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Board Meetings

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- **Monday, June 13, 2011 – Board Business Meeting -- A. A. Roberty Building Board Room, 7:00 p.m. *features Recognition Ceremony**
- **Monday, June 27, 2011 – Board Business Meeting -- A. A. Roberty Building Board Room, 6:30 p.m.**

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- ***New!*** The Greater Edgewood Education Foundation (GEEF) recently hosted an event to launch the expansion of the organization, now called the Greater Excellence in Education Foundation. The name of the organization was changed so all students and parents could feel inclusive in the programs and support offered by the organization. Founded in 2005, the Foundation was originally conceived to serve the students in the Edgewood-area schools. As the organization grew and students moved to and from other feeder schools, more and more parents expressed a desire for their children to benefit from the programs to support their child's academic achievement and post secondary success. In the past five years, the organization has awarded \$34,000 in scholarships to students and \$20,000 to schools for innovative programs in the classroom. For the complete press release, click here.
- ***New!*** Deerfield Elementary School's Student Government Association recently completed a drive for the benefit of the Harford County Humane Society. Fifth grade officers spread the word and assisted in collecting donations. Blankets, bleach, food, bowls, towels, beds, leashes – nearly eight cases of items were donated to furry friends! Deerfield students hope everyone will take the opportunity to learn how to help the Humane Society. Please go to http://www.harfordshelter.org/?page_id=86 to see what items are needed. Tell them Deerfield sent you!
- ***New!*** The 27th Annual Harford County Academic Tournament was held at Harford Community College on April 26, 2011. Seven teams and 68 students participated in the tournament this year, including Aberdeen, Bel Air, C. Milton Wright, Havre de Grace, Edgewood, North Harford and Fallston high schools. Each participating team won at least one game during the preliminary round of the tournament. Then the teams continued on to an exciting playoff round, and finally on to an intense final round where the Bel Air team netted the win and trophy.
- Please join Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) and SunEdison on Thursday, June 16, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. on the rooftop of Edgewood High School in a celebration of the activation of six, large-scale solar power systems. The combined 1.2 MW systems are expected to generate an average of 1.5 million kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity annually, enough to power more than 2,600 homes over the twenty-year power purchase agreement term. Board of Education of Harford County President Mark M. Wolkow, HCPS Superintendent of Schools Robert M. Tomback, Ph.D., and HCPS Resource Conservation Manager Andrew P. Cassilly will be in attendance, as well as Harford County Executive David R. Craig and representatives from SunEdison. The multi-school program was made possible in part by the grant funding from the Maryland Energy Administration's (MEA) Project Sunburst program and a Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with SunEdison.
- Harford County Public Library, in partnership with HCPS, has received a grant in the amount of \$49,735 through the Barbara Bush Foundation to support preschool literacy at George D. Lisby at Hillsdale, Edgewood and Magnolia elementary schools. Harford County Public Library will provide weekly story times for preschool classes at these three Title 1 elementary schools as well as in-class lending libraries and Story Sacks for home use.