COUNSELORS NEWS:

ARE YOU COLLEGE & CAREER READY?????

April 2017

SAT TEST DATES
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**Fee waivers are available to students who qualify for free/reduced lunches – See Mrs. Shirko/Mr. Hummel**

Upcoming Events:
Friday, April 7th – Report Cards
Saturday, April 8th – ACT Test
Thursday, April 13th – Garrett College visit during Enrichment- Sign up in the Counseling Center if interested

APPLY FOR THE FAFSA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
CONTINUE FILLING OUT SCHOLARSHIPS!

Things to be doing during the month:
• Wait for responses from colleges. Fingers crossed........
• Review Student Aid Report from FAFSA. (IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED FAFSA, DO SO NOW!!!)
• Compare Financial Aid packages from colleges. Start thinking about which college is best fit for you!
• Check with the Financial Aid Offices of your colleges to see if they have scholarships you may be interested in applying for.
• Register for May SAT and/or June ACT. THERE ARE ONLY 3 TESTS LEFT TO TAKE THIS SCHOOL YEAR!!!
• CHECK Deadlines and apply apply apply apply for scholarships!

* Call Garrett College Financial Aid office to assist in filling out the FAFSA! (Even if you aren’t attending there, they will help!)
* May 1st is National Response Day!! You should have informed all your colleges of your decision by this date.

****** REMEMBER TO CALL OUR LOCAL SENATORS AND DELEGATES TO REQUEST A SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION!!!!
   -See Mrs. Shirko if you need further information or help!

Scholarships to apply for during the month:

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)
Form that is required by most colleges and post-secondary schools in order to determine eligibility for federal and state financial aid programs, including the Pell Grant and the Guaranteed Access Grant. Complete and submit electronically ASAP after October 1 - no later than March 1 for Maryland state scholarships.
● www.fafsa.gov

VARSITY TUTORS SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST
Varsity Tutors holds a monthly $1,000 college scholarship contest where students write an essay in response to a monthly prompt. Visitors to the Varsity Tutors scholarship webpage are able to vote via social media for submitted entries. The top five entries with the most votes are reviewed by Varsity Tutors at the end of the month and one winner is subsequently chosen to receive the $1,000 college scholarship. Interested students can enter the contest here: Apply online: http://www.varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship

TUCKER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP
Financial assistance for students pursuing post-secondary education
● Open to high school seniors in Garrett County who plan to enroll in a two or four-year college or university or trade/technical school
● Scholarship application is available at website: www.tuckerfoundation.net
● AWARD: amounts vary
Deadline: Postmarked April 7th

GEORGE B. AND LENORE MORGAN HUMBERSON SCHOLARSHIP
Designed to provide financial assistance to a graduating senior at Northern Garrett High School who plans to attend Frostburg State University. Applicants must:
● Be planning to attend Frostburg State University
● Submit an applicant written essay describing his/her career goals, school and community involvement, financial need and why he/she is deserving of this award
● AWARD: $1,000  Deadline: April 10th

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CIVIC CLUB
Scholarships awarded to a graduating senior from both Northern and Southern High Schools
● Applicants must complete application thoroughly
● All applications considered regardless of age, gender, race or handicap
● Applications are evaluated in the order of service, leadership and activities, academic scholarship and financial need
● Must be applied to tuition, books or course required supplies
● AWARD: $500
Deadline: Postmarked by April 14th

THE MD SALTWATER SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION
Scholarship mission is to provide financial aid to undergraduate students who show extraordinary promise of contributing to the marine environments of the Chesapeake Bay, its tributaries, and the coastal waters of the mid Atlantic seaboard. Requirements are:
● High School seniors planning to pursue post secondary degree in Marine Biology, Environmental Engineering and Management, and Fisheries Management, or other curricula related to the ecology of the Chesapeake Bay, its tributaries and the coastal waters of the mid-Atlantic seaboard;
● Apply online at www.mssa.net. Click “Scholarship Foundation” at the top of the page OR fill our paper copy in the Counseling Center.
Deadline: Postmarked by 5:00PM on Friday, April 14th
ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP
- High school seniors who plan to enroll full time at Allegany College
- Minimum 3.0 GPA (Approximately 85%) required
- Complete Allegany College of Maryland Scholarship online at www.allegany.edu and search scholarships.
- AWARD: $500

Deadline: April 15th

CARROLL G. AND HULDAH DEWITT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Established in memory of Carroll G. and Huldah DeWitt. Mr. DeWitt served Garrett County by owning and operating a public school bus for 48 years. Established to provide financial assistance to an outstanding senior at Northern High School for post-secondary education and/or training.
- Must be a senior at Northern High School
- Must have achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must exhibit qualities of good character, citizenship and personal integrity
- Must exhibit leadership through involvement in extra-curricular and/or community activities
- AWARD: $600.00

Deadline: Return to Counseling Center by: April 15th

DARIUS AND RUTH FIKE SCHOLARSHIP
Financial assistance to graduating high school seniors of Northern Garrett High School.
- Must attend an accredited 2 or 4 year college, business, professional or technical school no later than fall of graduation year
- Must be in the top 50% of graduating class and prove a definite financial need
- Preference will be given to those applicants not receiving other scholarships
- AWARD: $500

Deadline: April 15th

DAVID G. LIVENGOOD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Established by the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 99 to honor Deputy Livengood who was killed in the line of duty. Up to three scholarships may be awarded. Consideration of awards prioritized in the following manner:
- Son or daughter of an active member (including deceased members)
- Son or daughter of an associate member of Garrett County Lodge 99 FOP in good standing (if an active member’s dependent fails to qualify)
- Applicants enrolling in a law enforcement major or criminal justice course
- Others who are not included in provisions of 1, 2 or 3 above
- AWARD: Varies

Deadline: April 15

GRANTSVILLE ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP
Established for graduating seniors (from Garrett County) to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education. The main focus of this scholarship is on students who have demonstrated merit in community and volunteer service.
Applicants must:
- Be a senior at Northern High School or Southern High School
- Plan to attend a post-secondary institution as a full-time student (includes colleges, trade, technical schools, etc.)
- Demonstrate merit in community service and/or volunteer activities during high school (grades 9-12)
- Have and maintain a cumulative GPA of "C" or higher
- AWARD: $1,000 (1 per school)

NOTE: Immediate family members and/or dependents of the Grantsville Rotary are not eligible.

Deadline: April 15th
HICKORY ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER COORDINATORS SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship is awarded to a senior pursuing a degree in Engineering with special consideration given to Aerospace, Astrophysics, etc. A letter of recommendation from a school or county official must accompany their application.

- Must be a senior at Northern or Southern High School
- Supply a copy of their transcript
- Proof of acceptance into an accredited secondary institution
- Pursuing a degree in Engineering with special consideration given to Aerospace, Astrophysics, etc.
- Provide a letter of recommendation from a school or county official

Application will be available in the counseling center.

AWARD: $250
Deadline: April 15th

HICKORY ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER PLANETARIUM SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship is awarded to a senior pursuing a degree in Environmental Science of Wildlife Management. A letter of recommendation from a school or county official must accompany their application.

- Must be a senior at Northern or Southern High School
- Supply a copy of their transcript
- Proof of acceptance into an accredited secondary institution
- Pursuing a degree in Environmental Science of Wildlife Management
- Provide a letter of recommendation from a school or county official

Application will be available in the counseling center.

AWARD: $250
Deadline: April 15th

JOSEPH FOX, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
The State of Maryland International Reading Association Council will award three scholarships to graduating seniors in Maryland high schools. Recipients must:

- Attend an accredited educational institution of their choice and pursue a degree in reading or a reading-related field and a teaching career
- Selection criteria includes: verification of graduation from high school, pursue a major in education, document and verify current or previous community service in education-related activities
- Must have two letters of recommendation
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Written statement describing qualification

AWARD: three $1,000 scholarships
Deadline: April 15th

NORTHERN CLASS OF ’59 SCHOLARSHIP
Established for a senior at Northern High School to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education.

- Applicant must be entering an accredited junior college, four year college, professional or technical school in fall of graduating year
- Applicant must major in the field of SCIENCE, HUMANITIES, MUSIC, MATH, or SKILLED TRADE
- Applicant must be in top 50% of graduating class
- Applicant must provide at least one letter of recommendation from teaching staff or community person to address the following:
  A. Applicant has shown good character, citizenship, resourcefulness and respect to others through school activities or community service while attending NHS
  B. Applicant has shown and expressed a sincere commitment to improve and become a better citizen both economically and socially through higher education
  C. Applicant has demonstrated skills of self-discipline and perseverance
  D. Applicant is willing to work part-time and contribute to his/her educational expenses OR has saved substantially toward college expenses by having worked during high school years
- Requires grade transcript including senior year

AWARD: $1,200
Deadline: April 15th
NHS CLASS OF 1975 SCHOLARSHIP
Established to provide a graduating senior at NHS with financial assistance for post-secondary education/training.
- Must be a graduating senior at Northern Garrett High School
- Priority is given to an applicant with a 504 Plan or an IEP
- Applicant must enter a post-secondary program in the fall semester of the year in which the award is received
- May be used to defray costs of tuition, books and living expenses for any post-secondary program
- Application and three letters of recommendation required
- AWARD: $500
Deadline: April 15th

TIM FRAZEE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Established to provide financial assistance to a deserving graduate of Northern High School for the purpose of furthering his/her education.
- Based on demonstrated “extra effort” in such areas as classroom, extra-curricular activities, varsity sports, general school or community life
- One letter of recommendation from school or community official (teacher, counselor, coach, principal, employer, civic leader, etc.) Describing evidence of applicant’s “extra efforts”
- Must be planning to attend a post-secondary institution including college, vocational, or technical schools
- Financial need is NOT a primary factor
- AWARD: Determined in May
Deadline: April 15th

GARRETT REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Established to provide financial assistance to four graduating seniors from Northern Garrett High School and four from Southern Garrett High School who are planning to pursue a degree in a health-related field. Requirements are:
- Have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Plan to pursue a health-related major at a two-year or four-year college or university
- Demonstrate character, leadership, and financial need
- Involvement in extra-curricular and/or community activities
- Two recommendations
- 500-word essay
- AWARD: $500
Preference will be given to students enrolled in one of the following high school pathways: Medical Technology, Nursing, or Professional Medical Services
Deadline: April 15th

MISS UTILTITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
This scholarship program will select one student from each of the nine regions outlines in the application covering Maryland, Washington, D.C. and Delaware to receive a $1,000 scholarship. To be eligible, applications must be on track to graduate in Spring 2016, intend to enroll in an accredited two year or four year college, university or technical school beginning in the fall 2016. Application can be obtained in the counseling office.
Deadline: Postmarked April 21st

GRAM'S PROMISE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION – Elizabeth Ann "Libby” First Memorial Scholarship. Established to recognize Maryland high school seniors for their activism and leadership among their peers in the fight against tobacco use. Seniors who are tobacco-free and have demonstrated a commitment to anti-smoking advocacy are encouraged to apply.
- Award: Minimum $250.00
Deadline: Received by April 21st
KATIE DEROSA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
An award will be presented to an outstanding male and female senior cross county/track distance runner living in Allegany and Garrett Counties, Maryland, and Hampshire, Hardy or Mineral Counties, West Virginia. The student-athletes chosen to receive these scholarships must:

- Have participated in cross county or distance events in track (1600 or 3200) for at least two years at the high school level
- Must have been accepted to a college or university at time of application
- Must have a GPA of at least 2.8
- Plan to participate in either cross-country or track at the collegiate level.
- Leadership qualities, financial need, and involvement in extra-curricular and community activities will be given consideration
- AWARD: $500

Deadline: Postmarked by April 21st

SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION POST 214 SCHOLARSHIP
Established for senior career technology program completers at Northern Garrett High School

- Applicants do NOT have to be affiliated with SAL, but preference may be given to those who are
- May be used toward further career tech education or training at a 2 or 4 year college or trade/technical school
- AWARD: $500 each (1 male and 1 female)

Deadline: April 22nd

ANDREW S. WOODS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Scholarships will be awarded to seniors at Southern Garrett High School and Northern Garrett High School in memory of Andrew Woods, sponsored by the WGW Benefit Golf Tournament.

- Enrollment in a 4-year college or university;
- Has a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA;
- Has been involved in athletics or cheerleading for at least two years during high school;
- Demonstrate financial need;
- Completion of application and two 250-word essays.
- AWARD: scholarships in the amount of $2,500 each

Deadline: Submit to Counseling Center by April 22nd

HARRISON FOY MEMORIAL/NORTHERN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTERS SCHOLARSHIP
The Harrison Foy Memorial Scholarship is offered to students from Northern High School who participated in at least one varsity sport their senior year. A committee consisting of school administrators and the Athletic Director will select the scholarship recipient.

- Be accepted to an accredited two or four-year College, professional, or technical school. A copy of the acceptance letter must accompany the scholarship application;
- provide a letter of recommendation from a school or county official;
- complete the Harrison Foy Memorial Scholarship Application;
- Include a max. 300 word essay describing what you have gained by participating in athletics during your High School career
- AWARD: $400 (2)

Deadline: Submitted to Coach Carr by April 24th

GARRETT COUNTY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
Established to provide financial assistance for aspiring teachers in Garrett County.

- Must be planning to major in teacher education at an accredited college/university
- Based on application, including personal essay and letters of recommendation
- AWARD: Two $250 scholarships

Deadline: Submitted to GCEA Office by April 28th
ELKS CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP
Ten scholarships will be awarded in Maryland based on the following criteria:
  ● Be a graduating high school senior at a Maryland school
  ● Plan to enroll in a vocational or technical program of study lasting not longer than two years
  ● AWARD: $1,000 renewable for one year
Deadline: Postmarked April 30th

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD - SPENCER W. GRAHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Financial assistance to deserving high school seniors pursuing higher education at an accredited institution. Applicants will be evaluated on the following criteria:
  ● Must be a member of Woodmen of the World and be in good standing for two years
  ● Primary emphasis on financial need
  ● AWARD: To Be determined
Deadline: Received no later than April 30th to be considered for awards

ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP
  ● High school seniors who plan to enroll full time at Allegany College
  ● Minimum 3.0 GPA (Approximately 85%) required
  ● Complete Allegany College of Maryland Scholarship online at www.allegany.edu and search scholarships OR complete paper copy in Counseling Center.
  ● AWARD: $500
Deadline: April 30th

ANGIE M. HOUTZ MEMORIAL FUND
Established in memory of Angie Houtz, a naval analyst killed in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack at the Pentagon. Selection will be based on academic achievements and completion of 200 hours of community service.
  ● Cumulative, unweighted grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
  ● Attend or be accepted to attend a Maryland public 2 or 4 year college or university.
  ● Must be a full-time student (minimum 12 credits)
  ● Must have participated in at least 200 hours of community service.
  ● Must not be related to any member of the Board of Directors.
  ● It is not necessary to be a Maryland resident or a United States citizen to apply.
  ● All application materials must be postmarked by April 30, 2015.
AWARD: $3,100
Interested seniors can access the application in the Counseling Center.
Deadline: Postmarked prior to April 30th

GARRETT COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Designed to encourage Garrett County high school graduates to pursue post-secondary educational opportunities at Garrett College.
  ● Open to members of the graduating classes of NGHS and SGHS
  ● Must be a legally documented resident of Garrett County for a period of two full years prior to September 1 of the effective date of GCSP enrollment
  ● Must complete GCSP application form, Garrett College admissions application, FAFSA form and application forms for Maryland financial aid programs, including the Guaranteed Access Grant
  ● Award amount covers the costs of tuition and combined fees at Garrett College for up to 64 credit hours of study in the student’s chosen program of study
Deadline: May 1st if not before!

GARRETT SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP
  ● GPA 3.0 or better
  ● Major in agriculture or natural resources related field
  ● Garrett County resident
  ● Must enroll full time at college
  ● AWARD: Two $1,000 scholarships
Deadline: Postmarked by May 1st
OAKLAND CHAPTER #67 ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

- Graduating seniors who plan to attend an accredited college or university
- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- Financial need and community and civic involvement
- Requires essay describing his/her career goals and community and civic involvements and why it is important to you.

AWARD: $250 (2)

Deadline: May 2nd

PATRICIA A. BOWSER MEMORIAL EMERGENCY SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP

- Full or part-time status as a student at his or her college/university
- Verified acceptance by the respective college/university
- Scholarship will be made available to the finance office of respective college/university
- Applicants are required to advise committee of any other grants or scholarships that have been awarded to you
- Must be MD state high school graduate or hold a GED.

Deadline: Committee must receive by May 15th

LALITTA NASH MCKAIG FOUNDATION

Memorial scholarship offered to students in select Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia counties.

- Must enroll full time in college/university
- Requires financial information and college acceptance letter
- Selection based primarily on financial need

Deadline: Postmarked May 31st