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FALLSTON HIGH SCHOOL TO HOST THE WHITE ROSE EXHIBIT

Open to the public Nov. 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Harford County’s Fallston High School will host the internationally-traveled White Rose Exhibit from Monday, November 16 through Wednesday, November 18. The exhibit will be open to the public on Tuesday, November 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Made available by the White Rose Foundation of Ludwig-Maximilian University in Munich, Germany, this exhibition pays tribute to Hans and Sophie Scholl, siblings from Munich who were closely associated with the student anti-Hitler movement in Nazi Germany.

As young activists, the Scholls were part of the White Rose, a resistance group committed to non-violence. From June 1942 to February 1943, they secretly printed anti-war leaflets, which they distributed to the public. On February 22, 1943, Hans and Sophie were executed for their anti-regime activities.

This exhibit has traveled internationally, and many U.S. universities and civic organizations have recently displayed it. Its 20 panels include photos and texts about the members of the resistance group. Fallston High School German Teacher Richard Jones is credited for making the arrangements to bring the White Rose Exhibit to Fallston High School.

“The White Rose Exhibit is about a group who risked their lives for what they believed. What is so powerful about the story is that it deals with students who were swept up in the events of the Nazi period, and these students decided to take a stand against such oppression and tyranny. The people around Sophie and the others were impressed with the quiet grace and dignity they exhibited as they faced their own deaths,” said Mr. Jones. “We are excited that Fallston High has the opportunity to present this exhibit. English, social studies and world languages departments have all contributed to this special event.”

Housed in the school’s theater, the exhibit will be available for class visits all three days it is on display at the school. The exhibition coincides with a visit on Monday, November 16, from Holocaust survivor Rubin Sztajer. Mr. Sztajer will be speaking to 10th grade English students who are presently reading Eli Wiesel’s Night.

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