



# The Echo

The Town of  
**GLEN ECHO, MARYLAND**  
Chartered, 1904



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January 2010

## What a Way to Start the Day!

For at least one day a year Glen Echo residents have the chance to begin the day with more than a stale English Muffin by attending the Annual Holiday Breakfast. About 90 residents met at the Town Hall on December 12 to see neighbors, new and old. Mr. Omelette's stalwart staff produced some of the most interesting omelets in eggdom. In addition they made deep waffles with toppings of maple syrup or fruit. It was fun to just watch them turn out their creations at breakneck speed to satisfy a long line of hungry residents. If that didn't fill you up, many breakfast goers brought interesting and yummy deserts.

Twenty-five creative and energetic Glen Echo children showed their skill and flair for color by decorating gingerbread houses with all sort of sweet goodies.

Many thanks to Cathie Polak and her elves, Alex Feringa, Raya Bodnarchuk, Angie Zeidenberg, Jan Shaut, Maire Hewitt, Julia Wilson, Dan Macy, Anna Beyer, Susan and Kate Stiglitz, Matt Stiglitz and Wilhelm Polak who all set up the breakfast and who took on the big job of cleaning up. A very big Thank You to Madeline Carter and Alec Graham for the gingerbread houses.

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## Clara Barton's CREW

A new organization has been formed in order to honor Clara Barton's memory and exceptional achievements. The crew also wants to help raise public awareness about the Clara Barton National Historic Site in Glen Echo, with projects and events that support selected restoration and conservation projects to benefit the site. Become a helper, a member, or a supporter and contact us by email: [clarabartoncrew@yahoo.com](mailto:clarabartoncrew@yahoo.com) or call 301-461-2843 between 10:00 am and 10:00 pm for more information. Leave your full name and phone number and your call will be returned.

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## Treasurer's Report

December 2009

<b>A. Morton Thomas &amp; Asso. (street project)</b>	<b>\$8,820.00</b>
<b>Knopf Brown</b>	<b>\$3,645.46</b>
<b>Washington Gas Energy Services</b>	<b>\$589.52</b>
<b>Waste Management of MD</b>	<b>\$3,873.88</b>



*"O worship the LORD in the  
beauty of holiness..."*

-Psalm 96:9

### ■ SUNDAY MORNING

The Holy Eucharist	8:00 a.m.
Adult Education Forum	9:15 a.m.
Nursery Care	10:15 a.m.
Choral Eucharist	10:30 a.m.
Church School	10:30 a.m.

### ■ UPCOMING MUSICAL EVENTS

Sunday, January 10	5:00 p.m.
<i>Celebrity Organ Recital: Nathan Lawbe (FREE)</i>	
Sunday, January 24	5:00 p.m.
<i>Illuminare &amp; The Countertop Quartet in Concert (FREE)</i>	
Sunday, February 21	5:00 p.m.
<i>Choral Evensong for the First Sunday in Lent (FREE)</i>	

### The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer

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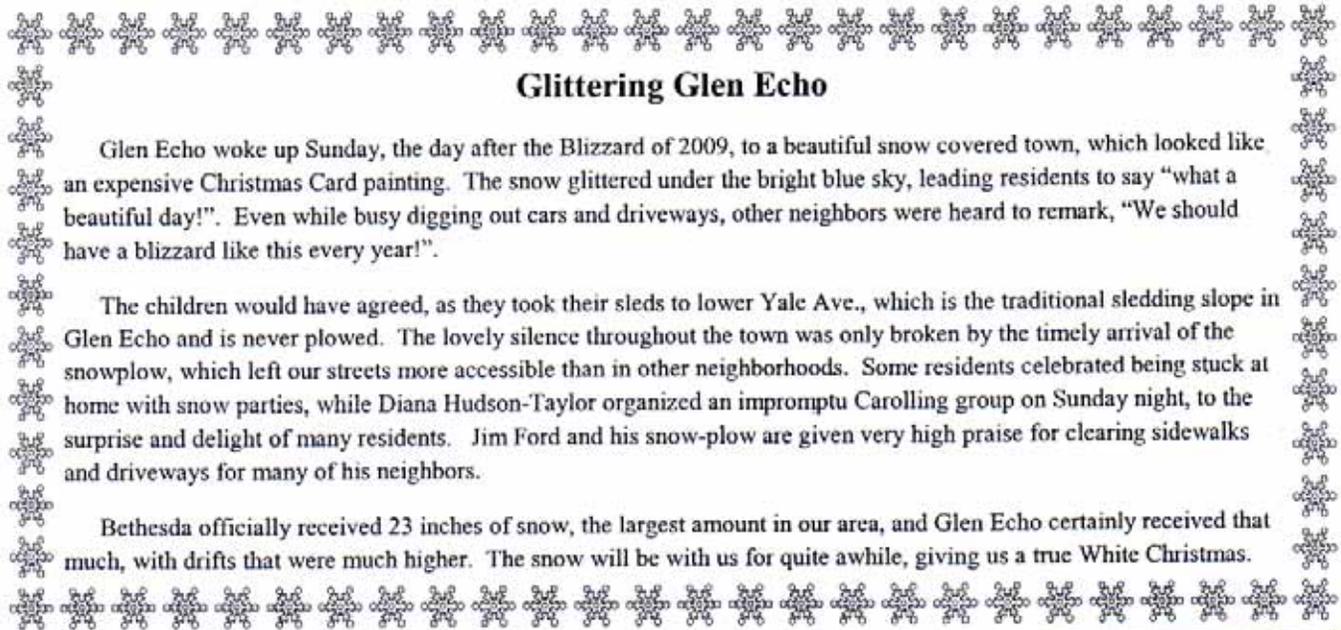


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### Glittering Glen Echo

Glen Echo woke up Sunday, the day after the Blizzard of 2009, to a beautiful snow covered town, which looked like an expensive Christmas Card painting. The snow glittered under the bright blue sky, leading residents to say "what a beautiful day!". Even while busy digging out cars and driveways, other neighbors were heard to remark, "We should have a blizzard like this every year!".

The children would have agreed, as they took their sleds to lower Yale Ave., which is the traditional sledding slope in Glen Echo and is never plowed. The lovely silence throughout the town was only broken by the timely arrival of the snowplow, which left our streets more accessible than in other neighborhoods. Some residents celebrated being stuck at home with snow parties, while Diana Hudson-Taylor organized an impromptu Carolling group on Sunday night, to the surprise and delight of many residents. Jim Ford and his snow-plow are given very high praise for clearing sidewalks and driveways for many of his neighbors.

Bethesda officially received 23 inches of snow, the largest amount in our area, and Glen Echo certainly received that much, with drifts that were much higher. The snow will be with us for quite awhile, giving us a true White Christmas.

**Snow Emergency Route**

The Town of Glen Echo has designated an official "Snow Emergency Route" along the town streets. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (**FEMA**) required this action as a condition for reimbursing the town for its extraordinary snow removal costs from the "Blizzard of 1996."

To implement the new Snow Emergency Route and facilitate fire and rescue access, please observe the following restrictions during snow emergencies:

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**Glen Echo Snow Emergency Route**

No parking on side shown in red

No parking on:

- the lower side of University Avenue
- the west side of Oxford Road between MacArthur Boulevard and University Avenue
- the inner side of Wellesley Circle, except for the small "dead-end" section above University Avenue
- the inner side of Vassar Circle between Cornell and University Avenues
- the west side of Cornell Avenue between MacArthur Boulevard and Vassar Circle

Residents of University Avenue who have other options for parking are requested to use those options instead of parking on University Avenue.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Church of the Redeemer

[www.redeemerbethesda.org](http://www.redeemerbethesda.org)

#### Celebrity Organ Recital: Nathan Laube

**Sunday, 10 January 2010, at 5:00 p.m.**

A recent graduate of Philadelphia's legendary Curtis Institute, 21-year-old Nathan Laube is a rising star among young classical musicians. Mr. Laube's third appearance at Redeemer includes works by J.S. Bach, Felix Mendelssohn, Julius Reubke, and Charles Tournemire, as well as a transcription of a major orchestral work. Admission is FREE. A wine and cheese reception follows.

#### Italian Treasures: The Countertop Quartet & Illuminare in Concert

**Sunday, 24 January 2010, at 5:00 p.m.**

The Countertop Quartet and Illuminare, two of Washington's leading vocal ensembles, join forces to present a unique program of early Italian choral works. Music by Francesco Landini, Claudio Monteverdi, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, and the Milanese nun Chiara Margarita Cozzolani. Admission is FREE. A wine and cheese reception follows.

### Glen Echo Park

#### 10 x 10 for 2010: 100 Prints to Ring in the New Year

**January 9 - 31, 2009**

**Sat, 1 - 4 p.m.**

**Sun, Mon, 1 - 8 p.m.**

Presenter: Photoworks

Location: Photoworks at Glen Echo Park

Admission: Free

Contact Phone: 301-634-2274

<http://www.glenechophotoworks.org>

*Photoworks Studio, Glen Echo Park's resident photography studio and teaching facility, presents a "10 x 10 for 2010," featuring the best in local photography, just in time for the new year. Gallery is open Saturday, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., and Sunday and Monday 1:00 - 8:00 p.m., or by appointment.*

*Opening Reception, Saturday, January 9, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.*

### The Union Arch Bridge

Long time residents of Glen Echo are well aware of the history of the Union Arch or Cabin John Bridge. Newer residents might be interested in knowing more.

Water shortages in Washington DC had plagued the city for some time. Especially during large fires, such as when the British burned many buildings during the War of 1812. It was decided that an aqueduct should be constructed to bring water to Washington from a point higher up in the Potomac River. Army Corps of Engineers Lt. Montgomery Meigs was given the job of designing and building an aqueduct to carry

water from Great Falls to Washington. The aqueduct would essentially follow the path of what became Conduit Boulevard, later named MacArthur Boulevard. In order to carry the aqueduct over Cabin John Creek and its deep ravine, a bridge would have to be built. The bridge construction began in 1857 and was completed in 1864. The bridge, with an overall length of 450 ft. and a width of 20 ft., is constructed of sandstone and granite. The main arch is 220 ft. long and rises 101 ft. above Cabin John Creek. At the time of its construction in 1864, the main span was the longest masonry arch in the world. Originally, a plaque attached to the bridge gave credit to Jefferson Davis, who was Secretary of War in the administration of President Franklin Pierce: when Davis became the President of the Confederacy, Davis's name was removed.

## December Town Council Meeting

By Gerry Bodlander

The National Park Service will receive two grants totaling \$137,000 for the Clara Barton House. Some of the money will be used to restore the sitting room and the Hubbell bedroom. The money will also be used to improve education about the site. Park Site Manager Polly Angelakis also reported that there has been more vandalism at the Park including broken bottles and scratching of window panes at the carousel. The Park is hoping to increase security, possibly with more patrols by Park Police.

The Town Council voted unanimously to donate \$1500 to the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture.

### Next Town Council Meeting

Monday, January 11, 2010

Glen Echo Town Hall

Contact the clerk-treasurer to add an item to the agenda

### Town Hall Events

English Country Dances are held every Wednesday from 8 p.m.—10 p.m. Live music! No experience or partners are needed.



## Glen Echo Baptist Church

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Sunday Services ..... 11:00 am

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## LADIES OF GLEN ECHO

*Ladies Night, Tuesday, January 26, 2010*

*At the home of Phyllis Daen*

*6000 Harvard Ave., 8 pm*

*r.s.v.p. 301-675-1741*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Kensington Meals on Wheels organization needs volunteers to drive and/or deliver meals. Volunteers usually work between 9:30 and 11 am one day a week. If you can donate a small portion of your time, please call the office at 301-654-4610 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., or call Sally McGunnigle at 301-320-3755. Contact the clerk-treasurer to add an item to the agenda

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