

the Whistler

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ANC News

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Agassiz Neighborhood Council provides a forum for discussion and action. Our community is stronger when citizens take an active part. Attend a Council meeting, suggest topics for discussion, volunteer on a subcommittee, interact with ANC online --get involved!

Visit: bit.ly/agassiz-neighborhood-council



Community

CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES' FORUM

This October, attend a forum featuring candidates for Cambridge City Council.

Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2017
Time: 6:30-9:00 PM

Location: Lesley Amphitheater, University Hall, Floor 2, 1815 Massachusetts Avenue

Agenda

The forum will be divided into three panels of candidates. Each panel will address two issues selected with community input. Additionally, we will ask the panelists to identify the most important thing they would contribute to Cambridge City Council. There will also be some open time to mingle with the candidates.

Take Our Survey

What aspects of life in Cambridge interest or concern you most? Responses to our online survey will help to shape the forum by directing the candidates' attention to specific civic issues. Unfortunately, due to time constraints, not all topics can be addressed.

Online survey: bit.ly/forum_survey_2017

UPCOMING MEETINGS OCTOBER 2017



Tuesday, Oct. 10, 7:30-9:00 PM

Maud Morgan Arts, 20A Sacramento Street

- Greek Corner Restaurant seeks to open at 102 Oxford St.
- Update on affordable housing proposal at 1791 Mass. Ave.
- Harvard Square Re-Zoning Petition

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 6:30-9:00 PM

Lesley University Hall, Amphitheater, Fl. 2
1815 Mass. Ave.

- Candidates' Forum for Cambridge City Council

Sponsors

Porter Square Neighbors Association
Agassiz Neighborhood Council
Ward 10 Democratic Committee
North Cambridge Stabilization Committee
Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods

- Gently used clothing
- Selected jewelry
- Fine accessories (handbags, scarves, ties, belts, etc.)
- Small trinkets, collectibles, and household items

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING POTLUCK FEAST - SAVE THE DATE & VOLUNTEER

Save the date for ABC's 46th Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Feast.

When: Tuesday, November 21,
5:30-7:30 PM

Where: Maria L. Baldwin School
Dining Hall, 85 Oxford St.

When: Saturday, October 21,
1:00-3:00 PM

Where: Maud Morgan Arts, 20A
Sacramento Street, Cambridge

Contact: Diane Martin, LWN Coordinator
at dmartin@agassiz.org or
Terry DeLancey at
tdelancey@agassiz.org

\$5 suggested donation, proceeds benefit the Living Well Network

We welcome everyone from the neighborhood, Agassiz Baldwin Children's Programs, Living Well Network, Maud Morgan Arts, and Maria L. Baldwin School communities to come together for an evening of celebration, good company, and delicious food.



Volunteer

This November, help make Thanksgiving memorable by volunteering to cook a turkey or bringing a side dish ample enough for your family and a few more to share.

Everything must be clean and without stains, rips, or needing repair. Bring a bag, refill it with things you want and take it home! **NO DROP-OFFS OR ELECTRONICS.** You must be present to participate.

To learn more, contact Phoebe Sinclair at psinclair@agassiz.org or (617) 349-6287 x10.



Living Well Network

LWN ADULT CLOTHING SWAP

Get ready for our fabulous Living Well Network Sentimental Swap, where we arrive with things we no longer want and leave with things we do! Save your:

SPIRIT AWARDS 2017: MAKING ART, CREATING COMMUNITY

On Sunday September 24th, we honored Jason Weeks, Executive Director of the Cambridge Arts Council, for his advocacy in Cambridge. Guests at the Spirit Awards enjoyed jazz, sparkling lights, hors d'oeuvres, and magnificent artwork, including an installation by Woomin Kim.



We wish to thank Spirit Awards honoree Jason

Weeks, presenters Charley and Diane Norris, honored guest Ron Lee Fleming, our hard-working volunteers, and our generous donors and sponsors for creating such a beautiful and memorable evening.

Funds raised go directly to Maud Morgan Arts programs, outreach, and scholarships. To learn, more please visit: maudmorganarts.org.

City Wide

MUNICIPAL ELECTION - NOV. 7

Vote for Cambridge City Council and School Committee candidates on **Tuesday, November 7, 2017**. Agassiz residents vote at the Maria L. Baldwin School, 28 Sacramento Street. Polls open at 7:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM.

CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL COMMITTEE CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

Jake Crutchfield

I am an educator who is dedicated to making education better for everyone. Over the past four years I've taught throughout Cambridge, and worked closely with families to help improve our community. Our city is committed to building an impactful school district, but there is still work to be done. Every child deserves an education that takes into account their unique learning needs. In Cambridge, we're lucky to have the resources to do this, but we need to coordinate more efficiently. If elected, I will work to bring everyone to the table to find the best solutions for our students.



Emily Dexter

I am currently a first-term member of the Cambridge School Committee. With the city changing rapidly, we need Committee members who are focused and able to work with



others to keep the system moving forward. In only my first term, in collaboration with other Committee members, I pushed successfully for: 1) more staff who work directly with students; 2) a review of our elementary schools; 3) a 4th grade Spanish program in two schools; 4) childcare at budget hearings; and 5) more decisions based on data, not anecdote. Please vote for me #1, so I can continue this work.

www.emilydexterforcambridge.com

Elechi Kadete

My name is Elechi Kadete, and I am a candidate for Cambridge School Committee. It is my hope that you will consider giving me your Number One vote this Election Day, November 7th. Above all, I am passionate about education. I want to help ensure that each and every student has the learning tools, support, and guidance that they need to succeed, and that we as a city are making use of new and innovative methods to make this a reality. A mind is a terrible thing to waste, yet in Cambridge, even with the city's tremendous resources, it happens all too often.



Laurance Kimbrough

I am a life-long Cambridge resident, a graduate of the Cambridge Public Schools a former CPS employee and a current CPS parent (Fletcher-Maynard Academy). I am the only person in the past 20 years to have all three of these experiences and run for the School Committee. When you add my six years of experience as a member of the city's Police Review and Advisory Board, I believe my experience separates me from the other candidates. I've been a change agent for my students as a guidance counselor and special education teacher. I ask for your #1 vote on November 7th!



Will MacArthur

I don't think I could have gotten a better education anywhere than I did in my 13 years in

Cambridge Public Schools. I'm running for School Committee because that's not true for everyone. Our schools are phenomenal for some people, but making them great schools for everyone regardless of race, gender, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, and gender identity requires a district-wide commitment. We need to prioritize closing the opportunity gap, promoting civic engagement, building inclusive communities, and supporting teachers. Please read my plans for progress on these and other goals at www.willmacarthur.com and thank you for reading. Will MacArthur, CRLS'16



Piotr Mitros

As the founding Chief Scientist of an MIT/Harvard education initiative, I worked to bring scientifically-proven techniques, from small group projects to technology-supported blended learning, to university classrooms worldwide, successfully improving learning outcomes for a range of students. A few parents (and one school committee member) encouraged me to run for School Committee to do likewise for CPSD. If elected, I'll work very hard to focus the committee on student outcomes, the science of learning, and to improve learning in our district. With my son just starting at MLK, I have a strong personal drive to help make our whole school system world-class.



Patricia M. Nolan

After years of good but not stellar results our schools are making strides. Under the new superintendent, this term world language expanded in elementary grades, more eighth graders passed Algebra, and CRLS addressed segregated classes thoughtfully. My excellent education (public and parochial, Harvard-Radcliffe and Yale School of Management), broad management experience and



analytical ability gave me the background and expertise to play a leadership role in these successes. Equally concerned about advanced learners and struggling students, I focus relentlessly on using data and best practices in all policy-making. I'm principled, effective, collaborative, and hard-working. I'd love to keep working for you.

David J. Weinstein

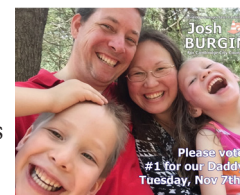
I know the classroom. I know our community. I know how to build consensus. I'm proud of our schools – but not satisfied. There is no one on the Cambridge School Committee with my full-time classroom teaching experience, nor with children currently in our public schools. I bring these important perspectives together with an understanding of effective politics and educational policy, and a strong commitment to the educational and social mission of the Cambridge Public Schools. I will work to ensure all of our graduates are prepared to succeed – in college, in careers, in life. More about me and my platform: votedavidweinstein.com



CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

Josh Burgin

“What one or two things in your mind would improve Cambridge?” I've knocked on thousands of doors asking this question. I believe deeply that those who put themselves forward as elected public servants must go directly to those they seek to represent. Knocking on doors and listening to our friends and neighbors is not a tactic to win elections but a vital component of representation. If elected, I will continue to knock on doors city-wide, being accessible and proactively seeking feedback, in non-election years too. My background includes a strong mix of private sector, government and international experience. (617) 453-8445



Jan Devereux

In my first term, as one of only two women on the Council, I've worked full-time to engage more residents with local issues and to make their voices heard on policy decisions. In following through on my promise to bring a fresh perspective to the council, I have helped to increase transparency and accountability and to promote civic engagement; I have raised the bar on what it means to be an effective councillor. I'm asking for your #1 vote because I want to build on the progress we're making together to make Cambridge more affordable, livable, and responsive.



prepared to advocate for policies that create upward mobility - especially for the 18% of Cambridge children living in poverty.
www.voteadriane.com

Tim Toomey

I am a lifelong resident of Cambridge and have many years of experience on the City Council fighting for an inclusive and welcoming community where people from all backgrounds can thrive, and where affordable housing, educational and vocational opportunities, and recreation spaces are open to all. In this coming term, we must face the housing crisis head-on, continue the renewal of our schools, and maintain public safety. I pride myself on being an accessible public servant, and listening to your concerns and ideas – please reach out any time! I hope I can count on your #1 vote on November 7th.



Sam Gebru

Cambridge has in many instances served as a model for cities throughout the United States. I am proud of the financial excellence of our city. We can do the things we want to because of our resources. Despite our city's many strengths, great challenges and inequalities remain. Residents in some of our 13 neighborhoods are being left behind. We deserve a working City Council that will always put its best efforts forward, moving beyond conversations to help realize our collective aspirations. This is my vision for our city and I look forward to hearing yours.



More Candidate Statements

Read more statements in the September 2017 edition of *The Whistler*: bit.ly/Whistler_Sept_2017

Adriane B. Musgrave

Adriane Musgrave is running for city council so that everyone in Cambridge has access to economic opportunity. She is on the board of a national nonprofit that addresses poverty and inequality by helping minority-owned small businesses grow. She started her career working for then-Senator John Kerry in D.C. as an intern, and has lived in Cambridge for nearly 10 years, including most recently in Agassiz. Adriane left her job as a management consultant to dedicate herself to learning, listening, and being




CENTURY 21 AVON FALL FOOD DRIVE

Century 21 Avon's
 Fall 2017 Food Drive
 September 22nd - November 15th
 Please bring any UNOPENED canned or boxed goods to:
 1675 Mass. Ave., Cambridge

Non-perishable items:

Canned Food (tuna, chicken), Cooking Oil,
 Toiletries, Peanut Butter, Boxed Goods, Cold Cereal,
 Instant Coffee, Oatmeal.



All Donations will be going to:
 C.E.O.C. Food Pantry
 (Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee)
 Thank you for participating!

Community Calendar

October 2017

Monday, October 9		Indigenous Peoples' Day
Tuesday, October 10	7:30-9:00 PM	ANC Meeting (see page 1 for agenda) Maud Morgan Arts, 20A Sacramento St., 2D Studio All are welcome, please join us!
Wednesday, October 11	6:00-7:30 PM	ABC Board Meeting, 20 Sacramento St, 2nd Floor Public welcome
Wednesday, October 18	6:30-9:00 PM	City Council Candidates' Forum, Lesley Amphitheater, University Hall, Floor 2, 1815 Massachusetts Avenue bit.ly/candidates_forum_2017
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