



# Chevy Chase Citizens NEWS

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Next Event 1:30 pm-4:30 pm, Saturday, September 17

## Chevy Chase DC Day Is Coming



**Fun Day!** Chevy Chase DC Day, 2013. More activities are scheduled for this year. Plan to come out and enjoy.—*Photo by J. Lawlor*

### Calendar

#### August

2—National Night Out Against Crime Georgetown University 37th & O streets 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
22—DC Public Schools open

#### September

7—PSA 201 Monthly Meeting  
12—ANC3/4G Public Meeting Chevy Chase Community Center 7:00 pm  
17—Chevy Chase DC Day Chevy Chase Community Center  
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Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 17th and come out to Chevy Chase DC Day to celebrate our neighborhood. The event, the 8th of its kind, will bring back favorite activities while bringing in offerings we hope will become new favorites. Coming back this year is the not-your-ordinary balloon artist courtesy of Taylor Agostino Group Realtors, the bouncy house from Child's Play, ice cream provided by Jon Laskin at State Farm Insurance, music, face painting, tattoos, arts and crafts and of course the scavenger hunt. Some new things you can expect to see are cotton candy, spun by the Advisory Neighborhood Council's own Becky Maydak; popcorn; and a dunk tank that we hope to have staffed by 2nd district police officers. We would also like to offer more food options this year. Stay tuned for updated information as we are working on securing two big activities and once they are confirmed we will let you know. The afternoon event will once again be centered at the Chevy Chase Community Center (Connecticut Avenue between McKinley and Northampton Streets) and is sponsored by the Chevy Chase Citizens Association, business members as well as members such as yourselves. If you'd like to volunteer to help plan CCDC Day, staff the day or if you are a high school student looking for community service hours, please send an email to Deean Rubin [deean.rubin@longandfoster.com](mailto:deean.rubin@longandfoster.com) for more information.

## Community Service

### DC Government Contact Information

- All area code 202
- www.dc.gov
- Police/Fire: 911
- Govt. Service Calls: 311 or 737-4404

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### Public Library

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727-1101 (main library)

### Parks and Recreation

www.dpr.dc.gov

**Chevy Chase Community  
Center** 282-2204

## May Membership Meeting Report

# Police Use Of Force

The Association's May membership meeting welcomed Carlos Acosta, Inspector General of the Prince George's County Police Department and Adjunct Associate Professor of Law at American University's Washington College of Law. His discussion, "Police use of Force" used training videos and real world examples to shed light on this relevant yet controversial issue. While illegal use of force is never authorized, use of force may be appropriate under certain circumstances. Acosta stressed that where possible, officers first employ the tools with the least physical impact. The gradations of force are chemical (mace); electronic (Taser); impact (collapsible baton); and lethal (firearm).

One such technique is the "space equals time" equation based on the theory that the more distance between an officer and a suspect the more time an officer has to assess and react to the situation. Officer training teaches the "21

foot rule" meaning a gun cannot successfully be used against a suspect in less than a 21 foot span. The key to using the appropriate level of force for the situation is officer training. There are 18,000 police departments across the US with the average size being 20 officers.

Because cameras are everywhere, be they cell phone cameras, officer's own body worn or dashboard cameras and security cameras, Acosta contends both officers and citizens are behaving differently. Officers may be less aggressive for fear of videos being misrepresented. The resulting videos can also be invaluable training tools, allowing for teachable moments and review of officer behavior. Again, this issue comes down to funding as cameras and video storage are very expensive and the average department does not have the needed budget. Currently not all cruisers in DC have operating cameras.

## Chevy Chase Citizens

# Association Election Results

New officers were elected at the May Membership meeting. Deean Rubin was elected President succeeding Samantha Nolan.

Catherine (Kate) Barnes-Domotor was elected 1st Vice President replacing Rubin. Two incumbents were re-elected to their current roles: Sandra Cihlar will continue her role as Treasurer and Anne Mascolino will remain as Secretary. Nancy Taylor was re-elected as the

At-Large member of the Nominating Committee. Also that night, the Association appointed Jory Barone as Assistant Secretary. The Association regrets that Marelise Voss, who was elected 2nd Vice President has had to step down from her role. This position remains open. If you are interested in learning more about the role, please contact Samantha Nolan (Chair of the Nominating Committee) at [nolantutor@yahoo.com](mailto:nolantutor@yahoo.com)

## Lafayette Recreation Center

# Meetings Likely This Fall

Community meetings are likely to get the public's views this fall on what should be included in the planned renovation of the Lafayette Recreation Center near 33rd and Oliver St., N.W. The city has \$4.6 million in the budget for the project in the fiscal year starting October 1. That includes not only construction of a new building but also storm water management on the site.

The DC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will seek an architect for the project in the next few months. The center has housed after-school programs and youth camps in the past. The new structure is expected to have somewhat more room than

the current one. Earlier reports that it could be eight times larger were incorrect. A newly renovated Lafayette Elementary School will open next month. Given the lack of indoor recreation space in our area, neighborhood leaders have suggested that the DC public school system be asked whether Lafayette's new physical education facilities could be made available for some community use in coordination with the recreation center

About \$8 million has been allocated for renovation of the Chevy Chase Community Center at Connecticut Ave and McKinley St., N.W., in fiscal years 2019 and 2020. That building was last updated in the 1998-2000

period. Some local residents have advocated building an entirely new, larger combined community center and public library on that site, but the Parks and Recreation Department has no such plan in the works now.

CCCA has a committee following the DPR plans. Members who have views on the issue should message Ted Gest, [gested@aol.com](mailto:gested@aol.com), Kate Barnes-Domotor, [cbarnesdomotor@gmail.com](mailto:cbarnesdomotor@gmail.com), or Nancy Wilson, [nwrw@yahoo.com](mailto:nwrw@yahoo.com).

## GET INVOLVED!

Have you wanted to be involved in making a difference in our neighborhood? You may want to consider one of the CCCA positions or volunteer opportunities. Current open positions include 2nd Vice President, Chair of the Environmental Committee, Director of Neighborhood Watch, Garden Club Chair and Transportation Chair. Volunteer opportunities include mailings, planning neighborhood events, working on social media, neighborhood watch and business district beautification. Regardless if you have a little time or lot of time, we can find a role that fits your needs and interests. If you are interested in the 2nd VP position, please contact Samantha Nolan at [nolantutor@yahoo.com](mailto:nolantutor@yahoo.com). For our other appointed positions and volunteer opportunities contact Deean Rubin at [deean.rubin@longandfoster.com](mailto:deean.rubin@longandfoster.com) for more information.



Mayor Bowser tours the nearly-completed Lafayette School facility. —Photo by S. Nolan

## Lafayette Set to Open

On July 11, ANC Commissioners Randy Speck and Becky Maydak joined Mayor Bowser, Councilmember Todd, representatives from the Lafayette Home and School Association, Principal Dr. Carrie Broquard, and staff from DC Public Schools (DCPS) and Department of General Services (DGS) in a tour of the nearly completed Lafayette School modernization. The new facility respects the character of the 1930s original building but brings it firmly into the 21st Century. Windows and skylights will give students ample natural light, and bright colors enliven the interiors. A new gym will accommodate all children for activities and the new cafeteria includes a stage that Principal Broquard expects will provide space for drama or music programs and school-wide presentations. The school is now wired for electronic communications and white boards in every classroom. DGS Director, Chris Weaver, assured the Mayor that everything will be completed in time for the opening day of school on August 22. It should be an exciting year for the entire Lafayette community.



## Support Our Local Farmers' Market

Have you visited the farmers' market recently? If not consider walking over one Saturday morning to rediscover this neighborhood gem now housed in the courtyard outside the Chevy Chase Community Center, located on Connecticut Avenue between McKinley and Northampton Streets. As the aroma of Les Caprices de Joelle crepes waft through the garden, sip an iced coffee from Father-Daughters Roasters as you stroll through the market picking up everything from fresh vegetables from Whitmore Farms, lilies from WF Bethany and even something for Fido when getting your steaks from Liberty Delight. Don't forget the Bonaparte Bakery tarts. The market is open every Saturday from 9 am-1 pm. —Photos by Deean Rubin



## CCCA Officers

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Deean Rubin

### FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Kate Barnes-Domotor

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For more information call Deean Rubin at 202-431-0610.