



The Echo

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February 2010

January 2010 Town Council Meeting

By Sophie Keefer

Polly Angelakis of the National Park Service reported that there have been problems with skateboarders in the Park. There is no skateboarding allowed in the Glen Echo Park as skateboarding can cause serious damage to historic structures and grounds. In addition an elderly patron was locked in a yurt by skateboarders. US Park Police have been notified and will be making additional patrols. Ms. Angelakis also reported that new playground equipment should be installed in the next few weeks, weather permitting. It will be installed by the end of March, at the latest.

There is a new agreement between the Park and a group which plans to do some small fundraising activities for the Park. The group is considering becoming a "Friends of the Park" group.

Proposed reductions in Ride on Bus Services are of con-

cern to members of the Council and the Community. Mayor Beers noted that similar changes were proposed last March, and the Town wrote a letter attaching maps to oppose the reductions. Council member Matney will write a letter to the County and Mayor Beers said she would try to attend the February 1 public forum which will consider the reductions.

The Town received an update from the County on the proposed improvements to the MacArthur Boulevard Bikeway. The County will start with Segment 2 (I-495 underpass to Oberlin Ave.) Mayor Beers noted that this segment is relatively non-controversial and has the support of Cabin John. Council member Long suggested that the Town ask Sogand Seirafi, the Transportation Planning and Design Chief, to attend the March Town Council meeting so that the Town could comment on the plans. Council member Macy noted that installing a 3-foot shoulder is not justified and will not be used by bikers because there are too many other users of the path. It should also be noted that MacArthur Boulevard itself

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AROUND TOWN

Debi Sacks, Wellesley Circle resident, will present an exhibition of her paintings in the Marin-Price Gallery, located at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Leland St., Bethesda.
Save the Date - March 6th at 8 P.M.

Treasurer's Report

January 2010

PEPCO -- (streetlights)	\$451.73
Waste Management of MD	\$3,865.04



"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 SPECIAL EVENTS

Shrove Tuesday, February 16	6:00 p.m.
<i>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper & Talent Show</i>	
Ash Wednesday, February 17	7:30 a.m., 12 noon, 7:30 p.m.
<i>Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes</i>	
Sunday, February 21	5:00 p.m.
<i>Choral Evensong for the First Sunday in Lent</i>	

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Obituary**DEBORAH CAROLYN HOWELL**

By Carlotta Anderson

Longtime Glen Echo resident Deborah Howell was killed on January 2 in a tragic accident while vacationing in New Zealand with her husband, Peter Magrath. She had stepped out of their car to take a photograph when she was hit by an oncoming automobile. In New Zealand motorists drive on the left side of the road and it could be that she was looking in the wrong direction. She died shortly afterwards in a hospital.

Ms. Howell, who was 68 when she died, moved to 34 Wellesley Circle with her husband in 1992. A renowned and highly admired journalist, she was then bureau chief of Newhouse News Service. In 2005 she joined *The Washington Post* as its ombudsman and wrote a weekly column in that position until 2008. As a top editor at a time when women had limited opportunity in American journalism, she was, as the *Post* wrote: "a particularly inspirational figure to woman in a field long dominated by men."

She was born in San Antonio, Texas, daughter of two journalists. After attending the University of Texas, she moved to Minnesota in 1965 to work for the Minneapolis Star. She married Nicholas Coleman, the Minnesota state Senate majority leader and became stepmother to his six children, one of whom, Christopher B. Coleman is the mayor of St. Paul. Her husband died in 1981.

In 1988, she married C. Peter Magrath, former president of the University of Minnesota, who was president of the National Asso-

ciation of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges and later became interim president of West Virginia University.

The couple reveled in the woods neighborhood of Glen Echo and could often be seen walking together down to the C & O Canal towpath. They belonged to the Church of the Redeemer and Ms. Howell donated the church's large stained glass window in memory of her brother, Ghent.

A funeral service for her was held on January 15 at The Cathedral Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul in Washington, D.C. In addition to her husband, Ms. Howell's survivors include eight stepchildren, a sister, 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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January Council Meeting

will be narrowed from 11 to 10 feet. Councilmember Matney said that he would like to get an update from the Park Service on the project since the later segments of the Bikeway Improvements will require Park approvals.

Mayor Beers noted that on January 2, Deborah Howell, a Town resident, died in a car accident in New Zealand.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Polak said she thought the snow removal was very well done after the December storm. Residents must be sure to remove their cars from snow emergency routes

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UPCOMING EVENTS

<p style="text-align: center;">Church of the Redeemer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.redeemberbethesda.org</p> <p><u>Inscape Chamber Orchestra in Concert</u> <u>Sunday, 7 March, at 5:00 p.m.</u></p> <p>Harpichordist Joseph Gascho joins Inscape for a performance of Manuel de Falla's Concerto for Harpichord, as well as solo works by François Couperin. The second half of the program features Igor Stravinsky's rarely-heard Septet and a premiere by composer John Leupold. Free-will offering. Reception to follow.</p> <p>For more information call 301-229-3770.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Glen Echo Park</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.glenechopark.com</p> <p><u>Attention Parents: Registration for Spring/Summer 2010 Class and Camp begins soon!!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Walk in registration begins Feb. 6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">On-line registration begins Feb. 8</p> <p>For more information call 301-634-2222 or go on line at glenechopark.com</p>
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Clara Barton Summer Fun Center is well planned and supervised by a variety of staff members. This is a fun way for kids to enjoy their days from different sports, Arts Crafts, music and more! Whether you want to hang out with your friends or make new ones, this is the place to be. You can choose to come everyday or whenever you feel like it, but everyday will be packed with summer fun for kids like YOU! No transportation is provided although there is a bus stop right across the street with staff to escort and wait with them. Remember to bring a lunch if they are planning on coming for the entire day!

What you need to know:

DATES: 6/28-8/6 9am-4pm	FEE: \$240 for the six weeks	AGE REQUIREMENT: 5-12
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Every week we have indoor and outdoor activities planned for the children including a variety of arts and craft projects (from tie-dye shirts to jewelry) which are always fun for the kids. Included are weekly activities like Water Play Fridays and Pizza Day every Tuesday and Thursday.

To register please visit Montgomery County Department of Recreation's website at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec click the registration link and type in **268842** in the course number box.

Next Town Council Meeting

Monday, February 8th, 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.

Folklore Society of Greater Washington Family dance
February 14, 2 p.m.

LADIES OF GLEN ECHO

Come to Ladies Night, Tuesday, February 18,

At the home of Debi Sacks

52 Wellesley Circle, 8 pm

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Pre-Valentine Family Movie Day

At The Clara Barton Community Center

Come out and enjoy a free family movie day with your loved ones. Create your own Valentine's Day cards with materials provided by the center.

Refreshments will be offered.

RSVP at 301-229-0010 to reserve your place

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Matinee starts at 12 p.m.

Saturday, February 13th

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