



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

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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 Lindsay.Bilodeau@hcps.org.

Board Meetings

• **Monday, December 14th 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 21st 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!

- **New!** Harford County Public Schools' (HCPS) Office of Health Education will host a Youth Drug Summit for the STARS and SADD Clubs on Wednesday, December 9th at the Center for Educational Opportunity from 10 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Mr. Joseph Ryan from the Harford County Government Office of Drug Control Policy and Ms. Charletta Gallatin from the Harford County Health Department Office of Adolescent Addictions will make presentations to student leaders on the topics of binge drinking, drinking and driving and the addiction process. Students will also have an opportunity to begin the process of formulating plans for carrying these messages to their peers.
- **New!** The Greater Edgewood Education Foundation (GEEF) is sponsoring a holiday movie night...now showing a double feature - Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer and Santa Claus is Coming to Town! The showing will be Friday, December 11th, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club gymnasium (located behind Edgewood Elementary School, just off Cedar and Fern drives). This event is FREE and will include popcorn and beverages, just bring your blankets and chairs. Attendees will also be able to create a holiday craft project provided by GEEF and enjoy entertainment by Extreme Family Outreach!
- **New!** Angie Taddia, Havre de Grace Middle School health educator, was selected as a Blue Apple Health Education Award winner. There are only 12 recipients in the nation, and Ms. Taddia is the first middle school teacher ever from the state of Maryland! The Blue Apple Health Education Awards is an annual program honoring schools that serve as models of excellence for others across the nation in the area of school health education programs. For more information, visit www.BlueAppleAward.org. Ms. Taddia will be formally recognized for her achievement at the December 21st Board of Education meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- **New!** Mrs. Pauline Frantz will be inducted into the HCPS Educator Hall of Fame on Monday, December 21st at 6:30 p.m. Please join us in celebrating Mrs. Frantz's 21 years as an outstanding educator in Harford County Public Schools.
- **New!** Havre de Grace High school is sponsoring a Blue Grass Show featuring the bands Jericho Bridge and 4Ever Erin. The Show will be January 31st from 2 to 5 p.m. in the school auditorium. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased in the school office or at the door on January 31st. All proceeds to benefit programs for students at Havre de Grace High School. Tickets make great holiday gifts!
- **New!** Montrell Koonce of Aberdeen High School, a senior in the Science and Mathematics Academy, has elected to create an interactive map of Harford County's bike routes as his Capstone project, a required component of the program. This map will be ready sometime in May – hopefully in time for the annual Bike to Work Day. Working with his mentor, Bryant DeBruyne, a GIS specialist from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Montrell is creating a map that will show bicycling routes, Harford Transit bus stops, hazard areas, elevations and points of interests throughout Harford County. When completed, this project will provide valuable and practical information that will keep Harford's cyclists safe and informed. For the complete story, [click here](#).
- **New!** The HCPS 2009-10 winter concert schedule has been posted. [Click here](#) for the complete schedule by school.