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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

(If you want your event listed in this calendar, please call Susan Luchs, 320-3401, by the 10th of each month.)

Tuesday, Sept. 28 Cabin John Citizens Association meeting, 8 p.m., Cabin John School (See story, this issue)

Friday, Oct. 9 Christmas Bazaar, Cabin John United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Handmade gifts, ornaments, next-to-new sale, bake sale. Luncheon served from 11 to 3.

Friday, Oct. 30 Children's Bible Fair, Riverside Assembly of God, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Cabin John Volunteer Fire Department reminds us that Fire Prevention Week will occur in October. Watch for posters.

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR CABIN JOHN POST OFFICE

Ever wondered how your mail reaches you?

Back in the "good old days", mail for Cabin John came out on the old Number 20 street car from Washington. Today it comes by truck from the big U.S. Postal Service mail processing center in Prince George's County.

Five people work at the Cabin John Post Office located, since 1972, at the Clara Barton School. Shirley Shuler, Postmaster since 1973, is in charge. Bill Carney and Easter McCants are the postal clerks. George Salansky is the regular carrier, with Mike Martin doing the route on Saturdays.

Cabin John is a second class post office which provides General Delivery, box delivery (there are 188 P.O. boxes) and route delivery. There are about 500 home and office addresses served -- all those with the 20818 zip code. As Cabin John grows, the mail route grows too and it may soon be necessary to set up a smaller auxiliary route.

If you want your mail postmarked Cabin John, mail it in one of the three boxes along MacArthur Boulevard or at the Post Office. (The only exception is the 6:30 a.m. pick-up from the box outside the P.O. which is taken directly to the mail processing center and doesn't get a Cabin John postmark.)

T-SHIRTS A HIT!

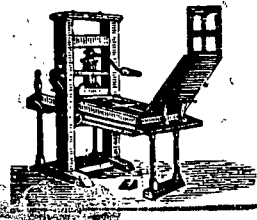
The Cabin John T-shirts have been a great success, reports Betsy Lawrence, who has spearheaded the project. To date 200 have been sold or are on special order, putting the fund-raising effort over the break-even point. Future profits will help support the Village News.

A new batch is being made up, so if you don't have one -- or more -- you can order them using the form in this issue of the paper. They make nice presents too.

OFF THE PRESS AT LAST!

The new Cabin John Directory -- the first since 1978 -- is off the press! Thanks to the valiant work of Merri Van Emmerik and many others, the new book contains the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all Cabin John residents, plus much other useful information.

Within the next few weeks the directory will be distributed free to every Cabin John household.



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Carillon bells in memory of Christine T. Holland, for over 30 years pianist at the Cabin John United Methodist Church, will be installed by the end of the year, if all goes well, according to her son, Clyde Holland of Orange Park, Florida.

Tax-deductible contributions to Christine T. Holland Carillon Fund may be sent to the Church, at 77th Street and MacArthur Boulevard.

**COUNTRY DANCE GROUP
INVITES RESIDENTS**

Cabin John residents are invited to classes in the traditional social dances of Scotland which are held every Tuesday at the Clara Barton School at 8 p.m. You don't have to bring a partner and you don't have to be Scottish to enjoy Scottish Country Dancing!

For more information, call the Beales at 363-0976.

THE CRAB FEAST WAS FUN

A Report by Katy Glakas, General Chairperson

Once again we were lucky with the weather on Sept. 11. The sunshine, Reed Martin's banjo, and the gorgeous new Cabin John T-shirts gave everyone a high that kept them around long after they had finished eating -- to visit with each other, welcome newcomers and talk with friends from other communities who had been lured by legends of earlier Cabin John Crab Feasts.

Altogether some sixty people helped out, but special thanks are due to some who devoted a very large amount of time and energy to make the day successful. Barbara Martin's role of overseeing the vegetable operation from beginning to end was crucial. Assisted by Liz Hook and Frank McKinney, she kept track of the green beans, baked beans, collard greens, potato salad and cole slaw and spent many hours cleaning and chopping. All of the vegetable cooks hold a special place in our hearts. Some of us who have been attending Crab Feasts for years chiefly look forward to those vegetables.

We tried something different this year. Dave Murphy and Pat Lee had so much fun last year frying chicken at the firehouse that they quickly began cooking up (sorry!) a plan to barbecue outdoors. With Maureen Willoughby they took on the total chicken responsibility. They fashioned a most impressive grill from an old oil drum, hovered over secret potions of barbecue sauce until the wee hours, and withstood the heat of that grill in 85° weather. The result: tender, juicy, delicious -- well, we could go on and on.

It's hard to say who was having more fun -- those wielding tongs to help the chicken chefs, those serving crabs and vegetables, or those hanging around Tony Maggio's soda stand to listen to his tall tales and help serve drinks. One would guess that Tony himself has the most fun of all.

Linda King laid all the groundwork for serving the food only to be called out of town at the last minute. Sally Kocher took over with elan. In spite of being new in town, she managed to roll with all the crazy quirks of Cabin John and serve the food efficiently.

We all loved the varied sweets from the 3 and 4 Year Old School. Thanks to Mary Yarid for organizing the bake sale. (Cont. Page 3)

(from pg 2) Karen Manion spent hours as ticket chair. She is really the unsung hero. Advance sales are so important in knowing how much food to buy. Let's remember Merri Van Emmerik too who, for the third year running, picked up all the loose ends (and with her husband, Allen, picked up tables and chairs also). We are also grateful to Mary Vinton for providing the wood used to build the shelters.

Oh yes, the money. Although the final accounts are not yet settled, it looks as if we cleared at least \$1800, which means at least \$450 to each of the sponsoring groups: the Citizens Association, the Village News, the 3 and 4 Year Old School and the Home Study Program.

CITIZENS ASSOCIATION RESUMES MEETINGS

By Linda Billings

Come and join your neighbors for cider and doughnuts at the Cabin John Citizens Association meeting on Tuesday, September 28, at 8:00 p.m. in the Clara Barton School. Awards will be presented to winners of the T-shirt contest, and the meeting will also focus on organizing our community into action on some new and ongoing issues:

- * Proposed changes in public transportation in the area
- * Replacement of burned out recreation center
- * A new housing development for the Lemon Tract at MacArthur Blvd. and Rock Creek Terrace
- * Committee assignments on land use, safety, transportation, etc.

Special Service

As a special service to the community, the Citizens Association has arranged to have a person on hand at the September 28 meeting who can register voters. You can't vote in the November 2 election unless you're registered. This is the easy way to do it.



LOOKING BACKWARDS....

Ten Years Ago: The big news in Cabin John 10 years ago was that the million gallon a day sewage overflow into Cabin John Creek was about to be curtailed by the WSSC by diverting flow into the Dulles Interceptor Sewer.

Also in the news was the organization of a new Boy Scout troop and the circulation of the first proposed land use plan for the Cabin John Community Plan.

Five Years Ago: The Clara Barton School building had just been turned over to the County Government by the Board of Education, and the County was looking for tenants.

And the Tuohy tract, next to the Fire House, had just been sold to William Klinedinst, who announced plans to build a 30,000 sq.ft. shopping center.

NEWS OF THE VILLAGE NEWS

The files of the Village News go back to 1971, but they are not complete and there are no issues prior to 1971. If any former editors (or anyone else) have issues of the 1970s or earlier, please call Andy Rice (229-3503). We would like to have a complete set.

Folders needed! If you can volunteer about one hour a month to fold the Village News, please call our Folding Coordinator, Veena Titus, at 229-8233. It can be an enjoyable get-together.

The Village News is published towards the end of each month and is mailed free to every street address in Cabin John. Call Cappie Morgan at 320-3269 if you don't receive it. (Box holders at the Post Office may also receive it free, upon request. Call the above number.) Send news items to Village News, also advertising, to P.O. Box 164, Cabin John 20818.



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