

## **GENERAL MEETING:**

## Candidates Night—September 20

For our first general meeting of the year, we have invited candidates from both parties for the following positions: County Executive, County Council At Large and County Council District 5. The meeting will be held on Monday, September 20, 7:30 p.m. at the Indian Spring Terrace Rec Center, 9717 Lawndale Drive (Fairway Ave and Lawndale Drive).

Editor's note: As noted previously, we will be including interviews with noted members of our community. We would welcome suggestions for further persons to be interviewed, please send to thausner@gmail.com, 301-587-6943 and we would love to have students to serve as reporters for student service credits

# Family Fun at ISCA FallFest 2010!

By Celeste Raker-Dillen

ome Join Your Neighbors
from 3–6 pm on Sunday, October 24 at
the Indian Spring Recreation Center for
an afternoon of fun and food at the 2010
Indian Spring FallFest and Chili Cookoff. Make a batch of your favorite chili and compete
for the coveted "Golden Ladle" award. See if you can
out cook your friends and neighbors! If chili cooking
is not your thing, then bring a side dish, dessert or
cornbread to share. Families with last names beginning with A–I should bring cornbread; last names
of J–R brings sides and salads, and those whose last
names begin with S–Z should bring a dessert. This
event is free for all ISCA members and will occur
rain or shine.

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Zen & friends. Photo by Jill Ortman-Fouse

ell, it certainly has been a lively summer, full of surprises, here in Indian Spring.

The resurfacing project brought us new roads—and kept the listserv busy. Crews worked throughout the neighborhood during the hottest June and July on record, discovering all sorts of challenges along the way.

Our trademark springs, surprisingly thin old roads, drainage and curb issues, etc., contributed to a more extensive project than expected. But, Jim Hawkes, GPI Senior Maintenance Engineer for the Mo. Co. Div. of Highway Service's Dept. of Transportation, helped us through it all. As our contact for the project, he answered dozens of emails and phone calls from me and other neighbors, and made sure the crews were aware of neighbors' suggestions and concerns. Who knew a new coat of tar could be so complicated? We truly appreciate his time, dedication and flexibility with this project. I certainly have learned a great deal more about road construction than I ever expected. Thanks also to Nathan Moore, Diane Tyler, and Amber Khan who assisted with follow-up from our first meeting.

Also, big thanks to Jim Caron, who with the help of neighbors, put together our first-of- its-kind Indian Spring cruise to celebrate our new roads, just like in the movie "Cars." Dozens of neighbors of all ages, on wheels of all kinds, enjoyed car-free rolling and frozen treats on a hot summer night. Lastly, thanks to all the neighbors who helped identify potential problems, were welcoming to the crews;

and provided beverages and treats for the hot, hungry workers. That's good ol' fashioned Indian Spring hospitality.

Our neighborhood also came together during the string of power outages brought on by fierce storms. People who had it shared their power, generators, freezer and fridge space, bags of ice and food to make it a little easier for those who were still waiting to get it back. The listserv helped out again, as we shared updates and who-to-call info.

One more surprise for our family, was the adoption of a dog from the Washington Animal Rescue League.

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By Jill Ortman-Fouse

Our new little guy, a two-year-old shih tzu mix, has introduced us to a whole bunch of neighbors we had never met beforethe dog walkers. Zen (our son named him) seems to like saying hello to both dogs and people when we are out for a stroll, so this has been a fun, new experience for our family. We look forward to meeting you and your pooches as we do our walks in the 'hood. (See photo to left: My husband Dave, me holding Zen, daughter Siena, and my son Nathan.)

From my years on the listserv, I was well-prepared with the rules of responsible dog-ownership for Indian Spring: (1) Keep your dog on a leash at all times, and be cautious towards other people's dogs and kids, (2) Carry bags for your dog and ALWAYS pick up your dogs' waste; and (3) DO NOT drop your dog's waste in other people's trash cans. If you are not on the listserv, please be aware that this is a frequent refrain, so please be courteous of everyone's property.

In addition to these events, I have attended meetings with PREZCO (represents local civic associations), testified to the County Council on behalf of the neighborhood to support the Purple Line and to strongly discourage any future expansion of the beltway, and participated with a task force on the new Fillmore music hall in Downtown Silver Spring. My first few months of ISCA presidency have been busy, but I have truly enjoyed working with my neighbors to help our Indian Spring be the best community it can be. I want to say a special thanks to Tony Hausner who provided enormous support, even while on vacation in Europe. And much gratitude to Walter Gottlieb, for his dedication as ISCA's president for the last three years. You may not be aware of how many of your neighbors, like Tony, Walter and the rest of ISCA's board, have worked tirelessly for years to support ISCA, plan events, keep our neighborhood safe, and make sure neighbors who need help, get it. They do a terrific job and deserve our sincere thanks!

If you have not been able to volunteer for our community in some way in the past, I hope you will consider offering assistance this year. It is a wonderful way to meet caring, fun people, and keep our Indian Spring traditions alive.

And remember: School's back in session, PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY! \*

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## The Indian Spring Cruise

By Jim Caron

ULY 20, 2010. I am not a car, and have some difficulty imagining what it would like to be a car. However, my sons do not have the same impediment. Cruising along on Granville Rd. during the Indian Spring Cruise, it was quite clear on their faces, Cole became "Lightning McQueen," the hot shot rookie, and Luke magically morphed into "The King," the seasoned veteran, winner of the several Piston Cups from Pixar's Cars movie. I saw this look in all the kids, young and not-too-young; I actually spotted one boy riding a Lightning McQueen bike. The pavement was fresh and smooth, and the roads were clear, perfect for an evening cruise.

If you missed it, we closed off several streets around the rec center, in celebration of the end of the neighborhood's road paving. Participant—kids and grown-ups alike—could use any non-motorized method of cruising the streets. By my estimate, we had around 125 Indian Springers traversing the loop that started down Fairway, left on Granville, and another left on Marshall. The streets were closed by our border guards, Kevin Conway and Willard Morris; cupcakes were served up by Monica Bridgewater (who also designed the flyers); popsicles were dished out by Liz and Eva Caron; and two young entrepreneurs erected impromptu refreshment stands. Signs were created by Steve Pierce. There were scooters, bikers, strollers, a single skater (me), a gaggle of tweens on the new-fangled skateboards, and one cool dude on a classic board.

Thanks to all the residents on 'the course' for pulling their cars in, and thanks to all those who lent their advice and help. It was a great night! Life is but a dream... \*

## **Battles of the Boulevard**

By Jay Goldman

**THE END-OF-SEASON SHOWDOWN** in varsity high school football between Northwood and Montgomery Blair schools will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 5 at Northwood's stadium.

Because of the proximity of the two high schools along University Boulevard and the fact both draw students from the Indian Spring neighborhood, the rivalry between them also extends to other varsity sporting events. \*



Here's the fall schedule of head-to-head varsity contests:

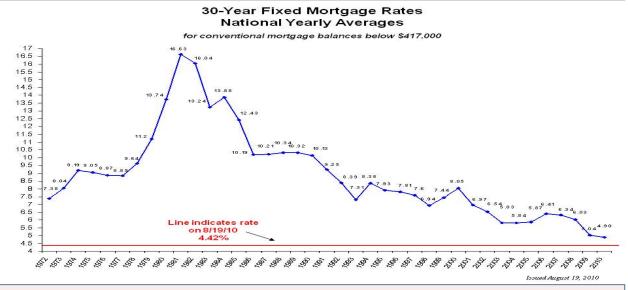
- Girls volleyball: Mon., Sept. 13, 3:30 p.m. @ Blair
- Boys soccer: Tues., Sept. 14, 7 p.m. @ Northwood
- Girls soccer: Tues., Sept. 14, 7 p.m. @ Blair
- Cross country: Tues., Oct. 12, 3:30 p.m. @ Blair
- Field hockey: Wed., Oct. 20, 7 p.m. @ Blair



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## **Independence Day Celebration**

By Arlene Montemarano

HIS YEAR'S FOURTH CELEBRATION was a joy to behold. Why? Adorable showoffs that's why. We had a constant stream of willing performers in our second annual ISCA talent show, this time

in the center of Lawndale on their own private stage. We had joke tellers, singers of every ilk, and musicians that had clearly practiced first. What made it so much fun was Jimmy Bingo, aka Jim Hoskinson, who is just a natural with kids. (See photo at right.)

The homemade (seeds to prove it) lemonade was tasty and popular, and we managed to raise funds for the Iraq Afghanistan Veteran Association, the beneficiary we have chosen over the last several years.

It was a kidrun event, with several children only too happy to do the work of pouring and selling. (See photo at bottom right.)

Popcorn, as usual. Who doesn't love a big cup of freshly popped?

Photo by Stephanie Helsig

Photo by Ali Breen

The parade was well attended and the decorated bikes and wagons made it colorful and pretty.

Three sprinklers going the entire time, and children who just know what to do with shooting water on a warm day.

We have not named names because the list of helpers and performers is incomplete. We are hoping that next year some helpful person will take over that task

so that we can properly honor these great people, big and little. But they know who they are, and we will do better next year in properly identifying everyone. Rather than name some and not all, I think it is bet-

> ter to offer a big CONGRATS to the efforts of everyone. There were plenty of smiles and happy chatter indicating success, and we owe these people a great deal for making the Fourth of 2010 as fine as it was.

Elected officials and candidates who attended include County Exec Leggett, Councilmembers Ervin, Floreen and Elrich, from District 20: Senator Raskin,

and Delegates Hucker and Mizeur, and Council Candidate Reimer. (See photo of Sen. Raskin and the Kleine family at left.)



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## **DC Ladies Arm Wrestling League (DCLAW)**

By Holly Rothrock

LAME IT ON A COLD, LONG WINTER or maybe just too much coffee one February morning, but after I read the Washington Post article about a ladies arm wrestling league in Charlottesville, VA (CLAW) that donates all proceeds to charities dedicated to women and children, I was hooked. I telephoned fellow ISCA resident Ann Marie Allison and recruited her to help start the league in the DC area. It was easy to hook her. Our first stop: Facebook. We

were able to use CLAW's Facebook page to find two other local women who were also interested in starting a DC arm wrestling league and we were on our way. The American Legion Post 8 "Friended" us and signed on as sponsors for our first ever DCLAW competition. All proceeds from the event would go to DC's House of Ruth, an outstanding organization that offers life-changing services for women and children in the DC area.

standing, earning the coveted "Go

Jill Ortman-Fouse as the Jillotine and Kelly Wood as Mommie Dearest

Next we needed the wrestlers. If you think ISCA ladies are at all pushovers, think again. As soon as we began recruiting for our league, the ladies of ISCA came out in droves. Out of our eleven wrestlers (and 3 alternates), 7 were your fellow ISCA neighbors, and several others expressed real interest in wrestling in future matches. If you see the following neighbors out and about, take a look at their biceps: Carol Spahn, Christine Jasper, Kelly Wood, Jill Ortman-Fouse, Amber Khan, and Ann Marie Allison. And, these women not only had to arm wrestler one another, but they did so in costume? Scarlett O'Scara, dressed in her best crinoline and tattoos, matched up against Fowl Play, a farmer who didn't play by the rules. Even with her farmhands (and a surprise visit by a large chicken)

working to distract Ms. O'Scara, this southern belle was not to be reckoned with as she slammed her opponent's hand on the table and fanned herself in victory. The most exciting match of the night was "The Jillotine vs. Mommie Dearest: a French Revolution execution device up against a terror-provoking actress." Mommie Dearest came out on top of that match and was ultimately the last woman standing, earning the coveted "Golden Bicep Award."

It was a fun night for the wrestlers and the spectators.

Let's not forget all the ISCA neighbors that came to support the event. These neighbors and the other audience members were big players in raising money for House of Ruth. The audience "bet" on a wrestler before each round, with all the "betting"

money going to the charity. By the end of the evening, DCLAW had raised \$1,580 for the House of Ruth, not bad for our first event and one that initially elicited the same response from everyone: "Ladies arm wrestling, really?"

Our next event is scheduled for October 2, 2010 at 7:30 pm and will again be hosted by the American Legion Post 8 located at 224 D St. SE DC. We will pick a new charity dedicated to women and children as the recipient of the proceeds. I can guarantee you will be uniquely amused and have more fun than you can imagine if you decide to join us as either a wrestler or a spectator! Please join us and contact me at hollyrothrock@hotmail.com for more information on how to get involved. \*\*

## **This Father-Son Team Can End Your Computer Worries!**



## **ISCA Entrepreneurs at Home: Deborah Levy**

(Editor's Note: This is 1st in a series in the ISCA newsletter focusing on persons in the neighborhood who run businesses out of their homes.)

## By Jay P. Goldman

**EBORAH LEVY** always assumed someday she'd open her own independent consulting practice, but she figured that day would only come once her two kids (now 6 and 4) were older and she had gained more experience in the field of social science research.

But three years ago, Deborah realized her position as a researcher with the Washington-based Points of

Light Foundation might be relocated to Atlanta as part of a merger. Leaving on her accord offered the distinct advantage of taking along a few of her existing projects on a consulting basis. At the same time, a former boss, then working at the Annie E. Casey Foundation, promised to send her some work.

"I begged my husband to let me take the plunge and go for it," Deborah says. "I did and here I am 3 years later, happier than ever and feeling more successful."

Her home-based firm, SuccessLinks (www.success-links.biz), conducts program evaluations for nonprofits, foundations and government agencies, and her clients include the Covenant Foundation, Teach for America, the American Public Health Association and the National Park Service. As president and CEO, Levy

does surveys, interviews, focus groups and other forms of research to gauge the effectiveness of social programs.

A native of Clifton Park, N.Y., Deborah earned a B.A. from St. Lawrence University and an M.S. from American University. \*



ISCA Entrepreneur, Deborah Levy

## FallFest, continued from page 1

ISCA will provide hotdogs, ice cream floats, a moon bounce, arts and crafts activities, and plenty of games for the young and old! The renowned raffle will also be a part of the day's festivities. Win fabulous prizes and gift certificates donated by our local businesses and restaurants. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase (1 ticket for \$1 or 6 for \$5) during the FallFest. Winners do not have to be present to win.

As always, VOLUNTEERS are needed to make this day a big success. Please help set-up and clean-up, run the moon bounce, serve ice cream floats, grill hot dogs, and/or provide tables and chairs. For more information

or if you are interested in volunteering or being a chili chef, please contact Celeste Raker Dillen at 301-585-8446 or at dillensl@aol.com

## JOIN THE FUN!

Sunday, October 24 • 3-6 p.m.
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(intersection of Fairway and Lawndale)

## **Green Column**

By Joyce Stocker

E ARE SO FORTUNATE to live near
Brookside Gardens with its many lovely, winding paths as well as it's learning opportunities.
Their fall and winter brochure, the "Brookside Garden

Xperience", was recently distributed. It can also be viewed at www.brooksidegardens.org They will be sponsoring many classes this year on cooking, basic floral design, making holiday



East Tiger Swallotwail, Brookside Gardens photo

wreaths/centerpieces and holiday entertaining. They also have art classes for children and adults.

Coming up in September is a three session class on "Vegetable Gardening in Small Spaces" (FEE CHARGED) and "How to Keep Your Sanity While Dealing with Bugs in the Garden" (FREE)

Many people are now interested in reducing their lawn care chores and making maintaining their yards more environmentally friendly. On October 1, from 10 to 11:30 the Garden will sponsor, "Reducing or Growing a More Natural Great American Lawn" (FREE)

Please don't miss "Wings of Fancy" the beautiful butterfly exhibit (will be closing in Sept). Photographers and children are particularly delighted with this yearly event. Brookside also has created a Children's Garden with emphasis on sustainability and green initiatives. There is a very popular treehouse at the site.

With the recall of half a billion eggs, consumers are concerned about our food safety. The overcrowded, cramped conditions in chicken factories are said to create a breeding ground for various diseases, and the widespread use of antibiotics in livestock leads to emergence of drug resistant organisms. Fortunately, Maryland is said not to be affected by distribution of the salmonella tainted eggs. However, one way to avoid contaminated eggs is to purchase from farms where chickens are allowed to run free. In our area, such eggs are available from South Mountain Creamery—one of our favorite places for dairy products, and they have home delivery to our area. Please let me know if you are aware of other sources, and I'll include them in the next newsletter or via the listsery. \*\*

## **A Meatless Monday Meal**

**Garbanzo Bean Salad** 2–4 servings as a side dish, or double the recipe for main dish (made this for dinner last night, the kids loved it).

Very good with a nice loaf of crusty bread and good butter.

1 can garbanzo beans

1 small onion, chopped

1 small red pepper, chopped Mix all together.

Black olives—as many as you like

Italian dressing, homemade or bottled

Feta Cheese—at least 1/4 c, more if desired

Parsley, chopped, at least 1/4 c

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## **ISCA's "NIGHT OUT" Party!**

By Vanessa Krabacher

Recreation Center on August xx, 2010 to celebrate the annual National Night Out. Park police officer Christy started the fun with her collection of colorful multilingual brochures and crime-prevention toys. She even had the latest craze—Stretchies! The neighborhood kids chose from an array of the rubber band bracelets shaped as police cruisers, fire trucks, the emergency number "911" and more. A few adults

took samples for 'reference' and then visited our Neighborhood Watch's table of literature.

Then Montgomery County Police cars and motorcycles arrived with lights blazing! Our new District 3 police Deputy Commander Lt. Robert Carter introduced himself and talked about our personal responsibility in

reporting 'what's happening on the ground" to his unit. ISCA is a busy community, so he stressed we must all watch for suspicious activity and potential problems. He reiterated we should call "911" for emergencies and crimes in action,

Tony Hausner, Alan Bowser from Councilmember Trachtenberg's office, Officer Patil)



Erika Shugart and Park Police Officer Christy

and call 301.111.111 to report non-urgent but important information. Finally, he praised our Neighborhood Watch and Tony Hausner for working closely with his office.

Community relations' Officer Joy Patil introduced McGruff, the crime-fighting dog. He and his helpers distributed glow-in-the-dark laces and reminded us to "take a bite out of crime" and reduce our crime risks.

Law enforcement officer Michael Kane and Maura Lynch, the Assistant State's Attorney, mingled with the crowd as well as Alan Bowser, Chief of Staff to Montgomery County Councilmember Duchy Trachtenberg. Distribution of popsicles and ice cream

sandwiches added to the festivities.

Everyone watched as the parade of police vehicles started their engines and lights. Kids especially waved goodbye to McGruff as he pulled away to attend his next Night Out party down the road. After extended chat-

ting, the crowds dispersed back home, turning on their porch lights as a reminder of the Night Out. \*\*



Officer Joy Patil and McGruff

## Law Enforcement Officers and What They Do!

By Vanessa Krabacher

(Editor's Note: this article is addressed to kids)

OLICE OFFICERS AND SHERIFFS maintain public order and enforce our laws. They need

everyone's help to do this, so they work with people (like us!) and public organizations (like ISCA!) to discourage crime and encourage healthy communities.

Police work to prevent and detect crimes. They enforce speed limits and traffic rules, and they respond to emergencies like car crashes. Police investigate suspicious events, catch criminal suspects, and collect evidence. Police write reports about what they do every day. At times they



testify in court. Police can also work in special units, like K9 teams with dogs, or in Investigations as detectives.

Cops patrol their communities in different ways.

We see police driving patrol cars here in Indian Spring. In Downtown Silver Spring, we see them walk around on foot or on bikes. Police in Maryland sometimes ride horses, Segways, or motorcycles. Every year we have lots of police cruisers, motorcycles, SUVs, and even unmarked vehicles come to our Night Out party!

Police officers pledge an oath to protect people. They are friendly and have lots of gear, tools, and training to keep us safe. Next time you see police officers, ask to see their badges and uniforms! \*

Park Police Officer Christy

#### **CRIME REPORT:** Joyce Stocker

Crimes reported to Montgomery County Police from Indian Spring for August (Time listed is the time the police report was made, not the time the crime was committed.)

Theft from vehicle (TFV) continues to be the most frequently occurring crime in our community.

The following three crimes were reported to the Montgomery County Police Dept from the Indian Spring neighborhood for the month of August. Please note that Longbranch community has had several reports of car break-ins or rummaging of unlocked cars.

 An unreported incident occurred near the creek of the Longbranch Park (the field area between Moss Ave and Longbranch Parkway). A young woman walking from her boyfriend's house around 1pm in the afternoon, was followed over the bridge and an attempt was made to drag her into the woods. She resisted, but her cell phone was taken. The young man is reported to have said his name was "Kevin" and he had recently moved to this area. He was thin, white and wearing a baseball cap. Although he returned her phone, he apparently was able to get her phone number, and later that evening sent her pornographic pictures of himself. The young woman was urged, but declined, to notify the police. The incident, however, was reported by others.

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   8:57 am
- THEFT FROM VEHICLE
   17 Aug 2010
   9400 BLOCK SEMINOLE Street, ,MCG
   7:10 pm

Lt. Bob Carter who participated in this year's National Night Out.

# SAVE THE DATE! Monday, September 20 • General meeting (Candidates night)

7:30 pm

Sunday, October 24

• FallFest, 3:00–6:00 pm

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## Calendar for Downtown Silver Spring

## www.downtownsilverspring.com Saturday, Sep 18th:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am 3:00pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market, 9:00am - 1:00pm

#### Saturday, Sep 25th:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am - 3:00pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market, 9:00am - 1:00pm

### Saturday, Oct 2nd:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am - 300pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market, 9:00am - 1:00pm

## Saturday, Oct 9th:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am - 3:00pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market. 9:00am - 1:00pm

#### Saturday, Oct 16th:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am - 3:00pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market. 9:00am -1:00pm

## Saturday, Oct 23rd:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am -3:00pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market, 9:00am - 1:00pm
- Montgomery College Alumni Mobile Masterpiece Art Fundraiser, 6:30 - 10:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, Oct 30th:

- Fenton Street Market, 9:00am -3:00pm
- FreshFarm Farmer's Market. 9:00am - 1:00pm