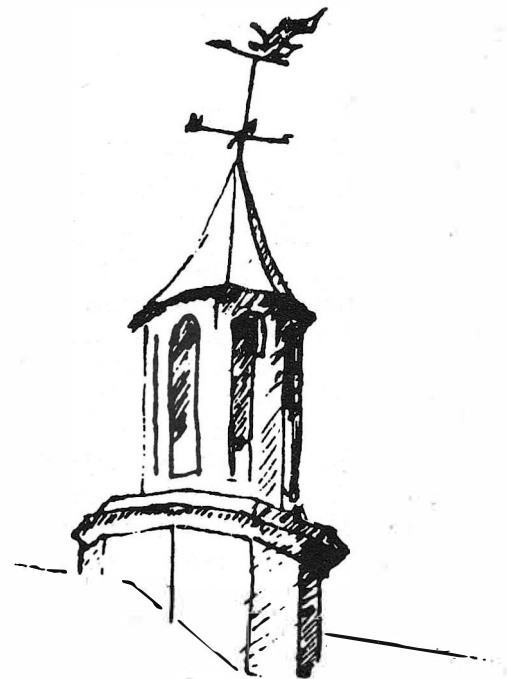


The Echo

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GLEN ECHO WEBSITE HAS NEW NAME, PROVIDER

By Jerry Bodlander and Carlotta Anderson

When you call up the Glen Echo website to check out town events, ads, or featured residents, you'll soon find it at a new address: <http://www.glen-echo.md.us>. The website has been moved to a new service provider, World Data Network. Although this move incurs some cost, it gives the town complete flexibility without the necessity of depending on anyone for access or updating the site, according to Peter Somerville, who was instrumental in facilitating the changeover.

As "virtual host," World Data Network will keep the town connected to the World Wide Web, while the town will provide the editorial material.

The annual cost will be \$250-300, including the set-up fee. There will be no registration fee for the [glen-echo.md.us](http://www.glen-echo.md.us) name. Previously, the website was on a commercial system, Potomac River Media, which did not charge for its services but held copyright on the site. The company was originally owned by town resident John Wells, but had been taken over by his former associate, George Linzer.

Mr. Linzer has agreed that the town can use material designed for the site and take over its copyright, while including an acknowledgment that his company designed the website, Peter Somerville said.

At the Sept. 8 town council meeting, Peter presented the council with a letter to World Data Network indicating that the town wouldn't use their service to access the Internet. He said he would request five megabytes, although the town until now has been using about four. The company, which has been

in business since 1986, would not start charging extra unless the town went well over five megabytes, he said. An extra megabyte would cost \$12 more per year.

He said the town minutes or *The Echo* would only take up about 20 kilobytes.

Resident Richard Grant had been looking around for a provider that would be free and Mayor Beers thanked him for his help. Peter Somerville said that he had asked Richard to stay involved and that his contribution had opened up the discussions.

Once the town has the site, Peter plans to set up software so the clerk/treasurer and others can upload town notices and other material. "There may be a way for everyone to post things and have an ongoing conversation," he said.

Registration will probably not be completed until late October, at which time the new website address will be operational. In the meantime, devoted site visitors can log on via: <http://198.232.144.128>.

TOWN HALLOWEEN PARTY

Friday, October 31, 5:00 p.m.
Glen Echo Town Hall

Residents of all ages invited

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LADIES OF GLEN ECHO

*You are invited to a Ladies Night
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*at the Glen Echo Town Hall
Thursday, October 16, 8:00 p.m.*

(301) 320-4041

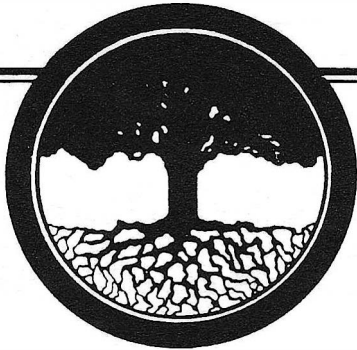
*A special opportunity to try out the
new Town Hall elevator*

ELEVATOR AT TOWN HALL PASSES INSPECTION

The new elevator installed at the town hall as part of the Americans With Disabilities Act reconstruction has passed inspection. It will probably have a "formal" dedication at the Halloween party on Oct. 31, which means that party-goers will have a chance to ride it.

The town's architect for the project, resident JoAnn Murray, and town councilman Norman Bernhardt have received training on use of the elevator and could train others, Clerk/Treasurer Betsy Platt told the town council last month. Councilwoman Nancy Long added that when groups are using the town hall, the town needs to train a group member in its use so a councilmember does not need to be present.

--Jerry Bodlander



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TITLE SEARCH NOT YET DONE FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY

The town is still waiting for completion of the title search for the former trolley right-of-way property alongside town boundaries which it hopes to purchase.

It is now getting bids for a survey of the land. The town has received approval for funding from the Maryland State Project Open Space. This would reimburse the town for 75 percent of its purchase and settlement costs, including the cost of the survey.

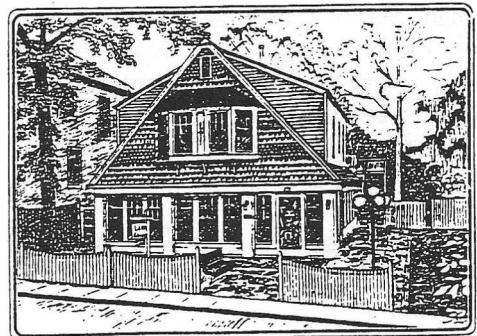
The town will not be able to conclude its purchase of the property from WMATA (Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority) until the title search and survey are completed.

BID ACCEPTED FOR FLAGSTONE WALKWAY

The new flagstone walkway in front of the town hall will be constructed by Charles Cooley Stonework, the lowest of three bidders for the work, according to Clerk/Treasurer Betsy Platt.

The amount approved for the project by the town council was \$7,500. Cooley's bid came in under that amount.

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Heather Cottage

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Around Town

Congratulations to **Joshua Gruenspecht** of Princeton Ave. who was one of only 10 Montgomery County high school graduates who achieved a perfect 1600 score on the Scholastic Assessment Test. Nationwide, only 453 June graduates got a perfect score on the three-hour exam out of one million who took the test.

Josh, who is now a Yale University freshman, was a National Merit Scholar this year and also competed as part of the Maryland State "It's Academic" team for the national championship held in Florida at Disney World. The Maryland team came in second.

At Walt Whitman High School, he played lead trombone in the school's jazz ensemble and was production director of the school newspaper, the *Black and White*...

The upstairs of the town hall will be closed while **reconstruction of the rear stairway** is underway from Oct. 3-8. The stairway, which serves as an emergency fire escape, is being replaced with a wider one in conformity with requirements of the Americans With Disabilities Act...

FREE HALL EVENTS FOR GLEN ECHO RESIDENTS

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

Thursday, October 9, Folk Music Concert, water-sou:Carthy. 8:00 p.m. Famous British folk music performers Martin Carthy and Norma Waterson are joined by daughter Eliza Carthy, fiddle, and Saul Rose, melodeon. Free to Glen Echo residents, but ticket reservations recommended. Call Norm Bernhardt, 301-320-2469. Sponsored by the Folklore Society of Greater Washington.

Wednesday, October 15, 10:00 a.m. Springfield Garden Club.

Saturday, October 12 and Saturday, October 19, 8:00 p.m. Square dance caller workshops. Sponsored by the Folklore Society of Greater Washington

Friday, October 31, 5:30 p.m. TOWN HALLOWEEN PARTY

SALE TO BENEFIT CAROUSEL AT TOWN HALL OCTOBER 25

A sale of arts and crafts works created at Glen Echo Park as well as classes given there will be held at the Glen Echo Town Hall on October 25 as a fund-raising benefit for the continuing restoration of the park's much-loved Dentzel carousel.

It will be held in junction with the town yard sale, which is scheduled to take place from 9 am-2 pm.

Cooperators at the park are being asked to donate works and class slots for this benefit.

GLEN ECHO YARD SALE

Saturday, October 25, 9 am-2 pm
Sale will be held in residents' yards

\$5 to set up your booth helps cover the cost of advertising.
Call Betsy Platt, 301-320-4041 to register

Participants will be provided town maps to hand out to buyers

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Sunday Evening: 6:00 WHY WE BELIEVE THE JEWISH BIBLE, 7:00 PRAISE, TESTIMONIES, WORSHIP, SINGING.

Wednesday Evening: 7:00 PRAYER, TESTIMONIES, BIBLE QUESTIONS

Friday Morning: 10:00 COMMUNITY PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY

Collecting food and clothing for the homeless and needy.

TOWN MOVES MONEY TO STATE INVESTMENT POOL

By Jerry Bodlander and Carlotta Anderson

The Glen Echo Town Council voted at a special Sept. 11 session to transfer some \$180,000 of town funds to the Maryland Local Government Investment Pool.

The emergency session was necessary because of the lack of a quorum at the council's regular Sept. 8 meeting. The money had to be moved by Sept. 16 to make sure the deposit was federally insured.

The investment pool, which operates through the Mercantile Safe Deposit and Trust Co., was specially designed for investments of municipalities. It was set up to address the needs of local governments which need to remain liquid in funds.

The pool was started by the State of Maryland and is audited by state treasury officials. The money is invested in funds approved by state statute, which are constantly rolled over.

There is some risk, according to Clerk/Treasurer Betsy Platt, but it is managed risk, in line with the town's investment policy. While the town cannot lose its principal, in the "worst case scenario," it is possible that the funds deposited might not earn interest, she said.

NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 13—8:00 p.m.
Glen Echo Town Hall
Contact the mayor to add an item to the agenda

TOWN COUNCIL NOTES

September 8

Clerk/Treasurer Betsy Platt identified a "boatload" of street signs that needed to be straightened or put in their standard. Another NO OUTLET sign will be placed at the entrance to upper Yale Ave. at the request of Brockie and Jane Stevenson, Mayor Debbie Beers said. (Since the council meeting all signs have been put in place except for a speed limit sign that was recently knocked over).

Some council members expressed concern that some residents are not heeding the newly painted yellow curb lines and are parking illegally. In some instances, it makes it very difficult to get around a corner...

The town has received from the attorney a long list of animal control ordinances in other municipalities which can be consulted when re-writing the town ordinances...

--Jerry Bodlander

FROM THE TREASURER'S REPORT

August 1997

Knopf & Brown (July fee)	\$2,848.85
Leahy Plumbing (snake lav. drains)	\$62.00
Allied Printing (Aug. Echo)	\$151.49

(A full accounting of all bills paid and payments received is available as part of the town council minutes.)



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MAYOR SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Mayor Debbie Beers is seeking volunteers to serve on the ordinance review committee, which will draft new ordinances (laws) for the town to replace the outmoded ones currently in force.

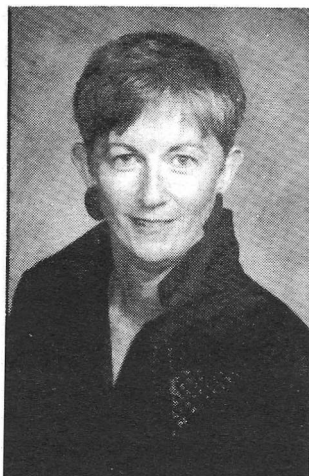
Residents Betsy Platt and Jim Anderson have expressed interest and will be appointed, but the mayor would like to appoint three more members. They would join the five town council members to make a panel of ten. If you are interested, please call her at 301-229-7308 before the next council meeting on Oct. 13.

The panel is expected to meet once a month

To facilitate the work, Peter Somerville has scanned the town ordinances into the computer.

TRASH, RECYCLING PICKUP PROBLEMS?

Call Waste Management directly at 340-0774. Ask for Dispatch



Eleanor

"Let's talk about what's happening up and down MacArthur Blvd."

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229-7990



PARK NEWS

The park service will request permission to take a conduit across Oberlin or Tulane Ave. or both so that it can be used for electrical and telephone lines, Glen Echo Park official Fran Norton told the town council last month.

She said the park police substation will be moved sometime in January, but an office will remain.

The re-paving of the park was nearly finished and it was hoped the lighting would be finished by the end of September and the tree planting by the end of October, she said.

--Jerry Bodlander

CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified ads are free to Glen Echo residents. Fee to non-residents: \$.75 per line of 55 characters or fewer. Display ads: \$4 per column inch. Ads may be left with or mailed to the editor at 38 Wellesley Circle, Glen Echo, MD 20812. Make checks payable to: Town of Glen Echo. For deadlines see date listed in masthead box on page 2.

PROPERTIES ON THE MARKET

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