

Memo to Media



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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, June 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. *This meeting features the Board Recognition Ceremony*

• **Monday, June 28th 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. *This meeting features the Board Recognition Ceremony*

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• Click here to view the 2010 Commencement Ceremony Schedule.

• **New!** Harford County Public Schools seniors will soon receive their high school diplomas at graduation. Graduates are reminded to keep their diplomas safe. There are many times throughout a career that they will need their diplomas. The current economic situation has created new demands for proof of identity through school records. The emphasis on Homeland Security, safety and identity theft has dramatically increased the number of education verifications that are conducted by colleges, employers, military and government agencies. For more information on safeguarding a diploma, click here.

• **New!** Superintendent of Harford County Public Schools Robert M. Tomback, Ph.D. has been appointed by Governor Martin O'Malley to the Maryland State Council on Educational Opportunities for Military Children. Maryland joined the Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunity for Military Children in July 2009. To coordinate statewide participation and compliance with Commission activities, Maryland created a State Council in April 2010. The Council consists of those members appointed by the Governor, and three members who serve ex officio. The Council is to develop and update a plan and recommendations that address issues confronting children of military families as they move from school to school such as the transfer of records, sequence of courses, graduation requirements, extracurricular activities, starting age for kindergarten and first grade, immunization requirements and power of custodial parents when parents are deployed. For more information, please contact the Communications Office at 410-588-5203.

• **New!** Barbara Nueslein, RN recently received the Outstanding EMS Program award for her initiative in creating six "emergency take-out locations" at Harford Glen Environmental Education Center, where she is the school nurse. The Environmental Education Center, staffed and operated by Harford County's Public School system to supplement classroom instruction, covers 360 acres and includes forests, marshes, and streams. Mrs. Nueslein researched accessible sites for ambulance transport along the trails of the Environmental Education Center and helped to develop a map with each accessible ambulance transport site marked by a red cross, the universal first-aid sign. Click here to read the entire story.

• **New!** The 2010 Harford County Environmental Scholarship & Green Awards Event was held May 20th at the Harford Glen Environmental Education Center in Bel Air. What began as a local recycling project for Bel Air High School in 1972 grew in dramatic portions and has evolved into the second largest scholarship program in Harford County. Partnerships between Harford County Public Schools, the Susquehannock Environmental Center, many local businesses and individuals committed to the continuing education of the young scholars in the community have led the way for the success of this program. The Harford County Environmental Scholarship, previously recognized as the Susquehannock Environmental Scholarship, has provided graduating students of Harford County more than \$190,000 in funding for college study in the field of environmental science or related areas. Click here for the list of 2010 award recipients.

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