work ahead.

You don't want to miss what promises to be a lively and informative evening. In addition, there are some extra special reasons to come out on February 16. As we all know, Greece is the cradle of democracy. In honor of this great ideal and its origins, we will serve light refreshments generously donated by our local Greek eating spot, the Parthenon Restaurant. Attendees also may take home free Taxation without Representation bumper stickers. —Sarah Pokempner

### SPECIAL EVENT CCCA SENIOR EXPO SATURDAY, MARCH 20 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Whether you are a senior, or concerned about a senior parent, or simply looking ahead to your own retirement, the free CCCA Senior Expo at the Chevy Chase Community Center will have something for you. This event brings together a wide variety of exhibitors and speakers focused on services and issues related to aging and the senior community. Look for more details in the March CCCA newsletter and on our website.

## Community Service

### DC Government Contact Information

All area code 202

www.dc.gov

Police/Fire: 911

Govt. Service Calls: 311

### Second Police District

Main Desk-715-7300

Commander:

Matthew Klein

matthew.klein @dc.gov

### Police Service Area 201

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442-8120

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### Transportation

www.ddot.dc.gov

Director 673-6813

fax: 671-0650

### Traffic Services Admin.

671-2700

### Traffic Operations Branch

671-3368 (incl. traffic signals)

### Urban Forestry Admin.

671-3368 fax: 671-5103

### Public Works

www.dpw.dc.gov

Director-673-6833

fax: 671-0642

**Potholes Hotline** 645-7055

**Parking Services** 541-6029

**Parking Meters** 541-6030

**Solid Waste Administration**

727-4600

## "Everything Orchids" Workshop

# A Touch of Spring

The CCCA Garden Club had an instructive, interactive talk by Jo Ann Lalley, the orchid expert at American Plant and Garden Center on January 27th. Ms. Lalley brought her enthusiasm, along with a profusion of blooming orchids, to the Chevy Chase Community Center to highlight the different growing requirements of the various species. She noted some orchids, such as the broad leafed phalaenopsis, need filtered sunlight in the summer and bright indirect lighting in winter, while

vandas require less intense light. She recommended not misting orchids, but instead using humidity trays to keep them moist. Her plants are fertilized at every watering with a half strength solution of 20-20-20. Orchids typically are now grown only in moss instead of with bark, making it easier to spot plants that need watering. The Garden Club thanks Jo Ann Lalley and American Plant for this very educational and informative session.

—Barbara Baldwin

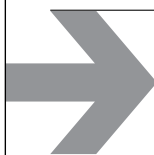
## From the Neighborhood

### Northwest Neighbors Village

Northwest Neighbors Village (NNV) will be hosting an Adult Enrichment Seminar, "The Basics of Life and Estate Planning," on Saturday, February 20 from 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm at the Chevy Chase Community Center in the Lounge. Aidan D. Jones, Attorney at Law, with offices in Dupont Circle, will present the basics of estate planning, including such topics as the importance of powers of attorney and a living will or health care proxy. The event is co-sponsored by the Chevy Chase Citizens Association. For more information, please contact Carole Bernard, NNV executive director, at 202-237-1895.

### Garden Club Update

The CCCA Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, February 17, with Gene Sumi of Homestead Gardens in Davidsonville, MD. Mr. Sumi is the company's Educational Coordinator and a Certified Professional Horticulturist. He manages all educational programs offered by Homestead Gardens for both customers and staff. Mr. Sumi will discuss container gardening, a new topic and one requested by many members of the Garden Club. The meeting will be held at the Chevy Chase Community Center, at 7:15 pm. For more details, please contact Steve Zipp at [zipph@earthlink.net](mailto:zipph@earthlink.net).



## FOCUS ON THE COMMUNITY CENTER Dancing To Your Heart's Content

Are you looking for a fun and romantic Valentine's Day gift for your honey? If so, you might want to consider signing yourselves up for the next session of the Chevy Chase Community Center's ballroom dancing class. Instructor Stan Kelly, a retired federal

worker, now puts his passion for ballroom dancing and his extensive training and experience toward helping others learn and enjoy the activity.

The class at the Community Center is for beginners, and Stan tries to tailor the class to



## Community Service

### Ward 3&4 Inspectors

645-7190

### Solid Waste Collection

645-4301

### Street and Alley Cleaning

(incl. leaves, yard waste, bulk pick-up) 645-3900

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### Consumer and Regulatory Affairs

[www.dkra.dc.gov](http://www.dkra.dc.gov)

[dkra.concerns@dc.gov](mailto:dkra.concerns@dc.gov)

442-8947 fax: 442-9445

### Motor Vehicles

[www.dmv.dc.gov](http://www.dmv.dc.gov)

724-2034 or 727-5000

### Parks and Recreation

[www.dpr.dc.gov](http://www.dpr.dc.gov)

Director-673-7665

Customer Service-673-7647

fax: 673-6694

### Chevy Chase Community Center

282-2204

### Public Library

[www.dclibrary.org](http://www.dclibrary.org)

282-0021 (Chevy Chase)

727-1101 (main library)

### Office of Zoning

727-6311 fax: 727-6072

### City Council

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### Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3/4G

363-5803

[www.anc3g.org](http://www.anc3g.org)

### DC Water and Sewer

[www.dcwasa.com](http://www.dcwasa.com)

Customer Service 354-3600

Emergency 612-3400

### Internet Discussion List

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## Groundbreaking at Forest Side

On December 17, Councilmember Muriel Bowser, CCCA Executive Board Member Samantha Nolan, and Chief Executive Officer of the Methodist Home and Chevy Chase Resident Sandy Douglass, among others, helped turn the first sod at the groundbreaking for the Methodist Home's Forest Side assisted living facility. Located at 2701 Military Road NW, Forest Side is expected to open its doors next fall. It will have 33 private apartments and will offer Alzheimer's and dementia assisted living and specialized programming.



Left to Right: Steve Nash, President and CEO, Stoddard Baptist Nursing Home; Muriel Bowser; Sandy Douglass; Samantha Nolan; Ralph Mitchell Jr., President, Board of Trustees, The Methodist Home; Brother Thomas Gerrow, President, St. John's College High School; Paul Trombly, Architect, JSA Architects; Mark Barry, Vice President, General Manager, Donohoe Construction. —Photo by Linda Moreno

the desires of the group. At the first class, the participants choose 2 dances out of a list that includes Salsa, American Tango, Swing, Merengue, Waltz, Foxtrot, Rumba, Samba and Cha Cha, and the class is then devoted to an hour of each of the chosen dances.

At the last class, Stan takes a video of the class doing their 2 dances, and each student is given a copy of the DVD to take home as a fun souvenir and practice aid.

The class is taught on Thursday nights from 7 to 9 and the next 8-week session starts in early March. Coming with a partner is not necessary; singles are welcome as well, and all age ranges are typically represented. The class costs \$70 for a single or \$130 a couple. To sign up, contact the Community Center at 202-282-2204, or Stan at 202-723-9128.

— Sandra Cihlar

Photos by Stan Kelly



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## Mark Your Calendars

Community Shred and Family Day Event  
at PNC Bank Chevy Chase, DC Branch  
April 25, 2010

## Join CCCA Today!

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20015-0321

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