

# The Echo

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April 2003

### TOWN DECLARES ITSELF A "CITY FOR PEACE"

By Jake Quinn

Resident Raya Bodnarchuk petitioned the Glen Echo Town Council at its Mar. 10 meeting to adopt a resolution opposing a war against Iraq. She provided informational materials from Cities for Peace, a campaign sponsored by the Institute for Policy Studies to get civic bodies across the U.S. to pass resolutions against war in Iraq.

Ms. Bodnarchuk spoke with eloquence and passion as she encouraged the Council to consider joining municipalities across the nation in saying "no" to President Bush's call for war. She offered copies of a similar resolution adopted by Takoma Park last October.

In the ensuing discussion, a consensus of support for a resolution formed rather quickly, and the Council, using language from the Takoma Park resolution as a baseline, drafted a resolution for Glen Echo. The Council acknowledged that some members of the community might not concur in the resolution, but felt that it was not a matter that required a referendum.

The resolution was adopted by a 3-0 vote, with Councilmember Maloy abstaining.

In adopting the resolution, Glen Echo joined several other local communities in the Cities for Peace campaign. In addition to Takoma Park, they included Garrett Park, Mount Rainier, Greenbelt, Alexandria, and the District of Columbia.

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### TWO COUNCILMEMBERS TO BE ELECTED MAY 5; DAN MACY A CANDIDATE

A town election for two members of the Glen Echo Town Council will be held Monday, May 5, at the Glen Echo Town Hall from 5:00-9:00 p.m.

As of *Echo* deadline time Dan Macy had filed for candidacy. Incumbent Nancy Long said she hasn't decided yet and incumbent Tim Maloy said he will not be running.

Candidates must be registered Glen Echo voters who have resided in the town at least one year prior to the election and be at least 25 years of age. They are not required to be U.S. citizens.

Anyone wishing to run for council member must file a written declaration of candidacy by no later than Tuesday, April 15. Candidacy letters should be delivered to Cathie Polak, Clerk Treasurer, Office of the Town of Glen Echo.

The term of office is four years. There is no salary.

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## LADIES OF GLEN ECHO

*You are invited to a Ladies Night*

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6100 Princeton Ave.*

*Wednesday, April 23, 8:00 p.m.*

*Please RSVP 301-320-5269*

## WSSC OFFICIALS TO ATTEND APRIL TOWN COUNCIL MEET

Five Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission officials have indicated that they intend to attend the April 14 Town Council meeting. Their purpose is to "enhance communications" between their organization and the town and to introduce key officials that can be of assistance to the town.

They wrote that they wish to hear from town residents about issues of concern to them.

All residents are encouraged to attend the meeting to discuss any matters relating to WSSC affairs.

### NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 14—8:00 p.m.

Glen Echo Town Hall

Contact the mayor to add an item to the agenda

## CITY FOR PEACE (FROM PAGE 1)

Cities for Peace located beyond the metropolitan area include Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, New Haven, Providence, Boston, Bar Harbor, Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, Des Moines, Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Atlanta and Austin.

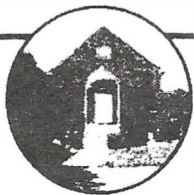
Glen Echo's resolution acknowledged that "there is wide range of opinions in Glen Echo about the advisability and likely consequences of war with Iraq" but that "the citizens of Glen Echo and its local elected officials have the constitutional right to petition the national government on this matter of grave concern to our community..."

It noted that "our elected representatives, Senators Barbara Mikulski and Paul Sarbanes, and former Representative Connie Morella, voted against the resolution giving the president authority to initiate military action against Iraq.

It urged that "no war against Iraq be undertaken at any time by the United States without the agreement of the United Nations Security Council under the United Nations Charter, and without a full debate and vote in the United States Congress under Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

The full text of the resolution is on the web at <http://www.ips-dc.org/citiesforpeace/resolutions/glenecho.htm>.

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## IRISH INN AT GLEN ECHO SET TO OPEN IN JULY

**By Carlotta Anderson**

The Inn at Glen Echo was purchased last month by Chris Hughes, owner of the Ireland's Four Provinces restaurants in Falls Church and Cleveland Park. He plans to do repairs and renovations to the 1930s structure and open it in the first weeks of July as The Irish Inn at Glen Echo.

The new restaurant will not just be a pub and Mr. Hughes is looking to engage a chef who can prepare Continental-style food.

The renovations will include central air conditioning, central heating (rather than radiators), new windows, an ADA-accessible bathroom at the end of the bar, and the removal of carpeting upstairs in order to expose the wooden floors.

Mr. Hughes said at the present time he has not planned any entertainment, although he might keep the jazz band that performed on Sunday evenings.

He said that the liquor license will simply be transferred to him.

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## SPRINGUEL SON SERVING COUNTRY IN PERSIAN GULF

PFC Bernie Springuel, 21, is currently serving with the U.S. Army in the Persian Gulf as part of a crew that operates and maintains Patriot missiles.

Bernie came to Glen Echo with his family to their Vassar Circle home when he was about three years old, according to his father, Renny. He enlisted in August, 2001, just before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Bernie is assigned to the 31<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 1-1 ADA-Bn. His parents last heard from him about three weeks ago.



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## CLEVER LIMERICKS ENTERTAIN ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

An enthusiastic group of St. Patrick's Day celebrants congregated at the Glen Echo Town Hall on Mar. 16 for a meal of corned beef, boiled potatoes, string beans and cabbage. They were entertained by an Irish musical duo as well as rollicking limericks created by those in attendance.

The party was organized by Kate Horwitz with assistance from her husband Jim and Susan Grigsby, Wendy Martens, Raya Bodnarchuk. Jamie Platt obtained musicians Steve Hickman and John Devine, who were scheduled to perform at Glen Echo Park that night. Everybody helped with the clean-up.

About 45-50 people came, bringing all the food except the corned beef and the beverages. Unfortunately, only some 15 people followed the request to RSVP, and the corned beef was gone before the last guests arrived.

Many limericks were made up on the spot: Here are a few of them:

*The pony did ride his beloved carousel  
Each day he would wait to hear the first bell  
Then away he would prance  
As if to a dance  
In a whirlwind of motion pell mell.*  
--Nancy Long

*There once was a town called Glen Echo  
Said attacking Iraq is a no-no.  
Though it makes our teeth clench  
To agree with the French  
Make love, not war, is our motto.*  
--Debbie Beers (see "City for Peace", p. 1)

*One day when I was eating my soup  
I fell in and it felt like goop.  
I went to the shower  
Stayed for an hour  
And now I stay away from soup.*  
--Charlie Wells

*Few small towns have a grand dame  
But Glen Echo does; Nancy Long is her name.  
Long-time resident—an active volunteer  
With town and canal and park many a year.  
Nancy Long, three cheers, give a cheer.*  
--Shirley Strong

## COUNCIL CONSIDERS NEW WEB SITE PROPOSAL

Representatives of Connecting Links, a web site consulting firm, offered a draft proposal for revision of the town's web site at the March 10 town council meeting.

They did not provide samples of their web designs, but referred the Mayor and Council to the Town of Somerset's web site, which Connecting Links developed.

They pronounced the town's current web site "attractive," with "valuable information," but said it needs updating and that some links are not in good working order. They proposed to do a "simple and inexpensive fact-finding" survey of the community to determine how the site is used and might be used in the future and to make other "minor revisions."

Connecting Links has been designing web sites for seven years. They emphasized the value of keeping the site straightforward and simple. Their rates are \$50/hour.

The Mayor and Council responded favorably to the presentation and ensuing discussion, and asked Connecting Links to submit an updated proposal with a new look and feel for the Town's web site.

--Jake Quinn



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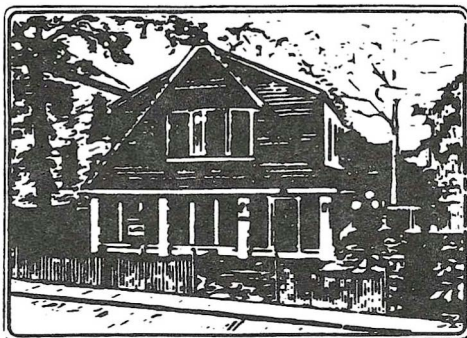
### FROM THE TREASURER'S REPORT

January/February, 2003

Charlie Wells (shoveling town sidewalks)	\$190.00
Centennial Pins	\$641.50
Projection screen	\$328.17
Holiday Breakfast	\$377.10

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available as part of the town council minutes.)*

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## LOCAL BUILDER BUYS UNIVERSITY AVE. HOUSE

By Carlotta Anderson

Frank Bell, a builder with offices on Oberlin Ave., is purchasing the house at 7311 University Ave. formerly owned by Alberta Bartkus. Ms. Bartkus, who died several months ago, bequeathed the property to the Pilgrim Lutheran Church on Massachusetts Ave.

Mr. Bell plans to paint the house inside and outside, construct a second bathroom from one of the upstairs bedrooms as well as a new kitchen and generally "spruce up the house." He intends to rent it to his clients during periods when he is doing major remodeling of their own houses.

Mr. Bell has informed the Town Council that he intends to cut down the two large cedars in the front yard of the house.

He said he might put the garage on a concrete slab, enlarge the deck or make a small addition in the rear where the deck now is. An unused space upstairs might be turned into a children's playroom.

He said he has no plans beyond that. The house will have three bedrooms and two bathrooms.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

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Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, Inc., a nonprofit arts organization, seeks Registrar/Office Manager for admin/reception duties and program support. Excellent communication and computer skills required. Exp 3 yrs+, pref BA. Salary TBD. EOE. For more info see [www.glenechopark.org](http://www.glenechopark.org). Email letter and resume to: [sfield@glenechopark.org](mailto:sfield@glenechopark.org)

#### WANTED: Glen Echo Park Carousel Helper

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Must be 18+ years old and able to start May 5th. For more details call Fred Simpson at 703.535.1544.

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**CÉDRIC LAURANT**, Policy Counsel of the Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC)

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**Note: Willow Lane Intersects Bradley Boulevard, and the Leland Community Center is at the very end of Willow Lane. Please call for directions.**

**TOWN COUNCIL NOTES  
March 10**

Councilmember Lorenzen reported that the town will soon purchase a Town Hall programmable key "lock box" at Home Depot for \$40.

A pothole at Oxford and University, reported by Anne Lewis, will be repaired.

A guide prepared by the Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA), titled "Are You Ready? A Guide to Citizen Preparedness," is available for free through the FEMA Publications warehouse (1-800-480-2520); ask for Publication H-34. The guide presents information on disaster survival preparation and techniques.

Councilmember Lorenzen reported that, according to County records, only 10 Town residents have registered their pets.


Councilmember Arber indicated that lack of community participation was hampering progress of plans for the town's Centennial celebration. The possibility of having to run the Centennial Committee from the Council was generally acknowledged.

--Jake Quinn

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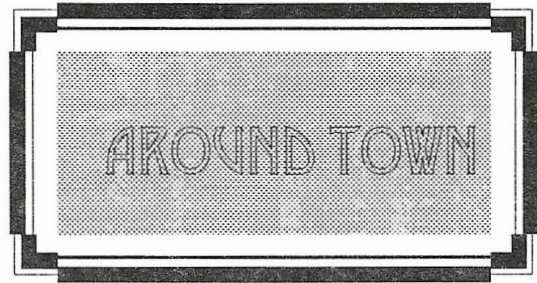
## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE TOWN'S HISTORY?

Did you know that Native Americans hunted in this area as far back as the Ice Age?

That and other fascinating historical facts will be revealed in forthcoming lectures and a book about the history of Glen Echo under the auspices of the town's Centennial Committee. A walking tour of Glen Echo, with information about each house, will also be published.

The committee is making big plans for the celebration of the town's 100 years of existence, which takes place in 2004. One suggestion is a garden tour of Glen Echo gardens, which Diana Hudson-Taylor is organizing. She would like to hear from anyone interested in such an event and what month in 2004 they think is most appropriate. Please call her at 301-229-2163.

To make suggestions for lectures, musical events, souvenirs, or any other ideas please contact Eve Arber, 301-263-0016.



A **Waste Management** trash truck broke off a fire hydrant, downed several azalea bushes and ended up halfway down the Malmgren's Wellesley Circle driveway last month. The driver said his brakes failed. It took several hours to haul the truck back up; the hydrant was repaired later that day...

Resident **Carolyn Reeder's children's novels** were the subject of a Mar. 12 article in the *Gazette Regional News* sent to us by former resident Margaret Deebo. It describes her most recent book, "Before the Creeks Ran Red," (Harper Collins, 2003) which tells three separate stories of teenage boys coming of age during the Civil War. Ms. Reeder objects to "writing down" to her fourth-to-eighth grade audience, the article said, and also thinks political correctness "is the worst thing that ever happened to children's literature."

With this issue, *The Echo* celebrates 30 years of continuous publication under the same editorship. The first eight-page issue, in April, 1974, was mimeographed at the town hall...

**Vandals** threw eggs at three cars on Vassar Circle the evening of Mar. 27..

## "CLARA BARTON" TO GREET AT LAMPLIGHT OPEN HOUSE

Actress and living history interpreter Mary Anne Jung will be at the Clara Barton House in period costume to meet and greet visitors at an evening lamplight open house on Saturday, May 3 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

This is an excellent occasion to visit the site, especially for families with children who are studying Clara Barton in school. The soft glow of reproduction Victorian style lamps will light the rooms, creating the atmosphere of home life a century ago.

## FREE HALL EVENTS FOR GLEN ECHO RESIDENTS

The following activities booked at the town hall are free for town residents:

- Thursday, Apr. 3, 8:00-10:00 p.m.—American Indian Intertribal Council meeting**
- Sunday, Apr. 6, noon-5:00 p.m.—C&O Canal Assn. Board meeting**
- Sunday, Apr. 13, 3:00-6:00 p.m.—FSGW Family Dance**
- Monday, Apr. 14, TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, 8:00 p.m.**
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GLEN ECHO PARK

- A ramp is being constructed at the entry to Discovery Creek to ensure ADA compliance.
- The restored carousel re-opens on Saturday, May 3.
- The Folk Festival will return on the weekend of May 31-June 1
- A "long-term temporary exhibit" is being prepared, featuring a 6'x14' mural depicting images from the history of the Park.
- There are plans for a fundraising gala at the Park this fall. The event will feature a dinner in the Bumper Car Pavilion, followed by dancing in the Spanish ballroom, and a silent auction.
- Councilmember Maloy expressed thanks to the Park for permitting the Town's use of the parking lot during the winter's snows.

### FAMILY DAY ON MAY 3

A family day on May 3 will celebrate the reopening of the restored carousel. From 11 to 3 p.m. visitors can enjoy free entertainment in the Park and learn more about the carousel art work through tours and photographs. The carousel will operate from noon to 6 p.m. that day.

## MANAGEMENT PLANS AT GLEN ECHO PARK

Katey Boerner, Executive Director of the Partnership, the new management entity for Glen Echo Park, plans to attend the Glen Echo Town Council meeting in April to discuss funding issues. A meeting of the non-profit board is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2.

Councilmember Long reported at the March town council meeting that the Partnership will be hiring someone soon to handle administrative work, and three interns will be brought on board, all to help the Partnership meet its growing responsibilities.

Mayor Beers reported that she had attended a Mar. 7 fundraising committee meeting and that the Partnership would be embarking on an effort to raise \$40,000. The Mayor indicated that she would be drafting a letter to Town residents on the subject.

She also reported that the partnership is expecting to derive one-third of its annual \$1 million budget from the Park's cooperators, one-third from donations, and one-third from foundation grants and commercial sponsors. She pointed out that the Partnership has a particular need for start-up funds over the next two years.

--Jake Quinn

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