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GLEN ECHO PARK ANNOUNCES CHILDRENS CHAUTAUQUA

A great day for children at Glen Echo Park is in store on Saturday, June 24, when the Park's first Children's Chautauqua will be held. (The rain date is June 25.)

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., the park will offer such educational and entertaining events as:

- performances and workshops by The Puppet Co., Adventure Theater, and the Dance Theater.
- workshops in fibers, printmaking, watercolor, clay, etc., by resident artists.
- a children's writers workshop.
- demonstration of carousel horse carving.
- exhibits from the National Zoo and from the Goddard Space Flight Center.
- display of fire-fighting equipment.
- instructional talks on the horses used for police work.

METHODIST CHURCH TO HOLD YARD SALE

Saturday, May 20, is the date of the Community Yard Sale at the Cabin John United Methodist Church at 77th and MacArthur. It will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The sale will feature clothing and household items as well as
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NEW OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED AT MAY 23 CITIZENS MEETING; REPORTS ON CHURCH VIOLENCE AND ZONING MAY ALSO BE HEARD

The annual election of the officers of the Cabin John Citizens Association will be held at its next meeting on Tuesday, May 23, at 8 p.m. at the Cabin John United Methodist Church at 77th Street and MacArthur Boulevard.

Nominations to be presented are as follows:

- For President: Taffy Scott-King (currently the Association's Recording Secretary)
- For 1st Vice President: Bob Greenberg (currently the President)
- For 2nd Vice President: Maurine Willoughby
- For Treasurer: Clare Amoruso (incumbent)

Nominations have not yet been made for the post of Recording Secretary. Additional nominations may be made from the floor before the voting.

The meeting will also hear any updated news on the problems connected with recent violence at the Assembly of God Full-Gospel Washington Church on 78th Street. Following a lengthy discussion at the April meeting, CJCA President Bob Greenberg wrote a detailed letter to the Montgomery County Council Member Neal Potter outlining the community's concern about recent events at the church.

The letter noted that even before the recent outbreaks of physical violence among church members, who are split into two factions, the parishioners had shown "disrespect for the law and their neighbors." The letter cited instance of speeding, blocking of driveways, littering, driving on neighbors' lawns, blocking fire hydrants, and other similar occurrences. It also pointed to the fire and building code violations on the church property.

"Cabin John," wrote Greenberg, "is a multi-ethnic community which is neighborly, quiet and concerned. The members of this particular congregation do not reside in Cabin John. Therefore, the community cannot work within itself to resolve the problem. This is exacerbated by the fighting within the congregation itself. Therefore, we are asking for your help in resolving this problem."

(Meanwhile there may be information at the meeting on another issue of community concern -- zoning along MacArthur Boulevard. According to the May issue of the Bannockburn Newsletter, received as this paper was going to press, the County Planning Commission staff is proposing that a special C-5 classification be created to assure that existing sites for commercial activity along MacArthur can continue to be used for their present purposes -- for

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**SCOTT GREENBERG
WINS METRO POSTER PRIZE**



Scott Greenberg, a 4th grade student at Bannockburn Elementary School, has won the Metro Awareness Student Poster Contest for the second year in a row. This year's theme was "Help Keep Metro Clean and Safe."

His prize-winning poster, selected from hundreds of entries from children in the greater D.C. area, is currently on display at the 12th and F Streets mezzanine of the downtown Metro Center station and will remain there through the month of May.

Scott lives with his parents on Tomlinson Terrace. His father is the 1988-89 president of the Cabin John Citizens Association.

The photograph shows Scott receiving his award from a Metro official.

(Continued from page 1) food. In case of rain, the event will be postponed until Saturday, June 3.

From June 26 through June 30, the church will hold its vacation Bible School. For information, please call 229-8233.

**SPECIAL TRASH
PICK-UPS POSSIBLE**

The Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection has issued a reminder that Cabin John residents are eligible for special pick-ups of large amounts of trash four times a year. These special pick-ups are for normal household trash, not appliances, for which there is a fee.

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**COMING SOON TO CABIN JOHN:
BETHESDA YOUTH SERVICES**

By Barbara Martin

At long last the young people of Cabin John will have their own community center. Bethesda Youth Services will relocate to the Clara Barton school building in late fall, where it will provide the teens (and parents) of this area a variety of programs that have earned the enthusiastic praise of many families over the years.

BYS is supported by the Bethesda-Chevy Chase YMCA. It is staffed with professional counselors and recreation directors, and is absolutely free.

* Counseling is a strong component of BYS programs. Young people meet alone with a counselor, family members are counseled, and small groups of teens meet together. Teenage concerns are discussed--friends, family, drugs and alcohol, depression, sexuality, pregnancy, school performance, and self-confidence.

* Recreation activities, structured and supervised, are provided after school and on Saturdays during the school year and through the summer. Do hiking, swimming, skateboarding, sports, rock climbing, or beach trips sound good? A strength of the recreation programs is the comfort and trust developed between the teens and adult counselors.

* Horizons, a therapeutic outdoor adventure program, forms a group of 8 to 10 teens, coming together once a week for 12 weeks to share an outdoor adventure like caving, rappelling, or other challenging activities. In addition, the same group meets once a week for a group counselling session. Horizons is open to any junior- or senior-high student in the County. All other programs are limited to residents of the greater Bethesda-Chevy Chase area. (Cabin John)

* Parent groups meet together with BYS facilitators to share common concerns and experiences. They learn skills and share mutual support. There are special groups for parents of learning disabled teens.

* An employment clearinghouse matches boys and girls 12-15 (too young to work at Montgomery Mall or McDonald's) with people who need yard work, baby-sitting, and pet care.

* Crisis intervention and information/referral is provided by a telephone connection with a trained counselor.

* Outreach in the schools comes from BYS staff members who go regularly to eight area intermediate and senior high schools, including Pyle and Whitman. These counselors are available to talk with students individually, and frequently join classes to talk about such real concerns as suicide and substance abuse.

All of these important services are now being offered from BYS headquarters at Norwood Park (not far from the firehouse at Wisconsin and Bradley). I talked with Joan Liversidge, BYS director and supervisor of counseling. Joan is looking forward to the fall relocation to Cabin John of the administrative offices and program center. Joan, a graduate of U MD's Department of Family and Community Development, is a certified marriage and family therapist. She is also a down-to-earth woman who cares about teens and has great respect for them as they wrestle with the concerns of growing up.

She speaks with quiet pride of a junior who came into Horizons depressed and lonely, failing in school, and who now--a year later--has several good friends and a respectable school record. She smiles as she talks of a young woman who attempted suicide before her involvement with BYS 3 years ago, who is now making plans to enter college in the fall. "This is the payoff for me. I see these young people grow into happiness and life success, and I know that my work with BYS is exactly what I want to be doing."

I remarked on Joan's use of the terms "young man" and "young woman." "I do that deliberately," she explains. "It helps parents to see their sons and daughters as almost adult, no longer children. And it conveys to the teenagers the respect I have for them and expect them to have for themselves."

When BYS relocates its administrative offices and programs to Clara Barton in late fall, the Norwood Park site will stay open. Both locations will be staffed by the present group of nine full-time and three part-time counselors, and two student interns (college students from the fields of recreation or counseling).

When I asked Joan Liversidge just which programs would be operating in Cabin John, her response was, "What would the community like?"

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who live here, will be asked personally what we want--as teens, as parents, as community members. Fonya Helm, a psychologist and Marie Keefe, whose son has participated in BYS programs, are Cabin John representatives on the BYS advisory board. They are organizing a survey that will clearly show what is wanted. Tutoring? Parent groups? After-school supervised drop-in recreation? Basketball? Ping-pong? In June, a neighbor may telephone you or come to your door with a short survey questionnaire. Or you may get a call asking you to visit the houses on your block to collect your neighbors' opinions.

Even before BYS moves to our own backyard, our young people can begin enjoying its services. There are no fees and Y membership is not a requirement. All summer, vans will be leaving Bethesda with a group of teenagers and two adult counselors, headed for Ocean City, or putt-putt golf, or Kings Dominion, or a crabbing trip. Call 652-2820 to find out about summer outings or any BYS programs.

We are fortunate to have this fine resource, with highest quality programs and directors, available to the young people (and families) of Cabin John. Welcome, Bethesda Youth Services!

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DRYCLEANING AND TAILORING SHOP OPENS IN CABIN JOHN

The new tailoring and cleaning store that opened at "The Firehouse" in Cabin John last month is owned by Mr. Young Ahn, known to his friends as "Harry." A native of Korea, Mr. Ahn came to the United States in 1968 as a graduate student at American University.

After completing his studies, he served as the representative in New York of a Korean company engaged in buying raw hides and shipping them to Korea for tanning and processing. Through this work he became involved in fashion design and learned

tailoring skills. Later he studied dry cleaning too. Eventually, after two years in California, he returned to the D.C. area and has been living in the County for the past 6 years.

Although he opened a shop on Woodmont Avenue in Bethesda and is still operating there, Mr. Ahn says that he had long hoped to be able to locate in Cabin John too. So he was very pleased when GMR Ltd., the architectural, planning and engineering firm that owns the old firehouse, leased him retail space to the right of the main building.

Until the end of May, Mr. Ahn is offering a 20% introductory discount on his regular prices which he feels are competitive with other drycleaning establishments. He hopes in time to be able to offer complete custom tailoring too. Shop hours currently are 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Mr. Ahn sees his shop as a real neighborhood business. "My goal," he says, "is to know all my customers by name within at most six months."

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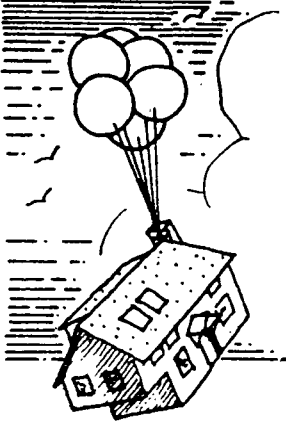
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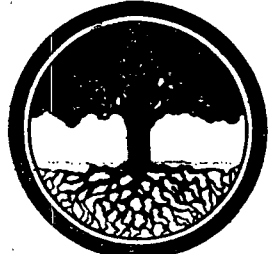
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The program is Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All applicants must be three years old by September 1. For applying or for more information, call either Marge Pully at 229-8691 or Emily Townsend at 229-8230.

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CITIZENS ASSOCIATION... (Continued from page 1) example, the Wild Bird Center at 77th and MacArthur -- but not allowing as large a range of possible uses as the present zoning permits. Previously, at its January meeting, the Citizens Association had voted overwhelmingly in favor of no change in the current C-1 classification and Association officers had so testified before the Park and Planning Commission.)

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