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Rock Run Sewage Line To Run Through Cabin John

Sewage from the proposed 20 million gallons per day treatment plant to be built on Avenel Farm off Persimmon Tree Road will be routed underground through Cabin John to a discharge point at Little Falls, below Brookmont. The scheduled opening date of the system is 1987. This means that construction will get underway within a year or two!

Several alternate rights of way are being considered. Current plans call for the pipeline to follow the G.W. Parkway or use an already-existing line near the C & O Canal.

Currently two major pipelines follow the Canal --the 72 inch Dulles Interceptor and the 36 in. Maryland-Upper Potomac (MUPI) Interceptor that follows the Cabin John Creek to the river.

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Bus Transport In Trouble

The Bannockburn Newsletter reports that major changes in local bus service are being planned, and will coincide with the advent of Metrorail service to Friendship Heights in the Fall of 1983.

Current planning involves, in the Fall 1983, discontinuing the N-5 route to downtown, continued service of the C-1

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Association Works To Improve Housing Development

by Patrick Connelly

The Land Use Committee braved the cold and snow with Tevy Schlafman, Landscape Architect and Cabin John resident, to review the Site Plan for the Hufty Tract off Tomlinson Ave. The purpose of the "walk-thru" was to determine how the developer, C.Y. Mitchell & Best Co., had responded to the concerns expressed by

the Association in its Nov. 12th, 1981, letter to the Planning Board.

The concensus of the Committee was the natural screening remaining after site clearing was not adequate; the type, size and spacing of the trees to be planted for screening was not adequate; the set-back of the townhouses from Tomlinson Terrace was less than initially represented and the

proposed grading would radically alter the existing natural contour of the land.

The Association's position concerning the proposed Site Plan was discussed with the Planning staff on Jan. 12th, and a letter detailing the Association's position has been sent to the Planning Board. Final action by the Planning Board on this development is imminent and will be reported in the next issue.

Citizens Association Meeting
Clara Barton School Library
8 PM, Tue Jan. 26, 1982



Deadline For Next Issue:
Friday, February 6, 1982

SEWAGE LINE***

Both pipelines take water into the District of Columbia system.

Engineers are working to figure out how to divert the Cabin John Creek line into the parallel Dulles line and use the Creek pipeline for the Rock Run effluent. The waste-water must be pressurized and a lining of plastic or fiberglass must be inserted into the line.

If that plan does not work, a very expensive tunnel or a cut-and-cover plan are being considered along the Parkway. The cut-and-cover technique requires 30-50 feet of working room, making it difficult in the cantilevered Glen Echo section of the Parkway as well as the area between Little Falls and Brookmont.

A third alternative that has been discarded is to run the sewer line down MacArthur and the trolley right-of-way.

Whatever the final alignment, the planners are considering the county land at Clara Barton Center as a central staging area for heavy machinery and construction operations. The effect of this multi-gear heavy activity on existing uses--playing fields, schools--has yet to be considered or even raised in discussion.

The planners have established a public advisory process for raising and addressing concerns like this. However, the Cabin John Citizens Association is not participating actively in this at present for lack of a volunteer to attend sessions with the planners, etc. If you are interested in helping out--perhaps saving our playing fields--speak up at the Association Meeting.

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In Memoriam

Cabin John lost a good neighbor on Saturday, November 28, when Wilbert Grishkot was called to his heavenly reward. He and his wife Ruby moved to Cabin John in 1951. We remember Wilbert and Ruby as sweet, loving, and godly. We stand at the ready to help you, Ruby.

Your friend and neighbor,
Frank D. McKinney

LET ANNIE THANK
CABIN JOHN
&
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Annie MacDonald
229-1557

BUS TRANSPORT ***

Metro (which will be converted to a county ride-on) route from Goldsboro Road at Glen Echo to East-West Hgwy, continued service of the Metro T-2 on River Road to Friendship Hts, and addition of a ride-on route from Wilson Lane at MacArthur to East-West Hgwy. There will be no direct service to NIH and no Park-&-Ride facilities at the Friendship Hts, East-West Hgwy or NIH Metro stations.

The County Transportation Planning Division is currently developing a process for community input to the ride-on planning and solicits comments from concerned citizens. Ride-ons (Goldsboro Rd. and Wilson La.) will be expected to be 40% financially self-supporting at an annual operating expense of \$40,000 each. Routes dropping below 20% self-supporting will be discontinued.

If you use the bus to get downtown, enjoy that option when the car won't start, or like the idea of Metrorail, you'd better get on the stick or you'll be walking 8 miles to center city in the bitter cold. The Community Association Transportation Committee can influence these matters in our favor if you provide your support. Speak up at the January meeting.

Who Saw Santa?

On a cold Sunday afternoon last month at least a hundred neighborhood kids gathered at Clara Barton for cider and cookies--but that wasn't what they were there for. The 3 and 4 year olds sang jingle bells--but that was just to show off their talent. Barbara Martin led a carol sing and Reed & friends picked a few old time tunes--but that was just to tease or please us! Peter Vogt performed a strange barbarian

ritual on stage invented by the Cub Scouts--but that was not all! No, not by a long shot. Those kids knew what they were there for. The man in the red appeared right on schedule with a ho! ho! ho! and opened the Christmas season for us all in a grand, warm, loving, home-town style. Thanks to all who made it possible--Santa, the performers, the bakers, the servers, the cleaner-uppers, and especially to Merri van Emmerik, who brought it all together. See you next year.

Bookmobile Returns

Rumor has it that bookmobile service to Cabin John has started again. Look for the truckload of books and helpful librarian every Monday, from 5 to 5:30 p.m. at the corner of Ericsson and Russell Roads in The Gardens. The bookmobile is much more convenient than the library and it has a variety of services --library cards, and reference and advisory for example. If you are physically unable to visit the library, you may receive personal bookmobile service by calling 279-1960. Also call that number if you have doubts that the bookmobile will actually turn up at the appointed time.

Update From Riverside Assembly Of God

Activity has picked up at the Riverside Assembly of God ever since Steve MacGregor breezed back into town.

He's planning a ski trip for local teens. Call soon: 229-5054.

Wednesday night is family night at the church. The church has also started a boys program. This is being run in conjunction with the Silver Spring Assembly of God and has over 50 participants. Call Steve for more information.

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**BANNOCKBURN
COOPERATIVE NURSERY
SCHOOL ACCEPTING
APPLICATIONS**

The Bannockburn Cooperative Nursery School, now in its 32nd year, is accepting applications for the 1982-1983 school year. Two, three, and five day morning programs are available for children ages two years to five years. There is an extended day program for children three years and older. Interested parents are invited to call Kitty Borisoff at 229-1526 for more information.

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