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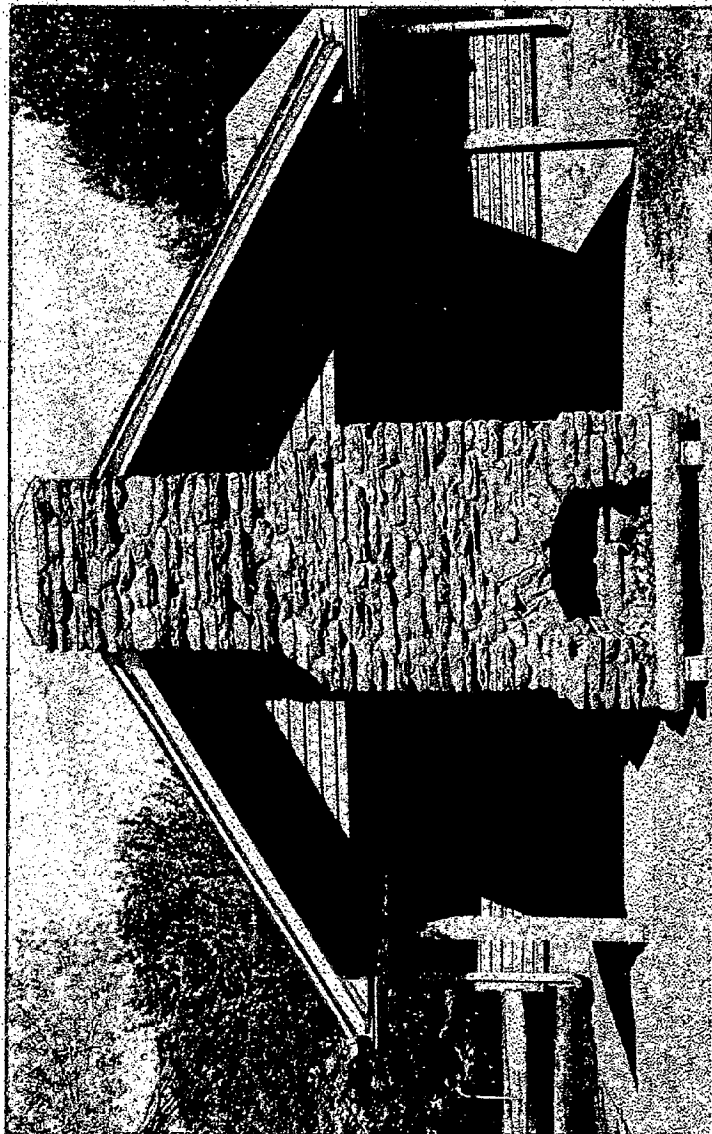
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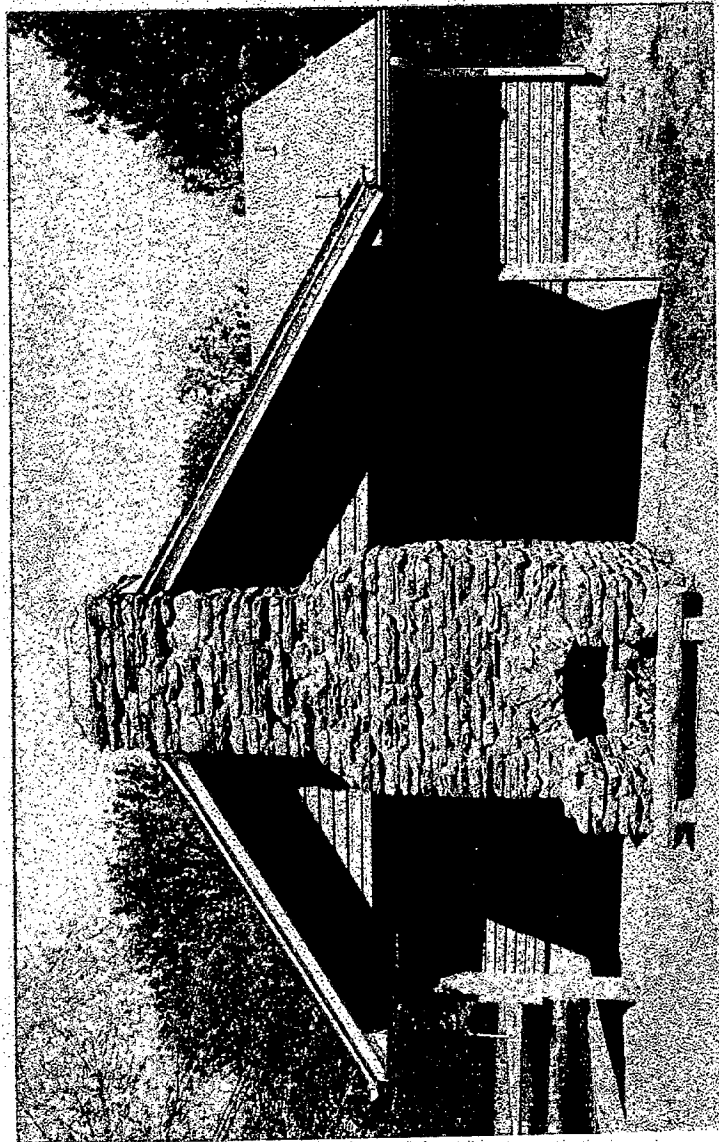
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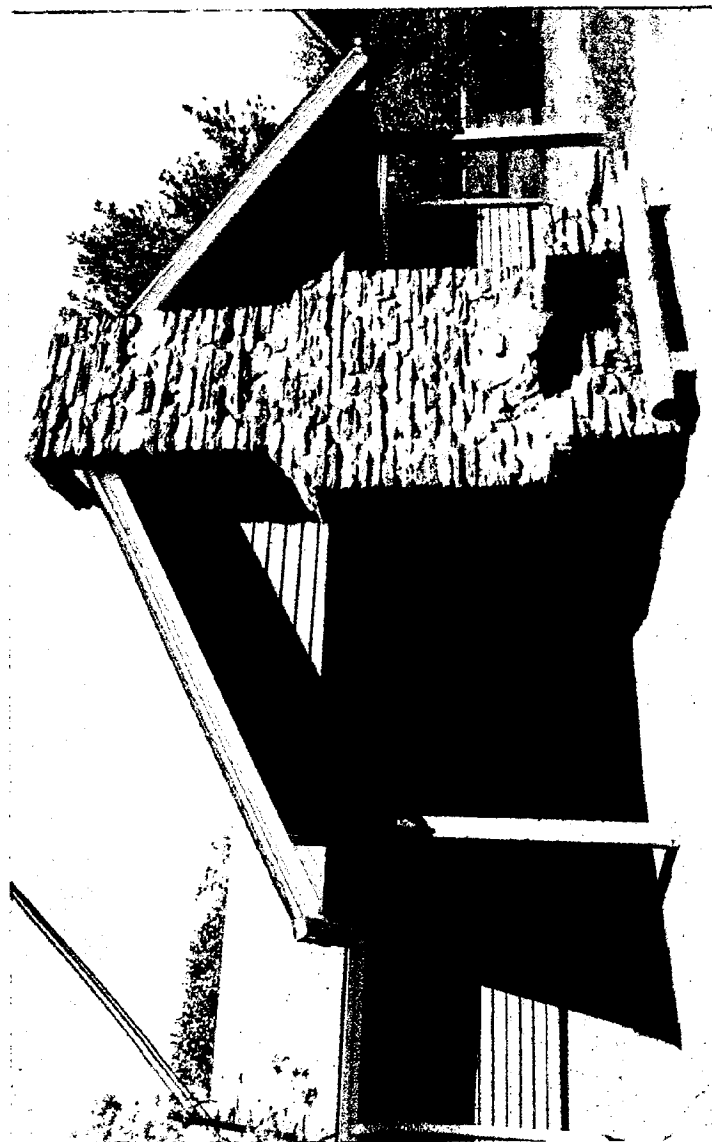
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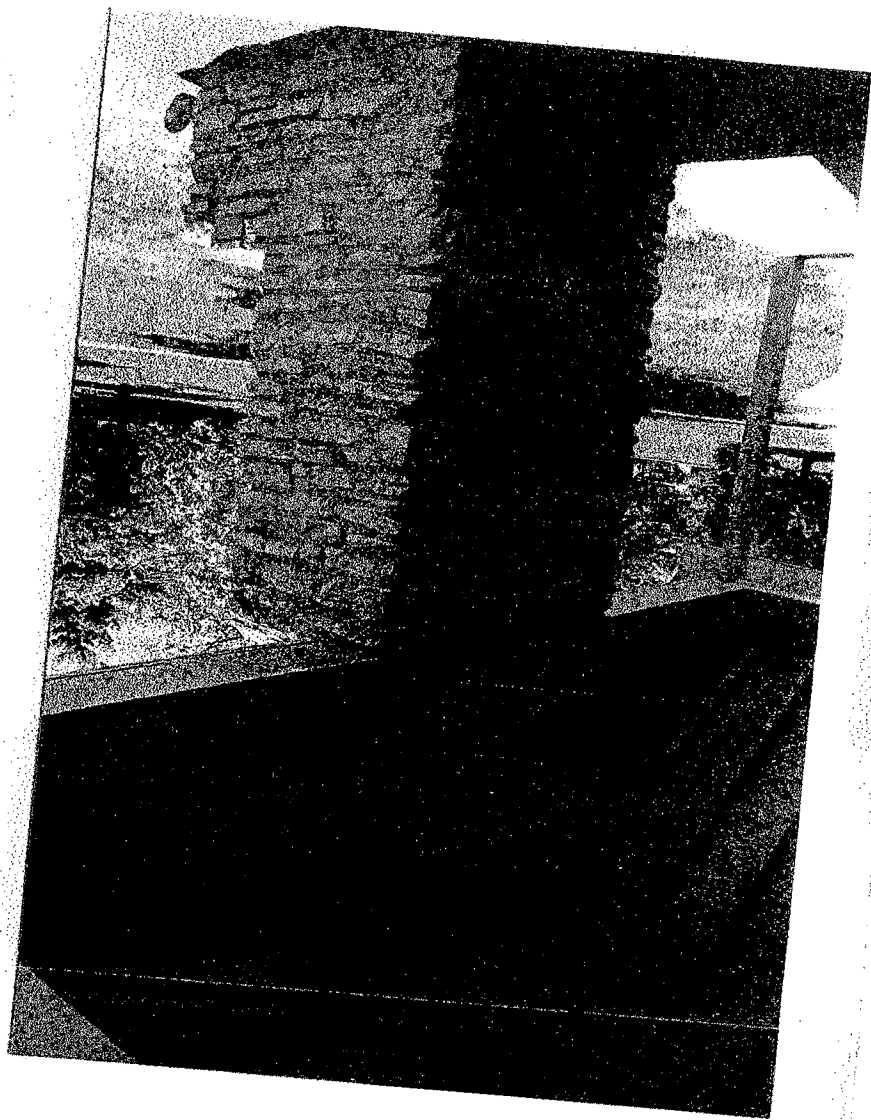
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301-585-3817 (vm), 301-585-1555 (Fax)

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**FROM: Marcie Stickle, Silver Spring Historical Society  
301-585-3817 (vm), 301-585-1555 (Fax)**

**RE: Jesup Blair Mansion Lease Agreement and Information**

**Gwen, Hi! Please Fax or voice mail me the exact person(s) phone #'s & Fax #'s who can provide the Jesup Blair Mansion Lease Agreement and accompanying information.**

**Also, the Phone # & Fax # for the woman named Mary Ann, I believe from Housing & Community Services, who spoke at the P&P public meetings on the Mansion and the Park.**

**Thanks!**

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**FROM: Marcie Stickle, Silver Spring Historical Society  
301-585-3817 (vm), 301-585-1555 (Fax)**

**RE: Reconstruction of Jesup Blair Park's Fieldstone Fireplace/Hearth**

**Gwen, Hi! I dropped off 2 sets of photographs, one for you, one for Al, of Norwood Park's Fieldstone Fireplace/Hearth as the model for reconstruction of Jesup Blair Park's, this past Thursday. Also enclosed is a Memo to Al.**

**When is the reconstruction scheduled? Let's keep in touch by voice mail and Fax. Thanks!**

**Enclosure**



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**FROM: Marcie Stickle, Silver Spring Historical Society**

**RE: Reconstruction of Jesup Blair Park Memorial Fireplace/Hearth**

Gwen, Hi! As part of the reconstruction of the Hearth, and Al Astorga's service request, we need to ask him to include putting back the soil and dirt around the Fireplace/Hearth, and resodding. It would be wonderful if he could put a couple of plants to the right and left of the Fireplace, e.g., azaleas; not in front or behind the Hearth, if that's at all possible; it would look pretty.

George noticed that the fireplace is undercut on the back and sides. If this is "below grade, or ground" then some concrete needs to be patched in where it's undercut; if "above grade or ground," then stones need to be mortared in to ensure that the fireplace is stable and secure; also will restoring the soil and dirt as it was before take care of that concern.

Please keep me apprised of the details and time frame on my Voice Mail or by Fax. I'll bring the photos in tomorrow, Thursday.

Thanks!!

11/16  
4:25

Gwen -

Please call Marie

She has good news!

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do the health!

301-585-3817

J.

PLEASE DELIVER ASAP TO GWEN & PERRY, THANKS! 11/16/99

TO: Gwen Wright, HPC  
FROM: Marcie Stickle, Silver Spring Historical Society  
RE: Jesup Blair Park Fieldstone Fireplace/Hearth Memorial

Gwen, Hi! I'm available to work with you today by phone & Fax to come up with a clear, definitive statement about our Memorial for Sue Holland's use in the redesign of Jesup Blair Park.

Dennis Carmichael, the Park architect, would like for it to be a working hearth again; that's a great idea, as I mentioned before. Jim Rush would be the person who would know what that would entail; in any case, we would like to have it reconstructed to look like the Hearth that it is; I have the photos, Jim Rush has the skills, all the original stones are there and available to work with. I recommend that we do this as soon as possible, while our most important resource, i.e., the original stones, are still available.

The Fireplace/Hearth is the basis for our Memorial, incorporating the salvaged Park structure parts, which we can discuss, as to the design, and the time table. This Memorial will be educational, interesting to look at, and artistic.

My research is unearthing that the WPA was involved in the development of Jesup Blair & Norwood Parks!

Thank you! Marcie, 301-585-3817, 301-585-1555 (Fax)

PLEASE DELIVER ASAP TO GWEN & PERRY, THANKS! 11/10/99

TO: Gwen Wright, HPC  
FROM: Marcie Stickle, Silver Spring Historical Society, 301-585-3817 (vm)  
RE: "Violet Blair Janin Park" Memorial

Gwen,

Sue Holland, JB Park Project Mgr., and Dennis Charmichael, the architect designing the renovated Park, are glad to work with us on incorporating our Fieldstone Fireplace/Hearth Memorial along with the other salvaged parts, into the Park design. Dennis says it will stay in place, and expressed that he'd like it to be a working hearth again, (that's a wonderful idea).

I brought photos last night of the JB Park & Norwood Park fieldstone fireplaces to the P&P Mtg on the Park, & spoke extensively with Sue & Dennis. We need to work quickly and coordinate with them, as Sue has asked. I told her we'd be back in touch in a few days. As I mentioned before, Jim Rush, the County mason, told me he can reconstruct the hearth.

Color xerox photos of these 2 fireplaces were provided for Sue & Dennis' use. I'll be getting her regular photos, in which details can be seen better, quickly! We need to set the design process for our Memorial in motion as soon as possible.

Thank you!

# *Fax*

**Please deliver immediately to: GWEN WRIGHT & PERRY KEPHART**

**of:**

**Fax number: 301-563-3412**

**Voice number:**

**Fax received from: MARCIE STICKLE**

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**Fax number: 301-585-1555**

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**Date: 10/29/99**

**Time: 6:56:58 AM**

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## *Message:*

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**Gwen, Enclosed includes George's & my Comments to Sue Holland & Dennis Carmichael on the Jesup Blair Park Scenarios.**

**I CAN meet Jim Rush early Wednesday a.m., 11/3, with photographs of the Fireplace/Hearth both at JB Park & Norwood Park to use for reconstructing the Hearth. Thank you for following up on this! Marcie & George, 301-585-3817**

PLEASE DELIVER ASAP TO JIM RUSH, THANK YOU! 10/28, 3 pps.

TO: JIM RUSH, PARK & PLANNING, LEAD MASON, 301-840-2326 (FAX)

FROM: MARCIE STICKLE, SILVER SPRING HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
301-585-3817 (VM), 301-585-1555 (FAX)

RE: FIELDSTONE FIREPLACE/HEARTH MEMORIAL, JESUP BLAIR PARK, S.S.

Jim, Hi! Good to meet you yesterday! How about if I bring the photographs of the Fireplace/Hearth, and meet you at 10:00 a.m., Mon. 11/1, at Jesup Blair Park. Is that a good time for you. Please leave me a message on my voice mail. Thanks! Marcie

**URGENT**

To: DENNIS CARMICHAEL  
Voice Number:  
Fax Number: 703-549-5869  
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From: MARCIE STICKLE  
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Fax Number: 301-585-1555  
Voice Number: 301-585-3817  
Date: 10/25/99  
Number of Pages: 5  
Subject: JBLAIR PARK COMMENTS

**Message:**

Dennis, Enclosed are our comments on Jesup Blair Park, including our agreement with the Historic Preservation Commission on the Fieldstone Fireplace Memorial to the 2 early 1940's Park structures. The Fieldstone Fireplace/Hearth serves as the foundation for the memorial, incorporating the other saved elements from the red brick "Blair" or "Y" Cottage and Wooden T-shaped structure. In addition, using it again as the Hearth it is would be great! Marcie & George, 301-585-3817

10/23/99

TO: Sue Holland, Dennis Carmichael

FROM: George French and Marcie Stickle, 301-585-3817 (vm)

RE: Jesup Blair Park Scenarios

We favor a combination of the "Back to Nature" and "House and Garden" plans with some reservations. The concepts for the Park we envision are:

- 1) Retain all of the stately Willow Oaks, White Oaks, Red Oaks, White Pines, Hollies, and other mature trees.
- 2) Plant more trees in strategic areas, especially around the perimeter of the Park, for sound abatement, shade, and to mitigate the loss of naturally dying trees. Leave some dead trees or parts of dead trees to draw in woodpeckers and other birds, with signage explaining that these are Habitat Trees, and why they are important for wildlife.
- 3) Delete the wide bicycle paths, and retain the paths that now exist in their present configuration.
- 4) Construct only those parallel parking spaces along Blair Road that will not injure the existing trees. Direct vehicles by signage to the lots across Ga. Ave., on Eastern Ave., and to the Montgomery College Parking Garage. No Parking within the Park, except for Handicapped spaces.
- 5) Keep the fieldstone Fireplace Memorial intact, as agreed to with the HPC, and in its present location, and, we are glad for it to be operable as a hearth. See enclosed.
- 6) What is nice about the Park is its openness; therefore, all areas need to be kept mowed at this juncture.
- 7) Retain all athletic facilities and Tot Lot, and in their present configurations, but add no new impermeable surfaces.
- 8) Return the Blair Mansion to its original floor plan for a museum and for Community Use, after HOC contract expires.
- 9) The Pedestrian Bridge will have to be designed interestingly, tastefully, non-obtrusively, and without destroying any of the trees in that area
- 10) Add a second Bridge directly from Montgomery College Parking Garage to the Cultural Arts Center and/or contiguous area.
- 11) Pond or fountain would be o.k. as long as tree roots are not flooded, or trees destroyed. We prefer no pond; so that open green space is available for activities.



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- 12) Azalea gardens could be planted between some of the groves of trees. In the Park and in the gardens, we ask that no herbicides or pesticides be used, to protect Park users from toxic residues.
- 13) Storm water runoff will have to be mitigated in the area of the Cultural Arts Center near the railroad tracks, since more water will be dumped in this area, where there is already the problem of erosion.
- 14) Move as many trees as possible, e.g., the 20 foot spruce which will otherwise be destroyed for the Arts Center.

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 PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

 8787 Georgia Avenue  
 Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760

July 28, 1999

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Marty Aument, Park Manager, Jesup Blair Park  
 Al Astorga, Parks Central Maintenance  
 Sue Holland, Park Planning and Development  
 Mike Dwyer, Historic Resources Manager  
 Marcie Stickle, Silver Spring Historical Society  
 Joyce Nalewajk, Silver Spring Historical Society  
 Jerry McCoy, Silver Spring Historical Society

**FROM:** Gwen Wright, Historic Preservation Coordinator *GW*

**SUBJECT:** Summary of July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting at Jesup Blair Park

On July 23<sup>rd</sup>, a number of M-NCPPC staff met with representatives of the Silver Spring Historical Society at Jesup Blair Park to agree on architectural elements which would be salvaged before and during the demolition of two buildings in the park. The demolitions are scheduled to proceed on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

This memorandum summarizes the agreements reached on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. First, M-NCPPC staff will take black and white photos of the two buildings that are going to be demolished as an archival record of the structures. Second, the architectural elements noted below are to be salvaged and stored by M-NCPPC staff at the Meadowbrook Maintenance Facility. Third, the stone fireplace/chimney will be left standing in place and M-NCPPC staff will place temporary protective ballards around it. Finally, the Silver Spring Historical Society will be contacted to provide input into any ultimate design for a commemorative piece that incorporates the salvaged architectural elements.

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Unless I am contacted immediately (by 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup>) with changes or comments, this memorandum will represent the agreed upon course of action regarding the two buildings in Jesup Blair Park. I can be reached by phone at (301)563-3400 or by FAX at (301)563-3412.

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**RE: Jesup Blair Park Memorial**

**Gwen, Sue Holland will work with us, SSHS & HPC, to write a clear and definitive statement about the design of our Memorial, for immediate use in the Park redesign process. Thank you, Marcie**

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**STATEMENT OF MARCIE STICKLE ON RECEIVING  
THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CIVIC FEDERATION AWARD AS "COMMUNITY HERO"  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1999, COUNTY COUNCIL BLDG., 7:45 P.M.**

I am delighted and grateful to receive the Montgomery County Civic Federation Award as "Community Hero" for my and our work on living, breathing historic preservation. This is a shared honor; a shared award which I accept on behalf of all of us in the Coalition to Save Our James and Macie King Farm, this current year; Save Our (Silver Spring) Armory, and Citizens to Defend the Armory, almost exactly one year ago; and for individuals, adults and children, working with us on all our poignant and related issues, the 1930's Boy Scout Cabin, on Sligo Creek; the 2 early 1940's Park recreational structures, at Jesup Blair Park, in Silver Spring; and the Norwood Park oasis in Bethesda.

This evening allows us a few moments of respite with our friends, to catch our breaths, and to re-energize.

Through the energetic and indefatigable efforts of our Coalition, we were able to save James and Macie King's dramatic Dairy Barn, and are excitedly working towards the Guided Walking Tour/Museum Level, and ultimately as Community Center, with multiplicity of uses and activities. Our Coalition members all deserve kudos, see enclosure, including:

Montgomery County Civic Federation, providing incisive, resolute stewardship, leadership with backbone, always right on the mark, exposing and shining the light of truth on the critical issues, looking for solutions and resolutions: Jorge Ribas, Pres;

Germantown Historical Society, carrying forward the exciting work of developing the Dairy Barn to its full potential on behalf of our Coalition, with its unerring scholarship, honing in on the propitious moments to meet effectively with County Council members and other officials: Kathie Hulley, Elaine Huey, Susan Soderberg, Gaye Lynn Wilson, Mary Szczernz, Beverly Magyar;

Montgomery Preservation, Inc., knowledgeable, experienced, effective: Judy Christensen, President;

Citizens of South Germantown, working indefatigably night and day at the heart of the matters, living closest to them, trying to correct them, experiencing their acuteness, and feeling the losses: Rita Auth, Susan Burdette, Laura Creedon;

Germantown Citizens Association, energetic, resolute, expressive: John Kerekes;

For a Rural Montgomery (FARM), Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary, Sugarloaf Citizens' Association, sensitive, caring and responsive to all the immediate and long-range living legacy issues; we need to work together with the Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary who have saved James and Macie's elegant 1926 Corn Crib, to reconstruct its beauty at the Sanctuary, as soon as possible, please see me, and Dolores Milmoie;

Boyds Civic Association, Boyds Historical Society, with their enthusiasm and energy;

Those presenting Proposals for continuing vibrant use of our Farmstead, e.g., Michelle and David Freese, Family Farm and Petting Zoo; Nicole Lewis, Cooperative Farm School; Vickie Massenberg, Victory Covenant Community Church; also, the Silver Spring Historical Society, and Historic Takoma; and 100's of individuals, including, but not limited to, the inimitable Wayne Goldstein, the energetic Bob Zarnetske, the magnanimous Kephart family; preservation architect Andrea Rebeck; Joe Brenneman;

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all showing that preservation cuts across jurisdictional lines and age groups; State Delegate Joan Stern, 39th District, who sends her continuing support and best wishes; and Billie Duvall and Barbara McGraw, Grandson and Granddaughter of the creative, dynamic, gentle, yet forceful, and kind James and Macie King, community activists, business leaders, parents and grandparents, leading the lives of simple abundance, establishing a community, true models for us all, for almost 70 years; as is Jack Taylor and his family. We applaud the UpCounty Citizens Advisory Board for their unswerving support.

Kindred spirits to also receive these kudos are Christine Morgan and Patrick Sidwell, Joyce Nalewaik and Steve Feigenbaum, Jerry McCoy, Mary and Judy Blordan, Heather Henthorne and Dale Tibbitts, for their indomitable courage, working to save our historic 1927 Silver Spring Armory. Over 1300 people signed the "Save Our Armory" petition.

We applaud Council Member Blair Ewing, our preservation champion.

There is energy, electricity, and power in Coalitions; proving true the Margaret Meade statement: "Never deny that a small group of dedicated citizens can change the world, indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." We are changing the paradigm, from the rigid, black and white way of bureaucratic thinking, to that of fluidity, flexibility, and colorfulness.

History is a living, breathing continuum; our historic landmarks, sites and structures, are vibrant reference points, which we enjoy, use and appreciate; they carry us, and we carry them with us from the past, through the present, and into an unknown future; they are our sturdy anchors, our fascinating roots.

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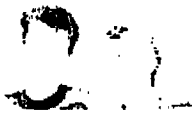
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## Stickle wins civic award

November 10, 1999

One of Montgomery County's most tireless activists for historic preservation, Takoma Park resident Marcie Stickle, was named a "Community Hero" Monday evening by the Montgomery County Civic Federation.

Stickle was one of the most vocal proponents for the preservation of the Silver Spring Armory, which was demolished last year to make way for office buildings, meant to be a part of the downtown area's revitalization. She also worked to save the James and Macie King Farm in Germantown, the Norwood Park oasis in Bethesda and a number of other historic sites across the county.

"History is a living breathing continuum," Stickle said in accepting the award. "Our historic landmarks, sites and structures are vibrant reference points ... they are our sturdy anchors, our fascinating, nourishing roots."

"What a lady!" said Jorge Ribas, president of the Civic Federation. "This award was created to recognize the unsung heroes of our communities. All the communities have unsung heroes."

The Montgomery County Civic Federation is an umbrella organization for 200 civic organizations around the county, dedicated "to preserving Montgomery County's renowned quality of life," according to Ribas.

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