

# The Echo

The Town of  
**GLEN ECHO, MARYLAND**  
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June 2003

## **STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO START THIS MONTH**

Several years in the works, the Glen Echo storm drain improvement project is scheduled to start early this month in the rear of homes along the lower block of Bryn Mawr Ave. (southeast side) and Harvard Ave. (northwest side).

Its purpose is to install a permanent concrete pipe system to replace temporary plastic pipes and an out-dated terra cotta pipe, some of which collapsed several years ago.

A four-page newsletter about the project was mailed to all Glen Echo residents on the project mailing list by the Division of Engineering Services of the county Dept. of Public Works and Transportation.

The project provides for the replacement and realignment of the existing storm drain system in a specific area between MacArthur Blvd. and the Clara Barton Parkway. The cost is estimated at \$240,000. All work is scheduled to be completed by Oct. 6, but possibly before the start of school in September. The contractor is The Sagres Construction Corp. of Alexandria, Va.

Construction will take place weekdays between 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., plus occasional Saturdays if time is lost due to inclement weather. Access to on-street parking and driveways will be restored each day after working hours.

The first phase of the construction—in the rear yards of Bryn Mawr and Harvard--will not impact town traffic.

In Phase 2, the contractor will close the section of

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## **BUDGET HEARING**

**Monday, June 2, 7:30 p.m.  
Glen Echo Town Hall**

Hearing will be followed by a special meeting of the Town Council for purposes of adopting the budget.

If you have any suggestions or concerns about the proposed budget, it is important to attend this hearing.

If you cannot attend the hearing, submit your comments in writing prior to the hearing to Mayor Debbie Beers at the Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard Ave., or by email—[d.beers@verizon.net](mailto:d.beers@verizon.net)

### **NOTICE**

Residents are requested to return the web site survey that was passed out to each household as soon as possible. Additional copies are available on request.

Please return the completed survey to the town hall. There is a mail slot by the front door.

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## NEW OFFICE HOURS AT TOWN HALL

Clerk/Treasurer Cathie Polak will have new office hours for the summer months of June through August. She will be at the Town Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

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## CORRECTION

The Editor apologizes a second time for attributing the limerick printed last month to the wrong author. It was written by Andrew Beers, 10, not Michael Beers, 17.

## FENCE DRAWS SUSPICION, IRE OF SOME RESIDENTS

By Tom Helf

A new fence constructed by the owners of 7106 Radcliffe Lane Town Council sparked a lively debate amongst Town residents at the May 12 Town Council meeting. Property owner Madeleine Carter, who with her husband Alec Graham built the six-foot high fence on a stretch of land abutting MacArthur Blvd., attended the meeting to address any concerns the Town Council or other residents might have.

According to Ms. Carter, she and her husband conducted extensive research on the land in question after they bought their house, and concluded that ownership of the triangular-shaped parcel was indeterminate. Their initial research resulted from their desire to build a sound buffer between their house and MacArthur Blvd. Their first effort to create such a buffer was the planting of Leland Cypress trees several years ago on the parcel at issue.

On May 9, they built the fence between the trees and their house to enhance the sound buffering. Ms. Carter, the Town Council members who had seen the fence, and Town residents attending the meeting, had different opinions as to how visible the fence was from MacArthur Blvd.

Town resident Diana Hudson-Taylor voiced her objection to the fence, not only because it was not built on the owners' property, but also because it constituted a potential repository for graffiti. Town resident Gloria Levin voiced a similar objection, and added that she felt the length of the fence was excessive. Town resident Susan Grigsby, while not speaking directly in favor of or against the fence, pointed out that the fence might possibly serve as a deterrent to crime by preventing a quick means of egress from the west end of Town.

Ms. Carter acknowledged that some of the fence supports were in fact located on the Town right-of-way, and agreed to have those supports removed. As to whether any other part of the fence lay in the Town right-of-way, Mayor Beers advised that the Council will consult with the Town surveyor to make a more definite determination. Until such time, however, the Town Council voted not to take any action regarding the fence.

*(Editor's Note: An anonymous letter was sent to many—if not all--town residents asking them to go down Radcliffe Lane to see the fence and suggesting they contact Montgomery County to express their feelings on the matter.*

*Some residents expressed displeasure at receiving an anonymous letter asking for action about another town resident.*

*Townpeople are reminded that The Echo welcomes and will publish SIGNED letters to the editor regarding any issue of potential interest to other residents.)*

## MACY ELECTED, LONG RE-ELECTED TO COUNCIL

Dan Macy and Nancy Long were elected to the Glen Echo Town Council on Monday, May 5, to four-year terms.

The two candidates ran unopposed, and voters could vote for both. The final tally was: Macy, 43; Long, 35. Forty-four residents voted.

Mr. Macy has not previously served in a town office: Ms. Long has been on the Town Council since 1969.

The election was supervised by the Board of Elections. Members include: Susan Grigsby, chair; Stacey Malmgren, Michele Wells, and Alexis Feringa.

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## STORM DRAIN (FROM PAGE 1)

University Ave. between Harvard and Bryn Mawr to vehicular traffic for approximately four weeks. Pedestrian passage will be maintained at all times.

After competing Phase 2, the contractor will perform Phase 3 work in the intersection with the use of flagmen and single lane closures. It will be limited to weekdays between 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

During the same hours Phase 4 work will be done on the upper block of Bryn Mawr Ave. The contractor will coordinate the work so that residents along that block will have access to their properties.

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## MAYOR OUTLINES PROPOSAL FOR NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

Mayor Debbie Beers has proposed that tax rates remain the same as last year's in the Fiscal Year 1903-04 budget for the Town of Glen Echo. A real property tax rate of \$.14 per \$100 of assessed valuation and a personal property tax rate (businesses) of \$.80 for \$100 of assessed valuation would bring the town about the same tax revenue as last year, the Mayor wrote.

Assuming there are around 100 houses in town, the average real property tax paid by property owners to the Town of Glen Echo was about \$435.

The details of the Mayor's budget proposal were included in a notice delivered to all Glen Echo houses last month.

The budget will be discussed and voted upon by the town council on Monday, June 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Glen Echo Town Hall. It is important that all town property owners who wish to have input in the process attend the meeting or submit their comments in writing before the meeting.

The Mayor noted that the town will be experiencing some reduction in overall revenues next year as the result of project cutbacks in amounts received from the State of Maryland. The Town surplus also declined by approximately \$82,000 due to the completion of extensive street repairs last year.

## BABY BOY MAKES HIS APPEARANCE

Tom Helf and Michelle Brafman, and daughter Gabriela, are pleased to greet a new member of their family, Gideon Chaim Brafman Helf.

Gideon was born Tuesday, May 20, at 10:26 a.m. at Sibley Hospital. He weighed a healthy eight pounds, two ounces and measured 21-1/2 inches in length.

Congratulations to the family!

## KIDS BAKE SALE JUNE 21 TO RAISE MONEY FOR HUNGRY

On Saturday, June 21, the children of Glen Echo will sponsor a bake sale to help raise money to support anti-hunger programs.

The bake sale, to be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Glen Echo Town Hall, is being organized in conjunction with "The Great American Bake-Off," a nationwide event that is designed to raise awareness and money to help fight hunger among children in America.

A variety of baked goods made by town children will be available for sale, and donations of cash or non-perishable food items (preferably commercial-sized, nutritious items) will also be accepted.

Any child who wishes to participate and has not yet been contacted, is asked to call Laura Lorenzen at 301-229-7835.



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# MACARTHUR BIKEWAY UPGRADE IN THE WORKS

By Tom Helf

Montgomery County is currently soliciting public input for planned bicycle path improvements along MacArthur Blvd. which are scheduled to be completed by the summer of 2003.

Three alternatives have been outlined: 1) maintain existing configuration; 2) construct a separated shared use path on the south side of MacArthur, with physical barriers where a five-foot open space between the path and the roadway is not possible; and 3) construct bike lanes on both sides of MacArthur, plus an additional separated shared use path on the river side of the roadway. The third alternative would call for two 11' traffic lanes, two 5' bike lanes, plus a 5' open space and an 8' shared use path on the south side (see illustration).

In April, representatives of the County Department of Public Works and Transportation – Division of Engineering Services, conducted a second public meeting at Bannockburn Elementary School to update local residents on the progress of, and solicit input for, the planned bike path improvements. No representative from Glen Echo was present.

At the request of Glen Echo and the citizens' groups of Mohican Hills, Bannockburn, and Cabin John, the County has agreed to hold an additional meeting at the Glen Echo Town Hall on Tuesday, June 3, at 7:00 p.m. Project Manager Yasimin Esmaili and Gail Tait-Noun, Bikeway Coordinator for the County will be present.

The County is working with the Army Corps of Engineers and the National Park Service on the project, which is intended to improve bike transportation between Old Anglers Inn and the County/D.C. line, a distance of 7.3 miles.

Town resident Carlotta Anderson gave a summary of the alternatives at the May Town Council meeting, and requested that the Town officially endorse Alternative #2. That proposal was voted on and was passed unanimously.

Mayor Beers has written to the County that the Town supports Alternative 2 and feels that Alternative 3 "is too invasive and would result in the substantial destruction of MacArthur Boulevard's designation as a scenic route."

In the letter, she also asked the County to:

## IMPORTANT MEETING ON BIKE PATH PLANS

Tuesday, June 3, 7:00 p.m.  
Glen Echo Town Hall

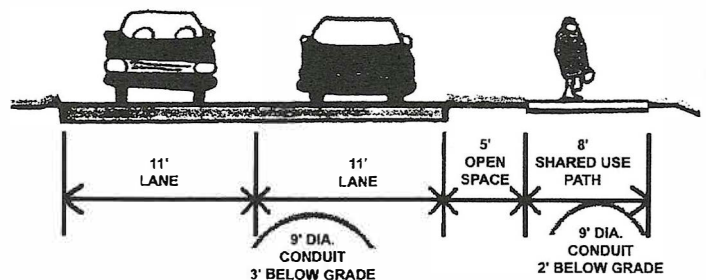
A unique chance for residents to tell officials from the county's Dept. of Public Works and Transportation what kind of bike path they want

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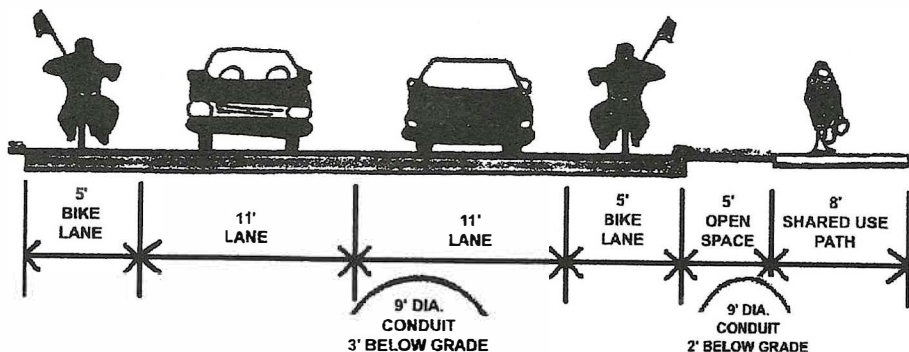
**Yasimin Esmaili, Project Manager**  
**Gail Tait-Noun, Bikeway Coordinator for Montgomery County**

All interested residents are urged to attend and make their voices heard!

- repaint the crosswalk at MacArthur and Princeton Ave. and install a flashing traffic light there or, at the least, a prominent sign instructing traffic to "Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalk";
- stripe the intersections of the bike path that cross Town streets with reflective "zebra" striping; and
- place a more substantial divider between MacArthur and the bike path at the aqueduct circle at the base of Goldsboro Rd.



Alternative 2 Typical Section



Alternative 3 Typical Section

## OTHER TOWN NEWS

The May Town Council meeting marked the beginning of the **new four-year terms** for returning Council member Nancy Long, and new Council member Dan Macy. Councilman Macy replaces Tim Maloy, who served one four-year term. Mayor Beers conducted a brief swearing-in ceremony at the beginning of the meeting, and administered the requisite Oath of Office. Congratulations to Nancy and Dan!

The effects of our harsh winter weather continue to be felt by Town residents. The **potholes** at the corner of Oxford and University are deep and unwieldy for oncoming drivers. Contractor E.E. Lyons has already been contacted to make the necessary repairs.

Town resident Lee Mercicky reported that a recent storm **knocked down a large tree** in the cul-de-sac at the corner of Yale and Columbia. The Park Service, on whose property the tree was located, promptly responded and removed the tree in question. Another large tree branch continues to hover over the intersection, however, and Town residents are urged to use caution when driving or parking in that area until the branch can be removed as well.

Bats in the belfry? Not quite, but the Town Hall has been host to a number of bats flying around its roof area. The Town Council has solicited a bid for a contractor to set traps, screen the vents, and replace insulation in an effort to abate the bats.

--Tom Helf

**MISSING ECHO?**

If you don't get an *Echo* on time, please call Jane Stevenson, 301-229-3578, who is in charge of delivery. You can also pick up an extra copy at the postoffice by asking a clerk for one.

## IMPORTANT MEETING ON AIRCRAFT NOISE

National Airport is conducting a noise survey that will influence the next 20 year's noise policy and funding. There will be a meeting on June 19, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in order to get public input into noise impact from Reagan National Airport. The meeting will be held at the Ernst Auditorium at Sibley Memorial Hospital.

The meeting will start with an overview, then be open for Questions and Answers, followed by an hour for public comment (2min./person), finishing with a work session.

This noise study, called Part150, is being conducted under the auspices of MWA (Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority) and MWCOG (Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments).

For any questions concerning this important meeting affecting all of the town of Glen Echo and beyond call Diana Hudson-Taylor at 301-229-2163.

## LADIES OF GLEN ECHO

*You are invited to a Ladies Night*

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*Wednesday, June 18, 8:00 p.m.*

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## MICHAEL BEERS ELECTED WHITMAN STUDENT PRESIDENT

Michael Beers, 17, was elected President of the Student Government at Walt Whitman High School for the next school year. He was sophomore and junior class presidents for the last two years.

Michael is the son of Mayor Debbie Beers and Don Beers and has lived in Glen Echo since his birth.

He was earlier chosen to participate in "Youth Leadership Montgomery," one of 30 county students selected, and completed that program in March. The leadership seminar consisted of a nine-session program for students interested in exploring the dynamics and day-to-day challenges of contemporary leaders in our community.

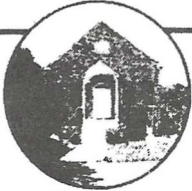
Congratulations, Michael!

### LOCAL CRIME

Two local burglaries took place between midnight and early morning on May 6. One was at Glen Echo Hardware, the other at the tailor's in the old firehouse in Cabin John. It is not known what was taken. No suspects have been apprehended

--Norman Hudson-Taylor

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\* University and Harvard

## CONGRATULATIONS TO GRADUATES, ACHIEVERS!

Several Glen Echo young people are graduating from local school this month, and a number of others were named to the top honor rolls at their schools.

### Graduates include:

- **Laura Beers, M.A.** from Harvard University
- **Matt Polak**, from James Madison University.
- **Jillian Horwitz**, from Walt Whitman High School. She will be attending Johnson and Wales University in Providence, R.I.
- **Bevan Shimizu**, from Landon School. He will attend Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C.
- **Kyle Whyte**, from Randolph-Macon Academy to U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in King's Point, N.Y.
- **Rob Carter**, from Whitman High School.
- **Chelsea Shaut**, from St. Bartholomew's, also moving to Whitman.
- **Michael Levenson**, from Pyle Middle School, attending Whitman
- **Mallory Polak**, from Norwood Middle School to Mercersburg Academy.

### Top Achievers include:

- **Michael Levenson**—Whitman
- **Michael Beers**—Whitman
- **Jillian Horwitz**—Whitman
- **Robert Shaut**—Whitman
- **Chris Horwitz**--Whitman
- **Chelsea Shaut**—St. Bartholomew's
- **Lili Bayer**--Pyle
- **India Wells**—Pyle
- **Charley Wells**--Pyle
- **Aleya Khalifa**—Pyle

### ARE YOUR SIDEWALKS CLEAR?

Plants and bushes are now full of life and don't know they aren't supposed to grow over town sidewalks. So you'll have to help them by cutting back the overgrowth that adjoins your property. That means that a tall person should be able to walk along your sidewalk without have to stoop or step into the street. Try it yourself!

## CLASSIFIED ADS

**5 BEDROOM BEACH HOUSE**, Bethany Beach, Delaware, Aug 22-29 (Fri to Fri), \$1400. Ideal for a large family group or two-family share—sleeps 15. Located 1/2 mile from private beach (Middlesex) w/access included. You can walk, bike, or park up to two vehicles at beach. Amenities include A/C, fully equipped kitchen, cable, 3 full baths, outside shower, large screened gazebo. E-mail or call 301-320-6309.

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**PILATES EXERCISE WORKSHOP** at the Glen Echo Town Hall, Thursday, June 12, 7-8:30 pm. Mats and props provided. Focus on mobility, flexibility, increased range of movement, rhythmic breathing. Instructor is Dianne Pettie, adjunct professor at George Washington University. Cost \$20. For information, call Debbie Lange at 301-320-8129.

**FOR SALE -- 1992 Volvo**, beige exterior and (cloth) interior, automatic, 4-door sedan, 80K miles, a/c. Original owner, all repair records available. This model (242) was called by Click and Clack (Wash. Post column) "a tank" that is perfect for young drivers and others concerned about safety.. Call 301-320-5068.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thank you for your sensitive treatment of Joshua's death notice in the May Echo. I am enclosing the condolence acknowledgment that I am sending to those who have called and sent cards and donations (to S.O.M.E.) to express their sympathy.

I would appreciate it if *The Echo* would publish this simple "thank you" in the next issue.

Sincerely,  
David Greenberg

### FROM THE TREASURER'S REPORT April, 2003

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|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Connecting Links (web site survey)   | \$75.00    |
| Peyton's Tree Service (snow removal) | \$5,685.00 |
| Yellow Pages                         | \$287.00   |

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Just call the town office and indicate if you are trading in an old one or ordering a new one.

### NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, June 9—8:00 p.m.  
Glen Echo Town Hall  
Contact the mayor to add an item to the agenda

## FREE HALL EVENTS FOR GLEN ECHO RESIDENTS

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

**Monday, June 2, 7:30 p.m. TOWN BUDGET HEARING.**  
**Tuesday, June 3, 7:00 p.m. BIKE PATH DEVELOPMENT HEARING**  
**Thursday, June 5, 7:00-10:00 p.m.—American Indian Intertribal Council**  
**Monday, June 9, 8:00 p.m. TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday, June 19, 8:00 p.m.—Centennial Committee Meeting**

**Every Wednesday, 8:00-10:30 p.m. English Country Dance.** Live music. No experience or partner needed. Sponsored by Folklore Society of Greater Washington.

### TRASH/RECYCLING COLLECTION TIMES

Tuesday & Friday--all trash, except heavyweight objects.

Tuesday--recyclables, including plastic, metal and glass. Newspapers tied or in paper grocery bags.

Wednesday--garden refuse, cut into four-foot lengths and tied, placed in compostable leaf/grass bags, or in a large trash container labeled "Recycling" and used only for yard waste.

Last Friday of the month--heavy or large quantity of discards.

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### PROPERTIES ON THE MARKET

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## EVENTS AT THE PARK

The Spanish Ballroom is closed for renovations, but dances will be held year-around in the Bumper Car Pavilion. It is heated with space heaters.

**Friday Night Dances**—contras, square and country mixers. Beginners welcome. \$6. 8:30-11:30

**Saturday Night Dances**—swing, cajun/zydeco, salsa. \$10. 9:00-midnight

**Sunday Afternoon Tea Dances**—waltzes, swing, cajun/zydeco. \$5. 3:30-6:00

**Sunday Night Dances**—contra, square, folk. Forexperiences dancers. 7:30-10. \$8

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## RESTORED CAROUSEL OPENS, COUNTY CUTS BUDGETED FUNDS

**By Tom Helf**

The May 3 re-opening of the Glen Echo Park Dentzel Carousel drew approximately 4500 riders the first day, according to Park Site Manager Karen Pittleman. This year's opening day of the carousel marked the end of the twenty-year restoration project; the last few animals were repainted and refurbished over the winter. Park attendance on that day was also boosted by a picnic for Park Service volunteers, which was attended by around 150 people.

In other Park news, Ms. Pittleman reported at the May Town Council meeting that the ribbon cutting for the North Arcade and the Spanish Ballroom is tentatively scheduled for July 19th. The interior of the Ballroom is nearing completion, and several historical details have been restored.

The next phases of the Park renovation (Phases IV and V) will begin around October 1st, and will take approximately 18 months to complete. These phases will entail the restoration of the Yellow Barn, Stone Tower, Carousel exterior, the East end of the North Arcade (where Adventure Theatre is located) and the Crystal Pool.

Mayor Beers asked about the recent decision of the County Council to cut \$122,000.00 from the facilities management budget, which funds had been earmarked for the Park maintenance. Ms. Pittleman advised the Council that the referenced cut in funding did not affect the County's agreement to fund \$100,000.00 per year for the next four years as part of the county's partnership in developing the park. The loss of funds will affect the Park's maintenance efforts, however, and in an effort to have such funds restored, Mayor Beers reported that she had already sent a letter to Congressman Christopher Van Hollen on the Town's behalf to request his assistance in asking the County Council to reconsider its decision.

She subsequently sent a joint letter with the presidents of the Bannockburn Civic Assn. and the Cabin John Citizens Assn. to the County Council members requesting that they support the amount proposed in the budget as presented by County Executive, Doug Duncan.