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Co-Op Nears Fund Raising Goal

By the end of February \$100,000 had been raised by the Co-op to underwrite the costs of moving into its new quarters in MacArthur Square Plaza. The goal is 245,000 which will be used largely to buy new equipment and expand inventory.

Moving day is now expected to be in mid-April. The Co-op has a 5-year lease on space in the new building in the shopping center, with an option to renew for five years.

The Co-op has also decided to open up membership to individuals at \$30 per year. Previously, membership was obtained only by volunteer work in the store. Such members received a 20% discount. Now the \$30 members will have a voice in the Co-op's management, be able to serve on committees, etc., and will receive a 5% discount. About \$1,000 has thus far been raised in membership dues.

A general membership meeting of the Co-op will be held at 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 5, at which a new Board of Directors/Advisors will be elected. The meeting will take place at the Clara Barton Center.

Police Offer Assistance for Neighborhood Security

Montgomery County police are available to assist in setting up a Neighborhood Watch program to deter burglaries. Already at least one neighborhood meeting has been held in the 79th Street, 79th Place and 80th Street area to discuss "Operation Identification," a system of engraving your license plate number on valuable appliances. When two-thirds of the households in a given neighborhood have signed up for "Operation Identification," the County will post Neighborhood Watch signs on the streets.

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Citizens Association Meeting March 24. **BE THERE!**

Reports on the latest developments in the ongoing controversies involving the MacArthur Plaza Shopping Center will be presented at the next meeting of the Cabin John Citizens Association to be held Tuesday, March 24, at 8 p.m. at the Clara Barton Community Center.

One report will be on the hearing held on March 19 by the County Department of Environmental Protection regarding the size of the parking area at the shopping center. The issue involved requirements for setbacks from adjacent streets and the northern property line. Garrett & Smith are appealing the previous ruling that required that they reduce the number of parking spaces in favor of providing "green space."

There will also be an up-date on the case of the liquor license application of the Blue Bayou Bistro and Jazz Cabaret. That application had been revised to a request for a beer and wine license only. The restaurant's size was reported to be 1 square foot short of the minimum required for a hard liquor license.

Tuesday's meeting will consider the CJCA's financial situation which needs attention due to the heavy cost of litigation in which the Association has been engaged with respect to MacArthur Plaza. Lyle Sachs, a representative of Clear Choice Communications, will present a proposal for a fund raising effort which will be put to a vote.

Association President Taffy Kingscott will appoint a Nominating Committee to bring in nominations for officers for the 1992-93 year. Elections are held annually in May.

Clara Barton Center News

Spring Break Fun

Clara Barton Center has four fun-filled days planned for K-5th graders during the April 21-24 spring school break. The camp will be held from 9-3:30 p.m. and will feature sports, games, arts and crafts. The week will culminate with a "Beach Party" on Friday. To register your favorite child, send \$25 (for the whole session!) to: MCRD, Western Area, 11315 Falls Rd., Potomac, MD 20854, Attn: Clara Barton Spring Fling. Your child will automatically be registered unless notified otherwise.

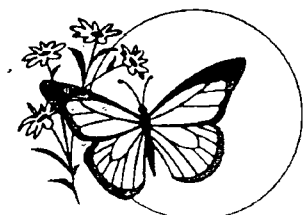
T-Ball Comes to Clara Barton

Beginning March 31, K-2nd graders are invited to join the fun of learning funda-

mentals of softball by playing T-Ball. Check with Greg Bassett at the Center for sign-up information.

Clara Barton Center— Not Just for Kids

Several evening adult activities begin March 30, including even ballroom dancing classes, Tai Chi, Shapes and Adult & youth Karate. Daytime aerobics classes also begin March 30. Drop by the Center to pick up the schedule and registration forms.



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Police Assistance

Experience has shown that such signs, together with "Operation Identification" stickers issued to those participating in the program have a definite retarding effect on burglaries.

The Neighborhood Watch coordinator in the Police Department, Officer Valcourt, is the person to call (at 657-0119) for further information. She can speak at a neighborhood meeting. The Department also has a service of free house inspections for security, and will rent a special tool for putting the identification mark on valuables.

For families in the area where a meeting has already been held, Phyllis Zimmet at 320-2126 is the person to call to notify that they have completed their marking of valuable possessions and to request a sticker.

Officer Valcourt will be invited to speak at the April Citizens Association meeting.

In Memoriam:

Shahin Hashtroudi

The Cabin John Community extends its deepest sympathy to the family of Shahin Hashtroudi. Shahin was shot and killed in Bethesda on February 24, and her purse and car were stolen.

Shahin had lived with her husband, Ira Shavel, in MacArthur Park since 1988. Her parents live in North Potomac and her three sisters live in Columbia, Rockville and Pittsburgh.

She was a professor of experimental psychology at George Washington University and a memorial fund in her name has been set up for research and education in cognitive psychology. Tax deductible contributions can be sent to the "Shahin Hashtroudi Memorial Award," c/o Natt Finkelstein, Attorney at Law, Suite 825 West, 7315 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20014.

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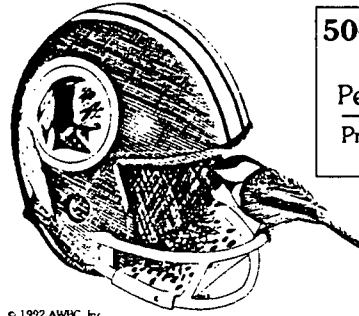
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Purple Martin Contest Planned

With the imminent arrival of spring, Cabin John's Wild Bird Center has a busy schedule of activities, including the annual purple martin contest.

For the past four years a flock of purple martins, who winter in Brazil, have nested each spring in the purple martin house in front of the Center at 77th Street and MacArthur Boulevard, arriving some time between St. Patrick's Day and the first weeks of April. The winner of the annual contest is the person who can predict most closely the day, hour and minute of the arrival of the first martin scout. Anyone may enter the contest by registering at the store. The winner will be presented two prizes — a 12-compartment purple martin house and a book — at a "Purple Passion Party" to be held on April 18 from noon to 4 p.m.

Earlier, on Saturday, March 28, at 2 p.m., the Center will offer a seminar on "How to Create a Backyard Bird Sanctuary." And on Saturday, April 4, at 11 a.m., photographer Margaret Hamilton will show slides of birds seen on the regular Saturday morning birdwalks sponsored by the Center.

Birdwalks.

Every Saturday morning at 8:15 meet with other bird enthusiasts at the Wild Bird Center for a weekly birdwalk. Come see a pair of eagles nesting and many more wonderful sights.

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