

ANNOUNCEMENT TO BE READ AT MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

October 19, 2009

As a City we are proud of our long-standing commitment to the CHARACTER COUNTS! program, now in its thirteenth year in Gaithersburg. To celebrate National CHARACTER COUNTS! Week, hundreds of local elementary, middle and high school students have entered essay and poster contests, using their words and creative expressions to show how the six pillars of character – trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship – impact their lives.

We invite the entire community to join us for a reception honoring the participants, winners, families, principals and teachers on Wednesday, October 21 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Activity Center at Bohrer Park, 506 S. Frederick Avenue next to Gaithersburg High School. The reception is free but reservations are requested.

The posters from this year's contest are currently on display at Lakeforest Shopping Center. After October 22 various City facilities will host the display until the end of the school year. For more information please contact the Community Services Division at 301-258-6365 x3 or visit the City's website at www.gaithersburgmd.gov.

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Gaithersburg residents will cast their ballots for Mayor and two City Council Members on Tuesday, November 3, 2009.

If anyone is interested in becoming an Election Judge for the 2009 Gaithersburg City Elections, or has any questions regarding the upcoming election, please contact Lauren Klingler at 301-258-6310, Ext. 2172 or at lklingler@gaithersburgmd.gov for more information.

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The entire community is invited to join the City of Gaithersburg for its annual Veterans Day Observance on Wednesday, November 11 as we honor and recognize U.S. military personnel past and present who play such an important role in safeguarding the future. The observance takes place at 11 a.m. at the City Hall Concert Pavilion.

The ceremony will feature remarks by an armed forces guest speaker and the laying of wreaths by the Mayor and City Council and local service organizations.

For more information please contact the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture at 301-258-6350 or visit the City's website at www.gaithersburgmd.gov.