<u>Montpelier Notes</u>, An occasional email for Pownal and Woodford residents. If you would prefer not to receive these notes please reply to <u>botzow@sover.net</u> and I'll remove you from the list. If you would like to be added please let me know. I do not give your email address to others. --Bill Botzow

November 3, 2012

Hello All,

The election is here and if you haven't already voted I look forward to seeing you at the polls on Tuesday. If you requested your ballot for early voting remember that it must be returned to the Town Clerk by the end of voting on Tuesday.

In Pownal, the Town Office will be open special hours on Sunday. Karen Burrington will be there from 10-3 and you can stop by and vote. For many people voting early on Sunday helps with their weekday schedules. Here are the Tuesday voting hours for Pownal and Woodford.

POWNAL: Poll open 7 AM – 7 PM at Firehouse in Pownal Center

WOODFORD: Poll open 8 AM – 7 PM at Town Office in Woodford Hollow

If you have voting questions here are the Town Clerk's telephone numbers:

Pownal: Karen Burrington 823-7757

Woodford: Ron Higgins 442-4895

This summer and fall as in previous elections I have tried to visit with many of my constituents at their homes. All the conversations we have had mean a lot to me and will inform me in the coming session. Thank you for your hospitality when I have stopped by and for letting me know your thoughts and concerns.

Many have asked me about the State Treasurer's race. Beth Pearce is an excellent state treasurer. I hope you will support her in this election. I have asked her to testify in committee many times on financial matters. She is straight forward, reliable, informed and accurate. Her professionalism, skills and integrity are impeccable. I can't think of anyone I would rather have taking care of our money and representing the state's financial condition to the citizens and to our creditors. She has improved the state's credit rating, helped towns through financial crises during Irene, and improved our public pension finances. Her good work deserves our support. We will benefit from her continued stewardship of our resources. Credit rating agencies and investors like to see predictability and consistency. Keeping Beth Pearce as State Treasurer will contribute to that.
Hurricane/Tropical Storm Sandy Relief Funds:
We were very fortunate in Vermont to be spared the destruction we know from Irene and now see in NY, Conn. And NJ. Many of us have family in those areas going through a very difficult time. Many have asked how to contribute. Here is some reliable information on how to donate.
Community Food Bank of New Jersey Connecticut Food Bank Food Bank for New York City American Red Cross Disaster Relief
Here's wishing you all the best and thank you for the honor of serving our towns.
Stay in touch,

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