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Here are some story ideas in which you may have an interest:

**\*NOTE:** To help us track the usefulness of the Memo to Media, we ask that you inform us if you will be covering any of the events or information listed in the memo. Please send all correspondence to [Amanda.Spencer@hcps.org](mailto:Amanda.Spencer@hcps.org).

## Board Meetings

- **Monday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m.** - Board Business Meeting at the HCPS A.A. Roberty Building. For agenda, exhibits and more information, log onto [www.hcps.org](http://www.hcps.org) or call 410-588-5203.
- **Monday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m.** - Board Business Meeting at the HCPS A.A. Roberty Building. For agenda, exhibits and more information, log onto [www.hcps.org](http://www.hcps.org) or call 410-588-5203.

**Board meetings can be viewed at anytime from our website [www.hcps.org](http://www.hcps.org)!**

- **The 2009 Commencement Ceremony schedule has been revised. [View the new schedule here.](#)**
- Click here to view the 2009 Spring Concert Schedule for Harford County Public Schools. For questions, contact the Music Office at 410-588-5273. **NEW!**
- The NAMM Foundation has named Harford County Public Schools one of the 2009 “Best Communities for Music Education” survey, which acknowledges schools and districts across the U.S. for their commitment and support of music education in schools. As the economy challenges state and local school budgets to adequately support education, the 124 school districts named by the NAMM Foundation demonstrate the unwavering commitment to provide music education for their students. The NAMM Foundation’s mission is to ensure that all children have access to quality music education programs that encourage lifelong participation in music making. Click here to read the full list. **NEW!**
- Havre de Grace High School senior, Andy Coates, recently placed first in the Maryland state level Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) competition. Andy was the only student in Harford County to earn first place and qualify for the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, CA this summer. The National Leadership Conference allows FBLA members across the nation to convene to compete in leadership events, share their successes, and learn new ideas about shaping their career future through workshops and exhibits. This four-day conference is considered the pinnacle of the FBLA-PBL experience, especially for those running for national office. FBLA-PBL has forged partnerships with industry leaders to underwrite competitive events and scholarships for students achieving national ranking.
- Mrs. Kimberly A. Schmidt, social studies teacher at Havre de Grace High School, was named the 2009-10 Harford County Public School Teacher of the Year at the Teacher of the Year Banquet, Thursday, April 23rd at the Bayou Restaurant in Havre de Grace! Visit [www.hcps.org](http://www.hcps.org) for more information, videos and pictures!
- The Harford County Public Schools Title I Annual Parent Conference will take place on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Richlin Ballroom. The event will feature a sharing of Title I quilts and a unity poem presentation. For more information, contact the Office of Compensatory Education at 410-588-5278.