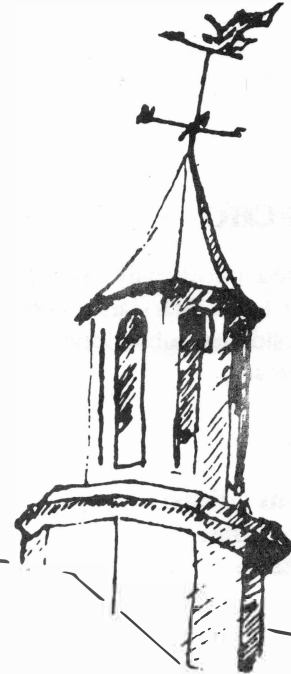


# The Echo

The Town of  
**GLEN ECHO, MARYLAND**  
Chartered, 1904



**AUGUST 1982**

## **Town Resident Proposes Playground on Park Property**

by Frank Corder

Resident Willem Polak has proposed to the Park Service that a projected playground for town children be located on Glen Echo Park property.

In a discussion with John Byrne, Superintendent, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Mr. Byrne agreed to grant a special use permit allowing installation of playground equipment at the Park upon receipt of a written request from town officials or a group of interested Glen Echo parents, Mr. Polak told the Town Council at the July 12 meeting.

Mr. Polak is currently preparing such a request. The location proposed is the grassy area along Oxford Road that now accommodates overflow parking during major Park events.

The Town Council is also considering two other playground sites: the town park property at University and Princeton Avenues, and that segment of the O. Roy Chalk property, formerly used as a streetcar right-of-way, between Bryn Mawr and Cornell Avenues.

Councilwoman Long questioned the feasibility of investing town funds for playground equipment to be installed on federal land. She pointed out that Glen Echo children might not be the primary users under such an arrangement, and could experience serious access problems.

Mayor Kuster suggested that difficulties could arise over whether local or federal governments would be

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## **WRITER'S CENTER PROPOSES ACTIVITIES IN TOWN HALL**

by Frank Corder

Writing classes, two plays and two weekends of poetry and fiction readings are among the activities which Glen Echo Park's Writer's Center hopes to conduct at the Town Hall this fall.

The Town Council expects to make a decision on renting the space to the Center by mid-August, the Center's deadline for scheduling classes and other literary events for its fall semester.

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## "Gold Star" Citizens

At the July Council meeting, Councilwoman Bonnie Whyte cited two residents who she said deserve special commendation for regularly maintaining an area of the former streetcar right-of-way adjacent to their homes.

She expressed "gold star" appreciation to Joe Stickno, 6107 Yale Avenue, and to the Sadarangani family of 6108 Bryn Mawr for their beautification efforts,

## TYPISTS RESPOND

THE ECHO is pleased to announce that its urgent plea for typists in last month's issue was heeded.

The following residents called the editor to volunteer and are gratefully added to the "staff":

Bob Toubman  
Cathylu Bruno  
Cathy Howe  
Irene Talbott

## PLAYGROUND (from p. 1)

responsible in the event an out-of-town child were injured while playing on town equipment situated at Glen Echo Park.

Although the town has received no response from Mr. Chalk regarding possible use of the right-of-way for this purpose, Mayor Kuster told THE ECHO that he is "pretty sure" the town already has a 99-year lease on the property, acquired in 1968, according to the minutes of a Council meeting in July of that year as well as the copy of a letter to Mr. Chalk.

Resident Jim Shaut urged the Council at its July meeting to move quickly with its planning for a town playground. He characterized as "critical" the issue of the town's qualifying for Project Open Space funds available from the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission "before they are gobbled up elsewhere."

Councilwoman Debbie Beers announced that she would complete Glen Echo's preliminary application for such funds before the August Council meeting, listing three alternate sites.

She estimated an outlay of from \$1,000 to \$2,000 as the town's 25% share of the total cost of a combined playground and beautification project. M-NCPPC would pay 75% of the cost of the proposed project up to a maximum of "nearly \$13,000," she said.

Expected to be included as part of the town's application for open space funds is its tree planting plan. Councilwoman Beers indicated that the town would be eligible for 75% of the cost of ornamental trees to be planted for municipal beautification so long as the funding limit is not exceeded.

## Committee to Review Charter & Ordinances

A special committee to review and revise the Town Charter and Ordinances held its first meeting at the Town Hall of July 19.

The meeting was under the chairmanship of Mayor Fred Kuster. Members of the committee are Paul Alban and Frank Corder, both former mayors; Jim Anderson, a former councilman; Julie Milstien and Barbara Odell.

The business opened with a summary from Jim Anderson of changes he felt necessary:

--A clear, unequivocal statement that the Town Council is the supreme elected body of the town and that in case of any dispute with the Mayor, such as occurred two years ago, the wishes of the Council would prevail.

He said one possibility to enforce the will of the Council would be a provision in the Town Charter for recalling or removing the Mayor from office in case of any conflict.

Mayor Kuster said he would ask the town attorney to look into the matter.

--An addition to the Town Ordinances that would bring Glen Echo up to the neighboring zoning standards, R-60. At present, the County interprets the zoning requirements more loosely in Glen Echo.

Mayor Kuster said this would be investigated, but it appears that the town, unique of all municipalities in Maryland, gave up its own zoning authority in a letter to the County some years ago. The Mayor will attempt to determine if the authority can be regained.

--A set of ordinances that would make some council actions automatic, not requiring the time and consideration of the whole Council. Some examples would be dealing with automobile infractions, Town Hall use, etc.

The committee agreed to **meet in** early August to discuss further ideas.

## WRITER'S CENTER (from p. 1)

Writer's Center programs at the Park have had to be cut back because space previously used has been declared unsafe. In a recent letter to Mayor Kuster, Board Chairman Dr. Allan B. Lefcowitz proposed renting compensatory space in the Town Hall on an experimental basis.

At the July 12 Council meeting Jane Fox, Executive Director of the Center, responding to Council reservations about whether the proposed activities might inhibit residents' use, suggested limiting the initial rental period to the fall term. This, she pointed out, would enable the Council to evaluate the impact on the town's interests before it takes action on a longer-term arrangement.

Ms. Fox estimated that the Center's need for the space would not extend beyond two years.

If the Center's proposal is accepted, its instructors would conduct two Saturday morning writing classes at the Town Hall over a ten-week period. Two weekends of poetry and fiction readings would be scheduled during October and November, including activities on Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Two plays would be performed, with dress rehearsals on Friday evenings and productions on Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons.

Under the proposed arrangement Glen Echo residents would be admitted to public events at the member's rate of \$1 per person.

Responding to a previous Council request, Ms. Fox provided copies of the Center's latest Financial Statement. Discussion of a suitable rental fee focused on the Mayor and Council's concern for recovering the increased Town Hall maintenance costs as well as on their desire to recognize the Center's cultural contributions by accommodating some of its activities for the lowest practicable rate.

## HIGH'S APPLIES FOR BEER & WINE LICENSE

The High's at Glen Echo shopping center has applied for a beverage license for beer and light wine, off sale only (not to be consumed on the premises).

A hearing on the application took place on August 4 at the County Office Building in Rockville. The matter will be decided at that time.

Glen Echo Pharmacy applied for a similar license earlier this year but withdrew the application after learning that since it is located less than 300 feet from a church it would be in violation of County Health Department regulations.



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## COUNCIL TACKLES REMOVAL OF UNLICENSED CARS

Notice would be sent promptly to owners of three unlicensed vehicles on private property in town directing them to remove the vehicles within 10 days, Mayor Kuster assured the Council at its July meeting.

The cars in question are an unlicensed Mercedes at 34 Wellesley, a Diamond Cab with expired District of Columbia tags located in the yard at 6005 Princeton and an unlicensed red Volkswagen at 11 Vassar Circle.

In a letter to the Mayor and Council, former Councilman Jim Anderson noted that the car at 34 Wellesley had not been moved for months, which he cited as a "flagrant violation" of Section 19.6 (d) of the town's Vehicle Control Ordinance. He characterized the vehicle as an "eyesore," and stated that it "clearly impairs the aesthetic values of the community."

Mr. Anderson challenged the Mayor and Council to act decisively. "If the law on abandoned vehicles is not enforced," he pointed out, "why should the owner of that property take the Town Council seriously on other aspects of the law..."

The Mayor assured the Council that the town has put the owner on notice that he is in violation of its Vehicle Control Ordinance and must remove the car from his premises. He also reported that he had asked the town's attorney to advise him what measures the town can constitutionally take to remove it should the owner not voluntarily comply.

-- Frank Corder

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Councilwoman Bonnie Whyte reports that at our request, Montgomery County has replaced the pedestrian signs at Cornell Avenue and patched the edge of MacArthur Boulevard up the bike path.

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## COUNTY PROMISES TO CONSIDER REPAIR OF TULANE AVENUE

Councilwoman Whyte has obtained a commitment from Montgomery County officials to inspect the deteriorated surface of Tulane Avenue between MacArthur Boulevard and town limits with a view to repairing and repaving the roadbed.

Although this short segment of Tulane Avenue passes over property under the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers, part of that property is maintained by the County.

This results in ambiguities about which agency is responsible for making road repairs, Councilwoman Whyte told the Town Council at its July meeting.

-- Frank Corder



## REX BORSARI APPOINTED TO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE COMMITTEE

The Maryland Municipal League recently announced appointment of Glen Echo Councilwoman Rex Borsari to its 20-member Legislative Action Committee. She served as an alternative member of the LAC during the past year.

The Committee is constituted to provide state-wide representation. It holds a series of preparatory meetings from August through December, and convenes frequently while the Maryland General Assembly is in session.

All meetings are held in Annapolis.

## NOTEWORTHY GLEN ECHO BUILDINGS: 24 Wellesley Circle (Part II)

By Ed Fenimore

(Last month Ed Fenimore wrote about the remodeling of the house he lived in from 1944 to 1970, when he and Jean moved to Waynesboro, Pa. He concludes his account in this issue with glimpses of the town and its residents during that period.)

"Bob Acres," as we called the house, had its small part in the town's political life from 1947 to 1949, when I had the honor of serving as mayor, until my resignation upon our being transferred abroad. Council members then were Dave Fessenden (who, I hear, outlasts us all as a resident, and whom I greet), J.A. Saunders, who lived in what is now 7308 University Avenue; Hubert Woltz, living on Princeton Avenue, now number 6005; and Bill Hertstein.

Our then and perennial treasurer was Frank Sweitzer, our voice of caution and example of probity. He and his wife, Daisy, were building their brick house at the corner of Harvard and Columbia Avenues, which they filled with an extraordinary collection of antiques, rich in fine pieces from the Philippines, Korea and China, where they had been stationed, I believe, before the first World War.

Glen Echo had a police chief then. Ours was Al Gatley, who lived with his wife and children at 7314 University Ave., the house being then without its present additions. In the summer, we swore in deputies to help Al in his pursuit of our chief and inerradicable crime -- overflow parking on town streets when the Amusement Park was in operation.

There was no town hall at that time. Council met in the mayor's house and town meetings were held in the old firehouse, now the Baptist church. We had cut and extended a second-hand kitchen table, topped it with a sheet of masonite and painted it pale green. This stood in our front room and around it we debated the problems of our day: drains, snow and trash removal, street signs, uncut weeds and childrens' parties -- chiefly the Halloween parade, led down University Ave. by a fire engine, to culminate in games, punch and costume prizes at the fire hall.

We spent many hours reviewing town ordinances and shaped the great divisive question of my term: should it be illegal to keep chickens within the town limits? The chicken issue culminated in what I suspect may have been the best attended town meeting in Glen Echo history. Few were indifferent.

I think we were divided by our concepts of the town. Were we a village in which the rural note is proper; or were we to seek to be a suburb? The latter view prevailed. I am not proud of this. Today I should be on the other side -- reasons of economy, yes; but mainly because I would now treasure the cock crow in the night or the stillness of a summer noon.

It was in our house that Jean conceived the idea of a community newspaper, monthly and free; argued successfully for it at the council table, and gave it its name. For several days each month thereafter, life was dominated by a furious typing snipping and pasting, vigorous comment among the volunteers and departure of the final stencil in Jean's briefcase to be duplicated at the National Academy of Sciences, to the library of which she was then cataloger.

Many names and faces from those days remain with us. Beyond those who shared town offices, there were our neighbors on Wellesley Circle and nearby: the Arnolds and Irons; John Lechner, skillfully and powerfully working at his fine stone house; our next-door neighbors, Frank and Becky Dennis, and later, in the same house,

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## 24 WELLESLEY CIRCLE (from preceding page)

the Lees, with their beautifully behaved daughters -- models often referred to our daughters by Jean with uncertain success; Nancy Long, a schoolgirl in and out of her grandmother's heavily shaded house at the Cornell Avenue corner; at the corner of University, Phil and Marge Bryant, whose children were best friends with ours; and Calvin and Jean Kuster across the street from them.

In the other direction, next to the Andersons in what we called the smoke house, was Roger Tory Peterson\* and his family. In the summer of 1952, the Peterson five-year-old and ours risked life and limb in the woods together and lunched so regularly at Jean's table that the small visitor was dubbed the boarder and given full house privileges.

On Vassar Circle were the Espinosas, De Paolis and Cardozos. The very old Mr. Cardozo paused in his constitutional to talk with me as I worked on our house, from our first days in Glen Echo. He was, I believe, a cousin, somewhat removed, of the Justice. Small, frail and refined, his memory embraced eighty

years, and he told me of accompanying his father in April, 1865 on the packet from Baltimore to Norfolk. In mid-voyage, the boat was boarded by soldiers, from whom they learned of Lincoln's death and by whom they were taken ashore for questioning because of the father's strong resemblance to John Wilkes Booth.

Ed and Irene Cannon lived at 5 Vassar Circle. The large wing later added to their house occupies part of the lot on which stood the white frame Chapel of the Little Flower. Two of our children were baptised in the chapel, which was the forerunner of the modern church on Massachusetts Avenue and was regrettably abandoned with the completion of the latter.

Others who in one way or another touched our lives were Frank and Ruth Corder and their talented daughter, Michelle; the Briggs, the McNoldys, the Albans; the elderly Mrs. Bobinger, full of information about land and property, whom Jean used to take on long drives through the backroads and farm lands, which well into the fifties occupied almost everything, with the exception of Bethesda proper, between Glen Echo and Rockville. Dave and Sophie Rappaport, who ran the DGS store (now La Haute Cuisine) after the retirement of Sophie's parents, the Abrams, were friends in every way.

\*the famous ornithologist



Chickens were common until the council banned them.

Illustration by Jackie Peed

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## 24 WELLESLEY (from preceding page)

And among the earliest of recollections is that of Donald Canada, whose combined tavern and post office stood by the streetcar tracks at the head of Harvard Avenue. There were times when a glass of beer was a welcome palliative to the envelopes with little windows in the front.

During our time, and despite the interruption of long overseas tours, Bob Acres was a much loved house. Two of our new-born children were brought home to it as their first dwelling. All three went out from it on their first real steps toward independent life: Hugh in 1966 to the Marine Corps and Vietnam, Anne to Europe in 1968 and then to marriage, Cynthia in 1970 to college.

If later inhabitants of the house hear inexplicable faint murmurs, curious giggles and whispers in the night, let them turn and go peacefully back to sleep. All is well. It is only the echo of our old laughter, old squabbles, of our old living in those years.

## Yellow Barn's Future Looks Brighter

By Frank Corder

The possibility of saving the "Yellow Barn" building near the main entrance to Glen Echo Park appears to have improved in light of joint preservation efforts made by resident Henry Barrow, whose woodworking studio is located in it, and the Mayor and Town Council.

At the July Council meeting Councilwoman Long reported that she and Mayor Kuster met with Mr. Barrow to develop strategy for saving the building, which has been threatened with demolition. Since that time, Mr. Barrow has developed a detailed cost estimate for restoring the Barn's structural integrity and submitted it to the National Park Service.

Mr. Barrow's estimate of \$35,000 to make the threatened building safe contrasts dramatically with the \$180,000

cost of structural stabilization projected by a staff member of NPS's Denver Studies Center. It was due to the Center's high estimate that the Park Service planned to raze the Yellow Barn.

Mr. Barrow, who resides at 6005 Yale Avenue, also made a personal commitment to donate a major share of the carpentry work required to correct structural defects in the building, which houses a pottery studio as well as his woodworking activities.

Mayor Kuster has written to Manus J. Fish, Jr., Director, National Capital Region, NPS, to urge preservation of the Yellow Barn. In his letter, he characterized the structure, which adjoins the old stone Chautauqua tower, as "of sufficient architectural and historical significance to merit rehabilitation."

## GLEN ECHO PROPERTY SALES

6101 Bryn Mawr Avenue.....\$103,000,  
 May 3, 1982, V.A. financing  
 Janice and Jim Miller to Susan and  
 Bill Catlett

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Property sales in town are printed in THE ECHO after settlement date. The information is supplied by Realtor Louise Engelhardt.

THE ECHO is distributed to Glen Echo residents on the weekend before the Council meeting, which takes place on the second Monday of each month. If you should not receive a copy, you may find an extra one at the Post Office. Just ask a clerk there.

## Tulip Trees Would Beautify Glen Echo

By Edd Barrows

Since many citizens of Glen Echo are interested in planting more trees to beautify the town, I would like to suggest a great suburban tree -- the tulip tree -- as especially desirable for this area.

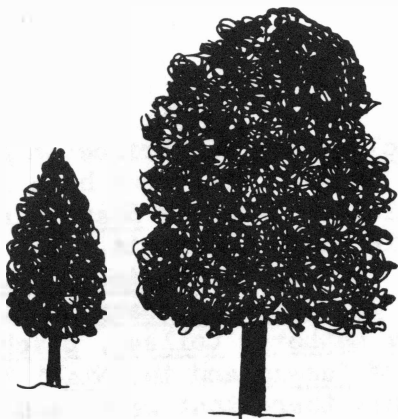
The tulip tree (also called the tulip or yellow poplar) is a native tree with appropriate size and shape and an ability to thrive in the climate and soil of this location. Mature tulip trees usually have one straight trunk, massive and spreading branches and heights of up to 150 feet, making excellent shade. Their bright green, unusually-shaped leaves turn golden yellow, sometimes with brown flecks, in fall.

Older trees have fragrant, two-inch-across yellow, chartreuse and orange tulip-shaped flowers, hence the name. These flowers produce copious nectar which is collected by honey bees that make a rich, dark honey from it. Tulip tree bees (which nest in great numbers in the Stevensons' yard at 6106 Yale Avenue) use the pollen for feeding their young.

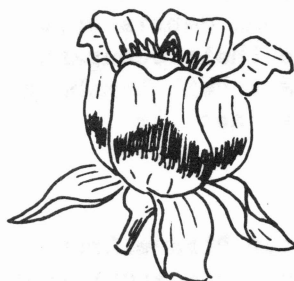
The tulip tree has a tolerance or resistance to potential pests, such as insects, mites and fungi. Tiger swallowtail butterfly caterpillars eat tulip tree leaves, but rarely cause significant damage.

These trees grow fairly rapidly when young. A 10-foot tree can reach 30 feet in from six to eight years. The tree is resistant to wind and hail damage and needs little, if any pruning. Saplings that are balled and burlapped should be planted only in early spring. They are relatively inexpensive.

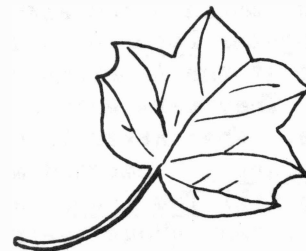
Tulip trees first appeared about 125 million years ago; some of them no doubt witnessed battles of the great dinosaurs and later, perhaps, the rise of human beings. The trees are common along the Potomac River and in the Appalachians, but, curiously, not in Glen Echo, although plant geographers consider Glen Echo to be in the Tulip Tree Plant Association (the tree's biological habitat).



shape of young and old  
tulip trees



tulip tree  
flower



tulip tree leaf

By

Tilli McJolly

# THE KEYHOLE

Several former Glen Echo residents are represented on two rock music albums that were issued in the past few weeks. Diana Quinn, David Wells and Michael Marriotte, three members of "Tru Fax and the Insaniacs" who formerly lived at 44 Wellesley Circle, perform on "Mental Decay" issued by WASP Records. (Diana and David organized the 1979 Town Halloween Party and Michael, who now edits City Paper, occasionally reported for The Echo.)

Also making a debut album was "Egoslavia," whose bassist, Greg Anderson, son of Jim and Carlotta Anderson, formerly lived at 38 Wellesley Circle. "Egoslavia," which performed at the Danceteria in New York City and the Love Club in Philadelphia last month, recorded for the 9 1/2 X 16 label.

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Thanks to Jane and Brockie Stevenson of 6106 Yale Avenue for once again planting and maintaining the colorful flowers around the flag pole at the Post Office. Their green thumb is not only evident there, but also in the attractive garden at the rear of their home which can be seen from Harvard Avenue. What a transformation from the weeds and debris which had "taken over" prior to their occupancy. Now not only the home has a "Williamsburg" appearance, but the garden has also.

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Thanks to three of our "traveling" neighbors for interesting items about their trips to "far away places."

Barbara and Harry Odell of 7317 Columbia Avenue had a fantastic holiday visiting Switzerland, England and also Tanzania where their daughter Deborah is a Foreign Service officer at the American Embassy in Dar-es-Salaam. They were gone a month and glad to be home. When asked to describe their trip, Barbara got carried away and wrote enough to fill The Echo. Anyone who cares to read or hear about their experiences should call her. However, I did pick out a few interesting facts. When explor-

ing, which was all done by Land Rover or car, they were warned not to get out, as the animals seemed tame but could attack. They also embarked on a Safari, which was a 4 day 3 night trip. First stop was the Ngoro-Ngoro Grater, which they toured after descending about 2,000 feet. Following this, they encountered the usual safari animals, lions, rhinos, hyenas, elephants, etc. At Lake Manyara their hotel overlooked the shore which, from a distance, looked like pink sand. The "sand" was actually pink Flamingos in the lake. They were so numerous that, to quote Barbara, "The whole thing was unbelievably beautiful." Her comment on snow capped Mt. Kilimanjaro was "spectacular."

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Richard Carroll of 6105 Yale Avenue just returned from a World Bank mission to Amman, Jordan, where he co-directed a work shop to appraise a water supply project and an aluminum fluoride project. He also found time to visit Petra, the city of stone, and to swim in the Dead Sea, and enjoy "stopovers" in Zurich and Munich

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The McNoldys of 6100 Princeton Avenue also did the "travel bit," but here in U.S.A. We visited daughter Sharon and husband Jim in Milan, Illinois. Our sight-seeing tours took us to the Amana Colonies in Iowa, the John Deere Company in Illinois, the Augustana Lutheran College, Black Hawk State Park and Museum and the Niabi Zoo. (We saw animals there that were "escapes" from Odell's safari trip.)

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Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go to one of our former neighbors and current subscriber, Sophie Rappaport, who now lives in Rockville. Sophie is presently in Sibley Hospital but we look forward to seeing her return to her family real soon.



Two new families moved into the upper block of Bryn Mawr Avenue, replacing the Larkin and Miller families.

At 6101 Bryn Mawr the new residents are Bill and Susan Catlett and daughters Rachel, 16, Emily, 14, and Mallory, 13. Bill is a captain in the U. S. Navy and will be stationed at the Pentagon. Susan is a dancing teacher, originally of ballet and modern dance, but now teaching aerobic dancing.

Their three daughters are all experienced babysitters who are looking for work. They can be reached at 229-7931.

Also included in the family are Pumpkin, a golden Labrador Retriever, and Yowler, a yellow cat.

The family moved here in July from Lexington Park in St. Mary's County, where Bill was attached to the Naval Air Test Center. He is a pilot of single seater attack-type aircraft. He is also an avid tennis player. Susan likes gardening, Rachel has been swimming with the Merrimack swim team and Mallory is a ballet student.

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Across the street at 6102 Bryn Mawr are Holly and Osamu Shimizu, who moved to Glen Echo in June after three years in Cabin John.

Osamu is a landscaper and owns the Shimizu Landscape Corporation. Holly is a horticulturalist, curator of the National Herb Garden at the National Arboretum and a graduate student at the University of Maryland. She formerly managed the Potomac Garden Center on River Road.

They met in Belgium while developing a 20-acre garden on a private estate near Antwerp, Belgium. Osamu was botanically mapping the garden and Holly was his assistant.

Osamu's main hobby is tennis, while Holly, a nature lover, enjoys hiking and photography, especially of nature.

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Welcome to Dorthe Honoré, who will be living with the Whytes at 39 Wellesley Circle for the next year. Dorthe, who is 18 years old, comes from Denmark, where her family lives in the countryside in the peninsula of Jutland.

In addition to speaking English, which she expects to improve during her stay here, Dorthe speaks German, and is considering working as a translator after her return to Denmark.

She has ridden horses competitively and also enjoys badminton and gymnastics.

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A new resident with a commendable town spirit is Cathylu Bruno, who moved to 6006 Bryn Mawr Avenue in May and quickly volunteered to type for THE ECHO. A 1976 graduate of Walt Whitman High School, Cathylu is presently a graduate student in economics at the University of Maryland. She already enjoys biking and jogging on the Canal towpath and taking dance classes at Glen Echo Park.

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### More Peeks Thru the Keyhole

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR AUGUST GO TO:

Jimmy Miller-----	August 3
Fred Kuster-----	August 4
Diana McFarland-----	August 7
Bill Shultz-----	August 11
Ilona Moreland-----	August 18
"Bobbie" Bolton-----	August 19
Alberta Bartkus-----	August 25

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Please call Tillie at 229-4119 with any items of interest, or drop them into the "Town News Items" container in the Post Office.

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## Town Council Highlights

July 12

The Council took emergency action to restore air conditioning service to the first floor of the Town Hall, after the two-year-old replacement compressor of the 17-year-old air conditioner failed, and the post office was without air conditioning.

In recognition of the emergency conditions, the Council approved immediate installation of a larger, 3.5 ton Carrier air conditioning unit as well as a heavy duty air-delivery fan, for a total of \$2,600. An engineering study had revealed that the 2.5 ton equipment for air-conditioning the Town Hall auditorium was inadequate and the Mayor recommended installation of a larger unit there when the present one fails....

A user fee of \$5 per hour was set for two Slimnastics classes to be given by the County Recreation Department in fall and spring. If the rental rate is accepted, classes will begin the week of September 27, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. and from 7 to 8 p.m.....

The Park Service has constructed an asphalt curb at the end of Cornell Avenue to channel runoff into the existing drain at that location....

Sixteen of the new metal folding chairs with padding for the Town Hall auditorium have arrived. Another shipment of 16 chairs is expected soon...

The Council approved a proposal by Councilwomen Borsari that Glen Echo and Somerset cosponsor two meet-the-candidate evenings, one to be held in the Town Hall. The first would present Montgomery County Executive and Council candidates. The second would provide a forum for District 16 candidates for the Maryland General Assembly...

An estimate for removal and replacement of the two large shrubs at the Town Hall entrance is expected soon. This action was recommended after an inspection that determined they were damaged from insect infestation.....

## ARSON AT RECREATION CENTER

A Message from Reporter David Shor:

In an effort to follow-up on the fire at the Cabin John Recreation Center in June, I attempted to contact various individuals from the Department of Fire & Rescue Services - Fire Prevention Division, which is the agency investigating the fire.

Unfortunately, the investigators were reluctant to provide THE ECHO with any substantive information regarding the fire. Several attempts were made to contact the investigators by both myself and the Editor, and several telephone messages were never answered.

The only information made available was that the fire was definitely ruled as arson, the building was not totally destroyed, there was approximately \$85,000 damage and that a reward is offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the arsonist(s).

Given the fact that a reward has been offered and that the fire was officially ruled as arson, it seems strange that the investigators did not wish to cooperate with THE ECHO.

A dozen new street signs with the distinctive lettering that characterizes existing signs in town will be installed soon. The first will be at Princeton and MacArthur, which currently has only a homemade replacement for a missing sign....

Susan Catlett, new resident at 6101 Bryn Mawr Avenue, notified the Council of her intent to construct a driveway off University Avenue as well as a deck and carport. She was advised to secure a County building permit and submit it with her construction plans to obtain a town building permit.....

---Frank Corder.

## At GLEN ECHO PARK

### CHAUTAQUA CONCERT SERIES

#### August 8

1:30 Big Band Jazz  
4:00 Ava Terry Dance Theatre  
4:30 Echo Mime

#### August 15

2:00 Come Out Swinging  
3:30 Marcie Freiberg

#### August 22

2:00 Rosebud Ragtime Ensemble  
3:15 Joe and Kathy Hickerson

#### August 29

1:30 Gus Simms, jazz trio  
3:00 Echo Mime

#### Sept. 5

2:00 Come Out Swinging  
3:15 Hot Cross Buns

#### Sept. 12

1:30 Big Band Jazz

### SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES

#### August 14

Western Square Dancing with  
"Deck Hands"

#### August 21

American Squares & Contras

#### August 28

English Country Dances and  
New England Contras

#### Sept. 11

Traditional Squares, Contras,  
and Circle Dances

8:30-11:30 - \$3 - Live Music

### At the GALLERY

Chautauqua Season Artists in  
Residence  
July 30-September 6

## At the CLARA BARTON SITE

### 19th CENTURY PHOTOGRAPHY

Sunday, August 8, 2-5 p.m.  
How early cameras worked, ambrotypes,  
tintypes, and more

### CHILDREN'S GAMES

Sunday, August 22, 2 p.m.  
Children between the ages of 8 and 12  
and invited to discover the games their  
great-grandparents played when they  
were children. For reservations: 492-6245

### SUMMER DANCE FESTIVAL

#### August 8

1:00 Beth Easterly\*  
2:45 Rockville Civic Ballet  
4:00 Ava Teri Dance

#### August 15

1:00 Free Association\*  
2:45 Ndi-Bem

#### August 22

1:00 Diane Floyd & Co.\*  
2:45 GEDT Apprentice Co.

\*Adults \$2 admission; children free

### PARK NEWS

Demolition of the pool area is  
nearly completed. Sodding and seeding  
of the site will probably take place in  
August. Stabilization and facade work  
on the Spanish Ballroom is scheduled for  
completion in late August.

\$6,000 in Park funds have been set  
aside for the initial phase of refurb-  
ishing of the carousel.

### LABOR DAY ART SHOW

Artists and craftspersons are invited  
to enter their work in the 12th Annual  
Glen Echo Art Show. For information and  
an application call 492-6282.

## Classified Ads

### MOVING ABROAD TAG SALE

Color TV, small electrical appliances for kitchen, room humidifier, radio, clock-radio-alarm, stereo components (cassette, tape deck amplifier, graphic equalizer, turntable and changer, reel-to-reel tape recorder), zig-zag sewing machine, portable dishwasher needing repair.

Bed, bureau, oak Morris chair, side tables, crocks, hamper, many bookcases, oak drop-leaf dining table, three chairs, plant stands, two roll-away beds, rugs, backpack, tennis racket, knick-knacks, kitchen things, many books, many house plants (some very large), 1976 Datsun B210 car in very good condition, and more.

Saturday, August 28, from 9 a.m.

Items for prior sale, call 229-3053, evenings, weekends.

### HELP WANTED BY TOWN

Someone to clean out weeds from street curbs and paint street standards. Call Bonnie Whyte, 229-3393, evenings.

Classified ads are free to Glen Echo residents and may be left in THE ECHO box at the Post Office or given to Ann Simpich, 23 Wellesley Circle. Please do not phone them to the Editor. Fee to non-residents: 50¢ per line of 36 spaces or fewer. Make checks payable to "The Town of Glen Echo" and mail to Ann Simpich, 23 Wellesley Circle, Glen Echo, Md. 20812.

AD DEADLINE: 24TH OF EACH MONTH

## Daryl's Dog Corner



In the past month, I caught two town dogs and one from out of town and returned them to their owners.

There were three complaints from town residents concerning a dog at-large, which have been passed along to Animal Control Board Chairman Louise Engelhardt for further action.

Nine owners of dogs have still not obtained Glen Echo town dog licenses for their pets. All dogs must be licensed by the town at a cost of \$2 for males and \$4 for unspayed females. Licenses may be obtained by calling me at 229-2070. By mid-August I will pass the names of any unlicensed dogs on to the Animal Control Board, which has authority to impose fines.

I'd like to pass along to residents a very pleasant experience I had with my son Billy at the Park Police stables near the Glen Echo Park entrance. The stables are very nice, very clean, and the groomer is very friendly. He told us the names of the horses, how he takes care of them and a little about the psychology of horses. He also let us pet the horses. Visitors are welcomed and the experience is very enjoyable.

### **NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Monday, August 9 - 8:00 p.m.  
Glen Echo Town Hall  
All Residents Encourage to Attend

Those wishing to add items to the agenda of the meeting should contact Clerk-Treasurer Paula Wolff, 229-2378.