

We owe so much to those who have protected our nation and kept us free. Veterans Day on Monday is a time to thank the veterans in our lives, and to recognize the service of all veterans and their families.

Continuing in the spirit of service, our local nonprofits are always seeking volunteers. We will be compiling a list of volunteer opportunities on the county website to help make this a happy holiday season for everyone in Harford County.

All my best,

Barry Glassman County Executive

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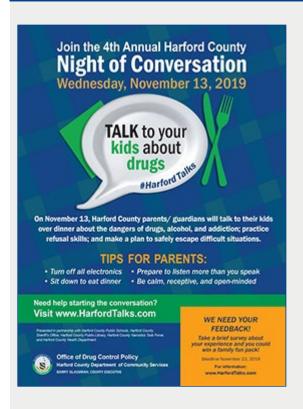
Veterans Resource Fair Nov. 9; New! 70" flat screen TV giveaway

Local veterans, active duty military, and their families are invited to Harford County's fourth annual Veterans Resource Fair on Saturday, November 9. New this year, Harford County veterans who attend the fair will be entered to win a 70-inch flat screen TV with wall mount, sponsored by APG Federal Credit Union. The fair will host representatives from the VA and veterans service organizations to answer questions, and check on VA claims. Job opportunities, family-friendly exhibits, and a free lunch will also be available. The C. Milton Wright pep band will kick off the fair, along with a tribute to Sgt. Alfred B. Hilton, Harford County's only Medal of Honor recipient. Stop by on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bel Air Armory. We hope to see you there!



Free household hazardous waste collection Nov. 9

Harford County residents can drop off household hazardous waste and get documents shredded for free, on Saturday November 9 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Harford Waste Disposal Center. The center is located at 3135 Scarboro Road in Street. Household hazardous waste is any leftover material that is corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive. Examples include oil-based paints, solvents, pesticides, herbicides, drain cleaners, and pool chemicals. Visit the county website for a complete list of acceptable items. Please note, this event is for residents only, no commercial businesses are allowed.



Nov. 13 Night of Conversation about drugs and alcohol

Wednesday, November 13, is a night set aside for Harford County parents and caregivers to have dinner with their families and talk to their children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Our third annual Night of Conversation for children in pre-school through high school is an opportunity to help kids practice refusal skills, and make plans to escape difficult situations. Ageappropriate conversation starters are being sent home with students and are posted online by our Harford County Office of Drug Control Policy.

Protecting seniors: Fraud Awareness Week

Medicare dollars Misuse of and Medicare enrollment fraud are two of the most frequent scams involving seniors. In fact, seniors are the targets of 49% of telemarketing scams involving medical care, and 41% of those involving sweepstakes and prizes. Victims of sweepstakes schemes have lost an average of \$7,000 each. To help protect our seniors, my administration be participating in International Fraud Awareness Week, November 17 -23. Look for resources from our Office on Aging, and on our social media, to protect yourself and your loved ones from fraud.





Business appreciation photos & free seminars

We recently celebrated Business Appreciation Week in Harford County, including on-site visits and recognition of milestone anniversaries. Box Hill Pizzeria was recognized for 35 years in business; Famous & Spang Insurance for 110 years, and Lyon's Pharmacy for an amazing 125 years! Click here for photos from the week. To help all local businesses reach their next milestones, my administration also hosts free seminars throughout the year. The next seminar is a discussion with experts in banking, accounting, insurance, and law, from 6 – 8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20. Register today.



Check batteries in your smoke detector

Working smoke detectors save lives. When daylight saving time ended this past Sunday, November 3, and you changed your clocks, it was also a timely reminder to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. It is not too late if you haven't already taken this simple step to protect your loved ones from disaster. The National Fire Protection Agency also recommends chimneys, fireplaces, and vents be inspected at least once a year, with cleaning, maintenance and repairs done as necessary. Thanks and be safe.

No Shave November supports cancer awareness

No Shave November is a national campaign encouraging men to skip shaving for the month to "Grow it. Show it. Support Cancer Awareness." My administration will join the campaign again this year, and collect new shaving supplies and other toiletries to support individuals local veterans and experiencing homelessness. Collection boxes will be in county buildings and libraries throughout the month of November. Thank you for your generous contributions, which will be delivered to Perry Point VA Medical Center, and help support Project Homeless Connect.





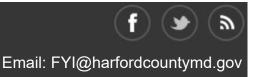
Welcome to the Barn Quilt Trail of Harford County

Fall is a great time to enjoy some of the stops on the big, beautiful, Barn Quilt Trail of Harford County. Watch the video above for more.

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