

# Valhalla Voice October 22, 2018

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## Calendar

Date	Time	Event/Location
October 24	7-8:30pm	Run, Hide, Fight: School Emergency Sessions for Students, Staff
		and Parents @Auditorium
October 26	7pm	MTHMU Home vs. Glenelg HS (SENIOR NIGHT)
October 26		Last Day to Donate for Pediatrics at HoCo General
October 26		Last Day for Coat Drive Donation
October 27		MTHMU Marching in Alsatia Mummers Parade/Hagerstown, MD
October 27	10am-2pm	Drug Take-Back Day @Wilde Lake Village Center Parking Lot
October 29		MTHMU Orchards Parade (Marching through Mt. Hebron
		neighborhood)
November 1		"Hereos Around Me" Submissions Due
November 2	6:30pm	MTHMU Pep Band @ Hammond HS
November 4	11am-2pm	IASPA Diwali Cultural Event @Auditorium
November 5	6:30pm	Viking Backers meeting in the Staff Lounge
November 6		Voting Day
November 7	11am	IASPA UMD, College Park Campus Tour
November 8	6:30-8pm	New Date Values: Café Conversations @Cafeteria
November 9	7pm	MTHMU Appreciation Night
November 13	7-8:30pm	PTSA meeting in the Media Center
November 14	брт	MTHMU Booster Meeting in the Band Room
November 16	брт	Basket Bingo @ The Lodge in Catonsville
November 19	11:45am	Baked Potato Bar Luncheon for Staff during Conference week
December 31		PAAS Membership Deadline for PAAS Scholarship
January 17	7:30-9:00am	Values Café Conversations/MHHS Media Center
March 5	7:00-8:30pm	Values Café Conversations/MHHS Media Center

## Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)

Caroline Bodziak, President: <u>mthebronptsa@gmail.com</u>, <u>www.mthebronptsa.com/</u> Twitter: @Mthebronptsa, Facebook MHHSPTSA Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 7:00pm in the Media Center Next Meeting: Tues., Nov. 13, 2018

#### Technology Tip of the Week

When checking phones for inappropriate pictures, remember to look in the "Recently Deleted" album as people sometimes use this album to "save" private photos as the pictures in this album won't show up in any gallery. Items in that album are automatically removed after 30 days but if they are restored and then deleted again before the 30 days, the pictures are perpetually saved. On the iPhone, in the photo app, click Albums, and look for the "Recently Deleted" album. On Android phones, there is no recently deleted album but there are many free apps that would recover deleted photos.

#### Run, Hide, Fight: What Students & Staff are Being Taught to do in a School Emergency

Wed., Oct. 24 7:00-8:30pm in the MHHS Auditorium

The Mt. Hebron HS School Safety Committee & Central Office (Safety and Risk Management) created a program for students, staff and parents on what students should do when faced with a situation where their actions could save their lives. This presentation for parents covers how students should react if faced with an active shooter or other emergency when they are at school. Parents, please join us to with remembering how to Run, Hide, Fight. Register for this free event here: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parent-event-run-hide-fight-student-emergency-preparedness-tickets-50983728705</u>.

#### **Student Directory Available Soon**

One of many perks of PTSA membership is you receive a complimentary copy of the MHHS Student Directory when it is available later this fall. Join today! <u>www.mthebronptsa.com</u>

#### Date Change: Values Café Conversations now Nov. 8 6:30-8:00pm

The Oct. 22 Values Café Conversations has been moved to Thursday, November 8 from 6:30-8:00pm in the cafeteria. This facilitated workshop will help parents lend their voice to the development of a set of values for the Mt. Hebron HS community. Vocelli pizza will be served. Future workshops will be held on Jan. 17 and March 5. No RSVP necessary. Join us and be part of the conversation!

#### Did You Know....

MHHS has its own student-led online newspaper called The Mountain <u>https://mthmountain.com/</u> Check it out!

#### Coat Drive thru Oct. 26

Donations of clean, ready-to-wear winter outerwear (coats, hats, scarves, mittens, etc.) are being accepted in boxes in the school foyer through Friday, Oct. 26. Students will sort the coats for distribution within Howard County in early November. This is a joint effort between PTSA and HCPSS.

#### **Reflections**

Are you a poet, painter, or photographer? Are you a choreographer, composer, or cinematographer?

The PTSA Reflections program is a local, regional, and national competition that for 50 years has been celebrating the best artists in each school providing recognition and scholarships for excellent work. The theme of this year's competition is "Heroes Around Me." This Call for Art started September 17th and submissions are due November 1st. Submissions will be evaluated the first week of November and Best of Show will be celebrated and recognized at the Prism Concert on November 14th.

If you are a Viking artist, dancer, music maker, filmmaker or writer, see your art or English teacher for an application. You can also see the bulletin board in the Music/Theatre hallways for an application and information, or download from the PTSA website <a href="https://www.mthebronptsa.com/reflections">https://www.mthebronptsa.com/reflections</a>.

If you have any questions, see Mr. Barker in Room 136. Show up and show off Vikings! Enter your Reflections today.

#### Next PTSA Meeting Nov. 13 in the Media Center

7:00-7:15pm – Guest Speakers – TBD

**7:15-8:30pm** - PTSA meeting. Hear reports from the principal, SGA leaders, faculty rep, and other parent groups, followed by the PTSA general meeting.

#### **Hospitality Committee**

Hospitality is planning a baked potato bar dinner for staff Nov. 19 during conference week. If you would like to be on the Hospitality email list, please send an email to mthebronptsa@gmail.com.

#### **Volunteers Needed**

Our biggest needs at this point are related to AFTER-PROM. All of the jobs below are filled with veteran committee members who are graduating out next year or retiring. We need a few people to shadow and learn the ropes this year in order to take over next year. To ask questions and get details, please email <u>mthebronptsa@gmail.com</u>.

1. **Mulch Sale Assistant** – Needed to shadow this year's Mulch Sale Chair, Mary Pearce, to prepare to run the show the following year. The PTSA Mulch Sale is the PTSA's largest fund raiser in support of After-Prom.

2. Ticket Sales – Help manage the sale of After-Prom tickets to students, in person and online.

3. **Social Media** – Help with the promotion of After-Prom through social media on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Run contests and develop marketing strategies.

4. **Sponsorship** – Help identify and reach out to potential business, corporate and/or personal sponsors for After-Prom.

Join Online at www.mthebronptsa.com/.

#### Subscribe to the PTSA Website

Create a login then update your settings to get notifications of new postings to the PTSA website blog. For detailed instructions <u>click here</u>.

## **Viking Backers**

Jim Bahel President: president@vikingbackers.org, http://www.vikingbackers.org/

#### **Homecoming follow up:**

The Viking Backers would like to thank all the volunteers who helped make our Homecoming festivities run smoothly!

So THANK YOU!!!! to the families and individuals who:

- donated ice
- lent us coolers, tables, and canopies
- volunteered in the concession stand
- sold Spirit wear
- picked up our special food items: Chick-Fil-A sandwiches and Tino's pasta and wraps

#### We couldn't have done this without your help!

#### **Concession Help!!**

Thank you for all of your help working concessions throughout the season and for Homecoming! We still have some concession stand slots to be filled for last two weeks of games:

To sign up for Concessions: https://tinyurl.com/HebronFall2018

#### **Basket Bingo**

Basket Bingo tickets are now available for purchase on the Viking Backers website. Come join us on November 16 at 7pm (doors open at 6) for a fun night with friends and a chance to win a fantastic basket! All 20 bingo games have a prize worth about \$200!! We can only sell 300 tickets so buy your ticket soon to make sure you get one. Tickets to the event cost \$30.

#### **SPIRIT WEAR:**

Online Spirit Wear Items are in. Please contact Dana Arthurs at <u>danaarthurs52369@gmail.com</u> to set a time to pick up.

Come join us for our next meeting, today Monday, November 5th at 6:30 in the Staff lounge

### Parents of African American Students (PAAS)

CJ Ridgely, Co-president, Cheryl Godsey, Co-president: <u>mthebronpaas@gmail.com</u>, <u>www.mthebronpaas.wixsite.com/paas</u>

#### Join PAAS

\$30/Family. Families with seniors need to be paid members of PAAS by Dec. 31, 2018 to be eligible for a PAAS scholarship. Register here: <u>http://mthebronpaas.wixsite.com/paas/paas-registration</u>

## **Chinese American Parent and Student Association (CAPSA)**

Grace Wang, Chair: <a href="mailto:capsa.mhhs@gmail.com">capsa.mhhs@gmail.com</a>, <a href="mailto:www.capsamhhs.weebly.com">www.capsamhhs.weebly.com</a>

## **Indian American Student Parent Association (IASPA)**

Gopi Suri, Chair: gopi\_suri@yahoo.com, Visit Website: IASPA

IASPA (Indian American Student Parent Association) is organizing a Diwali cultural event (November 4<sup>th</sup>, 11am-2pm) at Mount Hebron Auditorium. We are inviting Mount Hebron families to join us to celebrate the Festival of Lights. Please come and take part in cultural activities, understand the significance of Diwali, and enjoy delicious Indian food.

Agenda: 11 am - 12 noon (Cultural Program consisting of Indian Classical song, dance, and instrument performances in the auditorium) 12 noon - 2:00 pm (Exhibits, display stalls, lunch in cafeteria) Please RSVP using the link <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044AABAB2FA0FF2-diwali</u>

IASPA is inviting Mount Hebron students for a UMD, College Park campus tour on November 7th at 11 am. Slots are limited and will be available on a first come first serve basis. Signup information will be shared in a separate email.

## Korean American Student Parent Organization (KASPO)

Il Minn, President: iminn1@gmail.com

Korean American Students and Parents Organization (KASPO) is recruiting members for 2018-2019. This will be an exciting opportunity to help the entire Mt. Hebron community. Please join, together it will be better. Contact IL Minn by email (<u>iminn1@gmail.com</u>) or phone (814-777-6590) Go Vikings!

## Mount Hebron Marching Unit Boosters (MTHMU Boosters)

Please check out our Facebook page at <u>https://m.facebook.com/MTHMU/</u> for lots of photos and videos of Homecoming 2018!

#### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We still need your help! There are many volunteer jobs at our various events. Check them out here and sign up today. It's fun and rewarding!

http://signup.com/go/eaUfWpp

The next MTHMU Boosters Meeting will be Wednesday, November 14th at 6:00 pm in the Band Room.

## **Community News**

#### Drug Take-Back Day Oct. 27

Do you have expired or leftover medicine at home that you don't know what to do with? HC Drug Free's **Drug Take-Back Day** is scheduled for Oct 27, 2018 - 10AM until 2PM at the Wilde Lake village center Parking Lot. This is a convenient, fast, friendly drive-thru medication and sharps collection event.

#### 2018 Howard County Voters Guide

Learn about the candidates up for election in Howard County's General Election including Board of Education, County Executive, County Council, State's Attorney, and more. <u>http://www.bizmonthly.com/2018-general-election-voters-guide-howard-county/</u> Voting Day is Tuesday, November 6.

#### **Donation Box for Pediatrics at HoCo General**

Mt. Hebron student and Leadership U member, CoTu Doan, is heading up a service project with other students across Howard County collecting donations for the Pediatric Department at Howard County General Hospital. The Pediatric Department is in need of board-games and toiletries, like shampoo, conditioner, body-wash, and deodorant - travel sizes are great too. There is a collection box outside the auditorium and donations will be collected through October 26th. Thank you!

#### Scouts 944 Starting Girls Troop Feb. 2019

Open House Nov. 7 @ 7:30pm/Parent Meeting Nov. 8 @ 7:30pm at Bethany United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 2875 Bethany Ln, EC 21042

Troop 944 is looking for adventurous girls (age 12-17) who want to learn more about Scouts USA. T944 has been chartered for 50+ years and is adding a linked girl troop to begin in February 2019. Girls will meet and plan their own adventures, activities and all-around fun. For more information please contact Chop Galloway at <a href="scoutmaster944@yahoo.com">scoutmaster944@yahoo.com</a>.

#### School Bus Drivers Needed

There are 40,000 HCPSS students riding 468 buses to and from school and more drivers are needed! Visit this link to see requirements and how to apply: https://www.hcpss.org/employment/school-bus-driver-vacancies/.

#### Transportation Issues on MD 99 Corridor

The Howard County Office of Transportation is looking into holding a public meeting on transportation issues in the MD 99 corridor – including issues concerning driving and walking to/from Mt. Hebron. The tentative date is December 11, 2018. For more information: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JrAINJFgoNwLGZpG3QqhpPMysW51hpm9b9m0Q3uPbg/edit?usp=sharing

<u>The PTA Council of Howard County (PTACHC)</u> values your opinion! PTACHC wants to know about the issues you think are important for this school year.

Please let us know through this short survey: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSVXY3M</u> Questions? Contact PTACHC at 410-740-5153. <u>www.ptachc.org</u>

#### Veteran's Day Fundraiser/Family Fun Nov. 3 1-5pm

Looking for a way to support veterans for Veteran's Day? On Saturday, November 3rd, The Baltimore Station is holding their annual Fall fundraiser - Stars, Stripes and Chow: Chili Edition from 1-5pm. All money raised at the event go directly into the program and the veterans at The Station. The Baltimore Station is an innovative therapeutic residential treatment Program supporting veterans who are transitioning through the cycle of poverty, addiction, and homelessness to self-sufficiency.

Stars, Stripes & Chow (#starsstripeschow) brings families an afternoon of fun as businesses compete in a chili cook-off to raise money for the Veterans and homeless men in The Baltimore Station's program. In addition to unlimited chili samples, guests will enjoy food from Mission BBQ and a beer and wine bar from City Limits, plus a kid's zone, music, and more!

Tickets: \$50 for adults (\$60 after 11/1), \$25 for veterans and 11-16 year old, Free for kids 10-and-under.

Where: City garage | 101 W Dickman St, Baltimore, Maryland 21230; free onsite parking. Purchase tickets: <u>https://baltimorestation.org/event/stars-stripes-chow-2018/</u> Learn more about The Baltimore Station: <u>https://baltimorestation.org/</u>

#### For more Community News and Programs visit

http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/