

March 4, 2016

Greetings WLMS!

Thank you to everyone who participated in last Friday's Soul Food Feast! Our students shined in their performances that included singing, poetry reading, dancing, and instrumental performances. We were also enlightened by the WLMS School Girls Unite Group, who shared their outreach project and its' positive impact. Thank you to seventh grader, Victoria Alvarez-Benitez and her sister Alicia (former WLMS student) for being the student emcees of this year's program. They were outstanding hosts! After the show and gallery walks, the food & fun continued in the gymnasium. What a great evening of great food, celebration, and community!

**School Wide Breakfast Program – Coming this Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>!** - Last week, we shared with you that Wilde Lake Middle School is now eligible to participate in a school wide breakfast program as determined by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). **Beginning this Monday, all WLMS students and staff may receive a FREE breakfast every day.** There will be cold food choices daily & hot food choices will be offered two/three days per week. Mrs. Swartz & Mrs. Nunley shared some new morning logistics with students during the "WLMS Eye Opener TV Broadcasts" next week. Here is a synopsis of the procedures . . .

- **Students will go straight to homeroom** upon arrival to school (7:45), instead of stopping at their lockers.
- Breakfast will be delivered to each homeroom so that students can eat between 7:45-8:02. Our Eye Opener TV Announcements will begin at approximately 7:55.
- Students will now visit their lockers between homeroom and 1<sup>st</sup> period (8:02-8:04). They will have an extra minute during this class change.
- **Due to allergies, we have shared with students that they MAY NOT bring in outside food for breakfast.** They will need to either eat the breakfast offered at school or eat at home before they arrive to school.

*(If your child has a food allergy listed in their school health record, your child's homeroom teacher has been notified of all of the students that have known food allergies. Because **ALL** students will be offered breakfast, we want to make sure students are aware of their food allergies and know what foods they can and cannot eat. Please take a moment to discuss this with your student prior to Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, when the breakfast program starts. Please contact the Health Room if you have any questions or concerns.)*

Anne Swartz, Peter Gaylord, Alexia Couch, Tiffanie Nunley

## Important March Dates:

Wednesday, March 9 – Dental Clinic  
Friday, March 11 – Interim Reports Issued  
Monday, March 14 – Spring Student Pictures  
Monday, March 14 – Chamber Orchestra Assessment  
Tuesday-Thursday, March 15-17 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade MSA Science Testing  
Wednesday, March 16 – Orchestra Assessment  
Wednesday, March 16 – SIT Meeting  
Thursday, March 17 – Coffee & Conversation with Board of Education  
Thursday, March 17 – Symphonic Band Assessment  
Friday, March 18 – Wind Ensemble Assessment  
Monday, March 21 – Middle School Debate  
Friday, March 25 – Sunday, April 3 – Spring Break

**The Enrichment Fair new date is: Tuesday, May 24th, 6:30-8:00.**

### **Update: Dental Education/Screening/Fluoride/Sealant Program at WLMS**

The Dental Clinic originally scheduled for February will finally be taking place on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>! The program will consist of three parts all occurring on the same day. During an extended homeroom on the 9<sup>th</sup> ALL WLMS students will view a slide show presentation put together by the dental professionals at Chase Brexton Dental Clinic educating students on Oral/Dental Health and proper hygiene.

Following this, the students who have been signed up (by a parent) to participate in this program will be screened (examined) and if it is found that the student is in need of sealants, these will be applied.

You, the parent, will get a notice that will be sent home with your student indicating what was found during the screening, what was done and if the student has any urgent dental needs. Please look for these notices when your student comes home from school.

If you have any questions please contact the Cluster Nurse, Annette Grzybinski R.N. at 410-313-6957. (we are not accepting any additional consent forms at this time)

## Information on **SCHOLARSHIP, INTERNSHIP and LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

HCASC invites **all middle and high school students interested in leadership with a purpose** to participate in our unique student-run monthly meetings the second Wednesday of every month-

- learn leadership skills and best practices
- discuss current events impacting students in HCPSS
- explore ways to make a difference in their schools and communities
- have fun!

Next meeting **Wednesday 3/9 7-8:30** at the **Homewood School 10914 MD-108, Ellicott City, MD 21042**. For more information contact [cindy\\_drummond@hcpss.org](mailto:cindy_drummond@hcpss.org)

Come see what 100 student leaders, athletes, and artists, who meet each month already know- HCASC is for students who want to get involved and work together to make their schools and HCPSS as strong as it can be.

[www.hcasc.hcpss.org](http://www.hcasc.hcpss.org)

**River Hill Yard Sale** You, your family, or your club can be a vendor for the 2016 River Hill Yard Sale! Get easy money from stuff you already own, with just a \$30 space fee. To reserve a spot, fill out this form <http://goo.gl/forms/vY2JM81XdO>. The yard sale is Saturday, April 16 from 8am to 1pm, so sign up now and tell your friends to come find some great buys. Registration deadline is April 9th. Email [rhhsyardsale16@gmail.com](mailto:rhhsyardsale16@gmail.com) with questions or for more information contact John Difato ([john\\_difato@hcpss.org](mailto:john_difato@hcpss.org)) and Cristin Lauer ([cristin\\_lauer@hcpss.org](mailto:cristin_lauer@hcpss.org)). See you there!

**Folly Quarter Middle School Community Indoor Yard Sale.** Sat. March 12, 8:00am -12:00pm, 13500 Triadelphia Rd. Ellicott City. Get your spring cleaning done early! Clean out your closets, basements, and garages! Yard sales and vendors welcome! Space available/\$20 per table. Vendors keep their profits. Sponsored by the FQMS Leo Club benefiting [Alice's Dream Foundation](#). To reserve a space email [fqmsyardsale2016@gmail.com](mailto:fqmsyardsale2016@gmail.com) or call 410.489.5799.

**Looking to fulfill service hours???** We need volunteers to help make the yard sale a success Friday night and Saturday. Check our *Volunteerspot* link to sign up to help at <http://vols.pt/Gz3Frm>.

**Community Notices – These events are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.**

**Howard County Library** The schematic design for the Central Branch is completed and the schedule finalized. **The Central Branch** renovation will be completed in three phases. Two of the three phases of work will be limited to former administrative areas, allowing the branch to stay open to the public. The final phase will require the branch to close for three months (see below), as renovations will impact public areas. Highlights of the completed renovations include:

- a greatly expanded Children's classroom
- a dedicated Project Literacy space that more than triples its former size
- a STEM classroom
- updated finishes and much needed new carpet throughout the branch

**Anticipated closing : April 1 – June 30, 2016** (some work will be accomplished while the branch is open – e.g., lower level, Project Literacy area)

### **MakingChange**

Free tax preparation is available at The MultiService Center, 9900 Washington Boulevard (Route 1) in Laurel. Taxpayers who earned up to \$54,000 in 2015 are eligible. MakingChange, a Howard County non-profit, is providing the service. Call 410-313-0220 to make an appointment.

### **Center for Creative Life and Learning**

The Girls on Fire Mentoring program is designed to help girls build self-esteem. The program targets girls age 8-14, 8-11 and 12-14. Girls participate in a variety of art forms activities and self-esteem building group sessions. Meets the 4th Sat. each month at the Columbia Art Center. For information call 410-312-0758.

### **Columbia Association**

The Columbia Art Center offers a wide variety of Art Classes for portfolio development and personal interest. Also offering a new Youth Artistic Masters Certificate Program. Check out the Fall Brochure on [www.columbiaartcenter.org](http://www.columbiaartcenter.org) for more information. For inquiries or to register, please call Columbia Art Center at 410-730-0075 or email [art.staff@columbiaassociation.org](mailto:art.staff@columbiaassociation.org).

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### **Healing Dimensions Foundation**

Offers Stressless Test, Middle School classes start **Mar. 1** and meet for four Tuesday evenings at Burleigh Manor Middle School from 6:30- 8:30 p.m. High School classes start **Mar. 2** meeting for four Wednesday evenings at Centennial High School from 6:30- 8:30 p.m.

For more information, email [Bcaldwell202@gmail.com](mailto:Bcaldwell202@gmail.com) or go to [www.Stresslesstest.org](http://www.Stresslesstest.org).

### **Glen Mar Church**

Glen Mar church summer mission trip opportunities. The first trip is to Crisfield, MD. The second and third trips are to Hurley, VA. The fourth trip is to inner city Baltimore. The fifth trip is to Cherokee, NC. Join us at [www.glenmarumc.org](http://www.glenmarumc.org) and click on the 'Mission' tab. There are pictures from last year, dates, and information on costs. For more information, contact: D.C. Veale at 410-465-4995 ext. 205 or [dc.veale@glenmarumc.org](mailto:dc.veale@glenmarumc.org).

### **Howard County Government**

Student Loan Forum and Resource Fair on Wed., **Mar. 2**, 7 p.m. at the George Howard Building, 3430 Courthouse Drive in Ellicott City, MD. A panel of local, state and federal experts will answer questions about the student loan process, provide vital resource materials and offer one-on-one guidance. A printable flier is available at [www.howardcountymd.gov/comsumer](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/comsumer) or call 410-313-6420 (voice/relay) for more information.

### **Grassroots**

Empty Bowls, the National Art Honor Society, the National Honor Society and the Culinary Department at Howard High School are hosting an Empty Bowls fundraiser for Grassroots in the school cafeteria on Wed., **Mar 2**, from 5-8 p.m. The Art Department is creating 300 bowls for painting by attendees and later will kiln-fire the bowls. For \$10, guests get their own bowl and a soup dinner prepared by the Culinary Department. Pay at the door.

### **University of Maryland**

Keys to Empowering Youth program, **Mar. 5**, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the University of Maryland. Registration is conducted on a first come, first serve basis until all available spaces are full. Submit your registration form, which can be found at [www.wie.umd.edu/k12/key-program](http://www.wie.umd.edu/k12/key-program) as soon as possible to secure your place in the March program. For further about this program, please contact Dawn Ginnett at [dginnett@umd.edu](mailto:dginnett@umd.edu) or 301-405-0315.

### **John Hopkins Applied Physics Lab**

Girl Power engages middle and high school students in interactive demonstrations from female STEM professionals. This is a free event held at the Kossiakoff center at JHU's Applied Physics Lab on **Mar. 6**, 2-5 p.m. <http://www.jhuapl.edu/STEM/Students?APL-Programs>.

### **Strathmore Hall Foundation**

Annapolis Symphony Orchestra and world-renowned cellist Lynn Harrell will perform at the Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda, MD. Sun., **Mar. 6**, 3 p.m. For more information and to purchase tickets visit <http://www.startmore.org/events-and-tickets/annapolis-symphony-16> or contact the Strathmore at 301-581-5100.

### **University of Maryland**

iEngineer is a summer STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) camp for rising 4th and 5th grade girls. **July 11-15**, deadline **Mar. 7**, this one-week commuter day camp is an exciting opportunity for girls to learn more about STEM. Contact: Candice Staples, 301-405-6610, [cstaples@umd.edu](mailto:cstaples@umd.edu), <http://wie.umd.edu/k12/iengineer>

### **Howard Community College**

Educational Foundation cordially invites you to the annual Silas Craft Collegians Dinner to benefit the Silas Craft Collegians Scholarship Endowment and Program. The Chinese dinner buffet will be served continuously from 5-8 p.m. on Mon., **Mar. 7**, at 7091 Deepage Drive in Columbia. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call the Development Office at Howard Community College, 443-518-1970 or visit [www.howardcc.edu/sccathunan](http://www.howardcc.edu/sccathunan).

### **Oakland Mills Village Center**

Lively Arts for Little Ones presents: "Mr. Gabe" on Fri., **Mar. 11**, 10 a.m., The Other Barn, 5851 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia. Tickets are \$5.00 (ages 2 and up). For more information, call 410-730-4610 or visit [oaklandmills.org](http://oaklandmills.org).

### **St. Louis Catholic Church**

Youth Ministry Presents The 35th Annual Italian Dinner On Sun., **Mar. 13**, 12:30-6:30 p.m., St. Louis Cafetorium, Rte. 108 & 32. All meals include Spaghetti or Lasagna soda/coffee/tea, salad, garlic bread, and homemade desserts. Tickets cost \$10/adult, \$5/children (10 & under), \$13/Lasagna, \$16/Combo Spaghetti/Lasagna & \$40/Immediate family of 6. Call (410) 531-6668.

### **Girl Scouts**

Teddy Bear and Me Tea on Sun., **Mar. 13**, 1:30- 3:30 p.m., at the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 12430 Scaggsville Road, Highland. Contact Gay Williams [gaywilliams12@gmail.com](mailto:gaywilliams12@gmail.com) or call [301.740.0295](tel:301.740.0295). Delicious treats, crafts, songs and activities Coordinated by G.S. Cadette Troop 10076  
Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [301.740.0295](tel:301.740.0295).

### **Grassroots**

Soup'r Sundae, the annual Soup'r Sundae fundraiser for Grassroots, hosted by Wilde Lake High School and the The Faith Community Partnership, is set for Sun., **Mar. 13**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., in the school cafeteria. A silent auction, music, entertainment for children and all the soup, bread and ice cream you can eat is included. Admission is \$20 for adults, \$5 for children under 12. Register at [www.souprsundae.eventbrite.com](http://www.souprsundae.eventbrite.com)

### **Boy Scouts**

Scouting For Food, Elementary Schools and Middle School, Sat., **Mar. 19**. Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts who attend these schools will be out in your neighborhood on that day to collect your donations. A bag will be dropped off at your home a few days before. Please remember to put your donations by your front door or your mailbox by 8 a.m. on Mar. 19. Thanks for your generous donations. For more information [scoutingforfoodnpd@verizon.net](mailto:scoutingforfoodnpd@verizon.net).

### **Howard County Government**

Youth and Teen Model Call, young men and women are invited to participate in an audition to perform in the 4th annual Fashion Show produced by Sean Gibson of Model Citizen Models. Model Call for 8-10 year olds will run from 1-2 p.m.; Model Call for 11-17 year old will run from 2-3 p.m. Fashion Show will take place on Sat., **Mar. 19**. Preregistration is encouraged, but not required. Registration: 410-313-7275. Information: Holly Harden, 410-313-4625 or [harden@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:harden@howardcountymd.gov)

### **Columbia Association**

Howard County Library System, Howard County Public School System, and the Columbia Association Art Center are calling on students in grades K to 12 to enter the annual Choose Civility Poster and Video Contest.

Posters and videos should be submitted by **Mar. 25** by mail or in person to:  
Monica Herber, Columbia Association Art Center, 6100 Foreland Garth, Columbia, MD.

### **Glen Mar Church**

Singers (adults and high-school age) are needed to perform John Rutter's entire "Requiem" at a Good Friday Worship Service on **Mar. 25**, 7:30 p.m. at Glen Mar United Methodist Church in Ellicott City. Practice starts on Thurs., 7 -7:30 p.m. in Jan. Contact Sophie Hong, Glen Mar's Music Director at 410-465-4995 ext. 209 or [sofie.hong@glenmarunc.org](mailto:sofie.hong@glenmarunc.org)

### **University of Maryland**

Exploring Engineering is a one-week residential summer program for high school women (rising juniors and seniors) who are considering engineering as a possible major and career. **July 10-16**, (Session I) or **July 17-23**, (Session II) The application deadline is **Mar 31**.

Students will live on campus for one week and be immersed in the world of engineering through hands-on activities, laboratory experiments, informative workshops, team challenges and seminars with professional engineers. Space is limited to 32 girls per session. Bria Barry, 301-405-3283, [bmcelroy@umd.edu](mailto:bmcelroy@umd.edu)  
<http://wie.umd.edu/k12e2atumd>

### **24rd Annual Viking 5K Cross Country Race/Walk and 1 Mile Fun Run**

Please mark your calendar for this annual event to be held on Sun., **Apr. 3**. Details and registration for the event can be found at <http://viking5k.wikispaces.com/Details>.

An early registration discount is in place if you register by 3/13.

Please consider participating in this event as it supports a variety of clubs, sports teams, performing arts and campus projects at Mt. Hebron HS.

Lots of volunteers are needed. To help with this event, please visit [Vikingbackers.org](http://Vikingbackers.org)

### **Cedar Lane School**

Walk for Our Stars, Sat. **Apr. 23**, 10 a.m.

Come join us for this fun, non-competitive walk. All money raised will be used to support our students with significant special needs and our staff. Funds will go towards the purchase of specialized equipment, expand the school's cultural arts program, increase the number of student field trips, and provide staff development beyond what is provided by the county. Please support The Walk and help those who can't walk, learn to stand on their own and those who can't speak, find their voice. For further information please contact Cedar Lane School at 410-888-8800 or [karioreilly@verizon.net](mailto:karioreilly@verizon.net)

### **Howard County Government**

Womenfest, a FREE Health & Wellness Event for Women, Sat., **Apr. 30**, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.,

Gary J. Arthur Community Center at Glenwood, Cooksville.

For more information about WomenFest, visit the event's website at [www.howardcountymd.gov/WomenFest](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/WomenFest) or call 410-313-5440.

### **University of Maryland**

Stepping Stones to Your Future (SSTYF) summer camp. This week-long coed commuter camp is for rising 7th & 8th graders who are interested in learning more about engineering. Each day is filled with a variety of fun hands-on activities and engineering challenges. There are two weeks to choose from: Session 1 **July 18-22** or Session 2 **July 25-29**. To apply, we require an online form and a teacher recommendation from a current math or science teacher. For more information and to fill out the application, visit our website at <http://wie.umd.edu/k12/sstyf>. If you have any questions, contact Dawn Ginnett at [dginnett@umd.edu](mailto:dginnett@umd.edu). 301-405-0315.

**July 18-22**, (Session I) or **July 25-29**, 2016 (Session II)

### **University of Maryland**

SPICE Camp – Students with Potential and Interest, Considering Engineering, **June 27-July 1**.

SPICE Camp is a week-long commuter program for young women who will be entering the 9th and 10th grade next fall and would like to learn more about engineering University of Maryland, College Park. Space is limited. The application deadline is March 31st. Scholarship opportunities will be made available once admittance decisions have been made. Bria Barry, 301-405-3283, [bmcelroy@umd.edu](mailto:bmcelroy@umd.edu), <http://wie.umd.edu/k12/spice-camp>.

### **College Park Tennis Club**

Learn Tennis at the Premiere Tennis Center, **June 13 –Aug. 19**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., College Park Tennis Club 5200 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park, MD.

Our students will learn the sport of a lifetime, under the direction of our certified teaching staff. Center. [tdeaney@cptennisclub.com](mailto:tdeaney@cptennisclub.com), 301-779-8000, [www.cptennisclub.com](http://www.cptennisclub.com)

## **SPORTS**

### **4th Quarter**

Spring after school leadership program at Bonnie Branch and Elkridge Landing Middle School (Spring registration ends **Mar. 1**, 2016). The Fourth Quarter uses fitness and touch football to tackle these MAJOR community issues: 1. Lack of focus 2.

Experimentation with drugs and alcohol 3. Childhood obesity 4. Failing to reach ones leadership potential. Become apart of the 4th Quarter TEAM by downloading a 4th Quarter Spring registration form at [the4thqtr.org](http://the4thqtr.org) or [jguy@the4thqtr.org](mailto:jguy@the4thqtr.org)

### **SuperSquads**

It's not too late for after school cheerleading with SuperSquads. Team practice is once a week and ends late April in 11 county schools. Please contact [supersquadsinfo@verizon.net](mailto:supersquadsinfo@verizon.net) or 410-796-2244.