

# THE VILLAGE NEWS

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JUNE 1977

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Sunday, June 12 - noon - 6pm - Free Washington Folk Festival  
Glen Echo Park (see article inside)
- Tuesday, June 14, 8pm, Citizens Association Executive Committee Meeting
- Wednesday, June 15, Last day of school for afternoon kindergarten
- Thursday, June 16, Last day of Public School (half day)
- Tuesday, June 21, 11-2, First Children's Free Swim, Palisades Pool  
(see article for details)

## CITIZENS ASSOCIATION BEGINS NEW YEAR

I am happy to be the president of the Citizens Assoc. for the coming year. This is a busy town and a concerned community. Fortunately, our ambitions and concerns are matched by a remarkable pool of capable and energetic people. I am impressed with how much we undertake in a given year -- and accomplish.

For the next twelve months I expect to coordinate -- not run -- a myriad of efforts and events. These activities will be run by a full group of officers and committee chairmen and members. I hope that includes you. All committees are open, and association membership requires just that you live or own property in Cabin John and pay your dues (\$2 single membership, \$3 for a family membership). Meetings will be held -- starting in September -- on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 8 pm; you could put that on your calendar right now. I have been delighted that many people have come forth since the

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## AIRCRAFT NOISE UPDATE

The aircraft noise subcommittee has been very busy for the past two months trying to make our case clear to the County and the Council of Governments. Our latest official testimony was to the Montgomery County Noise Advisory Board which studies problems involving noise in the County and makes recommendations to the Council and County Executive. A number of communities did testify that their citizens did not want any aircraft noise. Their reasoning seemed selfish and petty to those of us in Cabin John, Persimmon Tree, Carderock, Bannockburn, Glen Echo, and Brookmont who sat patiently and politely to hear the other side of the argument. We hope that our elected officials will weigh the evidence and reach a just, not a politically expedient decision about scattering aircraft flight patterns.

For more information on what you can do, call Minda Wetzell (229-4618), Janet Dence (229-7394), or Eric Buchmann (229-5127). We need callers, letter writers, and people to attend meetings.

## COMMUNITY PICNIC; NO RAIN DATE

Despite the unpredictable drizzle, a hardy core of residents spent a friendly afternoon celebrating Cabin John Day last Sunday. Unfortunately, the facilities will not be available for the scheduled rain date, so there will be no official picnic on Sunday June 12. Special apologies to our new neighbors. We look forward to meeting you on many other festive occasions!

## WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL

June 12, noon to 6 pm  
Glen Echo Park  
All Events Free - rain or shine. Call 492-6229

Included are dancing, ballads, blues, old-timey banjo and fiddle, sea-shanties, jug band, string band, and all kinds of folk dancing to watch and to join in. Also children's concert and Chinese Opera. Don't miss the cultural bargain of the year with lots of really famous performers donating their time and talents!

election and offered their help (for a committee or event or "whenever you need me"). I would be very pleased to hear from you, too. There will be, during the year, many times when we will need some help on a one-shot basis, for the Crab Feast or Christmas party or Health Day or some special event or project. Would you be willing to help with one job? Especially if we don't know each other, would you call me? New talent and muscle are very welcome.

The Executive Committee will meet during the summer (and once a month September to May) so if you have town business before the fall, just talk to an officer. Here are the new Executive Committee members:

- President, Barbara Clark, 229-2722 (This is my office in my home; if a machine answers, talk to it.)
- 1st vice pres, Jay Goodrow 229-3827
- 2nd vice pres, Calvin Kytle 229-6609
- Recording secretary, Pat Duff 229-1261
- Corresponding Secretary, Katy Glakas, 229-6253
- Treasurer, Erica Rogala 229-7462
- Land Use Chairman, Dan Sullivan, 229-7167
- Environmental Matters Chairman, Minda Wetzel, 229-4618
- Co-chairman, Janet Dence 229-7394
- Transportation Chairman, Ed Winslow, 229-4654. Co-chairman, Frank McKinney, 229-7105
- Aging Chairman (and Village News Editor), Andy Rice, 229-7367
- Community Facilities Chairman, Cippi Morgan, 320-3269
- Representatives to Potomac Valley League, Diane Kellogg, 229-7412 and Frank Sordyl, 229-6417.

Representatives to the Montgomery County Civic Federation, Janet Dence, 229-7394 and Minda Wetzel, 229-4618.

Barbara Clark



BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

from Troop 2482

The Cabin John Girl Scout Troop 2482 went on two bike hikes this year. Since school will be letting out soon, and more people will be riding bikes because of the nice weather, the Girl Scouts decided to hand down some safety tips on bike riding. They are:

1. Ride with the traffic.
2. Keep your bike in good condition.
3. You should have a headlight, reflectors, bell or horn.
4. Obey all traffic signals.
5. One rider to a one seater.
6. Use correct hand signals:  
Left turn - left hand straight out.  
Right turn - left hand elbow bent and hand pointing upward.  
Stop or yield - left hand down.
7. Don't race or show off.
8. If in a group, ride single file.
9. Look both ways before going out into street.
10. Don't carry anything that will block your view.

Article by: Nancy Fisher, Peggy Sue Williams, Dawn Cable, Maria Burns, and Susie Bast

CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

The May meeting of the Association featured Judy Toth, our local state delegate, who graciously accepted a last minute invitation when Congressman Newton Steers was hospitalized with a severe infection. Judy told us of her many activities in the State

Legislature this year. One of the many bills which she helped to write and get passed requires hearing aid customers to have a doctor examine them and determine which device would be most appropriate for their type of hearing loss. Hopefully, this will cut down on unnecessary costs to customers caused by unscrupulous hearing aid sales tactics. She also spoke about the new sales tax rise which has just been passed, and extended to take-out food in restaurants in Maryland.

Richardson Family to Leave

We are sad to learn that the Richardsons are soon to leave Cabin John, though the coming year will be a most exciting and challenging one for them. Burt, a pediatrician, will work with Project Hope in South America for the next 6 months, and his family will join him in South America this summer. Then his wife Gladys, and their children Cathy and Henry, will move to a small town in Maine where Burt will begin a private pediatric practice.

We wish them much happiness in their new ventures. Our community and Children's Hospital will miss them.

RIEKES LEAVE A PROUD RECORD

It was in Jan. 1974 that the Rev. Allyn Rieke and his wife Pat moved their family into the parsonage of the Cabin John Methodist Church. This month -- three and a half years later -- they are moving across the continent to Oregon. In those years, the Riekies have made a positive difference in this town. "It has been our goal to open up, to strengthen the communication and cooperation between the church and the whole community," Allyn says, "and I feel very good about the way this has happened."

From the beginning Allyn and Pat have been visible and vocal in concerns of Cabin John; the Clara Barton School, the bridge reopening, the four-year-old rummage sales, the Bicentennial Celebration have all benefitted from their efforts. The church has become a center for Alcoholics Anonymous (with attendees from the greater Bethesda area), the Palisades Theatre Company (Puppet and mime shows for children), and a community youth group; its rooms have welcomed meetings of the Citizens' Assoc. and many town groups. Allyn served this past year as chairman of the Public Safety Committee of the Citizens' Assoc. and participated two years ago in the ceremony in which the Clara Barton House became a part of the Park service.

Within the church itself, the Riekies have done a commendable job of stabilizing membership, building up the choir, and acquiring a new organ. Allyn gives strong credit to the members of the Methodist Church, praising the congregation for its work and cooperative spirit.

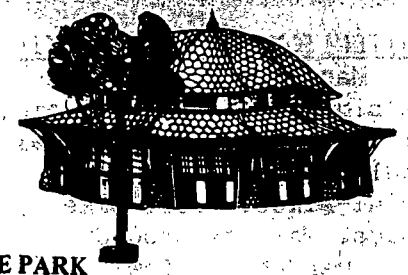
While he served this church as pastor, Allyn completed his Master of Divinity degree,

graduating from Wesley Theological Seminary on May 2, 1977.

The younger Riekies are: Allyn, Jr., 17, who is graduating from Walt Whitman High; Diana, 16, a sophomore at Whitman; Barbara, 14, who is graduating from Pyle J.H.; Lisa, 11, a fifth-grader at Bannockburn; JoAnn, 7, a first grader at Bannockburn.

New home for the Riekies will be St. Helen's, Oregon, 30 miles north of Portland, where they will assume leadership of a congregation about 2½ times the size of the Cabin John church. They are excited about their new assignment, but leave Cabin John -- church and community -- with love and appreciation of their life here. To the Riekies, Cabin John says thank you for sharing yourselves with us so generously.

The new pastor of the Methodist Church is David S. Cooney, who has already taken on his new responsibilities. David graduated from Walter Johnson in 1972 and from Western Maryland College in 1976. He has finished one year at Wesley Theological Seminary and will continue his studies there while serving the Cabin John Church. Last month David married Robin Stifler, and David and Robin will move into the parsonage in mid-June. This is his first pastoral appointment. We welcome the Cooneys to our town.



**IN THE PARK**

OLD TIME COUNTRY DANCES

at Glen Echo Saturday Nights  
Time: 8:30-11:30 p.m.

Beginners Welcome!

- July 9 - Old-time Square Dance
- July 16- Old-time Square Dance
- July 23 - English and American Country Dancing
- July 30 - International Folk Dancing with the Heritage Dancers
- Aug. 6 - English and American Country Dancing
- Aug. 13- " " "
- Aug. 20- " " "
- Aug. 27- Old-time Square Dance

Admission \$2 at door, \$1 for children accompanied by parents.

Glen Echo Park Offers Classes in: Folk & Bluegrass guitar and banjo, beginning appalachian dulcimer, beginning old-timey mandolin, folk autoharp and clogging. Call 281-2228.

ADVENTURE THEATRE

"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" is playing at Adventure Theatre through June 26. The shows are at 7:30 pm Thursday through Sunday with matinees at 2:30 pm on Saturdays and Sundays. Admission is \$2.50. Call 320-5331 between 10 am and 2 pm for reservations.

SUMMER CAROUSEL

The Mont. County Rec. Dept. is again holding preschool "Summer Carousel" program at Bannockburn this summer. Registration applications for all three sessions are now being accepted. Session I begins June 27 and runs for three weeks from 9:30-11:30 am Mon. thru Thurs. To receive a Summer Carousel brochure or for further information, call 468-4050.

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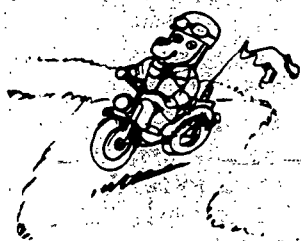
**ATTENTION PARENTS AND KIDS!**

Many of the residents of Cabin John have been complaining to the County and Park police about illegal use of mini-bikes, trail bikes, and guns. Parents should read and discuss the following laws with their children, and be aware that the community has asked the police to crack down and enforce these laws more strictly in the coming weeks. Juvenile offenders (under 16) will be referred to juvenile court and have a police record. Those over 16 may lose their driver's permits and/or be subject to fines. The laws are as follows: It is illegal to:

1. Drive without a license except on private property with permission of the owner.
2. Drive an uninsured motor vehicle.
3. Drive an unsafe motor vehicle (No tags, no lights, no mirror, faulty brakes, etc.)
4. Drive without a helmet and goggles or face shield. (Passengers must have helmet but not eye protection.)
5. Drive an unregistered vehicle on any public road, County property (school grounds), park property, or private property without permission of the owner.

In addition to violations of motor vehicle laws, offenders may receive citations for property destruction and trespass charges. Parents will be notified of violations. Offenders over 16 will be referred to the District Court on traffic violation charges.

With respect to County gun laws, no gun is to be discharged in lower Montgomery County except on a designated target range. (This includes beebee guns.) It is illegal to carry a loaded weapon except on such a target range.



For residents wishing to notify the police about violations, please do not call anonymously. Use the 911 number for County Police and 949-3010 for Park Police. If you do not wish the patrol car to know your name or stop at your house, you may request that your name and number be kept anonymous at the central office, but please give your name and telephone number to the central office with as much information as possible. This is their only way of preventing crank phone calls. The police are already aware of most of the violators, and precise identification will pinpoint them. Parents of unregistered mini-bike and trail bike riders should be aware that they must provide transportation for bike and rider to legal "tracks" where their kids can ride, and the siphoning of gas out of other people's tanks must stop!

The Park police have requested that we notify local residents of the following offenses and their fines for first offenses:

Motor vehicle or motorized bike in the park:	\$30.00
Gun, loaded:	\$55.00
Gun, unloaded:	\$30.00
Hunting	\$155.00
Target Practice:	\$105.00
Firecrackers exploded:	\$30.00
Firewood without permission:	\$55.00

Report offenses in the parks to 949-3010.

**CLARA BARTON SCHOOL USE NEWS**

The Board of Education is faced with a budget crisis. They have selected as one method of meeting this crisis greatly raising rental fees to groups using space in school buildings, including Clara Barton and Bannockburn. This will effect Day Care, Girl and Boy Scouts, the Recreation Department programs, PTA sponsored after school programs, and the Cabin John Citizens' Association, etc. The proposed high rental fee greatly exceeds the cost to the schools of such programs, especially before 7 pm. Use of space would be impossible for most of these programs which are non-profit and supported by much volunteer staff and fees from children and their parents. Without space, many of these programs may be forced out of existence.

The Clara Barton Center for Children, for example, would have to pay \$107.50 per week when the Center's actual cost to the Montgomery County Public Schools is about \$18.00 per week. The Center would either be forced to close or to raise tuition and cut scholarships, thus hurting the families to whom it is committed and who most need its services.

We feel that community use and access to school buildings should be a priority as long as it does not create a deficit in the public school budget. The Board should be careful to charge reasonable rates that reflect only actual costs, not make a profit. We hope that you will support this position by expressing your opinion, by June 30th, to the Board of Education 850 N. Washington Street Rockville, Md. 20850 or call 279-3000.

Arlyn Jurin

**CHILDREN'S BIBLE CRUSADE**

June 27-July 1

Mrs. Roberta Bonnici, Bible teacher, lecturer and author from Lexington Park, Md., will conduct a Children's Bible Crusade at Riverside Assembly of God Church, 6523 78th Street, Cabin John, Md., June 27 thru July 1, from 7 to 9 pm for ages 5 thru 12.

Mrs. Bonnici will be incorporating the theme, "Christ: The Great I AM", into a program featuring visualized and dramatized stories, action songs, hand-craft, puppets, and scripture contests. A different facet of the life of Christ will be emphasized each evening.

Mrs. Bonnici, a graduate of Northeast Bible College, Green Lane, Pa., has conducted Bible crusades throughout the northeastern region of the United States. She combines a variety of techniques and aids to create and maintain interest in the basic principles of the Bible.

Children under the age of 5 are welcome if accompanied by an adult.

For further information, contact Rev. Sherman N. Shell, pastor, 229-5054.

**COMMUNITY FREE SWIM**

The Palisades Pool will again sponsor the free swim program on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 am to 1 pm starting Tuesday, June 21st. All community kids are invited on a first come - first serve basis, providing there are enough adult volunteers (one adult/6 children) from the community to supervise. Be sure all children bring a permission slip signed by their parent to the first swim they attend. For more information and adult volunteers call Diane Kellogg, 229-7412 or 492-6229.

(Would the volunteer who called Diane last month call her again. She has misplaced your number.)

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**BRINGING HOME THE TROPHIES**

Peter Vogt won an Emmy last Saturday night. His film "To Prepare A Child" won top prize as best independently-produced documentary telecast in Washington D.C. in the past year. His colleague, Pierce Atkins, won the highest award for writer-director for that film.

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences makes annual national selections of outstanding television shows. In addition, it holds competitions in six major cities, including Washington, for locally aired programs. It was this local competition in which Peter Vogt Associates captured the Emmy statuette, on Saturday June 4, at the Capitol Hilton. True to the Hollywood tradition, Peter did not know until the last suspenseful second that his film would be the top winner.

"To Prepare A Child" is a documentary about the emotional needs of children as they anticipate and undergo hospi-

talization. Childrens Hospital National Medical Center was the sponsor of this film, shot within the hospital itself with real patients and staff. Childrens Hospital is now distributing the film throughout the country to help other pediatric facilities glimpse what can be done. Dr. Burrtt Richardson, who is on the staff at Childrens, was instrumental in starting the association between the hospital and Peter Vogt Assoc., and served on the advisory group throughout production. The half-hour film, shown over WMAL-TV in mid-March, featured in one sequence the Cabin John Fire Department ambulance.

Congratulations, Peter!

CLARA BARTON CENTER FOR CHILDREN, 7425 MacArthur Blvd. (The Clara Barton School), is now accepting applications for fall enrollment. The Center accepts children ages 2-6 years for mornings, afternoons or full days, 2-5 days per week. The Center is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday, 12 months a year. Head teachers have degrees in early childhood education. There is a special program for children 24-36 months old from 9 a.m. to noon 2,3 or 5 days per week. There is also a special afternoon program for kindergarten children during the school year. Transportation and financial assistance are available. For information or to schedule a visit call 320-4565 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**WEED CONTROL LAW**  
 New County Law (#25-76) to control generalized weed growth in subdivisions throughout Montgomery County; contains definition of subdivision and weeds and would make it illegal for the owner, occupant, lessee or agent in charge of land in any subdivision to permit the generalized growth of weeds and grass on such land to exceed a height of 12 inches. Amends Chapter 58 of the Montgomery County Code 1972. (Effective May 2, 1977)  
**INFORMATION:** Copies of the new law (#25-76) are available from the Council Office (279-1231), 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday



**TRANSIT INFORMATION CENTER**

New Number  
 Extended Hours  
 Call 468-4100 Monday thru  
 Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
 For details on (or complaints  
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 out of, or into Montgomery  
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1/3 page	\$15.00
1/6 page	\$10.00
1/12 page	\$ 6.00

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
 JUNE VILLAGE NEWS**

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 Est. June Printing 58.00  
 Est. June Folding 4.50

Expected receipts from fund  
 drive, classified ads, and  
 advertising should get us  
 back in the black by July.

**THE VILLAGE NEWS  
 PEOPLE**

Minda Wetzels: (outgoing) editor  
 Andy Rice: new editor  
 Janet Dence: treasurer  
 Cappie Morgan: distribution  
 Citizen's Association News:  
 Barbara Clark

**Girl Scouts Salute Leaders**

The leader of Girl Scout  
 Troop 2482 in Cabin John,  
 Mrs. Joanne Bast, will be  
 "retiring" this summer. Mrs.  
 Bast has been the leader of  
 the troop for the last 5  
 years, and has been a very  
 dedicated and able leader  
 for our young people. Peg  
 Williams, the assistant  
 leader for the past two  
 years will also be leaving  
 the troop. We wish to extend  
 our thanks for all that they  
 have done.

We are also pleased to  
 announce that Mrs. Dana  
 Cable and Mrs. Gay Busi will  
 be the new leaders starting  
 next fall. We extend to them  
 our good wishes for a fun-  
 filled and rewarding year  
 ahead.

Thelma Marshall



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 GROCERIES\*BREAKFAST\*LUNCH  
 MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY  
 6:30 am to 6:00 pm

**Village News Changes Hands:**

The new editor, Andy Rice,  
 will take over the Village  
 News with the summer issue on  
 or about August first. The  
 outgoing editor wishes to  
 thank everyone who contribu-  
 ted their time, energy, news,  
 and dollars to our community  
 newspaper. Special thanks go  
 to Janet Dence who handled  
 the finances and mail sub-  
 scriptions, Cappie Morgan,  
 who saw to its speedy distri-  
 bution, and all the kids in  
 the community who did the  
 actual delivery. Thanks for  
 a job well done and much  
 appreciated by all of us.

**CLASSIFIED**

**BRICK, BLOCK, and STONE WORK:**  
 fireplaces, retaining walls,  
 patios, repointing, you name  
 it. Steve Clark 229-5008.

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