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Board Meetings

For agendas, exhibits and more information, log onto www.hcps.org or call 410-588-5203.

- **Monday, February 28, 2011 – Board Business Meeting -- A. A. Roberty Building Board Room, 6:30 p.m. *features Recognition Ceremony**
- **Monday, March 14, 2011 – Board Business Meeting -- A. A. Roberty Building Board Room, 7:00 p.m.**

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- Barrage, a high-octane string group that features an international, multi-talented cast performing an eclectic mix of music, song and dance, brings its show to Patterson Mill High School on Saturday, February 26, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. Tickets for the show are \$15 general admission and can be purchased by contacting Shane Jensen at Shane.Jensen@hcps.org or by calling 410-638-4640. This public performance is part of the Barrage Educational Outreach Program and provides a rare opportunity for string students and the general public to see and interact with Barrage in a unique and intimate environment. The concert is sponsored by Patterson Mill High School Tri-M Music Honor Society and Orchestra along with Fallston Orchestra. Barrage performances offer a diverse fusion of cultures, musical styles and incredible performance vitality. **New!**
- The All County High School Jazz Choir and High School Jazz Ensemble will be held Sunday, February 20, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. at Patterson Mill Middle/High School. The concert will feature guest conductors Ms. Connaitre Miller for the Jazz Choir and Mr. Joseph Fischer for the Jazz Ensemble. Ms. Miller is currently Associate Professor of Music and Coordinator of Jazz Vocal Studies at Howard University in Washington, DC, where she directs the award-winning vocal jazz ensemble “Afro Blue” and teaches vocal jazz improvisation and vocal jazz arranging. Mr. Fischer is in his 15th year as an educator and has served as Director of Bands at River Hill High School in Clarksville, MD, since 2003. Under his direction, River Hill has earned many accolades, including recognition as an “Exemplary Music Program” by the Maryland Music Educators’ Association. **New!**
- Mr. Dwight Enterline will be inducted into the Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) Educator Hall of Fame during the February 28th Board of Education Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Please join us in celebrating Mr. Enterline’s 38 years as an outstanding educator in Harford County. **New!**
- Youth’s Benefit Elementary School will be hosting a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) night tonight, February 17, 2011, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The school is working with students from the Aberdeen High School Math and Science Academy, as well as some outside organizations. The high school students and scientists from outside organizations will be running stations for the Youth’s Benefit students. So far, more than 500 people have signed up for this event! For more information, contact the school directly at 410-638-4190.
- Bel Air High School will host the 4th Annual North East Theatre Festival February 18-19, 2011. This is a regional high school theatre festival that brings together drama educators, professionals and students in an effort to celebrate their love and passion for the performing arts. In addition to most of the high schools in Harford County, other schools attending will come from Baltimore, Montgomery and Caroline counties and Delaware. Participants will attend workshops and nine mainstage performances presented by the various attending schools. Students will be able to interact with representatives from six different college drama programs, as well as professional theatre artists with local and regional credits. Saturday’s festival schedule includes a keynote address followed by a Q&A session with Mr. Sterling K. Brown, a professional actor with on and off Broadway credits and a film and television background, including appearances on the last four seasons of Lifetime’s “Army Wives.”

- C. Milton Wright High School will host the Seventh Annual College Night on Monday, February 28, 2011, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the school's gymnasium. This event is free and open to all high school students and parents in Harford County. More than 80 prestigious colleges, universities, technical schools and military contacts from the Mid-Atlantic region will be participating in the event. This event provides an opportunity for high school students and their parents to meet directly with college admissions representatives to learn more about academic studies, campus life, the admission process and tuition.
- Harford County Teacher of the Year nominations are now being accepted! For more details and a complete nomination packet, visit the Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) website, www.hcps.org. All nominations are due to the Communications Office at the A.A. Roberty Building in Bel Air by March 4th at 4:00 p.m. Be sure to nominate the phenomenal teacher in your life! This year's Teacher of the Year Banquet will be held April 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Bayou Restaurant in Havre de Grace.
- HCPS will host Futures11, an annual event at Harford Community College for high school juniors. Approximately 450 students from Harford Technical High School, the Science and Mathematics Academy at Aberdeen High School, the Biomedical Sciences Program at Bel Air High School, the International Baccalaureate Program at Edgewood High School, the Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Program at Joppatowne High School and the Academy of Finance Program at Edgewood High School will take part in the event on March 24, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:10 p.m. Workshop topics include networking, college admissions, financing college, hot jobs 2020, preparing for interviews and much more! Business leaders and partners in education who wish to become involved in this event should contact Michele Shaivitz at Michelle.Shaivitz@hcps.org or 410-588-5331.

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