

## MESSAGE FROM THE PTSA PRESIDENT, ANGELA BALLARD-LANDERS



Your PTSA continues to keep you updated and informed...

### Board Requests Options for Use of Alcohol Tax Funds (*Howard County Times*)

By consensus, the Board of Education directed HCPSS staff to compile a comprehensive list of maintenance and improvement projects that would be eligible for financing using \$4 million in state alcohol tax funds awarded to the County. The Board also requested an accounting of the process that resulted in a project list, which included artificial turf fields for two high schools, being approved by the State Board of Public Works on Oct. 15 without Board of Education approval.

Chief Operating Officer Ray Brown explained that the \$4 million designated to Howard County came in the form of restricted grant funds, non-bond funds, so the projects considered for funding were not identified in the capital budget, but rather from a list of maintenance and improvement projects covered by operating funds. As a result, the usual capital project approval process was not followed. Superintendent Sydney Cousin commented that "the process broke down."

"Things happen and we're going to get this straight," he said. Cousin noted that whatever the Board agrees on must also be agreed to by the County Government.

Coordinator of Athletics Mike Williams indicated that discussion about turf fields began in 2005 as part of ongoing collaboration between the school system and the Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks. Last year, an ad hoc committee put together a proposal to partner with the Department of Recreation and Parks to install artificial turf at high school football fields and staff began to draft a shared use agreement. The agreement calls for all future fields to be funded through Recreation and Parks at a cost of approximately \$800,000 per field. The average replacement cycle would be 8 to 10 years and could cost as much as \$500,000 for each field, a portion of which would be assumed by Recreation and Parks. In return, Recreation and Parks would get extended use of the fields.

Local jurisdictions have until Jan. 31, 2012 to make any adjustments to proposals approved by the Board of Public Works.

**PTSA Note: It is our understanding the list will be presented to the Board for discussion on November 17<sup>th</sup>. A public hearing is slated for early December to allow them time to make a decision before the holiday and to adequately meet the January 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Public Works deadline.**



**Once again Harbin Farms is offering a donation to our PTSA for every tree sold to families from our school.**


They have a location at the corner of Bethany Lane & Rt. 99. They offer fresh cut and live trees at both locations. Fresh made wreaths (custom orders accepted), roping, delivery and set up, poinsettias, cider, and jams and jellies (great gifts) are also available at both. They understand that it is a hard time for some families in this economy so they will be keeping their prices as low as possible.

**Be sure to mention our school while purchasing your tree this year and a 10% donation will be made to our PTSA.** If you have any questions call Kim at [443-864-3536](tel:443-864-3536).

## GIANT A+ BONUS BUCKS AND SAFEGWAY ESCRIP

**Giant A+ Bonus Bucks:**  
[www.giantfood.com/aplus](http://www.giantfood.com/aplus)  
Mt. Hebron's ID number is  
00996



 **Safeway Escrip:**  
[www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com)  
Mount Hebron's ID number is  
SAFEGWAY 6540094

If you are registered, Mt. Hebron earns money every time you go the grocery store.

## MORE FROM PTSA PRESIDENT

**Have you registered for the Aspen Family Portal and completed the PTSA Survey?** The Aspen Family Portal provides parents the ability to monitor their child's progress. However, you must register. Go to <http://mthebron.com/> and click on Aspen Family Portal Instructions to register. Also, in an attempt to provide the school system with productive feedback the PTSA has created a survey for parents, students, and teachers. Please visit the PTSA website at <http://www.mhhsptsa.com> to take the survey.

**Native American Heritage Month** is observed in November to honor the contributions of Native Americans. What originally started as "a day" of recognition was later approved in 1990 by President George H. W. Bush as National American Indian Heritage Month. Go to <http://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/> to learn more.

**Veterans Day is November 11<sup>th</sup>.** Please take the time to honor and thank those who have fought and sacrificed to serve our country.

**National Epilepsy** aims to educate and bring awareness about the condition, and find a cure to stop seizures. The Epilepsy Foundation defines epilepsy as a medical condition that produces seizures affecting a variety of mental and physical functions. It's also called a seizure disorder. When a person has two or more unprovoked seizures, they are considered to have epilepsy

Epilepsy affects almost 3 million Americans and 50 million people internationally. More than 300,000 children under the age of 15 are affected with 90,000 having seizures that cannot be adequately treated. Go to <http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org> to learn more.

**Thanksgiving Day** an annual celebration held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in November. Originally called the "First Thanksgiving" was celebrated by pilgrims and [Native Americans](#) to give thanks for safe arrival to the New World. Today, families continue to gather to give thanks, worship, and celebrate traditions.

The PTSA's December Executive Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the media center. All are invited!

Questions, comments, or concerns, contact me at [mthhsptsaprez10@gmail.com](mailto:mthhsptsaprez10@gmail.com) or 410-461-8422.

Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving.

Angie

Angela J. Ballard-Landers, President, Mt. Hebron High School PTSA

*"In everyone's life, at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being. We should all be thankful for those people who rekindle the inner spirit." ~ Albert Schweitzer*

**LOOKING FOR FRIENDS OF HOSPITALITY!**



Your next chance to be part of the fun is **Mon, Nov 21** when we serve the teachers dinner during Parent-Teacher Conferences.

You can **donate a dish or help serve and clean up.**

Let us know you want to be an F.O.H.!

email

Nancy Smith at [nancydansmith@verizon.net](mailto:nancydansmith@verizon.net)

or

Christie Timms [timmsnancarrow@gmail.com](mailto:timmsnancarrow@gmail.com)

**HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM, MILLER BRANCH GRAND RE-OPENING**

Date: **Saturday, December 17, 2011**  
 Place: Howard County Library Charles E. Miller Branch & Historical Center  
 9421 Frederick Road  
 Ellicott City, Maryland

**Schedule**

9:45 am	Opening Remarks by Howard County Executive Ken Ulman
10 am	Ribbon Cutting
10 am - 6 pm	Ongoing tours & activities



**LOOKING FOR FOSTER PARENTS FOR HOWARD COUNTY YOUTH**

**Will You Help Amy?**

**Amy** is a 12-year old who has been abused and neglected, her mother, who is a drug addict has now abandoned her. Amy came to Woodbourne, and is now looking for a family to share their hearts and their homes and become her foster family. Woodbourne is Maryland's oldest charity and has been caring for children since the American Revolution. Woodbourne's foster parent program serves boys and girls between the ages of six and 21. These children have suffered from severe abuse and neglect and need foster homes to help them overcome their behavioral and mental health issues. Foster parents receive training and support, as well as a monthly stipend. If you feel that you could open your heart and your home to a child, please **contact Michelle Willis at [443-901-0350 x4125](tel:443-901-0350).**



**Here are two great opportunities to get involved in your Hebron PTSA.**

The Annual PTSA Mulch Sale Fundraiser may not be until April, but we plan to get started with organization in January. The committee is **in need of a co-chair** who can become Chair next year. We also **need someone to be in charge of Marketing**



which would entail distribution of flyers and placement of signs. If you can help with this important fundraiser, please contact Jane Chambers at [chambers\\_jane@verizon.net](mailto:chambers_jane@verizon.net).



**The Student Services Dept  
Online Newsletter**

for  
Important dates and information

Please check out

[www.mthebron.com](http://www.mthebron.com)

Go to Student Services on the  
left hand side of the home page

Click the [Online Student Services Newsletter](#) link for all of  
your up to date information.

OR

Go directly to that page via the  
following link:

<http://web.hcps.org/~pmiles>



## STUDENT SERVICES NEWS



### SENIORS

#### Transcript Reminder

Please check for your name on the list next to the Student Services door so that you can pick up your transcripts. Remember, you can get them from the Registrars on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you need to request additional transcripts, you can get another request form or turn in your paperwork on those days, also.

Don't forget to request your transcripts at least 20 school days before your deadline (a tip: if you have a Jan 1 deadline, you need to request transcripts BEFORE Thanksgiving break to have them ready to mail. *Please keep in mind that Thanksgiving break is coming up, so students will need to pick up transcripts before the break if they have a November 30<sup>th</sup> or December 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. We will not be working over Thanksgiving or Winter break.*

#### Mid-Year Grade Reports

If your colleges are requesting mid-year grades, please provide the registrars with a stamped addressed envelope starting in January. Please write your name in pencil on the envelope so we know whose grade report to send. We will send them all out at once in early February once your mid-year grades have been entered. If there are any forms your counselor needs to fill out, please paperclip them to the envelope.

#### Financial Aid

Seniors and their parents are invited to attend the financial aid information nights at Reservoir December 1 and Hammond High School December 7, 2011 at 7pm.

Starting on Jan 1, 2012 you can complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Even if you don't think you will qualify for any aid, you MUST complete this form to be eligible for a lot of merit based aid provided by colleges. Go to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) for more info.

Parents: Do not wait until you file your tax returns to complete the FAFSA. Use estimated numbers or your 2010 tax numbers, then go back later and correct any changes. If you wait until your taxes are filed there may not be any funds left.

#### Scholarships

Scholarships will be posted on Family Connection throughout the year. Please check FC regularly so you don't miss out on any scholarships.

#### ACT

More and more colleges are accepting the ACT scores as a substitute for SAT's; though check the college's website to be sure. The upcoming ACT exams are December 10<sup>th</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup> and April 14<sup>th</sup>. The registration deadline for the February ACT exam is January 13<sup>th</sup>. The website is: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

#### SAT

The upcoming SAT exams are December 3<sup>rd</sup>, January 28<sup>th</sup> and March 10<sup>th</sup>. The registration deadline for the January SAT exam is December 30<sup>th</sup>. The website is [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

## COUNTYWIDE NCAA NIGHT



Thinking about playing a  
sport in college?  
This event is a **MUST!**

Find out how to prepare for athletic eligibility...get expert advice from college administrators and former college athletes.

Students, parents, and coaches are encouraged to attend.

Wed., November 30, 2011 • 7 pm  
Mt. Hebron High School



## MORE STUDENT SERVICES NEWS



### JUNIORS

#### SAT and ACT

We encourage Juniors to take the SAT and/or ACT as early as January, but waiting for the spring is fine. Juniors should be using the FREE SAT simulated practice tests on Family Connection. Please see above for test dates and registration deadlines.

### ALL STUDENTS

#### Career Academies

The Applications and Research Lab (ARL) will hold **Shadow Days** from November 29 to December 1, that allow students to attend the Academy of his or her choice and see what it is like. See you counselor for details and forms.

In addition, there will be Career Academy **Information Sessions** Nov. 9 and Jan 4 at 7 PM at ARL (10902 Route 108). Call the Office of Career and Technology Education, 410-313-6629 for more information.

#### Absences

**If a student is absent three or more days**, a parent can request through the Counseling Center that the student's school work be collected. **Please allow us 48 hours to collect the work.**

#### Family Connection

We encourage you to contact your counselor to register with Family Connection. It has countless tools and resources—college searches, Counseling Center's classroom lesson plans, personality/skills inventory, career information, etc. Once registered, you will have access to many features.

#### Change of Address

When making a change of address for a student, please provide the registrar with 2 proofs of residency. Such as a deed or lease and a utility bill. Please contact our registrar for more information at 410.313.2883.

### PARENTS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS — PAAS

Join the The Mt. Hebron Parents of African American Students (PAAS) on our annual fundraiser trip to New York City

**When:** Saturday, December 10, 2011

**Departing:** From Mt. Hebron High School at 5:30 a.m.

**Returning:** To Mt. Hebron High School at 10:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$60 person/Chaperone

**Objective:** Cultural Sightseeing, Educational, and Recreational

**Note:** This is not a Howard County Public School System/Mt. Hebron sponsored event.

**Questions:** Please contact Paul Haley, pbh7828@yahoo.com or call 443-271-6641.

Go to [www.mthpaas.wordpress.com](http://www.mthpaas.wordpress.com) for information and to download a permission slip.

**Go Vikings!**



**ICE HOCKEY SCHEDULE**

Come join us at the Laurel Ice Gardens. Games are free.

Date	Day	Start	Opponent
11/22/11	Tuesday	2:30 PM Howard	at Laurel Logsdon Rink
11/30/11	Wednesday	3:00 PM Centennial	at Columbia Ice Rink
12/09/11	Friday	3:20 PM Long Reach	at Laurel Logsdon Rink
12/13/11	Tuesday	4:00 PM Glenelg	at Laurel Logsdon Rink
01/06/12	Friday	3:20 PM Reservoir	at Laurel Logsdon Rink
01/13/12	Friday	4:50 PM WHO*	at Laurel Logsdon Rink
01/20/12	Friday	4:10 PM Marriotts Ridge	at Laurel Patrick Rink
01/23/12	Monday	4:30 PM River Hill	at Laurel Logsdon Rink
02/02/12	Thursday	3:00 PM Atholton	at Columbia Ice Rink
02/10/12	Friday	4:10 PM Howard	at Laurel Patrick Rink

WHO\*- is a co-op team comprised of players from Wilde Lake, Oakland Mills and Hammond.

Welcome back returning seniors: **Connor Kelleher, Kasper Nilsson and David Yachnych**, juniors: **Dex DiMattia, Mason Lichliter, Mason McArthur and Garrett Smith**, and sophomores: **David Cranston, Connor DuBois, Kevin Duke, and Andrew Wawrzyniak**. New to the team this year: **Nolan Freeman, Matthew Hargest, Ben Jablon, Tommy Kirchner, Curt Kline and Troy Wawrzyniak**.

Thank you **Ms. Vealey**, our teacher representative for supporting us again this year and team managers, **Jenni Peigols and Julia Sergent**. We are looking for more student managers to help keep score sheets and run the clock during games.



2011-2012 Mt. Hebron Ice Hockey Team

**Mt Hebron High School's Athletic Department Presents  
It's Winter Athletic Orientation Program  
Tuesday, November 29th, 6:30PM  
In the Main Gym**

The Mt Hebron High School Athletic Department will conduct its Winter Athletic Orientation Program for Parents, Students Athletes and our Fall Coaching Staff, on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> starting promptly at 6:30PM in the Main Gymnasium.

The Winter Coaching Staff will hold their Parent and Student Athlete break-out session to discuss expectations and team specific policies and procedures immediately following the program.

**WHO** - ALL Student Athletes participating in a Winter Sport along with a Parent/Guardian **MUST** attend.

**WHAT** – **COMAR, HCPSS Policies & Procedures, Sportsmanship & Conduct Expectations of Student Athletes & Spectators**

**WHEN** – Tuesday evening, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM in the Main Gym (Coach Break-out sessions to follow)

**Mt. Hebron Athletics Winter 2011-12****Allied Bowling**

12/8	Thursday	Centennial @ Normandy	3:30	Scr
12/15	Thursday	Centennial @ Normandy	3:30	
12/22	Thursday	River Hill @ Normandy	3:30	
1/05	Thursday	Howard @ Normandy	3:30	
1/12	Thursday	Hammond @ Normandy	3:30	
1/26	Thursday	Wilde Lake @ Normandy	3:30	
2/02	Thursday	Long Reach @ Columbia	3:30	

**Boys JV & Varsity Basketball**

11/22	Tuesday	North Carrol	A 5:30/5:30	Scr
12/2	Friday	Oakdale	H 5:30 7:00	Scr
12/5	Monday	Dulaney (JV)	A 5:30PM	
12/5	Monday	Dulaney (Varsity)	H 5:30PM	
12/7	Wednesday	Howard	H 4:00/5:30	
12/9	Friday	Glenelg	A 5:30/7:00	
12/14	Wednesday	Wilde Lake	A 4:00/5:30	
12/16	Friday	River Hill	H 5:30/7:00	
12/19	Monday	Hammond	A 4:00/5:30	
12/21	Wednesday	Oakland Mills	A 4:00/5:30	
12/27	Tuesday	Magruder HS Tm (JV)	A 9:00AM	
12/28	Wednesday	Magruder HS Tm (JV)	A 9:00/11:00AM	
1/4	Wednesday	Atholton	H 4:00/5:30	
1/6	Friday	Marriotts Ridge	A 5:30/7:00	
1/9	Monday	Long Reach	A 4:00/5:30	
1/11	Wednesday	Centennial	A 4:00/5:30	
1/13	Friday	Reservoir	H 5:30/7:00	
1/25	Wednesday	Howard	A 4:00/5:30	
1/27	Friday	Glenelg	H 5:30/7:00	
2/1	Wednesday	Wilde Lake	H 4:00/5:30	
2/3	Friday	River Hill	A 5:30/7:00	
2/7	Tuesday	Hammond	H 4:00/5:30	
2/9	Thursday	Oakland Mills	H 4:00/5:30	
2/14	Tuesday	Atholton	A 4:00/5:30	
2/16	Thursday	Marriotts Ridge	H 4:00/5:30	

**JV & Varsity Cheerleaders**

1/28	Saturday	HCty Winter Blast/RHHS	4:30PM	
2/4	Saturday	HCty V Champ/RHHS	10:00AM	
2/6	Monday	Dist V JV @ RHHS	5:00PM	

**Boys & Girls Indoor Track**

12/3	Saturday	HCty Scrim @ PGSC	3:00	
12/5	Monday	HCty Kick-off @ PGSC	4:00	
1/4	Wednes	District V @ PGSC	4:00	
1/7	Saturday	Mnt Cty Invite @ PGSC	9:00	
1/20	Friday	HCty Champ @ PGSC	4:00	
1/25	Wednesday	HCty Relays @ PGSC	4:00	
1/28	Saturday	Grgtwn Prep Invite @GP	8:30AM	
2/7	Tuesday	3A Region Meet @ PGSC	4:00	
2/21	Tuesday	3A State Meet @ PGSC	4:00	

**Girls JV & Varsity Basketball**

11/26	Saturday	Old Mill	A 11:00V/12:30JV	Scr
11/30	Wednesday	Frederick	H 4:00V, 5:30JV	Scr
12/5	Monday	Dulaney (JV)	A 4:00	
12/5	Monday	Dulaney (Varsity)	H 4:00	
12/7	Wednesday	Howard	A 4:00/5:30	
12/9	Friday	Glenelg	H 5:30/7:00	
12/14	Wednesday	Wilde Lake	H 4:00/5:30	
12/16	Friday	River Hill	A 5:30/7:00	
12/19	Monday	Hammond	H 4:00/5:30	
12/21	Wednesday	Oakland Mills	H 4:00/5:30	
12/27	Tuesday	MTH Tournament	H 5:00/7:00	
12/27	Tuesday	Big Doug Classic GHS	A TBA	
12/28	Wednesday	MTH Tournament	H 5:00/7:00	
12/28	Wednesday	Big Doug Classic GHS	A TBA	
1/4	Wednesday	Atholton	A 4:00/5:30	
1/6	Friday	Marriotts Ridge	H 5:30/7:00	
1/9	Monday	Long Reach	H 4:00/5:30	
1/11	Wednesday	Centennial	H 4:00/5:30	
1/13	Friday	Reservoir	A 5:30/7:00	
1/25	Wednesday	Howard	H 4:00/5:30	
1/27	Friday	Glenelg	A 5:30/7:00	
2/1	Wednesday	Wilde Lake	A 4:00/5:30	
2/3	Friday	River Hill	H 5:30/7:00	
2/7	Tuesday	Hammond	A 4:00/5:30	
2/9	Thursday	Oakland Mills	A 4:00/5:30	
2/14	Tuesday	Atholton	H 4:00/5:30	
2/16	Thursday	Marriotts Ridge	A 4:00/5:30	
2/21	Tuesday	Dist V Champ @ OMHS	A 7:00PM	

**Wrestling**

12/6	Tuesday	Atholton	A 4:00/5:30	
12/13	Tuesday	HOHS/LRHS @HOHS	A 4:00/4:00	
12/15	Thursday	Marriotts Ridge	H 4:00/5:30	
12/16-17	Fri/Sat	Meade JV Tm	A 3:00/9:00	
12/20	Tuesday	Glenelg	H 4:00/5:30	
12/22	Thursday	Tuscarora	H 3:30/4:30	
1/3	Tuesday	Reservoir	A 4:00/5:30	
1/10	Tuesday	RHHS/HAHS @ MTH	H 4:00/4:00	
1/13-14	Fri/Sat	Franklin Duals	A 4:00/9:00	
1/20-21	Fri/Sat	Hebron Duals	H 3:00/9:00	
1/24	Tuesday	CHS/OMHS @ CHS	A 4:00/4:00	
1/27-28	Fri/Sat	Meade V Tm	A 4:00/9:00	
1/31	Tuesday	Wilde Lake	H 4:00/5:30	
2/2	Thursday	Eastern Tech (V only)	H 5:00	
2/6	Monday	Lackey	A 5:30/6:30	
2/15	Wednesday	JV Cty Prelims @ HAHS	A 4:00	
2/17-18	Fri/Sat	JV Cty Tm @ OMHS	A 4:00/9:00	
2/17-18	Fri/Sat	V Cty Tm @ OMHS	A 4:00/9:00	
2/22	Wednesday	JV Dist V Tour @ TBA	A 4:00	
2/24-25	Fri/Sat	Regionals @ Wilde Lake	A 5:00/9:00	
3/2-3	Fri/Sat	States @ UMCP	A TBD	

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### **Viking Backer's Booster Club Salutes its Volunteers!!**

The Viking Backers wish to thank all the volunteers who have donated their time and effort this fall in our concessions stands both indoors for Volleyball and outdoors for the numerous games. We also wish to thank all the families and community businesses for their generous donations and continuous support for our organization.

**A special THANK-YOU goes out to all the community volunteers that made Homecoming such an incredible success!!! The day was beautiful, the parade was spectacular, and the company was great!**

The Backers will continue to make volunteering easy with the help of the online sign-up genius! Additionally, the Backers would like to acknowledge the hard work of Patti LeConte, who has worked endlessly to ensure BOTH concession stands are up and running for each and every event (not to mention the additional events that Patti has aided in with volunteer logistics)!

Thank-you Patti for your dedication to the Viking Backers and making certain the community-at-large has drinks and snacks readily available at each and every event!!!

### **EASY ONLINE SIGN-UP FOR VOLUNTEERING for Fall and Winter Season**

Here's the link to the concession Signup Genius for our fall calendar:

<http://signupgenius.com/go/mthebron1>. If you're not sure how to sign up or need any additional help, please don't hesitate to email Christine Daugherty, Vice President (Concessions) at [crivero74@yahoo.com](mailto:crivero74@yahoo.com) or Lois Blevins at [ljblevins@verizon.net](mailto:ljblevins@verizon.net)

### **CONCESSION STAND NAME WINNERS:**

It is With Great Excitement the Viking Backers Booster Club Announce the Winners of the Concession Stand Naming Contest!

#### **1st Place - Viking Galley**

Submitted by the Day Family – Tonya Day, Sierra Day - 12th grade, and Austin Day - 9th grade  
This will be the new name of the indoor concession stand

#### **2nd Place - The Gold and Black Shack**

Submitted by the Petti Family – Joe and Sherri Petti, Emme Petti - 11th grade  
The committee has decided to use the 2nd place winner for the naming of the outdoor concession stand.

#### **Honorable Mention**

Backer Bites (Submitted by Carsten Nilsson)  
The Hungry Viking (Submitted by Paige Fuss)

First and second place received a \$50 dollar gift certificate to Play it Again Sports! Thanks to EVERYONE for participating in this great contest! We had over 95 names submitted. The Backers have uploaded the other suggested names on our website!

Visit [www.Vikingbackers.org](http://www.Vikingbackers.org) to view the other submitted names, upcoming events, purchase tickets and memberships, view our generous sponsors and more!!!



## VIKING BACKERS NEWS FROM ACTING PRESIDENT, LOIS BLEVINS

**Vera Bradley & Basket BINGO!!!*****BINGO TICKETS SELLING FAST!***

We are down to the last 100 tickets for the Viking Backers Basket Bingo. Don't miss your chance to win great Longaberger Baskets and Vera Bradley Bags filled with fabulous items! The event will surely be a lot of fun for all!!!

**When:** November 18, 2011; Doors open at 6 pm

**Where:** FOP Lodge in Catonsville

**Tickets:** \$25 online at our store or purchased before November 16th from a Viking Backer representative or Team Parent Rep. \$30 at the door on November 18<sup>th</sup> *\*if tickets are still available.*

Volunteer Sign-Up Website for Basket Bingo: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/volunteer1219/715174](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/volunteer1219/715174)

**Can you assist us? We accept donations of many types.** Sometimes it is fun to do a theme such as movie night, gas cards, car care, exercise basket, team sport basket, cooking basket, Mexican Night, or Out for the Night. Besides items, gift cards, services, or certificates etc would be appreciated. If you would rather, you can give a monetary donation to be used to purchase items to fill the baskets and bags.

**We are also offering sponsorships** for \$125 for business or individuals who would like to sponsor a bag or basket. All donations can be picked up, dropped off at school to the Viking Backer mailbox, or mailed to PO Box 775, Ellicott City MD 21043. All donations are tax deductible and we will send you a receipt. Please send an email to Pam Komons, the committee chair of this event at [pamelakomons@verizon.net](mailto:pamelakomons@verizon.net) to let us know you if you would like to assist that evening, or will be sending a donation or if you need a pickup. If you have any questions, please contact us. We are excited to launch this activity

**UPCOMING Viking Backers EVENTS and Membership**

Coming up, we will be sponsoring a holiday tree and trim sale, Comedy Show (coming on January 28<sup>th</sup> – a family event), a spring event – to be announced after the holidays, and a 5K Walk/Run Race on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. If you find yourself too busy to participate in an event or one of the concession stands, at a minimum please become a member of the Viking Backers Booster Club (membership form is available on the [www.Vikingbacker.org](http://www.Vikingbacker.org) website and at the concession stand). A membership form is also in this month's Viking Voice.

**Vocelli's Pizza Wednesdays**

Let Vocelli's Pizza cook your dinner on the second Wednesday of every month.

They are sponsoring a competition to all clubs and teams. The team or club that that places the most orders that evening will win 10 free pizzas. Place your order and tell them which club or team you would like to name. Winners are announced each month – the club or team that places the most orders that evening will win 6 free pizzas (for a large club/sports team or 3 free pizzas for a small club/sports team. Place your order and tell them which club or team you would like to name. Winners are announced each month. October's winners were: Winner for a small club/sports team: The Lancers Dance Team and a winner for the large club/sports team: The Girls Volleyball Team (9<sup>th</sup>, JV and V combined).

**VIKING BACKERS NEWS FROM ACTING PRESIDENT, LOIS BLEVINS****Freedom Wheels Partnership**

The Viking Backers are excited to be partnered for a second year with Freedom Wheels. They provide customers with quality, reliable, low-cost used cars while allowing customers to enjoy an informative, no-pressure, no-haggle, educated, and comfortable buying experience and they will donate a portion of the sales to our organization. Freedom Wheels is a subsidiary of Vehicles for Change (VFC) a non-profit organization who repairs and provides donated cars to low-income families for employment purposes. If you have a car your family can no longer use, donate it and receive a tax deduction. Thank-you to ALL the families thus far who have donated their cars to the Freedom Wheels Program – the Backers received a check for over 2,000 dollars at the Back-to-School Night!!!

**THANKS AGAIN TO ALL THE MHHS FAMILIES WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE PROGRAM!!**

**Become a Member or Volunteer for the Backers!****LEADERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTED**

If you are interested in leading, we are currently looking for members to 1) serve on our indoor concessions committee and 2) oversee the taxes and non-profit status.

If you'd like to consider acting in a temporary capacity to see if a particular position is a good fit for you, let us know or email [ljblevins@verizon.net](mailto:ljblevins@verizon.net) (Lois Blevins) to chat more about the roles of a particular position(s).

In addition, we need volunteers for committees that will plan our major winter and spring fundraisers. We look forward to working with all the existing and new volunteers on the Backers' committee throughout the school year!

Don't forget to join our Viking Backer membership if you haven't already done so. We've had a great start this year for membership and would love to continue a strong membership drive to meet our goal of 60% of the total school population. Membership is available online at [www.vikingbackers.org](http://www.vikingbackers.org) or with the attached membership form (which can be mailed to our post office box address located on the bottom of the membership form).

We are always looking for volunteers and committee members to assist with the various events, spiritwear sales, and the concession stands. Winter/Spring events include a comedy show (family event), Vegas Night and the traditional 5K Walk/Run.

**THE VIKING BACKERS MEETING SCHEDULE (LOCATED IN THE Mt. Hebron Cafeteria 7pm) is as follows:**

Monday, December 5, 2011

Monday, January 9, 2012

Monday, February 6, 2012

Monday, March 5, 2012

Monday, April 11, 2012

Monday, May 7, 2012

Monday June 4, 2012

Additionally, the committee is always looking for new ideas for fundraising events, and of course, volunteers to help all the events to run smoothly. Being a Viking Backer member is an excellent opportunity to join efforts in supporting the school, meeting other parents and getting involved whenever you can!



## **REPORT ON BACKERS' ALLOCATION DISBURSEMENTS**

The Viking Backers donated funds to the below requesting organizations and clubs thus far for the 2011-2012 school year. The donated funds to-date have totaled over \$14,000. Please know that 100% of all funds that are allocated for each club and sports team comes from your support with membership, concession sales, and fundraising events. We rely solely on the community to support these fundraising initiatives to allow for continuous funding throughout the year.

### **Sports Team**

Athletics General Fund  
Cheerleading  
Cross country  
Field hockey  
Football  
Golf  
Girls Soccer  
Funding for Fall Awards & Trophies

### **Club**

2015 Class  
Cavaliers  
Friends Club  
Gifted & Talented (GT) Research  
Ice Hockey  
It's Academic  
Lancers  
Los Vikingos  
National Honor Society (NHS)  
PBIS  
Swim Club  
Viking Service

### **Holiday Trim and Tree Sale**

Support the Mt. Hebron High School (and the Viking Backers) - get your holiday decorations right in our own front parking lot! The Tree and Trim Sale will be located in the front parking lot next to the student lot. We will have beautiful trimmings, wreaths, trees, and an assortment of other items supplied by a local landscaping company (Payne Landscaping). A large part of your purchase is donated directly to the Backers for school wide club and sports team funding.

The Holiday Trim and Tree Sale will start Thanksgiving weekend. The hours for the stand will be Monday through Friday from 2:30pm to 9:00pm and Saturday and Sunday from 9:00am to 9:00pm.

Any club or sports team that would like to sign up to sell hot chocolate and goodies to raise funds directly for your club or sports team, contact Joe Blevins at [ljblevins@verizon.net](mailto:ljblevins@verizon.net).



## VIKING BACKERS NEWS FROM ACTING PRESIDENT, LOIS BLEVINS



### Driving Schools

Classes are being offered every month from Greg's Driving School and Street Smarts Driving Academy. Check the web-sites or pick up a flier in the front office for dates.

Classes being offered by the Viking Backers through the end of the year:

**DATE:** 11/1/11 – 11/15/11 - **TIME:** 3:00 pm – 6:15 pm – Street Smarts' Driving School – Room 103 (no class on 11/4)

**DATE:** 11/7/11 – 11/18/11 - **TIME:** 3:00 pm – 6:15 pm – Greg's Driving School – Room 105

**DATE:** 12/1/11 to 12/14/11 - **TIME:** 3:00 pm – 6:15 pm – Street Smarts' Driving School – Room 103

**DATE:** 01/02/12 to 02/13/12 - **TIME:** 3:00 pm – 6:15 pm – Greg's Driving School – Room 105

[www.streetsmartsmd.com](http://www.streetsmartsmd.com) – Phone number: 443-355-4238

[www.gregsdrivingschool.net](http://www.gregsdrivingschool.net) - Phone number: 800-456-1255

### Frequently Asked Questions about Drivers Education:

- **Am I required to take Driver's Ed?** Yes – in Maryland, the law requires everyone to complete an MVA-certified Driver's Education course in order to obtain a new driver's license. This rule applies to all Maryland residents, regardless of age.
- **Do I need a learner's permit to take the Driver's Ed class?** You do not need a learner's permit to take the class – in fact; you can begin the class as early as age 15. Many students find that taking the class first helps them to pass the MVA learner's permit test later when they apply for a permit (You can apply for a learner's permit at the age of 15 and 9 months).
- **The course consists of two parts: a classroom portion, and an in-car driving portion.** Students may take the classroom portion without a learner's permit, and then return for the on-the-road training after they have obtained their permit.

### HOLIDAY SEASON SHOPPING

THE NEW VIKING BUCKS PURCHASE CARD HAS ARRIVED! Get More Dollars for your Money at the Concession Stand with a Viking Bucks Card! Purchase the Bucks card for \$10 and receive \$12 worth of purchases! The cards are available for purchase at both concession stands! These are GREAT HOLIDAY AND BIRTHDAY GIFTS for any student!

Additionally, the Backers will be introducing an online spiritwear sale in November. Eye of the Needle will be taking and processing orders for delivery to the school for pickup in December. The sale will only run for one week, so watch the eblasts for more information about this upcoming opportunity to purchase bags, hats, jackets, pants and more. Consider a few spiritwear items for birthday or holiday gifts this winter.



## VIKING BACKERS BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2011-2012

Thank-you to the GREAT committee members who have made all the wonderful MHHS events and fundraisers thus far for the school year a complete success! Your unselfish commitment and desire to serve the students and community of Mt. Hebron High School does not go unnoticed!

President – Lois Blevins (Acting)

Executive Vice President - Lois Blevins

1st Vice President – Ways and Means (Fundraising) - Karen Jury

2nd Vice President - Concessions (Indoor and Outdoor) - Christine Daughtery

Volunteer Scheduling Coordinator - Pattie LeConte

Treasurer - Cordt Goldeisen

Assistant Treasurer – Larry Schwartz

Recording Secretary - Lora Rochester

Spiritwear Chair – Coral French

Indoor Concession Committee Chair – VACANT

Vegas Night Committee Chair - Tracey Tavai

Basket Bingo Committee Chair - Pam Komons

Comedy Show Chair - VACANT

Membership Committee Chair - Pam Jones

5k Race Committee Chair - John Vaughn

Holiday Tree and Trim Sale Chair - Joe Blevins

Webmaster– Donna Dietweiler

Web Editor – Tina Wumer

Vocelli's Pizza Chair – Jane Walker

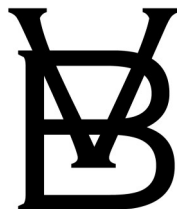
Driver's Education Chair – Robert Bozgoz

Tax & Finance Advisor - **VACANT**

Past President - Debbie Batzer

Past President – Cordt Goldeisen

We look forward to working with all the current and new volunteers on the Backers' committee throughout the 2011-12 school year!





VIKING BACKERS NEWS FROM ACTING PRESIDENT, LOIS BLEVINS



**MOUNT HEBRON VIKING BACKERS**  
**MEMBERSHIP 2011-2012**  
[www.vikingbackers.org](http://www.vikingbackers.org)

The Viking Backers would like to invite you to join us. We are a very active parent organization at Mount Hebron whose sole purpose is to raise funds to assist organizations, clubs, band, MHHS campus projects, and sports. We work in conjunction with the Athletics & Activities Manager to fund projects for all groups. Becoming a member of this vital organization is one small way to support your school. Volunteering to help with our fund raising efforts is an opportunity to meet other parents and be involved. We appreciate all assistance whether it is to work the concession stand, sell spirit wear, donate or help with our Longaberger Basket/Vera Bradley Bingo, the spring 5K Run and Walk, Vegas Night or other events. We meet the first Monday of every month at 7:00pm in the school's Cafeteria. There is always room on our committees for more volunteers and *we would welcome (and need) your assistance.*

If you have any questions about our organization, wish to join or contact us, check out our website [www.vikingbackers.org](http://www.vikingbackers.org). To join, simply complete this Membership Form below with your contribution. Checks are made payable to *Viking Backers* or you can sign up on our website. Payment can be mailed to Viking Backers, PO Box 775, Ellicott City, MD 21043 or placed in our box at MHHS. Thank You!!!

*(Please print clearly)*

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell-optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check off where you can help Volunteer!*

Events, Committees & Activities

Concession Stand-Workers & Committee

- \_\_\_\_\_ Concessions Stand Committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fall Season
- \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Season
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spring Season

Membership Level

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 100.00 Viking Level
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 65.00 Black & Gold Level
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 35.00 Hebron Level

Events & Activities Committees

- \_\_\_\_\_ Basket/Bag Bingo - Nov. 13
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spirit Wear
- \_\_\_\_\_ Holiday Tree Sale
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5K Walk/Run - Spring - May 6
- \_\_\_\_\_ Muncy Comedy Show - Jan. 28

- \_\_\_\_\_ Vegas Night - Merch
- \_\_\_\_\_ Communications
- \_\_\_\_\_ Webmasters
- \_\_\_\_\_ Business Donations (tax deductible)



# MT. HEBRON HIGH SCHOOL PTSA

## MEMBERSHIP 2011-2012

*When PTSA gets involved, children benefit.*

*When you get involved with PTSA, the child who benefits most is your own.*

Dear Mount Hebron Parents, Teachers, Students and Friends:

You are invited to join the Mount Hebron PTSA. The PTSA is an organization committed to enhancing the educational environment at Mt. Hebron by providing informational programs, communicating with the school board and legislators, and sponsoring student-related events. The PTSA is a voice for parents, teachers, administrators, staff and students. This year the PTSA will:

- Maintain a PTSA website which includes the Week-At-A-Glance, spotlighting school events
- Publish monthly newsletters
- Publish a school directory of students and parents
- Provide countless volunteer hours to support students, administration and staff
- Offer SAT prep courses
- Sponsor After-Prom Party, Honor Roll Recognition Night, Baccalaureate, Prom Promise Program
- And MORE...

Your membership dues of \$10.00 per person help provide funding for these special events and programs. Become a PTSA Patron with a donation of \$25.00 and show additional support for the PTSA. This is the only fund-raiser for the PTSA this year.

NOTE: Seniors and at least one parent must be members to be eligible for PTSA scholarships.

**We live in one of the wealthiest counties in the country. Please join today to show your support and help us reach 100% membership.**

Thank you!

Cheryl Sinclair  
Mount Hebron PTSA Membership Committee

## PTSA Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

eMail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (For confirmation of your payment)

Member (\$10/person) \_\_\_\_\_ Student Member (\$5/person) \_\_\_\_\_ Patron (\$25/person) \_\_\_\_\_

*Make check payable to: MT. HEBRON PTSA. You may mail your membership to PTSA Membership Chairman, 9440 Rte. 99 Ellicott City, Md. 21042, or drop it off at the school office in the PTSA Mailbox. Thank you for joining the PTSA!!*

## Mt. Hebron High School PTSA Volunteers Needs - 2011-2012 School Year

### Guidance Volunteers

\_\_\_ Assist college representatives giving information to students at MTH (two or four mornings/month Sept - Dec)

\_\_\_ Assist with "Mock Job Interview Day" for juniors (one or two days in late March). Volunteers are needed to be interviewers or to assist with hospitality.

### After Prom Event for Juniors/Seniors

\_\_\_ Serve on Committee for planning

\_\_\_ Sell tickets during lunch shifts

\_\_\_ Help out night of After Prom

\_\_\_ Help with the raffle

### Hospitality Committee

Welcome Back Lunch

Conference Dinner

Conference

Staff Appreciation Week

End of Year Lunch

### Date

8/25/11

11/23/11

2/15/12

5/7-5/12

6/2012

### Mulch Sale Volunteers for Late March/Early April (7am to Noon)

\_\_\_ Mulch Event Coordinator-work with subgroups to coordinate event

\_\_\_ Mulch Sale Committee member

\_\_\_ Drivers- drive your own truck, trailer or other vehicle to deliver mulch

\_\_\_ Loaders- load mulch onto volunteer trucks

\_\_\_ Loading bay Supervisor- count bags in each order

\_\_\_ Loading bay Cleaners- keep bay area free of debris

\_\_\_ Help find volunteers

### Honor Roll Recognition Committee

\_\_\_ Help prepare award packets

### Work Event

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### Donate Food

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student(s) Name / Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student(s) Name / Grade \_\_\_\_\_

**We can't do it without you.**

**Volunteers from every class (Freshman - Senior) are welcome!**

Please check the volunteer area(s) that interests you. A committee chair will contact you with more details.  
Return this form to the Front Office, Mt. Hebron High School PTSA, 9440 Rt. 99, Ellicott City, MD 21042  
or email the information to [joemon4@verizon.net](mailto:joemon4@verizon.net).

If you have questions, please contact: Monica Machovec at (410) 465-8534 or email [joemon4@verizon.net](mailto:joemon4@verizon.net).



## **5TH ANNUAL OPERATION REMEMBERING OUR TROOPS**

For the fifth year Mount Hebron High School is once again proud to announce **“Operation Remembering our Troops”**. Each year Mount Hebron High School families have remembered our troops who are recuperating at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center by collecting gift cards from Target, Giant and Wal-mart. (\$5 - \$10 cards). Phone gift cards (\$5-\$10) are great so that the troops can call their families and friends while in the hospital. Donations of playing cards, sudoku, crossword books, find-a-word, etc. Board games such as Risk, Monopoly, Scrabble, jigsaw puzzles (500 pieces) to name a few items that they have very much appreciated in past years. These items help to make the time in the hospital more bearable.

**Please drop off your donations to Mrs. Dribben in the attendance office. These items will be delivered on Christmas Eve to the hospital so the troops will have them during the holidays. As always, thank you for all your support and kindness!**

# Spanish Tutoring

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR WEEKLY SPANISH TUTORING THROUGH THE NATIONAL SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY**



**EVERY TUESDAY  
2:15-3:00**

**ROOM 154**

***BRING TEXTBOOK , WORKBOOK AND  
ANY CLASS NOTES***

***\*FOR QUESTIONS, SEE MRS. CORNELL OR MRS.  
GONZALEZ***



## Attention Parents—Please join us for our workshop: Little-Known Secrets of Paying for College

- Attend expensive private schools for the same out-of-pocket as in-state public schools.
- Pay for college in the most efficient and effective manner.
- Avoid jeopardizing your retirement nest egg.
- Qualify for your maximum Financial Aid package.
- Discover unique student positioning techniques.
- Gain an insider's view of the college admissions process.
- Recapture your out-of-pocket college costs.
- And much, much more!

Techniques  
for parents  
with kids of  
all ages!

### 2011 Fall/Winter Course Schedule:\*

#### **Howard County**

Registration: 410-772-4975, <http://coned.howardcc.edu/>

\$59 for Residents and Non-Residents

Tuesday, October 4 (1 Night ONLY!)

6:30—9:30 pm

Gateway Campus

6751 Columbia Gateway Drive

Columbia, MD 21046

Thursday, November 3 (1 Night ONLY!)

6:30—9:30 pm

Laurel College Center

312 Marshall Avenue

Laurel, MD 20707

#### **Montgomery County**

[www.montgomerycollege.edu/wdce/registerops.html](http://www.montgomerycollege.edu/wdce/registerops.html)

\$42 for Residents, \$72 for Non-Residents

Thursday, September 15 & 22

7:00—9:00 pm

Walter Johnson HS

6400 Rock Spring Drive

Bethesda, MD 20814

Wednesday, October 26 & November 2

7:00—9:00 pm

Bethesda-Chevy Chase HS

4301 East-West Highway

Bethesda, MD 20814

Thursday, November 10 & 17

7:00—9:00 pm

Rockville HS

2100 Baltimore Road

Rockville, MD 20851

Tuesday, November 29 & December 6

7:00—9:00 pm

Walter Johnson HS

6400 Rock Spring Drive

Bethesda, MD 20814

\*Montgomery County and Virginia workshops are two 2-hour sessions. VIRGINIA schedule available upon request—703.891.6681.

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