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Baltimore County Council Chairman Julian Jones Jr. called a press conference to decry State Superintendent of Schools Karen Salmon's decision to reject the Baltimore County Board of Education's appointment of Verletta White to the permanent position of BCPS Superintendent.



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State Issues 'Outrageous' Decision to Reject School Board Appointment of BCPS Superintendent

Local elected officials urge call to action to support Verletta White

After the Baltimore County Board of Education voted 8-4 on April 17 to appoint Verletta White to the position of Superintendent for Baltimore County Public Schools, the state of Maryland decided it should have the final say.

In response to an April 25 request from school board chair Edward Gillis, Karen Salmon, State Superintendent of Schools, declined to approve White, to lead the county's 113,000-student system on a permanent basis. Instead, Salmon wrote on April 27 that she would approve a second interim appointment for White, or for a different interim superintendent, to

"allow sufficient time for completion of the audit and for full disclosure of the results."

Salmon's stunning response was less than four days after at least one state legislator and a board member who opposed White petitioned Baltimore County residents to contact Salmon to deny White's appointment. Reportedly, Salmon had not reviewed the findings of the ethics panel, since they had not yet been made public.

Elected officials cried foul, insisting the Salmon had bowed to political pressure from the Governor, certain state legislators and opposing board members. County Council Chairman Julian Jones Jr., a supporter

of White, called a press conference, which was held on May 3 in front of the Greenwood campus in Towson, where the school board meets. Elected officials who attended were Delegates Ben Brooks and Adrienne Jones of District 10, Del. Pat Young of District 44B, Del. Stephen Lafferty of District 42A, and George White, a Lochearn resident and candidate for Democratic Central Committee in District 44B.

Adrienne Jones called the move disappointing and Julian Jones said he is outraged that the state would inject itself into a local matter. He is

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From the Publisher, Kenneth Brown

The State Should Not Be Meddling in Decisions of the County School Board

Once again, I feel compelled to share my thoughts regarding the politics of education in Baltimore County. For some time, we have seen opposing sides of the Board of Education, with occasional but strong input from the Governor and Comptroller, debate issues such as the STAT technology initiative, the lack of air conditioning in some schools and new school construction versus renovation.

In more recent months, the discussion has centered around Verletta White, who began serving as interim superintendent after then-superintendent Dallas Dance resigned and was eventually convicted and jailed for perjury. Many of us were extremely disappointed, but relieved that White, a product of BCPS, was there to continue to lead the system.

On April 17, the board took up the issue of White's permanent appointment to the superintendent position. It was one of the most contentious meetings you'd ever observe. Kudos to Stephen Verch of Perry Hall, who made the motion initially at the April 3 meeting, and to Nicholas Stewart, vice chair, who made the motion at the April 17 meeting.

Most of the board members expressed their support. Verch, David Uhlfelder, Stewart and chair Edward Gillis, in particular, delivered impassioned remarks. They correctly noted that now is not the time for a new superintendent and a new board.

The conservative faction of the board—Kathleen Causey, Julie Henn, Roger Hayden and Ann Miller—was not having it. They cried foul. They protested. They made (unsuccessful) counter motions. They used every lame argument they could think of, from best practices recommended by professional organizations to a lack of consensus from stakeholders (not so) to White's lack of ethics. Then they got ugly and personal. One said White should not claim credit for the system's successes. Another said her appointment would be "the worst thing" that could happen to students. These are the people who talk about professionalism and ethics.

In the end, board members voted 8-4 to make White permanent. The audience applauded.

That should have been the end. But no, the conservatives would not be defeated. Julie Henn took to Facebook encouraging parents and other county residents to write State Superintendent Karen Salmon and urge her not to accept the board's recommendation. So much for ethics.

Del. Rich Impallaria sent a message to constituents also asking them to contact the superintendent. He wrote: "Ms. White has ties to Dallas Dance, who has recently admitted to failing

to disclose \$147,000 earned for part-time consulting jobs and committed perjury. She has also entered into questionable contracts while serving as Assistant Superintendent.

"Furthermore, no one should be appointed as permanent superintendent until an elected school board is in place. At present the Baltimore County School Board consists of lame-duck appointees. It would seem to be totally appropriate to wait until the new, elected school board members are in place."

Unfortunately, as I see it Salmon caved in to political pressure. She issued her decision days after receiving the letters, without even talking to the school board, or at least the chair, to get the facts. Whether you support White or not, the majority vote on the board should represent the final say.

If the board is elected to do a job, they should not stop doing it when a big decision comes up—whether they have two weeks, two months or two years left in their term. As several board members pointed out, hiring a superintendent is the most important responsibility they have. They should not abrogate that responsibility because the political winds are not blowing a certain way.

Obviously, the conservatives are hoping to control the hybrid board, especially since a lot of the current board members will not be seeking election or to be nominated for an appointment by the Governor.

It will be extremely important to elect the right board members. The election is non-partisan but we all know what kind of biased views will not be in our students' best interests.

It is unfortunate that Verletta White and our school board have become political pawns. Everybody claims to have the best interests of our students at heart, but activities like what we're seeing really make me wonder.

When Gov. Larry Hogan was elected in 2014, he carried almost 60 percent of the vote in Baltimore County, with most of it coming from the east and the north sections. As a first-term governor, like most politicians, he began to do the things that will help them get to a second term. Early on, it became apparent that Kevin Kamenetz would be one of his primary rivals for the 2018 race for governor.

One of his main platforms was going to be the Baltimore County school system and how well it was doing. Early on, the rift between the Governor and County Executive widened. In my opinion, the Governor put certain individuals on the board to disrupt the system.

I am all for accountability, but I do not believe the way certain board members go about holding

people accountable is the most effective way.

As we know, just about everything can be tied to politics—including the air we breathe, food we eat and water we drink. But let's not play politics with our students' education. There's too much at stake. Dr. Salmon, be your own person and do the right thing. Support Verletta White as superintendent and let's move forward!

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County to Build In-Patient On-Demand Treatment Facility in Owings Mills



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Baltimore County will renovate a county-owned building located on the former Rosewood State Hospital campus in Owings Mills to house a privately-operated treatment program providing on-demand residential treatment for some 300 people per year, County Executive Kevin Kamenetz announced on May 2. The facility is expected to open in November 2019 with approximately 70 beds.

“Making additional treatment beds available will go a long way to providing the intensive, personalized care needed to help stem this public health epidemic,” Kamenetz stated.

The treatment facility will be located in the Richards Building on the now shuttered Rosewood Center grounds. Part of the Rosewood


property is being used for Stevenson University educational facilities. Renovations for the treatment center are expected to take 12 to 18 months, at a projected cost of \$2.5 million to \$3 million.

The county will seek a private partner to run the opioid treatment program. The rate of overdose deaths involving opioids has increased 200 percent since 2000. Additionally, the number of fentanyl-related deaths has continued to increase in the county since 2010.

People may call the Baltimore County Department of Health at 410-88-REACH (73224) for information about residential and outpatient treatment, family support and education, and other resources.

Del. Ben Brooks speaks about the need for a treatment center for people addicted on opioids, as Kevin Kamenetz (who passed away on May 10), Councilman Julian Jones and Health Department Director Gregory Branch look on.

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The Northwest Voice sends condolences in the sudden passing of Kevin Kamenetz, Baltimore County Executive.

REMEMBERING Kevin Kamenetz

On May 10, the community was stunned to wake up to news that Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz, a Democratic candidate for the 2018 Governor's race, had died early that morning at University of Maryland St. Joseph Medical Center following a cardiac arrest. He was 60.

Kamenetz, an attorney, began his career in public service as a prosecutor in the Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office. In 1994, he was elected to the Baltimore County Council, where he served four terms. He has served two terms as County Executive since 2010.

Kamenetz championed education and was proud of the \$1.3 billion investment he spearheaded to build or rebuild 90 schools.

Most recently he was touting jobs coming to the county, such as at Tradepoint Atlantic, and recently

announced that Lowe's was coming to Mill Station in Owings Mills. He considered development on the former site of Owings Mills Mall, Metro Centre and Foundry Row a trifecta of much-needed revitalization in Owings Mills.

On May 2, Kamenetz signed an executive order that all items offered in county-controlled vending machines must meet healthy nutrition standards.

That same day he also announced that the county would renovate a building on the Rosewood Center campus in Owings Mills to house a privately-operated treatment program. Kamenetz also allocated funds in his fiscal year 2019 budget to support free tuition for high school graduates to attend the Community College of Baltimore County.

Many residents of Woodlawn,

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Pikesville, Randallstown, Owings Mills and Reisterstown saw Kamenetz as a friend to the northwest communities, as he attended special events and meetings. Ever the politician, he frequently greeted community leaders with hugs and handshakes.

In September, Kamenetz officially joined a crowded field of candidates running for Governor. He later selected Valerie Ervin, an African-American former member of the Montgomery County Council, as his running mate. Considered a frontrunner, Kamenetz was usually polling second or third, and was

busy on the campaign trail meeting voters. He did not shy away from criticizing the Governor on issues such as education and immigration policies.

Who will run county government? The Baltimore County Charter stipulates that when the County Executive is unable to fulfill his duties, the chief administrative officer serves in an acting capacity until the County Council appoints someone to fill out the remainder of his term. The replacement must meet the requirements for the office and be of the same party as the County Executive he or she replaces. The chief


administrative officer is Fred Homan.

Contributions in memory of Kevin Kamenetz may be sent to the American Cancer Society, 405 Williams Court, Suite 120, Baltimore, Md. 21220, or to Baltimore Humane Society, 1601 Nicodemus Rd., Reisterstown, MD. 21136.

From left: Kevin Kamenetz is shown with Verletta White and Gov. Larry Hogan, with Del. Ben Brooks and Mildred Jones, at the announcement of his running mate Valerie Ervin, and at a town hall in Owings Mills.

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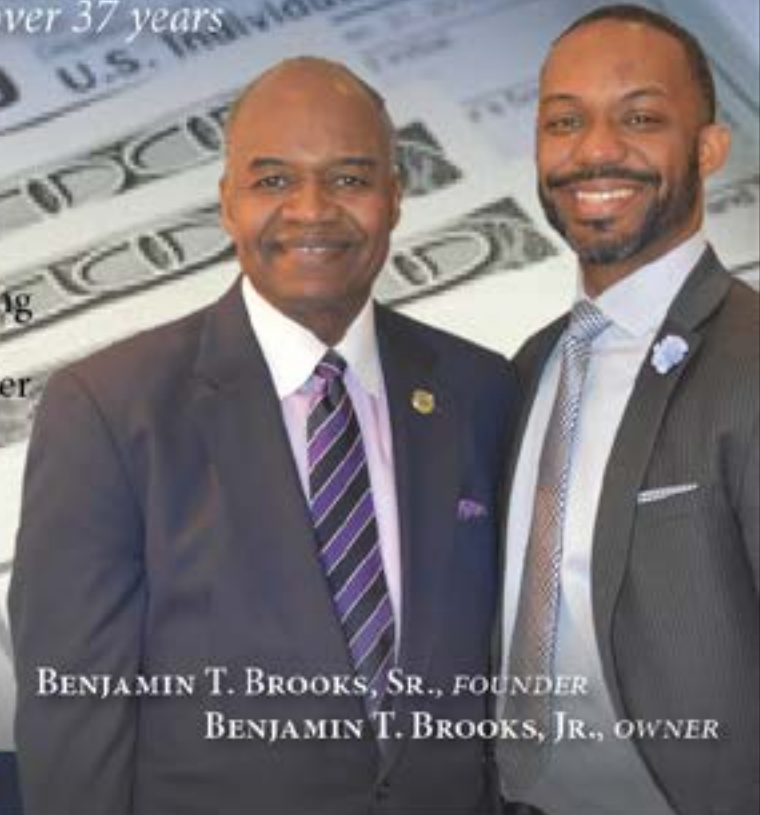


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Lowe's Will Join Costco at the Former Owings Mills Town Center Site

As construction continues at Mill Station, the site of the demolished Owings Mills Mall, property owner Kimco Realty has signed Lowe's as its latest tenant.

Construction will begin this June on a 132,825 square-foot building for the home improvement retailer, with an expected opening in January 2019, county officials announced.

The \$108 million investment in the project adds to the more than \$1 billion of recent private investment in Owings Mills.

Kimco began construction earlier this year on Mill Station, a 640,000-square-foot open-air shopping venue. The project will bring 250 jobs to the area during the construction phase.

Julian Jones Jr., County Council chair, stated, "Lowe's will be a great addition to the area, along with several other popular shopping and eating destinations that Owings Mills and Randallstown residents can look forward to having right in their own backyard. Mill Station is in District 4, which Jones represents.

Costco was the first tenant announced for the new project. The 148,000-square-foot warehouse is projected to open this August. Existing tenants of Mill Station include AMC Theatres and several restaurants.

It has been reported that Dick's Sporting Goods will also come to Mill Station, but no agreement has been finalized or an announcement made.



Costco and Lowe's are coming to Mill Station, an open-air shopping center that is being constructed on the former Owings Mills Mall site.

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Credit Union at New Town High Builds Financial Literacy, Student Bank Accounts

Situated in a small space outside New Town High's School's cafeteria is a credit union where students can take care of their banking needs during the school day.

Three days a week, during the school's lunch hours, interns Jason Simmonds and Madeline Sem are behind the window of First Financial Federal Credit Union, the credit union for Baltimore County Public Schools, helping their schoolmates open new accounts and answer their questions. They work unpaid under the guidance of faculty advisor Kimberley Harris-Sims and Cindy Jones, the credit union's youth outreach manager.

The New Town branch opened during the 2016-2017 school year and is one of five branches in Baltimore County public schools. The branch has about 300 accounts.

"The students are really learning how to manage their money without having to go into a bigger institution, and being a little overwhelmed," says Jones. "All their questions get answered here." Students also learn about personal finance, such as how to manage a checkbook, and how to apply and interview for a job, in an in-classroom program.

Faculty and staff also can patronize the credit union in a safe secure environment. There's no need to worry about the interns having access to cash, account numbers and the financial systems, Jones says. Everything is done in an offline environment and the transactions are processed at one of the full-service branch offices.

Simmonds, a senior pursuing an economics major at Loyola University of Maryland, is the intern in charge of new accounts. He enjoys educating potential members on the services. Simmonds says his financial knowledge has grown since he's worked at the credit union. He is saving his earnings from a part-time job at Starbucks to help pay for his room and board.

"I think my experience has really helped me to have a deeper



PHOTO: JANET ANDERSON

In the First Financial Federal Credit Union branch at New Town High School are Kimberley Harris-Simms, career technology education department chair, Cindy Jones, First Financial's youth outreach manager, and student interns Madeline Sem and Jason Simmonds. Simmonds received one of the credit union's 51 \$3,000 scholarships.

understanding of how to budget well and save my money."

Sem, also a senior, handles banking transactions, such as withdrawals and deposits. When she began interning, Sem says, she immediately set up direct deposit and obtained a debit card, which is attached to her savings account.

"I never really thought about saving towards anything until I started working," Sem says. "Then I realized since I'm graduating, there are going to be a lot of expenses, paying for applications and stuff for college, so I got the job at Panera," she says. "I don't want to have to depend on my parents for everything." She plans to attend Howard University in the fall and major in business.

Principal James Martin IV is grateful for the program. "It makes students think about finances and how money works—not just saving but about investing and how to make money work for you," he says.

Randallstown High's News Magazine Wins Prestigious National Award

Randallstown High school's news magazine, *The Rams Horn*, won first place honors in the American Scholastic Press Association 2017 – 2018 magazine competition.

The student magazine is published as part of the school's multi-media program. The editor-in-chief is Kwayera Wilkerson, layout editor Afkar Alwakil, and reporters are Candice Collins, Chyna Gaynor, Micheayl James, Tariq Johnson, Remique Richardson, Angel Turner and Terrell Williams.

Susan Ellerbee, a multi-media

magnet teacher and staff advisor, says, "Each student takes an active role in the development of the news magazine. They take pride in our school, and they care about each and every product that bears the name Randallstown High School."

In presenting the award, the American Scholastic Press Association judges said that *The Rams Horn* magazine "shows the superior efforts of talented and creative editors, writers, artists, photographers, layout/graphics, designers, staff members, contributors, and advisor."



PHOTO: RANDALLSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Randallstown High School's Rams Horn won top honors in the American Press Association magazine competition. The staff, from left to right, are: (seated) Kwayera Wilkerson, editor in chief; Afkar Alwakil, layout editor; (standing) Susan Ellerbee, advisor, and reporters Chyna Gaynor, Micheayl James, Candice Collins, Terrell Williams and Angel Turner.

Franklin High Marines Corps JROTC to participate in National Drill Championships

The Franklin High School Marine Corps JROTC program is one of 15 schools (out of 270 Marine Corps JROTC programs) in the nation to qualify for the prestigious 2018 MCJROTC National Drill Championships.

The event will be held at Daniel Boone High School in Gray, Tennessee. Franklin High will compete in the following events: personnel inspection, armed regulation drill, armed exhibition drill, unarmed regulation drill, unarmed exhibition drill, color guard and award ceremony.

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Lyons Mill Elementary, Deer Park Middle Magnet Educators Earn BCPS, Teacher, Principal of the Year Awards

Brendan Penn, a third-grade teacher at Lyons Mill Elementary School, has been named the 2018-2019 Baltimore County Public Schools Teacher of the Year, and Kandice Taylor, principal at Deer Park Middle Magnet, was named a Principal of the Year.

BCPS Interim Superintendent Verletta White recognized the educators at an April 25 awards ceremony held at George Washington Carver Center for Arts and Technology in Towson.

Without realizing that his teacher would receive the award, one of Penn's students, Wilson Smith, introduced Penn and shared what makes him special. As the county's Teacher of the Year, Penn will represent Team BCPS and compete for the honor of Maryland State Teacher of the Year.

Penn has been teaching for six years — the first three at Randallstown Elementary and then at

Lyons Mill Elementary. At Lyons Mill, Penn has been a robotics liaison, PTA liaison, webmaster, Maryland STEM festival host, and leader of the school's Vex Robotics and LEGO teams. Under Penn's leadership, the school's VEX Robotics team — in its first full year of competition — qualified for and will soon participate in the VEX Robotics World Championships.

In his Teacher of the Year application, Penn wrote, "Increasing diversity of future leaders in science and engineering is crucial. I am passionate about working with diverse populations as a role model exposing students to experiences that interest and engage them in a cutting edge manner particularly in technology, robotics and maker learning."

The Principal of the Year program is in its sixth year. This is the third year that BCPS has honored both an elementary and a secondary principal



PHOTOS: BCPS

Brendan Penn, left, was named Baltimore County Teacher of the Year, and Kandice Taylor, right, is the county's secondary Principal of the Year.

of the year.

Taylor was named Secondary Principal of the Year. She is in her second year as principal at Deer Park and previously served as principal at Kenwood High and Golden Ring Middle. Cathy Thomas, principal at

Cromwell Valley Regional Magnet Elementary School, was selected as the Elementary Principal of the Year. Renee Jenkins, Deer Park Elementary, was one of four finalists.

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Candidates Finetune Campaign Strategy As Election Day Nears



PHOTO: JANET ANDERSON

Candidates are posting their signs in high traffic areas, such as at a busy intersection on Security Boulevard east of the Beltway.

With the Gubernatorial Primary Election just weeks away, the campaign season has revved into high gear.

Dozens of candidates are plotting and tweaking their home-stretch strategy to be successful in their respective state, local and federal races for elected office in Baltimore County and around the state.

In this 2018 election, the seats up for grabs include Governor, Baltimore County Executive, County Council, State Senate and House of Delegates, and U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. Additionally, voters, for the first time will choose seven county Board of Education members to serve with four appointed members. Voters registered as Democrat or Republican will also choose representatives to serve on their political party's Central Committee.

Those seeking election are taking

advantage of the warmer weather to canvas neighborhoods and knock on doors to introduce themselves to voters, send promotional pieces to voters' homes and inboxes, and organize fundraisers and community events to get more face-to-face time with community members and collect donations.

From a more strategic perspective, some are establishing multi-race slates, pairing their lawn signs with other elected officials to show support and unity, and combining forces with unions and special interest groups.

The Primary Election will take place on Tuesday, June 26. Polls open at 7 a.m. and will close at 8 p.m. Voters will cast their ballots at the precinct listed on their voter card. For those who want to take advantage of early voting on Thursday, June 14, through June 21 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., you can go to any of the 11 early voting sites in the county.

Those most convenient to the area are located at the Arbutus Recreation Center, Owings Mills Public Library, Randallstown Community Center, Reisterstown Senior Center at Hannah More, and Woodlawn Community Center.

Melanie, an entrepreneur who declined to give her last name, and was shopping at the WalMart in Owings Mills, says she votes in every election and will do so in June. "I'm looking for someone who can change the look of the Liberty Road area. "Most of us are professionals and long-time homeowners, and we really need to see some revitalization here."

Another shopper, when asked whether he planned to vote in the upcoming Primary, waved his hand without stopping. "Don't know. Can't trust any of them," he says.

Communities in the northwest

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Candidates for 2018 Election

State Offices

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Lt. Governor
Comptroller
Attorney General
State Senator
House of Delegates
Judge of the Circuit Court
Judges of the Court of Special Appeals and for Court of Appeals (For retention in office. Only on General Election Ballot)

Federal Offices

United States Senator
Representatives in Congress

County Offices

County Executive
County Council
County Treasurers State's Attorney
Clerk of the Circuit Courts
Register of Wills
Judges of the Orphan's Court
Sheriff
Board of Education
Baltimore County

Party Offices

Democratic Central Committee Members
Republican Central Committee Members

Source: State Board of Elections

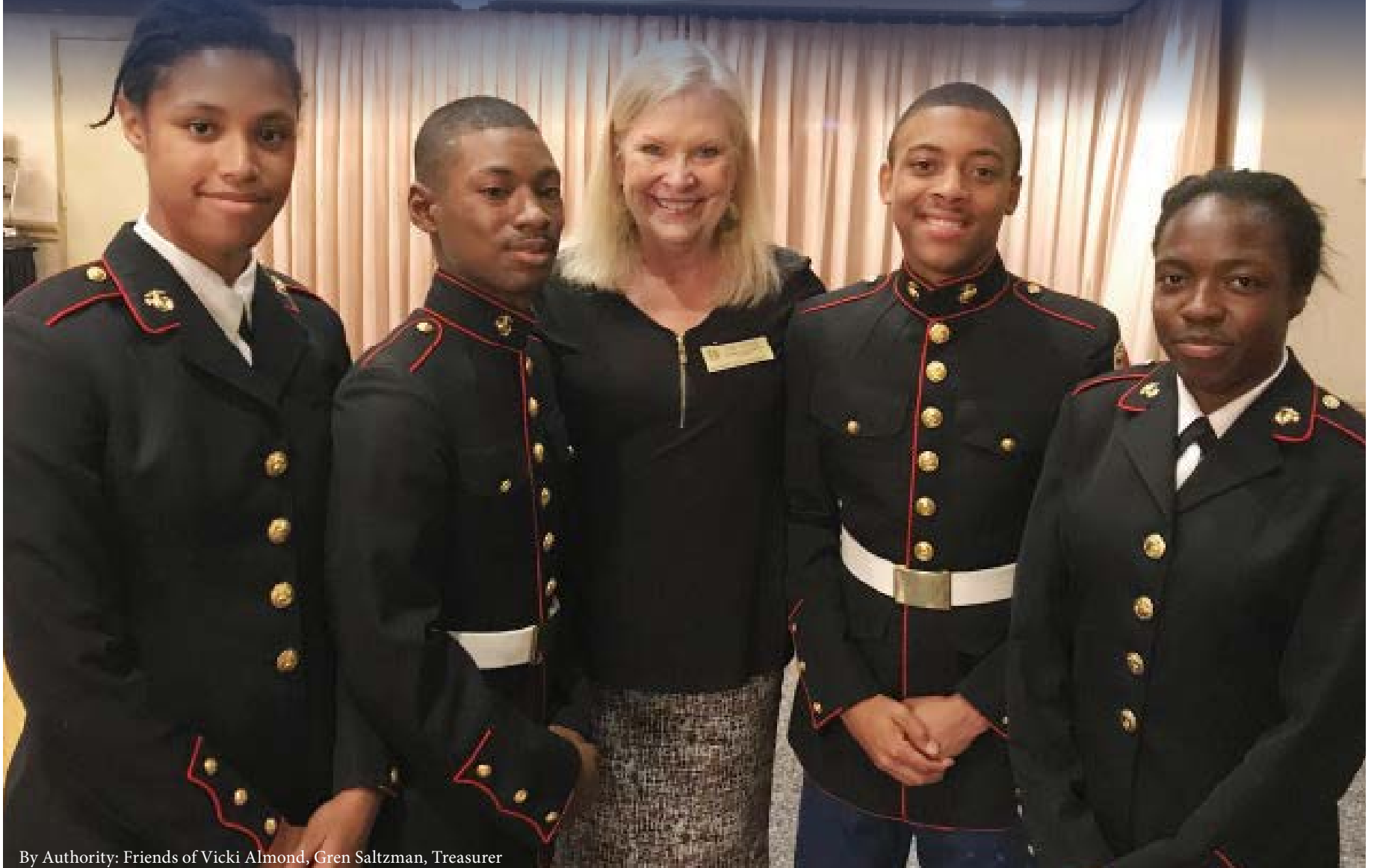
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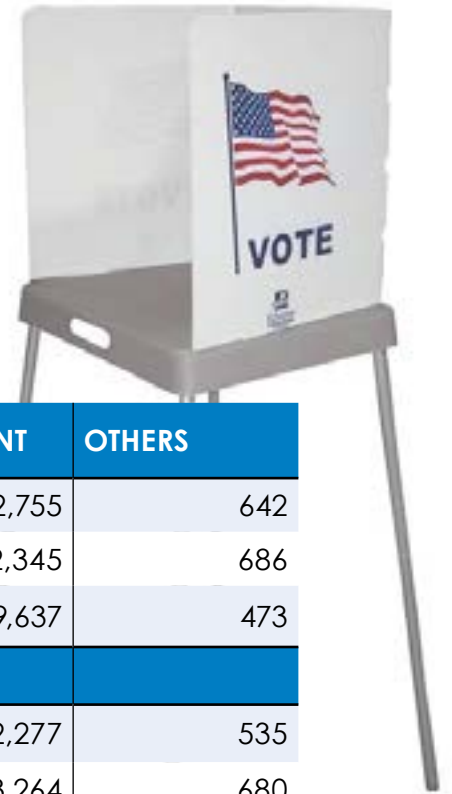
Vicki Almond is a long time local community activist and now is stepping up to run for County Executive because Baltimore County deserves better.

- Improving county programs to combat growing the opioid epidemic
- Protecting young people from deadly drugs like SPICE which Vicki worked to drive out of Baltimore County
- Bringing increased transparency to Baltimore County government
- Combating childhood poverty across the county



How Many Voters Are There by District?

How many people are registered in districts in the northwest Baltimore County area? According to the Baltimore County Board of Elections, legislative District 11 has the largest number of voters (83,329), barely edging out District 8. District 10 is not far behind in the total number of voters, with 81,350, and has the most Democratic voters of the area's legislative districts. Councilmanic District 4 has the highest number and highest percentage of Democratic voters (61,659) and the least amount of Republican voters.



COUNCILMANIC DISTRICT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN	GREEN	LIBERTARIAN	INDEPENDENT	OTHERS
DISTRICT 1	73,669	42,925	16,659	226	462	12,755	642
DISTRICT 2	80,616	50,040	16,996	188	361	12,345	686
DISTRICT 4	78,733	61,659	6,594	127	243	9,637	473
LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT							
DISTRICT 10	81,350	58,222	10,813	184	319	112,277	535
DISTRICT 11	83,329	49,883	18,952	162	388	13,264	680
DISTRICT 12	33,394	16,523	10,258	93	241	6,480	347
DISTRICT 44B	54,567	39,049	7,099	152	254	7,615	398

Source: Baltimore County Board of Elections, as of April 30, 2018

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New Laws Aim to Guard Against Election Cybersecurity

After reports revealed a Russian hacking campaign on the 2016 presidential election, more attention and scrutiny are being paid to the security of government election systems. Efforts, including some by the Maryland General Assembly, are being made to guard against potential cyberattacks and threats.

The Office of Legislative Audits conducted an audit of the State Board of Elections during a five-year period that ended in October 2015. The board is responsible for managing elections and voter registrations, and overseeing the 24 local election boards, including in Baltimore County. The findings, presented last year, revealed certain deficiencies with election board operations.

The audit found that the state election board did not adequately authenticate the identity of voters who requested absentee ballots, did not adequately back up a “critical” voting system offsite during the elections, and permitted more users than necessary access to the voter registration system. Additionally, the audit found, the board did not properly safeguard voters’ personal information when transmitting the data to a third-party vendor. This resulted in the board retaining the Social Security numbers of nearly 600,000 voters when just the last

four digits were necessary. Some of the deficiencies have been corrected and others are being addressed through administrative and legislative action.

Several 2018 bills were enacted into law to strengthen the board’s infrastructure and election cybersecurity.

House Bill 1331, Election Law Cybersecurity, requires reporting of election systems security violations, changes requirements related to absentee voting, and requires having paper or electronic backup copies of the election register available to election judges at polling places and early voting centers. The new law takes effect July 1.

House Bill 1278, Election Law Postelection Tabulation Audit, requires that the State Board of Elections conduct an audit after the Primary and General Elections to access the accuracy of the voting system’s tabulation of votes. The audits are not to have any effect on the certified election results, but must be used to improve the voting system and process for future elections. The new law takes effect June 1, before the Primary Election.

Senate Bill 281, Maryland Cybersecurity Council Membership, adds the state administrator of elections as a member of the Maryland Cybersecurity Council. The council, chaired by Attorney General Brian Frosh, consists of experts, legislative appointees and representatives from federal agencies and businesses who are to determine which local infrastructures are at greatest risks for cyber attacks. The new law takes effect Oct. 1



Senate Bill 875/House Bill 981, Online Electioneering Transparency and Accountability Act, establish requirements applicable to paid digital communication, such as on Facebook, and establish the state administrator of elections’ and State Board of Elections’ authority to enforce the requirements. The bills also prohibit purchases of campaign material or an electioneering communication with currency other than U.S. currency. The bills take effect July 1.

Senate Bill 730/House Bill 829, No-Excuse Absentee Voting, prohibits a municipality from requiring an individual to provide a reason he or she will be unable to vote in person on Election Day

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- Former Delegate Emmett C. Burns Jr.

To read more about Jim's campaign for Baltimore County Executive, visit <http://jimbrochin.com>

Automatic Voter Registration Law to Take Effect Next Year

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in order to vote by absentee ballot. The bills take effect June 1.

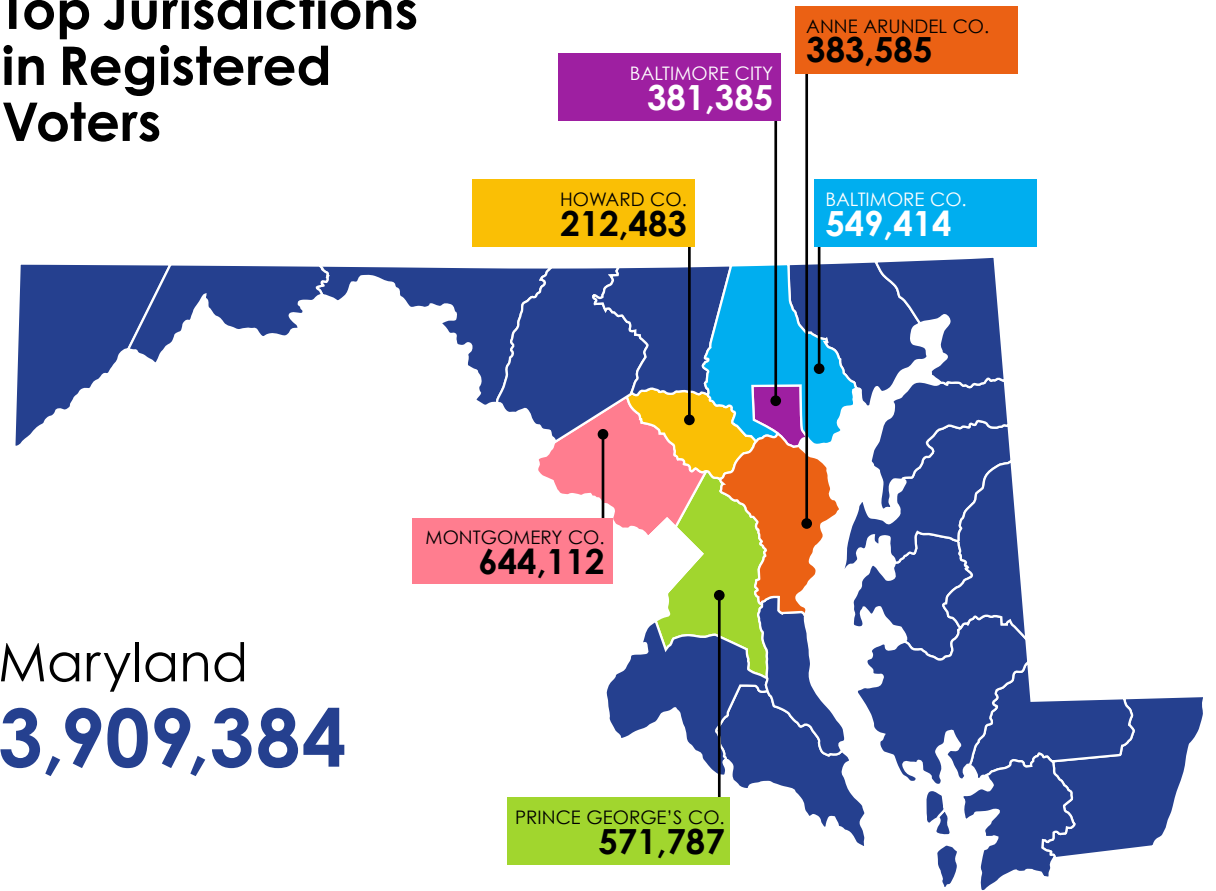
In other election-related legislation, **Senate Bill 1048, Secure and Accessible Registration Act**, authorizes automatic voter registration. Currently, the electronic voter registration agencies are the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange, local departments of social services, and the Maryland Transit Administration's Mobility Certification Office.

Instead of offering an applicant the opportunity to register to vote or update a voter registration record, agency staff would inform the applicant that he or she will be registered to vote and can have a voter registration record updated, unless the applicant declines or is not eligible to register to vote. The new law takes effect July 1, 2019.

As of April 2018, there were more than 16,627 new registrations in Maryland, and about 70 percent of the applications came through MVA offices. Another roughly 300 voters registered at other state agencies.

Top Jurisdictions in Registered Voters

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- Delores G. Kelley,
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- Shirley Nathan-Pulliam,
District 44

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- Benjamin Brooks,
District 10
- Adrienne Jones,
District 10
- Charles E. Sydnor, III,
District 44B
- Pat Young,
District 44B



Confirmed Candidates Participating in the Northwest Voice Political Forums

The candidates who will participate are as follows:

Woodlawn — May 31

County Executive

- Vicki Almond
- Jim Brochin
- Johnny Olszewski Jr.

County Council-District 1

- Sheila Ruth
- Tom Quirk

Senate-District 44B

- Shirley Nathan-Pulliam*
- Aletheia McCaskill

House of Delegates-District 44

- Charles Sydnor III*
- Pat Young*
- Aaron Barnett
- Aisha Khan

Democratic Central Committee

- George White
- Raymond Briggs

Board of Education-District 1

- Deborah Cason
- Pete Fitzpatrick
- Matt Gresick
- Richard Young

Randallstown — May 24

County Executive

- Vicki Almond
- Jim Brochin
- Johnny Olszewski Jr.

County Council-District 4

- Derrick Burnett Sr.
- Julian Jones Jr.*

Senate-District 10

- Robert Johnson Jr.
- Delores Kelley*

House of Delegates-District 10

- Ben Brooks*
- Nathaniel Costley Sr.
- Laura Lipscomb
- Adrienne Jones*
- Jordan Porompyae
- Frederick Strickland

Democratic Central Committee-District 10

- Danny Blount
- Delores Kelley*

Board of Education-District 4

- Makeda Scott
- Kathleen White
- Tara Huffman

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How Many Voters Are There in Maryland?

DEMOCRAT	307,219
REPUBLICAN	142,373
GREEN	1,452
LIBERTARIAN	3,137
UNAFFILIATED	91,666
OTHERS	4,479
TOTAL	550,326

Source: Maryland State Board of Elections, as of April 30, 2018



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It's election season! Candidates and volunteers are out and about meeting voters and participating in political forums, and voters are learning more about candidates in forums and town halls. Clockwise are volunteers from the campaign of Sen. Shirley Nathan-Pulliam, County Executive candidates Vicki Almond, Jim Brochin, Johnny Olszewski Jr. and Al Redmer speak at a forum, candidates Raymond Briggs and Rob Johnson share their platforms at a District 4 town hall, and a voter asks a question at a forum in Woodlawn.

Party Officials Hope For Larger Voter Turnout Than 2016

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appear to be split on the candidates, particularly those running for Baltimore County Executive. On the Democratic side are Councilwoman Vicki Almond, who represents Owings Mills, Reisterstown and Pikesville in District 2; Sen. Jim Brochin, who represents Towson, Cockeysville and other northern parts of Baltimore County; and Johnny Olszewski Jr., a former delegate from Dundalk. The fourth candidate is Kevin Marron, a Parkville resident who works for a utility company. He has not been visible.

Del. Pat McDonogh, a member of the House of Delegates since 1979, and Al Redmer Jr., a former delegate who currently serves as the State Insurance Commissioner, are competing for the Republican nomination for County Executive. Both are of Middle River.

From a voters' perspective, a few lawn signs are staked in front of homes, but it is unclear how engaged many are in the races.

Recognizing that the Randallstown Community Center was the top early voting site in the state in 2014 for the Primary and General Elections, candidates are paying a lot of attention to the northwest.

County officials say it's too early to tell what the turnout will be. Tara Ebersole, chair of the Baltimore County Central Committee and a former educator, believes voter turnout will be higher this election cycle than it was in 2016 for the Presidential Election. "I honestly believe Trump has probably been one of the best things to galvanize the Democratic Party," she says.

Volunteers and Central Committee

members don't endorse or support individual candidates in the Primary. They are reaching out to the Democratic community as part of its Precinct to Precinct Campaign, Ebersole. "We've been connecting with our voters trying to get them engaged and excited to come out and vote," she says. "It's really all about trying to get as many people to vote as possible. We also help with driving people to the polls."

When they survey and talk to county voters, education consistently comes up as their number-one issue of concern, Ebersole says. Crime and immigration are other issues voters are concerned about.

Anyone who has not registered to vote can do so at Motor Vehicle Administration offices, online or other government offices. You can

also go to the early voting location and register on-site with identification and vote. (See page 29.) Absentee ballots are available online or at government offices. You do not have to give a reason to vote by absentee ballot.

Community members are encouraged to do their homework on the candidates' background, experience, motivation and commitment. Ask questions and attend political forums to hear their views and learn about their platforms. The *Northwest Voice* will host two political forums from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 24, at Randallstown Community Center and on Thursday, May 31 at Woodlawn Community Center. See page 22 for more details.

For information about voting, visit baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/



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If you would like to vote early in the Gubernatorial Primary Election, you can cast your ballot at one of 11 early voting centers in Baltimore County on Thursday, June 14, through June 21, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. If you vote early, you cannot vote in the Primary Election, you cannot use an absentee ballot.

Voting centers include the following convenient locations.

County Campus Metro Centre at Owings Mills

10302 Grand Central Avenue
Owings Mills 21117

Randallstown Community Center

3505 Resource Drive
Randallstown 21133

Reisterstown Senior Center—Hannah More Campus

12035 Reisterstown Road
Reisterstown 21136

Woodlawn Community Center

2120 Gwynn Oak Avenue
Woodlawn 21207

Other Baltimore County early voting sites are located in the Sollers Point Multi-Purpose Center in Dundalk, Jacksonville Recreation Center at Sweet Air Park in Jacksonville, Victory Villa Community Center in Middle River, Center for Maryland Agriculture and Farm Park in Cockeysville, Arbutus Recreation Center in Halethorpe, and Honeygo Run Community Center in Perry Hall.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can register to vote during early voting.

To make the voting process quicker for you, the Board of Elections encourages residents to register to vote by the close of voter registration, which is June 3 for the Primary Election.

If you can't register by that date, go to an early voting center in the county where you live and bring a document that proves your residence. This document can be your MVA-issued license, ID card, change of address card, or your paycheck, bank statement, utility bill, or other government document with your name and new address.

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stand at least a 15-hour day of work, and read, write, speak and understand the English language.

The Election Board will accept Democrat and Republican voters first. If the total number of judges from those two parties cannot be fulfilled, the board will consider unaffiliated voters to meet its need.

Closers, who assist in closing the voting precincts and returning materials, are also needed. Working hours for closers are approximately 6 to 9 p.m. on Election Day, not in-

cluding drive time from the voting precinct to the regional collection site.

You can earn \$75 for your service and will be compensated \$25 for attending a mandatory training session after you serve on Election Day. To qualify as a closer, you must be able to assist in precinct set-up the night before the election.

If you would like to serve as an election judge or closer, or you would like more information, contact the Election Board at 410-887-0982 or complete the form at baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/elections/elecjudge_form.html. The fax number is 410-832-8486.

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Your voting rights can be restored if you have been convicted.

Effective March 10, 2016, under the restoration of voting rights in Maryland, if you have been convicted of a felony and have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment, you are eligible to register to vote.

You do not qualify to register to vote if you have been convicted of buying or selling votes.

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Competition is Fierce for Central Committee Seats

Whether looking to be more involved in grassroots political action or to learn more about the political process, candidates seeking seats on the Baltimore County Central Committee, particularly in districts serving western Baltimore County, are in for a competitive contest. Voters can look forward to choosing from candidates with a breath of experience and backgrounds in Districts 10, 11, 12 and 44B include a mix of incumbents, elected officials and newcomers.

What is the Central Committee? One of its more popular and desired responsibilities is to recommend appointments to the governor to fill vacancies on the central committee, as well as other state and local elected offices.

“People see that as our only role, and that’s where the misconception comes in,” says Tara Ebersole, chair of the Baltimore County Democratic Party. In fact, members represent boots on the ground to support the party—conducting phone banks, canvassing neighborhoods, staffing tables at festivals, and raising money. It’s not until the General Election that the committee supports any specific candidate, who would be Democratic nominees.

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Tara Ebersole

Chair, Baltimore County Democratic Party

Generally, the number of Democratic Central Committee candidates is up about 10 percent, she says. In District 10, 11 candidates are vying for five seats and nine candidates are competing for five seats in District 11. Four candidates are running for the four seats in District 12, and there are 10 candidates campaigning for the four spots in District 44B.

Earlier this year, *Northwest Voice* publisher Kenneth Brown wrote a column chastising elected officials and other candidates who run for the Central Committee and other offices such as the Senate, House of Delegates and County Council.

“Holding two elected offices at the same time is not in the best interests of constituents,” Brown says. I believe that perspective inspired new candidates to get into the race. Many have been active in their communities for years, and deserve the opportunity to continue their grassroots efforts as a member of the Central Committee.”

The county Democratic Party took up the issue at a board meeting. Some see the dual roles as positive, Ebersole says, but the concern was high enough that she established a bylaws committee to look at the number of elected officials who serve on the Central Committee and how often they attended the meetings. A bylaws committee proposed that elected officials be permitted to run for both offices but upon election must give up one of the seats. That amendment failed to pass because it did not achieve the 60 percent supermajority needed for adoption. “However, I’m finding fewer are running,” she says.

Indeed, Councilman Julian Jones Jr. and Del. Ben Brooks decided not to run for re-election for Central Committee in District 10 and Sen. Shirley Nathan-Pulliam will not seek a Central Committee seat in District 44B.



Voters to Consider Constitutional Amendments in General Election

Voters will decide on two amendments to the Maryland Constitution when they cast their ballots in the 2018 General Election in November. The bills recently enacted by the General Assembly authorize amendment proposals. One has to do education funding and the other with expanding same-day voter registration.

Education lockbox. When Maryland voters approved gambling as part of a constitutional amendment in 2008, elected officials said the revenue would go to education. That never happened. To keep the Governor and legislators from diverting casino revenue from its intended purpose, the

new law proposes a constitutional amendment that requires the Governor to provide supplemental state funding from casino revenue that is dedicated to public education in the state budget beginning in fiscal 2020.

Election-day voter registration. Voters will also decide whether to allow Maryland residents to register and vote at their polling places on Election Day. Currently, state law allows residents to register or update their existing registration information during the early voting period at early voting sites.

About 14 states currently allow or will allow Election Day voter registration.

How do you decide who you will vote for? Take the poll at nwvoicenews.com

Encourage a Loved One, Neighbor or Friend to Register to Vote

According to Maryland Board of Election statistics, more than 214,000 new voters registered across the state last year. In Baltimore County, as of April 30 there are a total of 550,326 voters—307,219 of them Democrat, 142,373 of them Republican and 46,110 of them independent. The remaining voters are from the Libertarian and Green parties or are classified as “other.”

Are you registered to vote? If you are registered, make sure your neighbors, family members, church members, and everyone in your sphere of influence are prepared to vote in time for the Primary Election on Tuesday, June 26. If you are not, plan to take the first step to be part of the process. The Board of Elections provides the following voter registration information.

Qualifications to Vote

You must be a U.S. citizen, a Maryland resident and at least 16 years old. (However, you cannot vote until you will be at least 18 by the next General Election.)

You are disqualified from voting if you have been convicted of buying or selling votes, found by a court to be incapable of voting because of mental disability, or convicted of a felony and are in jail. Effective March 10, 2016, if you have been convicted of a felony, you are eligible to register to vote once you have completed the court-ordered prison sentence.

Help America Vote Act

Federal law requires that new applicants who register by mail after Jan. 1, 2003, provide identification information or upon application before casting their vote at the polls. Applicants are required to send the Board of Elections a copy of a current photo identification or a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or government document that shows the voter’s name and address

If the voter is required to provide identification information, but fails to do so at the polls, the voter will be issued a provisional ballot.

When to Register

Baltimore County residents who are eligible to vote but not yet registered can vote in person and then cast a ballot at one of the early voting centers from June 14 to June 21.

The deadline to register or change your information is on day 21, prior to the election at 9 p.m.

How to Obtain an Application

Voter registration applications can be obtained at the State Board of Elections, local post offices, libraries, Motor Vehicle Administration office, county municipal offices, and public assistance offices. You can download a copy online at elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/application.html.

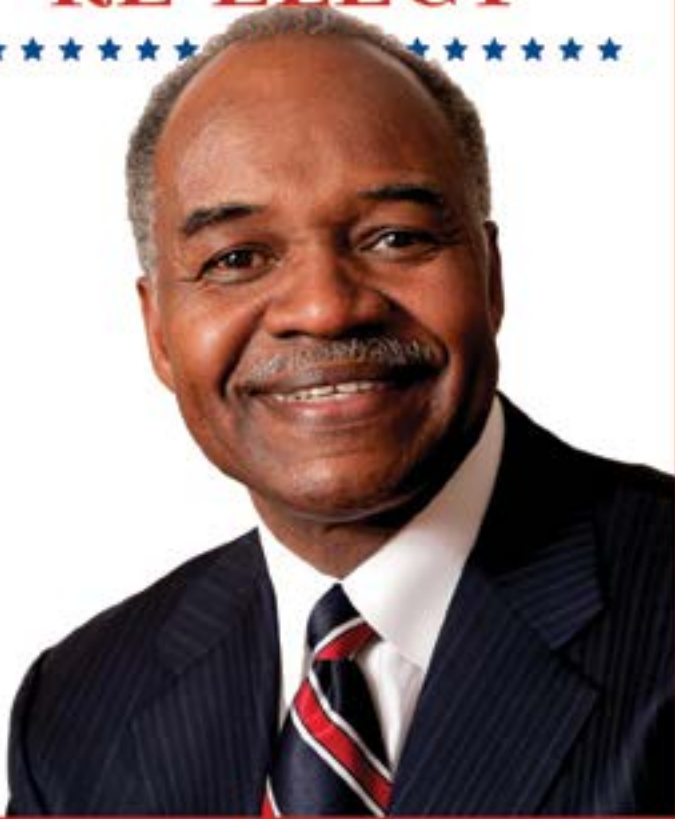
When it is Official

You are considered a registered voter when you receive your voter notification card from the Board of Elections. Maryland voter registration does not need to be renewed.

However, if you have not voted in the last two presidential elections, your registration will be cancelled. You will need to activate your registration status in order to vote in the next election.

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For more details about voter registration, visit elections.maryland.gov.

The Baltimore County Board of Elections is located at 11112 Gilroy Rd., Suite 104, Hunt Valley, 21031. Email elections@baltimorecountymd.gov. The phone number is 410-887-5700.

Challengers Look to Represent Increasing Diverse, Progressive Voters in District 11

One of the most closely-watched local races this gubernatorial election year is the contest for House of Delegates and Senate in District 11, a territory which takes in Pikesville, Owings Mills, Lutherville and Mays Chapel.

Senator Bobby Zirkin and Delegates Shelly Hettleman and Dana Stein are running as a team, and chose not to bring on a candidate to replace their retiring colleague, Del. Dan Morhaim.

For years, before the 2010 redistricting that expanded representation beyond Pikesville, District 11's slates were almost solely from the Jewish community and for the most part, were male.

This time out, encouraged by the open seat, four Democratic candidates are challenging the incumbents—three of them are women, including one African-American, and a former delegate. Senator Bobby Zirkin, who served two terms in the House before winning his Senate seat in 2006, is facing his first opponent in 12 years.

Although it had been rumored that Morhaim, an emergency room physician and medical director of a medical cannabis business, would not run for re-election, Morhaim announced in February that he was retiring after 24 years in the Maryland General Assembly. With one less incumbent, more

candidates were motivated to throw their hats in the ring for the open seat.

One of them is Linda Dorsey-Walker, a longtime community activist and five-term member of the Democratic Central Committee. Walker-Dorsey says she decided to run for another office after encouragement from community members. An Owings Mill resident, she was redistricted out of District 10 into District 11 four years ago and is getting to know the new territory and people.

Many mistakenly believe, she says, that District 11 is a primarily Jewish district. As an African-American, she believes she will appeal to the more diverse population that currently makes up the district. "Everyone in the 11th district deserves a seat at the table," she says. "I think I can bring a perspective about some of the issues that not only minorities are facing but seniors, as well."

Among her priorities include safer schools with 360-degree cameras.

Her activism extends back decades, such as to the 1990s when she initiated the county's first junior ROTC program at Randallstown, Woodlawn and Milford Mill high schools while a PTA officer. Always one to provide input, Dorsey-Walker put forth a plan to Kimco Realty when the developer

proposed an outdoor town center concept for Mill Station, the former Owings Mills Mall.

Professionally, Dorsey-Walker has held senior and managerial positions with state and local government agencies and the health care industry. Her affiliations have included the Coalition Opposed to Violence & Extremism where she trained law enforcement officers; and the Baltimore County Human Relations Commission where she trained seniors, disabled, families and volunteer firefighters about gender bias, housing, employment rights, and investigated violations of the law.

Amy Blank says she doesn't see the competitive field of candidates as a challenge, but an opportunity. She is not new to Annapolis, having advocated for marriage equality and women's and children's issues in various government affairs positions for nonprofits. She's also served as director of volunteers for the campaigns of former U.S. Sen. Barbara Mikulski, Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton.

It was after the 2016 presidential election when Clinton lost and Democrats lost the House of Representatives, Blank says, that "I knew it was time for me to run because it was the only recourse we had for protecting decades of progress we had



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To run as a representative in District 11, Blanks says she had to move from the Pikesville community in which she has lived for 44 years to a condo in Owings Mills after her home was “gerrymandered” into District 10.

From her conversations with constituents, Blank says issues that matter range from opioid addition and education, vocational training and entrepreneurial opportunities for residents in the Owings Mills area to economic security and health care for the aging populations in Pikesville, to well-paying careers for young adults in Lutherville, to the threat of solar farms and development in Greenspring Valley.

Stein acknowledges there is a strong field of candidates running and believes the incumbents’ record of progress will resonate with voters. Two environmental bills he introduced aim to prepare Maryland for the impact of climate change.

“Maryland is very vulnerable to the sea level rise that’s coming. Within 30 years there will be two feet of sea-level rising inundating hundreds of thousands of acreage. Maryland is not really prepared for the impacts of that,” he says. Another bill requires that Maryland to be part of the Climate Alliance, a coalition of states focused on greenhouse gases.

He also got passed bills that deal with rail safety,

requiring a two-person crew on trains, and one that protects consumer data with car dealers and manufacturers.

As he goes around the district, Stein says education remains a top concern. The team has been advocating for more capital funding and wants to make sure schools are funded equitably and adequately.

“Competition is good,” Stein says.

“We’re all looking forward to the next two months of campaigning. Myself and the other incumbents can’t take anything for granted. We have to campaign hard and make our case of the voters.”

Going up against Zirkin, chair of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, is Sheldon Laskin, a retired attorney and social justice advocate. Laskin is taking issue with a controversial legislative crime bill that Zirkin introduced this session.

Shelly Hettleman, a first-time delegate, won the



Among the candidates running for the House of Delegates in District 11 are Amy Blank, Del. Dana Stein and Linda Dorsey-Walker.

seat vacated by Cardin. She is member of the House Appropriations Committee, is the other incumbent.

Also in the race is the politically connected Jon Cardin, nephew of U.S. Sen. Ben Cardin and a former delegate who in 2014 decided to forgo a third term in the House and instead run for Maryland Attorney General. He lost to Brian Frosh.

Kate Skovron of Pikesville is also in the Democratic race. Jonathan Porter of Brooklandville is running unopposed in the Republican primary.



Results for West Baltimore County's 10th District

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- ✓ Good Quality Housing
- ✓ Education and Jobs
- ✓ Criminal Justice Reform

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The Facts About Voting: What You Need to Know

With most elections, voters have to deal with misinformation. The State Board of Elections explains some of the rumors and the facts about voting in Maryland.

Taking Pictures or Recording Videos

Rumor: I can take pictures or record a video in a voting room.

Fact: No. Under state law, voters can't take pictures or record a video in a voting room. Voters are not allowed to use electronic devices - including phones or tablets - in a voting room.

Changing Your Mind?

Rumor: I already voted but changed my mind. I can vote again.

Fact: Once you have cast your ballot, you can't vote again. Voting more than once violates State law. If you vote again, you will have to vote a provisional ballot. This ballot will not be counted because you have already voted and you will be referred to a law enforcement agency for further investigation and possible prosecution.

Vote Confirmation

Rumor: When I vote, I get a receipt or confirmation of my vote.

Fact: To preserve the secrecy of your vote, you will not get a receipt or confirmation of your vote. When the scanning unit has counted your ballot, you will see "thank you for voting" message. If the scanning unit can't read your ballot for some reason, the unit will return the ballot and provide instructions on the screen.

Vote Flipping

Rumor: I voted for Candidate A, but my vote flipped to Candidate B.

Fact: Most voters in Maryland will use a paper ballot to vote. With paper ballots, a vote for Candidate A cannot "flip" to Candidate B. Some voters will use the accessible ballot marking device to make selections

and print a paper ballot. Each device is tested before election day, and the test includes checking that the device's screen is properly calibrated.

College Students

Rumor: A college student can only register to vote at his or her parents' address.

Fact: A college student may register at his or her school address if the student considers the school address to be his or her "official" or "permanent" home. If you are a college student and do not consider your parent's home to be your home and do not intend to return there after school, your school address may be your residence. Before registering to vote at this address, please verify with the appropriate authority whether changing your residency impacts your eligibility for financial aid.

Absentee Ballot Request

Rumor: If you request an absentee ballot, you can vote in person.

Fact: You can vote in person, but you must vote a provisional ballot. Your provisional ballot will count if you do not also vote and return your absentee ballot.

Early Voting and Absentee Votes

Rumor: Early votes and absentee votes are not counted unless there is a tie in an election.

Fact: All votes cast during early voting are counted. All absentee ballots submitted on time with the required signature are counted even if they will not change the outcome of an election. Votes cast during early voting and by absentee ballot count just like votes cast on election day.

Early Voting Ballots

Rumor: If I vote during early voting, I will not receive the same ballot as the one I would receive on Election Day and therefore my ballot will not be counted.

Fact: You will receive the same ballot whether you

are voting during early voting, on Election Day or by absentee ballot. Your ballot is always determined by your residential address.

Proof of Voting

Rumor: To prove you voted, you will get a second copy of the form you sign when you check in to vote.

Fact: Upon request, a poll worker will give you a form to prove that you voted, but the form will be different from the form you sign when you check in to vote.

Election Results

Rumor: Election judges will not post election results once the polls close.

Fact: During early voting, election results will not be posted. The local boards of elections will post these results after the polls close on Election Day. On Election Day, election judges will post results once the polls close. Election results will also be available on the State Board of Election and local boards' websites.

Online Voting in Maryland

Rumor: Voters can submit voted ballots online.

FACT: Maryland law prohibits online voting. A voter who receives an absentee ballot from the State Board of Election's website must return the ballot by mail.





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Authority Citizens for Julian Jones, Gregory Banks Treasurer

Sample Ballot for Baltimore County Voters For Certain Democratic Offices in the Primary Election

<p>Instructions</p> <p>Making Selections</p>  <p>Fill in the oval to the left of the name of your choice. You must blacken the oval completely, and do not make any marks outside of the oval. You do not have to vote in every race.</p> <p>! Do not cross out or erase, or your vote may not count. If you make a mistake or a stray mark, you may ask for a new ballot.</p>	<p>Governor / Lt. Governor Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rushern L. Baker, III and Elizabeth Embry</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ralph Jaffe and Freda Jaffe</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ben Jealous and Susan Turnbull</p> <p><input type="radio"/> James Hugh Jones, II and Charles S. Waters</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kevin Kamenetz and Valerie Ervin</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rich Madaleno and Luwanda Jenkins</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Alec Ross and Julie C. Verratti</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jim Shea and Brandon M. Scott</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Krish O'Mara Vignarajah and Sharon Y. Blake</p>	<p>Comptroller Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Peter Franchot Unopposed</p>	<p>State Senator District 12 Vote for 1</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Clarence K. Lam</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mary Kay Sigaty</p>	<p>Judge of the Circuit Court Circuit 3 Vote for up to 4</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert A. Cohen</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Carey Dealey</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael Fivifter</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ruth Jakubowski</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dennis Robinson</p>	<p>Democratic Central Committee District 12 Vote for up to 4</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert Benjamin Unopposed</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tara Ebersole Unopposed</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Sam Moxley Unopposed</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Pauline Kibby Rada Unopposed</p>
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A Final Goodbye to Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz

Hundreds of mourners—including dozens of elected officials, community and business leaders, and candidates for office, paid their last respects to Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz at his funeral, held May 11 at the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation. Kamenetz' running mate Valerie Ervin (middle left photo), Tom Perez, chairman of the National Democratic Party (center photo, shown with Tony Baysmore, special assistant to Kamenetz), and Council Chair Julian Jones Jr. (middle right) were among the attendees. Kamenetz's wife Jill, oldest son Karson, and U.S. Sen. Ben Cardin delivered remarks.





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Kristie Thompson, of Catonsville, stopped by the Catonsville Farmers Market to purchase vegan baked goods from Terra Scott, owner of Scotty Cakes.

Local Farmers Markets Open for Business

Spring has finally settled in, and local farmers markets are open for business. While a lot of produce is not yet in season, shoppers can take advantage of a diverse selection of offerings from farmers markets in Catonsville, Owings Mills, Pikesville and Reisterstown.

Metro Centre is holding its weekly Farmers Market on Thursdays from 2 to 6 p.m. on the plaza in front of the Owings Mills Public Library at 10302 Grand Central Ave. The market will feature vendors from all over the state selling a variety of food, produce and other goods. Visit metrocentroom.com for more information.

The Pikesville Farmers Market is being held every Tuesday from 2 to 6 p.m. at Pomona Square, 1700 Reisterstown Rd. The market will sell produce, crafts and flowers, and will be open until Oct. 31. Visit pikesvillechamber.org/farmers-market for details.

Catonsville Sundays Farmers Market takes place on Sundays through Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 12:30, rain or shine, at the 15 Mellor Avenue parking lot. This year is the market's ninth season. Enjoy a variety of produce, Maryland wines and artisan breads. For a list of the vendors, visit catonsville.org/chamber-events/

The "Original" Catonsville Farmers Market is open Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Christian Temple, 5820 Edmonson Ave. It is a "producer only" market, which means the products you are buying are grown, made or prepared by the vendor. Get weekly updates on vendors and what is available at catonsvillefarmersmarket.com.

The Reisterstown Farmers Market is open on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parking lots behind 360 Main Street. For information, call 410-526-3980.

The Randallstown Farmers Market will be held Wednesdays on the Liberty Road Shopping Center lot adjacent to the Randallstown library, 8604 Liberty Rd. A diverse selection of vendors will be selling produce, fresh-cut flowers and other goods. A start date was not immediately available. Call 410-655-7766 for details.

The Woodlawn Farmers Market will run July through September on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the parking lot of Woodlawn AMF Bowling Lanes, 6410 Security Blvd. Call 410-944-5239 for more information.



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School board votes to resubmit White's name to State Superintendent

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urging community members to be prepared to pack the state board meeting in Baltimore on May 22.

Several school board members who opposed White and at least one legislator took up a letter writing campaign urging the superintendent to deny White the permanent position.

In an April 23 letter that he says is of special interest to Baltimore County residents, Del. Rich Impallaria, a Republican who represents District 7, Baltimore and Harford counties, urges concerned citizens contact Salmon to request that not approve the appointment of White.

Impallaria writes: "Furthermore, no one should be appointed as permanent superintendent until an elected school board is in place. At present the Baltimore County School Board consists of lame-duck appointees. It would seem to be totally appropriate to wait until the new, elected school board members are in place." He tied White to her former supervisor and BCPS superintendent S. Dallas Dance, who was sentenced to jail for perjury.

Even before that, on April 18, the day after the school board's vote to appoint White, Julie Henn, a Hogan at-large board appointee who was part of the vehement opposition to White's

appointment, expressed her displeasure in her Facebook page, Julie Henn for Board of Education. Henn wrote, "Concerned about the superintendent appointment?" then urges readers to call and write Salmon at her state email and phone number.

After Salmon rejected White's appointment, board member Kathleen Causey asked residents to thank Salmon.

It was Henn, who introduced the motion in the April 17 board meeting to extend White's interim role, seemingly after sensing that White would be appointed.

After that motion failed, Henn, Causey and board members Ann Miller Roger Hayden, a former county executive and board chair, stepped up their attacks. Hayden said moving forward with White as superintendent would be the "worst thing that could happen to the boys and girls of Baltimore County."

Prior to the vote, Gillis expressed support for White. The audience of parents, teachers, staff and elected officials gave White a standing ovation after the vote. Two weeks earlier, the board had agreed to wait until the April 17 meeting to entertain a vote, and so the motion was renewed.

In a statement, White said, "The State Superintendent appears to be unaware of the fact that the audit, one that I have been advocating for throughout this school year, was intended to review our system's purchasing practices under past administrations. There has never been any indication that procurement practices of my administration lack integrity.

"I firmly believe that an audit will show that our procurement practices are above reproach. I also believe that the allegations raised by some concerning my character have been based on speculation and not fact."

As part of her response to Salmon, White released the ethics panel's response from January 2018, which found that she violated two provisions of the ethics code. The panel wrote that it did not find that White "violated nearly every provision of Policy 8361 with regard to improper influence and eroding the public trust" as alleged in the complaint. The panel also accepted White resolution.

White still wants to be superintendent. She wrote, "I have, from the outset of my appointment last year, expressed my desire to be appointed as





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permanent superintendent. That desire has not changed. As of December 2018, the local board of education will be, for the first time in Baltimore County's history, both elected and appointed. This major shift in the school system's leadership is another reason for my desire to remain as superintendent to provide stability and continuity."

If appointed, White would be the first woman to serve since the school system was established in the late 1840s.

A Baltimore County native with two daughters who attend public schools, White attended Woodmoor Elementary and Woodlawn Middle schools before graduating from Woodlawn High School. She began her teaching career in 1992 as an elementary school teacher in Baltimore City, then joined BCPS as a teacher in 1995. After a series of administrator roles, White served as chief academic officer from 2013 to 2017. She was named interim superintendent when Dallas Dance resigned abruptly as superintendent.

At its May 7 meeting, the school board reaffirmed its intention to make Verletta White the permanent superintendent with another 8-4 vote.



Maryland Superintendent Karen Salmon, who rejected the school board's recommendation that Verletta White be appointed the permanent Superintendent of Baltimore County Public Schools, is shown at a visit to Old Court Middle School in 2016.





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Like organizations around the country, Baltimore County Department of Health promoted April 28 as national Prescription Drug Take Back Day and urged residents to discard their prescriptions at drug drop boxes located at the county's 11 precincts.

However, residents can use the boxes year-round, 24/7. In addition to taking your unused medications to a

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3. Place the sealed bag or container in with your household trash.

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Meetings and Events

Mark your calendars for the following events and activities.

Education Learning and Listening Tour

Interim Baltimore County Public Schools Superintendent Verletta White will host a Learning and Listening Tour on five nights in May from 6 to 7 p.m. Those most convenient will take place on Monday, May 14, at Randallstown High School, 4000 Offutt Rd. in Randallstown, 21133, and on Monday, May 21, at Catonsville High School, 421 Bloomsbury Ave., Catonsville, 21228. The sessions will begin the process of gathering input directly from Team BCPS students, families, staff, and community members to inform the system's next strategic plan. Call the office of the chief of staff with questions at 443-809-8706.

Southwest Area Education Advisory Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Southwest Education Advisory Council will be held Monday, May 21, at 6:30 p.m., in the library of Johnnycake Elementary School, 5910 Craigmont Rd., Catonsville, 21228. The topics are building use, enrollment patterns, overcrowding in schools, planned renovations, and plans for new schools.

Training to Prevent an Overdose Death

The Baltimore County Department of Health is offering a free, two-hour training on how to recognize, prevent and respond to an opioid overdose by using intranasal naloxone—a prescription medication that is used to reverse an overdose. A training will be held Wednesday, June 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Pikesville Library, 1301 Reisterstown Rd. in Pikesville, 21208. Due to limited seating, preregistration is required at baltimorecountymd.gov/odresponse or call 410-887-3828.

Baltimore County Public Library

BCPL has several events planned throughout the county. In May, events include book club discussions, story times, family coding, workshops about gardening, starting a business, and homebuying. Learn more at the local library branches at www.bcplonline.org/events.

School Board

Upcoming meetings of the Board of Education will be held at the Greenwood Campus, 6901 N. Charles St. in Towson on Tuesday, May 8 and 22,

and June 12 at 6:30 p.m. A public hearing for the FY2019 capital budget will be held on May 23 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.bcps.org/board.

County Council

Upcoming meetings of the County Council will be held 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, and May 24, and the work sessions are on May 1 and May 15 at 2 p.m. at the Historic Courthouse, 400 Washington Ave. in Towson. For more information, including on the agendas and instructions to watch the meeting online, visit www.baltimorecountymd.gov/countycouncil.

Police Community Relations Council

These councils consist of community leaders, interested citizens and representatives of the local business community, which meet to resolve issues of concern and provide an open forum. The forums begin at 7 p.m. Information is subject to change, so call to verify the date, location and time.

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- **Woodlawn Precinct 2** meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Woodlawn Precinct, 6424 Windsor Mill Rd., 21207. Contact Malinda Taylor at mrtaylor@verizon.net or 410-265-5926. The police precinct station number is 410-887-4714.
- **Franklin Precinct 3** meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at the Franklin Precinct, 606 Nicodemus Rd. in Reisterstown, 21136. Brad Sharpless is director and may be contacted at bvsharpless@hotmail.com. The precinct station number is 410-887-6985.
- **Pikesville Precinct 4** meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, 7401 Park Heights Ave. in Pikesville, 21208. Jerry Dantoni may be reached at j.dantoni@verizon.net. The precinct contact number is 410-887-6775.

2018 BCPS Graduation Schedules

The dates for local Baltimore County Public Schools commencement exercises begin May 30 and go through June 8 at Towson University, 8000 York Rd. in Towson, 21252, and UMBC Event Center, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Catonsville, 21252. Contact the schools for more details.

**Towson University
Pikesville High School**
May 30, 10 a.m.

Western School of Technology
May 31, 2:30 p.m.

Milford Mill Academy
June 2, 10 a.m.

Franklin High School
June 2, 2:30 p.m.



Franklin High School students listen to the speakers at last year's graduation.

Owings Mills High School
June 4, 2:30 p.m.

New Town High School
June 5, 2:30 p.m.

Randallstown High School
June 6, 2:30 p.m.

**UMBC
Woodlawn High School**
June 8, 2:30 p.m.

Catonsville High School
June 8, 7 p.m.

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Crime in Northwest Area Includes Carjackings, Shooting, Robbery

Read a roundup of Baltimore County Police reports on some of the incidences of crime taking place in the area. Be aware of crimes and the alleged suspects' methods of operation.

Police Arrest Teens for Crime Spree

Baltimore County experienced its second carjacking on school grounds during school hours on April 26 at around 1 p.m. Police were called to the parking lot of Campfield Elementary School, which is located in the 6800 block of Alter Street, 21207, for a carjacking incident. A teacher was approached by multiple suspects, one of whom threatened her with a knife. The suspects stole the teacher's 2012 Toyota Rav 4 and fled the area.

The suspects then drove the stolen SUV and approached another victim in the 7300 block of Campfield Road, 21208. They threatened the man with a knife and stole his property. At 1:40 p.m., police received a call for another carjacking in the 4000 block of Old Court Road, 21208. The victim told police that she was inside her 2016 Honda Fit when two suspects came up to her car, threatened her with a knife, and stole her property and the vehicle.

A few minutes later, the suspects approached two victims walking on Esperanza Court and Rosland Court, 21208. The suspects threatened the victims with a knife and stole property from them. Baltimore County Police detectives were in the area of the Old Court Metro Station, saw the stolen Honda and suspects, and were able to quickly place both under arrest.

The suspects have been identified as Terrell Jett, 16, and William Cunningham, 16, both of Baltimore City. They have been charged with armed carjacking, armed robbery and other charges. Both are being held without bail at the Baltimore County Department of Corrections.

Days earlier, on April 20, juveniles carjacked a county school teacher at Villa Cresta Elementary School. Four teenage girls were arrested and charged.

Police Investigating Randallstown Shooting

On April 24, Police received calls in the area of the unit block of Ojibway Road in Randallstown for a shooting.

A 25-year-old man was found in a parking lot suffering from a gunshot wound. He was transported to a local hospital and is expected to survive his injuries. Police believe that the victim was targeted in this incident.



Police Need Help Identifying Armed Robbery Suspect

Baltimore County Police are asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspect (pictured above) who robbed a Royal Farm store in Randallstown, threatening to shoot the clerk.

Witnesses have described him as an older black man with a black goatee and distinctive dark moles all over his face. He is approximately 5-foot-7 with a medium build.

The suspect walked into the Royal Farm store in the 9000 block of Liberty Road in the early morning hours on April 12. He approached the check-out counter, revealed a weapon to the clerk, and demanded money out of the register. The suspect fled towards the Randallstown Plaza shopping center. Anyone with information on the suspect's identity is asked to contact police at 410-307-2020.

Metro Crime Stoppers is offering a reward. Anonymous tips can be sent by phone, text or online. Call 1-866-7LOCKUP; text "MCS" plus your message to "CRIMES" (274637); or submit a web tip to www.metrocrimestoppers.org.



Shoplifting Crew Strikes Home Improvement Stores Throughout County Baltimore County

Police have cleared 15 shoplifting incidents at home improvement stores involving an organized crew of criminals, and are asking for the public's assistance in identifying two more of the suspects.

The suspects pictured above are associated with this shoplifting crew and were caught on surveillance camera taking tools from a Home Depot store in western Baltimore County.

The suspects involved in this shoplifting crew have stolen in excess of \$100,000 worth of tools, usually Dewalt or Milwaukee tool kits like those seen in the image. Police say there are at least 40 documented cases involving this group of suspects spanning throughout Maryland and in Delaware.

The suspects typically enter the stores, most commonly Home

Depot or Lowes, in groups of two to four people, and walk straight to the tool corral area, take easily carried tool kits, then walk together directly out of the store. Detectives have identified and charged three members of this shoplifting crew, all from Baltimore City. They are Eric Cooke, Danielle McCorry, and Spencer Thomas.

Anyone who recognizes the two unidentified suspects or has any information on these crimes or additional suspects can contact police at 410-307-2020. These crimes remain under investigation by members of the Wilkens Precinct Investigative Services Unit.

Metro Crime Stoppers is offering a reward. Call 1-866-7LOCKUP; text "MCS" plus your message to "CRIMES" (274637); or submit a tip at www.metrocrimestoppers.org.



Jenette and Charles Young, contestants in the Alzheimer's Association Memory Ball on April 28, are shown with their son, Charles II after a successful fundraising event.

Randallstown Couple Raises \$22,000 for Alzheimer's

Currently, more than 5 million Americans have Alzheimer's and that number is expected to grow to as many as 16 million by 2050, according to the Alzheimer's Association. One of the organization's key fundraising events is the Memory Ball, which features a "dancing with the stars" competition.

Kudos to Woodstock residents Charles and Jenette Young, one of the benefit's eight dancing stars, who raised more than \$22,160, surpassing their goal. The couple's, who have been married for 38 years connection to the Alzheimer's is that Charles' grandmother lived with the disease for many years, and Jenette, owner of ComForcare Home Care Services in Baltimore County, serves many clients who have the disease.

Welcome Our New Neighbors

Welcome our new neighbor is a list of some residential sales in the coverage area of the Northwest Voice newspaper from the previous month. This will be a feature every monthly issue. This list is from the MRIS and is provided courtesy of Tammy Rollins, Broker of Rollins & Associates Real Estate, 201 Milford Mill Rd., Pikesville. The list includes address, style, bedrooms, bathrooms, list price and closing price.



ADDRESS	STYLE	BEDROOM	BATH	LISTED	CLOSE SALE
WOODLAWN, 21207					
3628 FOREST GARDEN AVE	Split Level	4	3	\$229,900	\$ 229,000
2116 STREAMWAY CT	Colonial	3	2 ½	\$222,300	\$216,700
6720 LAUREL DR	Cape Cod	3	3	\$219,800	\$215,000
6716 BROMPTON RD	Split Level	4	3	\$259,990	\$254,000
3702 LOCHEARN DR	Cape Cod	4	2 ½	\$249,900	\$265,000
WINDSOR MILLS, 21244					
33 RHONDA CT	Traditional	4	3	\$329,900	\$325,000
2836 RIDGE RD	Cape Cod	4	2 ½	\$299,900	\$288,000
12 GREENBRUSH CT	Colonial	3	2 ½	\$235,000	\$226,900
8009 PARKS LN	Rancher	4	3	\$234,900	\$245,000
7522 BETTYS WAY	Colonial	5	3 ½	\$374,900	\$390,000
CATONSVILLE, 21228					
5 HOLMEHURST AVE	Colonial	4	2	\$339,000	\$320,000
319 WAVELAND RD	Cape Cod	4	3	\$310,000	\$325,000
10 HILLTOP PL	Split Level	4	2 ½	\$389,900	\$392,400
7 STONE SPRING CT	Colonial	5	3 ½	\$649,000	\$649,000
1203 BRANDFORD RD	Cape Cod	4	2	\$339,900	\$333,000
RANDALLSTOWN, 21133					
3906 GRIERSON RD	Colonial	4	2 ½	\$245,000	\$239,000
3011 EDRICH WAY	Colonial	4	3 ½	\$510,000	\$485,000
8602 WOODSPRING RD	Rancher	3	2 ½	\$249,000	\$235,000
8401 CHURCH LN	Split Level	3	2	\$269,800	\$270,000
9141 SUNSET RIDGE RD	Colonial	5	2 ½	\$334,900	\$336,150
PIKESVILLE, 21208					
3522 BARTON OAKS RD	Split Level	6	3	\$829,000	\$775,000
3404 SLADE AVE	Split Level	5	3 ½	\$659,000	\$649,000
4 HALCYON CT	Rancher	4	4 ½	\$699,000	\$615,000
4207 CHASTETREE CT	Villa	3	3	\$450,000	\$435,000
8227 BRATTLE RD	Split Level	4	2 ½	\$269,900	\$285,000
OWINGS MILLS, 21117					
904 HUDDERSFIELD CT	Colonial	4	2 ½	\$374,000	\$370,000
8 TROUT LILY CT	Colonial	4	3 ½	\$339,000	\$330,000
14 CHAMPIONSHIP CT #6G7	Contemporary	3	3 ½	\$259,900	\$250,000
12137 WOODSYDE CT	Colonial	5	4 ½	\$725,000	\$675,000
819 QUEENS PARK DR	Colonial	5	3 ½	\$539,900	\$530,000
REISTERSTOWN, 21136					
23 ESTHER ANN WAY	Colonial	4	4 ½	\$675,000	\$675,000
12120 GORES MILL RD	Colonial	4	3 ½	\$599,000	\$586,000
320 ESTATE RD	Split Level	4	2 ½	\$264,900	\$264,900
818 IVYDALE AVE	Rancher	4	3	\$249,995	\$240,000
14 CARAWAY RD	Colonial	4	2 ½	\$257,500	\$240,000

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