



The Echo

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GLEN ECHO, MARYLAND
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December 2010

NOVEMBER TOWN COUNCIL NOTES

By Nicole Fraser

Glen Echo Park and Canal News

Work on the Glen Echo Park trolley is progressing. Last month, volunteers from Andrews Air Force Base sandblasted rust areas and primed sections of the trolley. Many of these volunteers are awaiting orders for deployment to Afghanistan soon. Park Ranger Polly Angelakis expressed her gratitude to this volunteers group.

Clara Barton House is happy to announce that they will be holding a Victorian Holiday Greeting Card workshop on November 27-28 and December 4-5. Come take a picture in period clothing. Reservations can be made at 301-320-1410.

Clara Barton house has also completed the restoration of two rooms in the house: a sitting room and Dr. Hubble's room. The park service will begin the removal non-friable asbestos from staff offices and nonpublic storage areas.

Councilmembers asked Ranger Angelakis if there had been any follow up to the water pooling in the newly repaved upper parking lot. In an earlier e-mail, Councilmember Matney ex-

pressed concern that standing water could freeze and pose a hazard to bike commuters. Ranger Angelakis said that they were waiting for another rainstorm to assess the problem.

Mayor Beers reported that as a result of the efforts by the council and other groups, the canal restoration appropriation requests will be accelerated from Fiscal Year 2014 to Fiscal Year 2012. Mayor Beers now will bring forward her request to the State for TEP funds.

Stop Sign Camera on Oxford Road

In a follow-up to October's meeting, the council discussed the possibility of a stop sign camera on Oxford Road. A recent Bethesda Gazette article noted a large income to Chevy Chase Village from speed cameras on Connecticut Avenue. While Glen Echo doesn't expect such large revenues, there is serious concern for public safety. Mayor Beers noted that Glen Echo might need a police force to install a camera. The Council discussed deputizing a local citizen to establish authority for a stop sign camera.

Noise Complaint

A town resident made a noise complaint to the town hall.

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Dec. 5th – C & O Canal Association Board Meeting, 12 – 5 p.m.

Dec. 11th – Town Holiday Party, 9 – 10:30 a.m.

Every Wednesday – English Country Dancing, 7 – 11 p.m.



**December 2010 at
REDEEMER**

*"And the Word was made flesh,
and dwelt among us . . ."*

■ **SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE**

The Holy Eucharist	8:00 a.m.
Adult Education Forum	9:15 a.m.
Choral Eucharist	10:30 a.m.
Church School & Nursery Care	10:30 a.m.

■ **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**

Sunday, December 5/*The Second Sunday of Advent*
A Service of Lessons & Carols 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 12/*The Third Sunday of Advent*
Christmas Pageant & Choral Eucharist 10:30 a.m.

Friday, December 24/*Christmas Eve*
Family Eucharist with Carols 4:00 p.m.
Festal Eucharist with Choral Prelude 10:00 p.m.

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AROUND TOWN

Mark and Kathleen Wolf of Bryn Mawr Ave. are excited to share the news of their new baby girl's arrival on November 16th. Mia Drew Wolf weighed 10 pounds 2 ounces and was 21-1/4 inches long. She joins her 23-month-old big sister Cassidy, who already loves her new little sister. Mia's arrival has given the Wolfs something extra to be thankful for on this Thanksgiving.

A STRANGE INCIDENT

By Andy Malmgrem

One Sunday afternoon a suspicious man approached Ben, Hank and Miles while they were playing football at the Glen Echo Baptist Church. The individual was sitting in a white 2002 Chevy Blazer parked on Vassar when the kids arrived. He got out of the vehicle and asked "Do you believe in evolution?" and began questioning the kids' faith. He then asked them where they went to school and where they will be in 2 years when judgment day comes (December 21, 2012 is the final day of the Mayan calendar and some believe the end of the earth). During this time the kids were stepping back from the stranger and he was moving forward. A Vassar Circle resident saw the interaction from her window; she confronted the man and wrote down his license plate.

The man is white, approximately 6' tall and heavy set, bald or short hair (he was wearing a hat), approximately 40-50 years old. He was wearing blue jeans, tee shirt, flannel shirt and a camouflage hat with a gold cross pin on the front.

Vehicle is a white 2002 Chevy Blazer, Virginia Handicap tag 3713N

I contacted Montgomery County police and filed a report. The responding officer, Marcella West, expressed concern over the nature of the questions asked of the children and the disregard of personal boundaries. Officer West will initiate further investigation. If you see this vehicle in town contact Montgomery County police at 301-652-9200. Reference report # 10057580.

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST

Holiday Breakfast—Glen Echo Town Hall
Catering by Mr. Omelet

Dec. 11, 2010, 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Gingerbread House decorating provided by
the Carter-Graham family

Volunteers needed—Call 301-320-4041 or
townhall@glenecho.org

We will be collecting for Martha's Table. Please bring your donations with you to the Holiday Breakfast.

MARTHAS TABLE FOOD DONATION WISH LIST

Non-Perishable

- Canned vegetables - green beans, corn, peas, tomatoes, potatoes, etc.
- Canned Fruit - peaches, apple sauce, pineapple, orange segments, fruit salad, etc
- Canned beans – black beans, baked beans, red beans, etc.
- Canned Proteins – tuna, chicken, salmon, chili, beef stew
- Breakfast foods – cereal, oatmeal, breakfast bars, pop tarts, etc.
- Pastas and rice
- Baby food
- Misc – jelly, tomato sauce, ketchup, mustard

Low Sugar Breakfast Cereals

- Cheerios, Corn Flakes, Kix, Raisin Bran, Chex

Snacks for our Children and Youth Programs

- Fig Newtons, Graham Crackers, Nutrigrain Bars, String Cheese, Pepperridge Farm Goldfish, Vanilla Pudding Cups, Vanilla Wafers

Non-Food Items

- Napkins
- Sandwich bags

Items that we do not need

- Peanut Butter, soft drinks, candy, junk food.

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NOVEMBER TOWN COUNCIL NOTES

Mayor Beers noted that the Town of Glen Echo does not have a noise ordinance; however, Montgomery County does. The county will only act after a second complaint has been filed. The county ordinance states that no construction or loud noises should occur before 7 am or after 9 pm on weekdays, and before 9 am or after 9 pm on weekends.

Town Council Miscellany

A motion was passed to fund \$2000 for the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture. The Council also approved a resolution from the Maryland Municipal League asking the state to restore state highway user fund revenue, to grant authority to raise additional revenue, and to request state aid for police protection.

Mayor Beers said that she had discussed with Norman Knopf (Town Attorney) various town ordinances. Mayor Beers also said that Mr. Knopf has received a memorandum of understanding from the Park Service regarding Oxford Road. The terms that the Park Service has proposed are unacceptable and the status quo is preferred to the Park Service’s proposed changes.

Councilmember Long noted that the poster on the bus stop bench with a shelter near the Exxon station on Goldsboro Road, reads “Welcome to Glen Echo” with some notes and trivia. Councilmember Long proposed that a map might be more helpful with access points to the canal clearly marked. She hopes to follow up with Montgomery County Public Ride-On authorities.

POTOMAC CONSERVANCY

Canal Stewards Cleanup Days

Help the Conservancy clean up and beautify the land and water surrounding Lock 8, and along miles 8 and 9 of the C&O Canal towpath. This monthly cleanup day is open to all ages, and is part of the Canal Steward Program. Upcoming cleanup dates include:

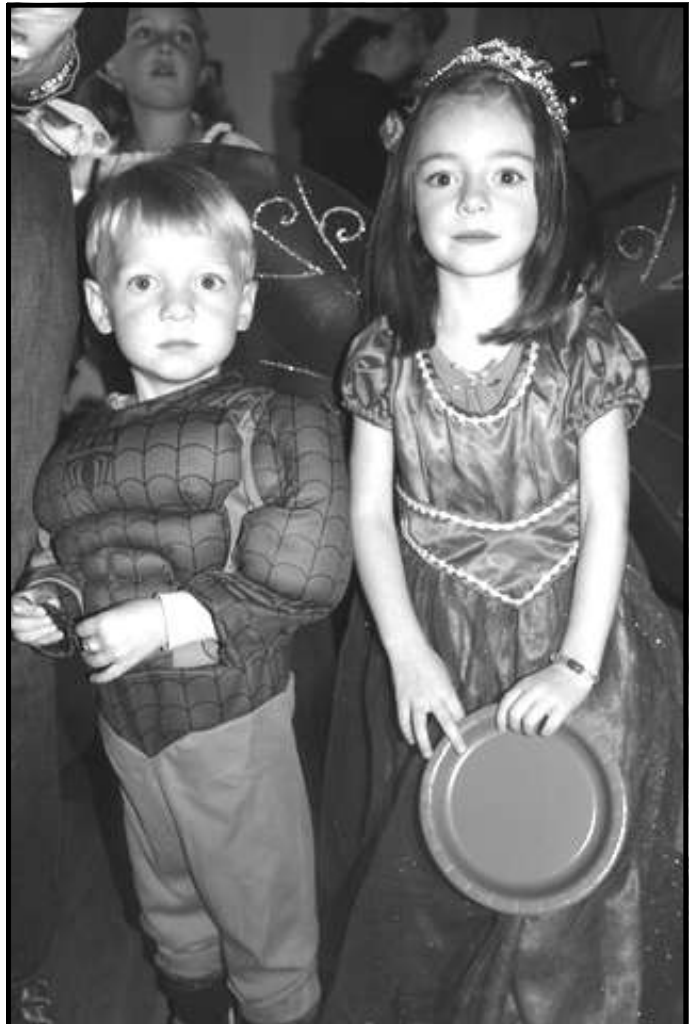
Sunday, December 12, 10 am - 12 pm

Cleanup will take place at the River Center at Lock 8, 7906 Riverside Dr., Cabin John, MD. For more information, contact Deanna Tricarico, Outreach Coordinator, at tricarico@potomac.org

WASHINGTON CONSERVATORY CONCERT

A Keyboard Potpourri - Short Excerpts of the Piano Masterworks

Michael Adcock, piano
Saturday, December 4, 2010
8:00 PM, Westmoreland Circle



GLEN ECHO HALLOWEEN PARTY!

Close to a 100 Glen Echo residents, both big and small, crowded into the Town Hall on Oct. 31st for the annual Halloween party. There were an amazing number of different costumes worn by the smaller attendees. Everyone enjoyed the pizza provided by the Townhall, and many generous residents brought side dishes and desserts. When the feasting was over, all the children were off for trick or treating around town.

Townhall would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with this party. Willem Polak helped set up tables, Anna Bayer and Alexis Feringa were very helpful, Constance Macy was at the Townhall to receive the pizzas, and Dan Macy was there for the clean-up. Anna Bayer has posted many pictures of this event on the web site groups.yahoo.com/group/GlenEcho/photos.

CLARA BARTON COMMUNITY CENTER

Holiday Craft Show on Sunday, December 5, 2010, 1-6 PM, at the Clara Barton Community Recreation Center, 7425 MacArthur Boulevard in Cabin John, MD. This 4th annual show will feature the work of more than 40 local artists and craftspeople.

Plan to come, admire and shop! This year's show offers all kinds of crafts including jewelry, glass, soaps and other botanical luxuries for body and bath, note paper, cards, wrapping paper, books, photography, oil paintings, watercolors and prints, wood carvings, scarves, shawls, knits, quilts, felted purses, wooden boxes, Christmas items, ornaments, and fresh holly arrangements. Enjoy this chance to meet some of the most creative people in the community and to choose from many reasonably priced items for personal enjoyment and gifting.

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GLEN ECHO PARK PUBLIC PROGRAMS

Holiday Art Show and Sale

November 26, 2010 – January 9, 2011

Browse and buy fine artworks for everyone on your holiday shopping list at Glen Echo Park's annual Holiday Art Show and Sale, presented by the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture. The exhibition will feature works by resident artists, instructors and invited artists and will include glass, ceramics, jewelry, photographs, paintings, and more. In the Popcorn Gallery, Saturdays and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Additional holiday hours on weekdays and weekends will be posted at www.glenechopark.org. An Artists' Reception will be held Saturday, December 4 from 4 to 6 p.m., and the Art Show will be open for the Winter's Eve event on Saturday, December 11.

Four on the Floor, December 5, 3 p.m.

A musical performance presented by Washington Musica Viva at the Washington Conservatory of Music in Glen Echo Park. Music for double bass, violin, cello, and piano by Mozart, Haydn, Gerard, and Larsen, including Libby Larsen's "Four on the Floor," inspired by Jerry Lee Lewis songs, and Charley Gerard's "The Godfather of Soul" based on themes from James Brown. Jon Nazdin, double bass; Kathy Judd, violin; Adam Gonzalez, cello; Carl Banner, piano.

Winter's Eve, December 11, From 6 to 9 p.m.

Start the Holiday Season at Glen Echo Park's "Winter's Eve." Enjoy performances, holiday crafts for kids, a hot chocolate bar and popcorn! Browse and buy fine artworks at the Holiday Art Show in the Popcorn Gallery. Many of our resident artists' studios will also have works for sale, including the Art Glass Center, Glassworks, Glen Echo Pottery, and more. For more information and additional holiday hours, call (301) 634-2222 or visit glenechopark.org.

10 HOLIDAY HOME SAFETY TIPS

1. DON'T place holiday decorations near outlets, space heaters or lamps. While beautiful, decorations are extremely flammable.

2. DON'T overload your cord set! If you "double up," you risk the cord set melting or catching fire. Use a power strip for multiple strands of holiday lights.

3. DON'T leave your holiday lights on all night. Make sure that the last person to retire unplugs them.

4. DON'T forget to blow out candles. Light candles only in rooms in which partygoers or family members gather.

5. DO make sure last year's holiday lights are in good shape. Test each string for frays and brittle cords, both of which are shock or fire hazards.

(And don't forget the home fire safety basics, as you begin to use your fireplace and furnace regularly during the holiday sea-

son.):

6. DO keep the damper open at all times on a natural gas fireplace.

7. DO clear the space around your furnace. Forgetting to move a paint can or wrapping paper rolls can cause a fire or an explosion.

8. DO make sure the pilot light is on for all gas-fired appliances such as a fireplace or older furnace.

9. DO use the holiday season as a time to check, clean or change your furnace filter. Replace disposable filters. Wash, brush or vacuum permanent filters.

10. DO schedule a furnace tune-up with your local heating and cooling service expert to ensure it's running safely and at top efficiency for a worry-free winter.

ENCORE CHORALE OPEN REHEARSAL

Encore Chorale, the nation's largest and fastest growing choral program for Singers Age 55+, announces OPEN REHEARSAL for Montgomery County Encore Chorales

WHAT: Encore Chorale for singers 55+ OPEN REHEARSALS

WHERE: Encore Chorale of Schweinhaut Senior Center, 100 0 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD

December 13, 2010 10:30am to noon

January 24, 2011 10:30 am to noon

WHERE: Washington Conservatory of Music at Glen Echo Park, South Arcade

December 16, 2010 2:00 to 3:30 pm

January 13, 2011 2:00 to 3:30pm

COST: Free

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Jeanne.kelly@encorecreativity.org

Web site: <http://encorecreativity.org>

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

A Service of Lessons & Carols for Advent

Sunday, 5 December 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Modeled after the famed service held each year at King's College, Cambridge, this festive liturgy, sung by the Adult and Youth choirs (Dr. Benjamin Hutchens, guest conductor), has become a highlight of Redeemer's liturgical cycle. Music will include familiar hymns and choral works by J.S. Bach, Franz Biebl, Andrew Carter, Richard Lloyd, Paul Manz, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, and Charles Villiers Stanford. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Reception to follow.

The Next Town Council Meeting

The next Town Council meeting will be on Monday, December 13, at 8 pm.

Contact the clerk-treasurer to add an item to the agenda.

Christmas Recycling Reminder

Your used, torn and crumpled wrapping paper can be recycled. But DO NOT include any metallic (foil) paper, nor any ribbons. Try to remove as much scotch tape as you can from the wrapping paper.

Electronics Recycling

Sunday, Dec. 12, 12 – 4 pm, Walt Whitman High School
Accepted Items: Small electric appliances, CD players, cell phones, digital cameras, printers, TVs, VCRs, electronic toys and more.

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