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ELECTION RESULTS!

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

Members of the community present at the May Citizens Association meeting elected new officers for the coming year. The officers serve from June to June of each year and devote an incredible amount of their time and energy to help make Cabin John a pleasant place in which to live. Your new representatives are listed below. If you have any questions, suggestions, or information for them, feel free to contact them.

President, Allen van Emmerik
229-8936

(Information about our leader was not available at the time of printing, but will be included in the next issue.)

First Vice-President, George Bingham 469-6086

George and his family have lived on Riverside Dr. since 1972. He claims to be a "Jack-of-all-trades" and is doing some woodworking at the moment while fixing up his house. He also enjoys bicycling and running on the canal.

Second Vice-President, Stephanie Becker 320-5038

Stephanie has been active in this community for the last 8 years, working with the PTA, Cub Scouts and at Clara Barton. She is a consultant in economics and enjoys playing tennis.

Recording Secretary, Pat Duff 229-1261

Pat claims she has not lived in Cabin John for long. It seems she moved into her house on Seven Locks Road only 18 years ago. She is retired, enjoys gardening and "doing as I please." A seasoned traveler, she has visited most of the far eastern capitals as well as the Soviet Union and Egypt, and hopes to see China and Cuba. Pat has the time consuming job of keeping a record of all the business transpired at any and all community association meetings.

Corresponding Secretary, Diane Lee
229-8224

Diane has lived on Riverside Drive for the last 2 years. She has two full-time jobs, one being her two sons, Joe and John, the other being her studies at the University of Maryland where she is studying Human Development, Gerontology and Child Study. As if that weren't enough to keep her busy, Diane is also a tenant farmer at Barbara Clark Martin's house. Diane is the person to contact if you need a new Cabin John Directory. She also handles all of the correspondence for the Association.

Treasurer, Matt Stuart 229-6931

A three year resident on 76th St., Matt is a management and
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LEGISLATION DEADLINES APPROACH

Judy Toth has noted that the deadlines for both state and local legislation are almost upon us. This is the time for citizens with ideas for legislation that would make our community a better place to live in to speak up. Both deadlines are in July and Delegate Toth urges that any citizen with ideas for new legislation contact her immediately. She promises a quick response to any suggestions or inquiries.



Free Swim

Once again, the time is here for the kids in Cabin John to enjoy a free swim at the Palisades Pool. The program begins on Tuesday, June 26 and will continue on every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 to 1:00 until August 30. Before being allowed into the pool, each child must bring a signed permission slip from their parents. The permission slip is good for the entire summer. No one under 6 years will be allowed to swim without a parent or responsible older person. There is a limit to the number of kids allowed in, however, and the first 75 at the door will get to swim. So, come early.

Last winter, the pool sustained some damage from vandals. It is important that all free swimmers take care of the pool and pool areas as if it were their own. If the vandalism is repeated or the pool is mistreated, our privilege to have free swim may be lost.

AIR NOISE COMPLAINTS?

CALL 557-2081

AIR NOISE BATTLE CONTINUES

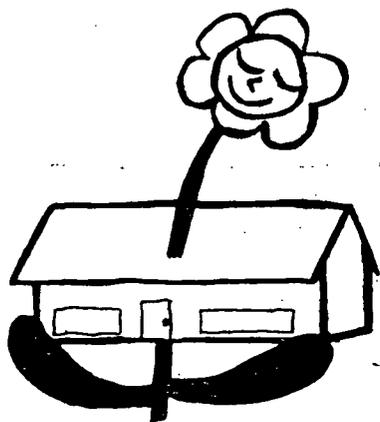
Some progress has been made in the fight to eliminate or lessen the noise caused by jets over Cabin John. On Monday, June 11, Allen van Emmerik, Dr. Erich Buchman and Frank Sordyl met with Councilwoman Elizabeth Schull and Erik Mendelsohn, the Noise Coordinator from the Department of Environmental Protection. Councilwoman Schull agreed that our interests in the scatterplan are legitimate and is going to conduct an investigation here in Cabin John.

Following the investigation, she will make recommendations to the Council of Governments regarding the scatter plan. Hopefully, her support in this matter will bring us some relief.

Cabin Johners have been so persistent and well-informed on the whole matter of jet noise that it has led to the formation of a national organization, called United Citizens Against Noise (UCAN). This organization is part of a larger consortium, the National Information Center on Quiet. This larger organization has been advertised on national radio and t.v.

Congratulations to the Cabin Johners who have "put us on the map" through their hard work and diligence: Calvin Kytte, Dr. Erich Buchman, Dan Costello, Frank Sordyl and all of MCCAN. Keep up the good work and let us know how we can support your efforts!





HOME GROWN

A Gardening Column
by Stephanie Stouffer

Now that the spring rains have apparently subsided, the backyard gardeners of Cabin John can turn their attention to mid-season plantings and the control of weeds and harmful insects.

Because there are such beneficial insects as the Praying Mantis, LadyBug, Garden Spider, and Bees and poisonous residues may be found in one's produce, the ecology and organic-minded may choose natural insect controls as opposed to chemical dusts or sprays.

Remember that predatory insects are attracted to weedy gardens and diseased plants. Established beds or plantings should be adequately mulched to control the growth of noxious weeds. Vegetables that are weak, with spindly mainstems and yellowed or blotched leaves should not be allowed to remain alongside healthy specimens.

Mulch saves time usually spent weeding or hoeing! Aside from controlling weed growth, mulch protects delicate roots from the intense heat of the summer sun, keeping the soil cool and moist in otherwise dry conditions. In recent years, the

use of black plastic has become popular for mulching. I do not advocate its use because it does not decay and therefore adds no hummus or nutrients to the soil.

To naturally aid in preventing infestations of insects that regularly plague our gardens, companion planting should be practiced wherever practical. Basically, it involves placing two or more plant-types close together that will assist one another in healthy growth and in repelling insects that are harmful. It is important to remember that not all "protective" botanicals act quickly. For example: the effect that marigolds have on nematodes is cumulative and they should therefore be grown in the same place each year for best control.

There are many companions, though, that will give aid almost immediately and can easily be incorporated into anyone's gardening scheme . . . for poison-free produce.

Here are a few effective examples of companions and a list of readily available mulching materials.

SQUASH: icicle radishes left to go to seed in each hill will repel insects; nasturtiums repel squash bugs; handpick stinkbust; grow with corn, beans or sunflowers.

BEANS: marigolds deter Mexican Bean Beetle; savory aids growth and repels insects; cukes are mutually beneficial.

TOMATOES: garlic cloves between plants repel red spider mites; keep suckers pruned; grow well with members of the cabbage family, as well as onions, parsley, carrots; Kohlrabi inhibits growth; plant away from corn as the fruitworm & corn earworm are identical.

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public relations consultant, as well as a community development specialist. As an athlete, he especially loves to teach sport fundamentals to youngsters. He wishes that everyone in Cabin John were not so busy. (p.s. The editor claims that he is not bad as an assistant.)

THE CABIN JOHN VILLAGE NEWS

NEEDS YOU!

If you can donate a couple of hours each month to helping this newspaper be as informative as it should be, please call the editor at 229-6931.

If you have a favorite recipe, some news about your neighbors or information that would help your neighbors, please call the editor at 229-6931.

If you have any artistic talent or would like to write an article or column for the paper, please call the editor at 229-6931.

A community newspaper should be written and put together by the community, not by just one or two people. So volunteer your time or your talent. Make our paper a reflection of the uniqueness of our community and call the editor at 229-6931.

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229-7311

(HOMEGROWN, cont.)

MULCHES

Straw: excellent but expensive and slow to decompose.

Grass Clippings: "poor man's straw" pick up on street for free, neat, but don't apply too heavily, as it "heats up."

Sawdust: use with adequate supply of nitrogen.

Leaves: good to cover entire garden in winter.

Newspapers: apply whole sections between rows, anchor with stones or soil.

Pine Needles: for acid loving plants (potatoes, tomatoes, blueberries).

.... or any available biodegradable product!

*Note: If you smoke, wash your hands before gardening because vegetables, especially tomatoes, are susceptible to diseases transmitted through tobacco.

GOOD LUCK!

HAPPY & HEALTHY GARDENING!

Write for free gardening advice to:

The Gardener's Friend

c/o Avenel Farm

Persimmon Tree Road

Potomac, Md. 20854

CLARA BARTON TO BE RENOVATED

Representatives from the Day Care Center, the community and the County met this month to discuss renovation of Clara Barton School. The wing in which the Day Care Center is now located is to be renovated so that there will be adequate facilities for the center and the Four Year Old Program next year. The community offered to help the County with all of the renovation, but County insurance will not permit our help. But this bad news turned into good when the County informed us that they will do all of the renovation themselves.

CABIN JOHN CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
FIRST REPORT 1979-1980

Allen van Emmerik, President

The face of Cabin John scarcely twitched when a new slate of officers was elected last May 22. I intend to be the fingernails on the slate, not within, but outside the community. We must continue to block destructive attempts to make us like or subservient to the rest of the county around us. We all treasure the quiet of Cabin John, or what is left of it. The Cabin John Community Plan, to me, is a treaty between the County and Cabin John. It is the living work of many people, but especially of our late and solid friend, Ed Winslow. I can think of no better way to remember Ed and to keep Cabin John intact than to fight for strict adherence to this Plan.

We have come through two fights recently, stronger than when we went in. With luck and vigilance, we will retain what we won regarding the sewer plant and Seven Locks Road.

The major projects I see for the coming year include:

1. Relief from aircraft noise. The community recently met with County officials to register our views. We will keep at it and inform you of any results.

2. Use of commercially-zoned properties. The community is entitled to rational use of local properties as related to community needs and values.

3. Use of Clara Barton School. This building and grounds should be preserved as an asset to the community.

4. Prevention of Tomlinson Ave. from becoming a throughway. Development is proposed to pave Tomlinson Avenue from Seven Locks Road to Per-simmon Tree Road. We cannot have Carver Road crowded from behind by an extended Tomlinson.

5. Restoration of feeder bus service. In the light of growing interest in the matter, a petition will be circulated soon for you to show whether or not you support this matter.

6. Inner peace within the community. We have vandalism. We would be better armed against intrusion by outside interests were our own house in order.

The Association would welcome any ideas, workers, vigilance and information on these or any other issues.

The community needs to make better use of the resources to be found right here in Cabin John. For inspiration, there are three strong churches. The Crab and Chicken Feast is coming soon, an annual event looked forward to by many. But why annual? The winter needs life too. Perhaps some interest in a winter event exists. I would like to think that the community tyawed out in more ways than one after the Seven Locks Road march.

Like every president before me, I would like to see better attendance at the Association meetings. These meetings can be whatever we make of them. Your executive board cannot work without knowing what you want and need, so let us know what is on your mind. Come to the meetings; call us; write us; talk to us. In turn, I will try to tap the County's resources for the betterment of the community. We should get something for our tax money.

HAVE A GOOD SUMMER! SEE YOU AT THE CRAB FEAST!

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GROCERIES*BREAKFAST*LUNCH
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FENCING LESSONS Classes for young beginners will be held for 5 weeks starting in July at Salle d'Armes. For info. call 229-7687.

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