

## JCL Spreads the Classics this Saturday

-Marge Keeley

Mt. Greylock's Junior Classical League (JCL) has invited fellow JCLer's from around the state to a day of competitions and celebration at **Mt. Greylock this Saturday, Oct. 16, 10:00am-3:30pm. Storyteller Odds Bodkin will present stories from *The Odyssey* at 10:30 am** in the school's auditorium. Lunch will be sold in the school's cafeteria.

Come witness our JCL compete in the **Certamen Scrimmage at 12:15** (Certamen: kerr-TAH-man, is like our modern day *Jeopardy* only about all things Latin.) Be awed by the power of **JCL-built catapults** as they **compete for distance records at 1:15**. Support our classics team!

For more information contact Marge Keeley at [makeeley@mgrhs.org](mailto:makeeley@mgrhs.org)

*The JCL is grateful to the Friends of the Milne Public Library for their support in bringing Odds Bodkin.*

## College & Career Center Has Something for Everyone

-Beth Nesbitt

The College and Career Center is now open and operating on the upper level of the Mt. Greylock Library. The Center is a resource clearing house for use by students, teachers, and parents to research college admission opportunities, professional and career study programs, summer study and recreations programs, semester and year off options, and private secondary academic and summer programs. Formerly located next to the Guidance Office, we were moved to the library during the past summer. There is a lot more space and we have a beautiful view, so please stop in for a visit.

Parent and community volunteers, with guidance and college admission experience, **staff the Center from 10-11:00 am each weekday**. The Center is open for browsing during regular school library hours.

Come get inspired while learning about college and career opportunities in the large collection of guide books. Borrow items from the collection of hundreds of college viewbooks, catalogs, videos, CDs, and DVDs, or research a summer program.

A big thanks you to McClellands for their donation of the magazine holders that now house our viewbook collection. Thank you Rose!

**Questions about the Center, please call**

**Martha Elpern at 458-5035 or Beth Nesbitt at**

**458-3245.** We look forward to meeting you!

## **PTO UPDATE**

-Lisa Hiley, co-chair

About 20 people turned out for the Oct. 4 PTO meeting, which featured an action-packed agenda. The group voted in the PTO's first official Board of Directors: Anne Hogeland, Lisa Hiley, Sue Hogan, Beth Goodman, Deryle Capozzi, Paula Machado, Paul Rosenthal, and Drew Gibson.

School Committee Chair Bob Patricca presented information about the proposed water line. A lively discussion ensued. If you are interested in more information, attend the **next Williamstown Selectmen meeting on Mon, Oct 25, 7:00pm at Town Hall.**

More fundraisers were discussed, with the possibility raised of expanding the gift wrap fundraiser from the Williamstown Elementary School to Mt. Greylock. There was some discussion of presenting area sponsors with a unified advertising opportunity for both drama and sports programs. A major topic which had great interest, tho not enough time for full discussion, was the coordination and a fuller understanding of the various fundraising efforts by all the sports teams. The idea of a unified booster club for all sports was floated, along with a pitch to research how other schools with successful unified booster clubs do it.

There is a lot going on at Mt. Greylock. All parents and teachers are encouraged to bring their ideas and energy to the **next PTO meeting on Monday, Nov. 8, 7:00pm in the school library.** Send any agenda items to Lisa Hiley at [lisahhiley@adelphia.net](mailto:lisahhiley@adelphia.net)

## **Javajive looking for performers**

**JavaJive returns Friday, Nov 5, 7-10:00pm at the First Congregational Church in Williamstown.** *JavaJive* is a student-run coffee house offering great music and performances by teenage artists. The stage is open to Mt. Greylock middle and high school students. Comedians, poets, jazz, folk, pop and classical musicians are urged to perform. All you have to do is **sign-up by Thu, Nov 4 by e-mailing Mollie at [javajive@yahoo.com](mailto:javajive@yahoo.com).**

*JavaJive* is intended primarily for teenagers, although adults are welcome. **Admission prices are \$1 performers; \$3 students; \$5 adults; and \$10 families.** *JavaJive* benefits theatre arts at Mt. Greylock.

Bakers are needed, please contact Mary Lou DeWitt at [weaversloft@aol.com](mailto:weaversloft@aol.com) *JavaJive* is looking for new members to serve on its steering committee. To get in on the fun, **contact Deb Burns at 458-0925.**

## Halloween Hop & Out of the Ordinary Auction

The PTO's first big fundraiser is going to be a blast—there will be dancing to a DJ, wonderful food, a moderately priced cash bar, and an auction of unusual services and items. Lots of parents have donated wonderful items from professional services (massages, custom painting of a room or furniture) to social events (ice skating party, scrapbooking evening, weekend at a lake cottage) to talents that you might not have (sewing services, writing and editing offers, fabulous baked goods delivered to your door). We will be auctioning several original works of art, a one-year membership to Curves, a twilight pass to Jiminy Peak and more!

**The party starts at 8pm, Sat, Oct 30 and the dress is Anything But Ordinary!** Come in costume, pjs, sweats, ski clothes, bathing suit, formal attire-but not your regular clothes! Join the fun at the Botsford House, formerly the Williamstown library, now restored to its original grandeur as a private home at **762 Main St. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$12 at the door.**

**For more details contact: Lisa Hiley, 458-3077 or [lisahhiley@adelphia.net](mailto:lisahhiley@adelphia.net)**

## SPORTS

### **Cross Country:**

Wed, Oct 20, 4:30 vs PHS & ME, away

### **Girls Volleyball:**

Tue, Oct 19, League Play-offs

**U-14 Girls Soccer:**

Sun, Oct 17, 4:00 vs Lee-HOME

**U-14 Boys Soccer: WSC White/Cyclones**

Sun, Oct 17, 2:30 vs Dalton-HOME

**U-14 Boys Soccer: WSC Purple**

Sun, Oct 17, 1:00 vs Lenox-HOME

**Lanesboro Tigers– Sr Div Football Team**

Sun, Oct 17, 2:30 vs Dalton-HOME

**GOINGS ON**

Fri, Oct 15: Deadline for November issue of The Forum

Articles may be e-mailed to [pakmach@adelphia.net](mailto:pakmach@adelphia.net)

**Scary Story Contest: Original Bloodcurdling stories must be submitted by Oct 22** to be considered for prize. Contact: Helen Olshever at the Milne Public Library or Mt. Greylock Librarians Mrs. Share at [kshare@mgrhs.org](mailto:kshare@mgrhs.org) or Ms. Henry at [shenry@mgrhs.org](mailto:shenry@mgrhs.org)

**Mon, Nov. 8, 7:00pm: PTO Meeting** in Mt Greylock Library

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[www.mgrhs.org](http://www.mgrhs.org)

Please send items for the next issue of *The Beacon* by **noon, Tues, 10/19/04** to **debbydane@aol.com** (or call 458-0168) or to **BStomberg@adelphia.net**