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As colder weather approaches and activities move indoors, we're likely to see an increase in new COVID-19 cases.

I continue to [monitor daily metrics](#), and I ask everyone to stay vigilant, [follow safety precautions](#) and remember to get your flu shot, especially this year.

Thanks & be safe,

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VIRTUAL PHOTO GALLERY OF HONOR



Harford County Veterans Photo Gallery of Honor

The pandemic has changed our plans for Veterans Day, but we're committed to honoring those who served. We're asking local veterans, and family members who wish to honor them, to [send us a photo and a few words](#) about their service for an online photo gallery of honor. We'll be posting the photos throughout November on [social media](#) and the [county website](#). I hope you'll join me in thanking them, and all our local heroes. Harford County will always remember your service and your sacrifice.

HARFORD COUNTY

Virtual Community Forum on Rising Drug Prices



Share your stories

Harford County residents, like people across Maryland, struggle to pay for prescription drugs that continue to rise in price. This is a challenge for so many people, and it can put them in the unacceptable position of having to choose between buying their medications or buying food. The Maryland Prescription Drug Affordability Board wants to hear about your experiences with the high cost of prescription drugs. If you missed our virtual community forum on Monday, you can [watch it here](#) and send your comments to www.healthcareforall.com/RxInput.



And
the
winners
are ...



Harford's Most Beautiful People

The annual Harford's Most Beautiful People Awards celebrate local volunteers who help others in our community. The [stories of all 14 of this year's nominees are posted online](#) in a virtual celebration for 2020. We also announced Greg LaCour as the winner of the 2020 Ripple Effect Award, which is named after the ripples that spread from a single pebble dropped in a pond, just as a single volunteer benefits the broader society. The Shining Light Award winners are Daniel McGhee and Tom Yingling. Please join me in congratulating them and all of our selfless volunteers.

Join the 5th Annual Harford County
Night of Conversation
Wednesday, November 18, 2020

TALK to your kids about drugs
#HarfordTalks

On November 18, Harford County parents/guardians will talk to their kids over dinner about the dangers of drugs, alcohol, and addiction; practice refusal skills; and make a plan to safely escape difficult situations.

TIPS FOR PARENTS:

- Turn off all electronics
- Prepare to listen more than you speak
- Sit down to eat dinner
- Be calm, receptive, and open-minded

Need help starting the conversation? Visit www.HarfordTalks.com

Additional tips from the poster:
• Talk about rewards and consequences
• Build your child's skills and strategies for avoiding drugs/alcohol
• Keep the communication lines open

Night of Conversation, Nov. 18

Wednesday, November 18, 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 fifth annual Night of Conversation for children in pre-school through high school is also an opportunity to help kids practice refusal skills and make plans to escape difficult situations. Look for resources and age-appropriate conversation starters on the [Harford Talks website](#). Together we can help local kids stay safe and drug free.

Harvest Festival at the Grove Saturday, Nov. 21

Following a successful Halloween Festival, we're excited to continue our series of free events at The Grove, Harford County's first agribusiness incubator. Next up is our Harvest Festival featuring seasonal activities for kids, live music, food trucks, and unique products from local farm vendors. Bring the family out from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 21 to The Grove, 3519 Conowingo Road in Street, and mark your calendar for our Winter Wonderland on Saturday, Dec. 5. Join the fun and help support Harford farms!



Holiday cooking safety

With the holidays coming and more families cooking at home, it's important to remember fire safety precautions. Cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries. In fact, the greatest number of home fires involving cooking happen on Thanksgiving Day. Always stay in the kitchen when you're cooking, and if you're using a turkey fryer, never leave it unattended. [Click here](#) for more safety tips.



Eden Mill Nature Center

Eden Mill Nature Center is a hidden gem nestled along Deer Creek in Pylesville. This 117-acre Harford County Parks & Recreation property is open year-round for all kinds of activities. Make an appointment to visit the old grist mill and the nature center; take photos by the dam; launch a canoe or kayak, and explore the five miles of hiking trails. To plan your visit, go to www.edenmill.org.



Running for Recovery

Don't forget the 7th Annual BG5K Run/Walk for Recovery on Sunday, November 8 to benefit homelessness and healing in Harford County. The race starts at 8 a.m. at the Equestrian Center in Bel Air. [Register here](#), and I hope to see you there!

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