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***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.

Board Meetings

• **Monday, December 8th 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 or call 410-588-5203.

• **Monday, December 15th 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 or call 410-588-5203.

Board meetings can be viewed at anytime from our website www.hcps.org!

- The 2008-09 HCPS Educator Hall of Fame Nomination Form is now available online at www.hcps.org by clicking on "About Us" and "Hall of Fame Members." Click here for the direct link to the HCPS Educator Hall of Fame nomination form. One former HCPS educator is inducted into the Hall of Fame each month during the school year in response to the nominations subject to review by the Harford County Retired School Personnel Association, the Superintendent and the Board of Education. **NEW!**
- Tomorrow, Friday, December 5th at 12:30 p.m., three Korean War veterans will be speaking to Mr. Gregory Bane's social studies class at Joppatowne High School. The three gentlemen, all in their 70s and 80s, are extremely generous, well-spoken, articulate and dynamic. The presentation, accompanied by a Korean War display, will take place in a large classroom with about 50 students. This is the second year in a row the presentation has taken place at Joppatowne High. For more information, contact Mr. Bane at 410-612-1510. **NEW!**
- The late Florence Stansbury, 36-year Harford County Public Schools educator, will be honored at the December 15th Board Meeting as the December inductee into the HCPS Educator Hall of Fame. Mrs. Stansbury, who passed away in 1999, taught for 36 years in Harford County Public Schools, starting her teaching career at a time when schools were segregated and transitioning into teaching at fully integrated schools in the county between 1950 and 1986. For more information, call the Communications Office at 410-588-5203. **NEW!**
- The Fall 2008 State and Regional interscholastic athletic champions from the Harford County Public Schools will be recognized at the December 15th Board Meeting (6:30 p.m., HCPS A.A. Roberty Building). In addition, the teams that won Upper Chesapeake Bay Athletic Conference Sportsmanship awards will be honored. For more information, call Ken Zorbach, 410-588-5276. **NEW!**
- The Maryland Humanities Council in partnership with the Maryland State Department of Education have launched a statewide initiative to engage in an examination of Dr. King's legacy and race relations in their communities. In response to this initiative, MSDE is showcasing the artwork of Maryland students in a traveling exhibition. This artwork was produced by K through 12 public and private art students and is based upon Dr. King's Six Principles of Non-Violence. In addition to the artwork, students submitted an artist statement describing the connection between their work and Dr. King's philosophy. Anna Wehland and Abigail Barbara, Prospect Mill Elementary fifth graders, as well as Isis England, sixth grader at Magnolia Middle School, have earned a spot in the Maryland State Department of Education traveling exhibition. Their artwork was accepted among those from around the state of Maryland. The exhibition will travel the state and exhibit in many places over this year. Currently, the exhibition is at the BWI airport and soon it will be at the Walter's Art Gallery. In addition, Anna Wehland's artwork was chosen for the flyer to announce the Reception at BWI. Click here for photos and more information.
- North Harford High School will be displaying the work of artist, Gale Jamieson, throughout the school's art galleries. Ms. Jamieson was an artist-in-residence, working with the students at North Harford High to create a dream catcher for the "Inscription of Hope"



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concert performed by the combined choirs at North Harford High, North Harford Middle and the Deer Creek Chorale on November 1st. Her weaving pieces will also be sold to raise money for the "Pennies for Peace" project going on at North Harford High School. To learn more about Ms. Jamieson's work, visit www.galejamieson.com. For more information on the fundraisers, call 410-638-3650.

- Intent to Name Schucks Road Elementary Announced - According to Board policy, the official announcement of the intent to name the elementary school that is being constructed off Schucks Road, near Churchville, was made at the Board meeting held Monday, September 22. The policy suggests that the name of a public school facility should "give proper recognition to the community which it serves," but also provides for a building/ground to be named for a person, living or dead, who has made "significant contributions to education in the Harford County Public Schools." The policy further requires the intent to name be widely publicized in the community, with an invitation for the public to submit names in writing or in person during Board meetings in the 60-day interim, between announcing the intent to name and action being taken. The Superintendent will provide the Board with a complete list of names suggested along with her recommendation at the Monday, November 24th Board meeting. Allowing for 60-days required prior to naming the building, the Board will take action at its December 8, 2008 business meeting (7:00 p.m., HCPS A.A. Roberty Building). To submit names for the school, [click here](#).

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