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## News Nugget

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## Welcome Mr. Carter!



As we wish Mr. Gene Morgan a happy retirement, we welcome our new principal Mr. Danny Carter to our staff.

Mr. Carter grew up in Eckhart Mines and graduated from Beall High School in 1974. Mr. Carter decided to pursue the career path of an educator because he had always had an enjoyable education growing up, and he also had a few aunts and uncles

who were teachers. He attended Frostburg State College and graduated in 1978 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Secondary Teacher Education. He later graduated from Frostburg State University in 1985 with a Master's Degree in Secondary Administration and Supervision. In 1979, Mr. Carter started his first teaching job as a math teacher at Northern Middle School in Garrett County for grades 6-8. From 1979 until 1983, he was a science teacher for 7th through 12th grades at Flintstone. Mr. Carter transferred to Fort Hill High School and taught Biology and the sciences from 1983-1996. In addition to working for Allegany County Public Schools, he was an Adjunct Professor of Biology at Allegany College of Maryland from 1986-2017. Mr. Carter started his career as the principal as an assistant principal in 1996 at Fort Hill High School and remained there in that position for five years. Mr. Carter became an assistant principal at Braddock Middle School for the 2001 school year. From the 2002 school year until the spring of 2018, Mr. Carter was Principal at Braddock. Starting this April, he joined the Mountain Ridge staff as principal.

Mr. Carter has three children, his daughter Danielle, son Derek, and son Nathaniel. He has been a member of Frostburg Arion Band since 1973, and a member of Frostburg Arion Band since 1973 and a member of Ali Ghan Shrine Band. He enjoys woodworking, gardening, antique trucks, visiting national parks, and history.

Mr. Carter has enjoyed his time at Mountain Ridge so far. He enjoys working with the new students, and the faculty is very supportive. His goal for the rest of this school year is to make sure that it runs smoothly. He hopes to keep the school as a safe environment for children. As Mr. Carter always says, "Make it a great day or not, the choice is yours."- Jenna Green & Emily Beck

## Dates to Know

- × May 1st- Player & Parent football meeting
- × May 5th- Prom
- × May 7th-10th- Diamonds Tryouts
- × May 16th-Accolades @ 7 PM
- × May 17th-CCTE Ceremony
- × May 18th-Senior's Last Day
- × May 28th-No School: Memorial Day
- × May 29th- Graduation
- × June 12th-Students' Last Day
- × June 14th-Teachers' Last Day

## Senior Section

**SAT Dates**— May 5, 2018 Resister by April 6, 2016

### Guaranteed Access Grants (GAG):

1. Resident of Maryland
  2. Enroll at a two-year or four- year Maryland college or university
  3. Demonstrate financial need
- Stop in guidance office for more information!

### Maryland College Aid Process System (MDCAPS):

1. Apply - <https://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us>
2. FAFSA must be completed first

### Kids' Chance Scholarship (ongoing)

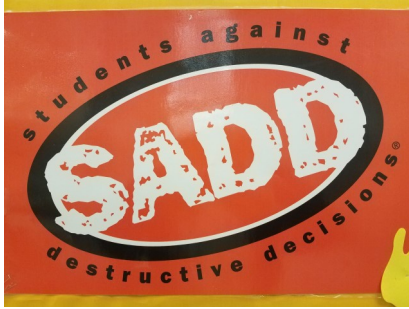
Apply after FAFSA

**Seniors last day**— May 18th

**CCTE Ceremony**— May 19th

**Graduation**— May 29th

## **Club & Sports Announcements!**

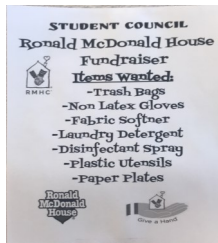


### **S.A.D.D.**

**SADD members have been eagerly working on their ad campaign for 2018. The students are creating advertisements against the use of e-cigarettes and their effects on adolescent teens today. They are in the process of creating numerous creative advertisements, including a radio announcement, a billboard, and a YouTube video.—Shyanne Foutz**

### **Football**

**Offseason strength and conditioning workouts have been continuing for football 2018. Workouts are Monday– Thursday after school from 3:00-4:30. Congratulations to CJ Marsh for being the lifter of the month for April! -Emily Beck**



### **Student Council**

**Students are beginning to collect pop tabs and cleaning supplies for the Ronald McDonald House in Morgantown, West Virginia. Take your donations to your English teacher. – Savannah Galliher**



### **Girls' Track**

**Despite a cold and rainy spring, the girls' track and field team is having a great season! The team had a 1st place finish at the Frankfort Invitational and a 2nd place finish at the Fort Hill JV Invitational, Smithsburg Invitational, and Fort Hill Invitational. The team also had a victory over Boonsboro in a dual meet. The team has been led by Alexie Arnold, who has broken her own school records in the shot put and discus. –Emily Beck**



### **Boys' Track**

**The Boys' track team has been off to a great start this year with relay teams and individuals setting new personal records in their events at each meet. The team had a fifth place finish at the Fort Hill Invitational, and a second place finish at the Mountain Ridge vs. Boonsboro Dual Meet. Justus LePrevost dropped his personal record in the 3200m run by thirty seconds at the Cardinal Classic held in Spring Mills, bringing his time from a 10:59.65 to a 10:26.95.—Jenna Green**

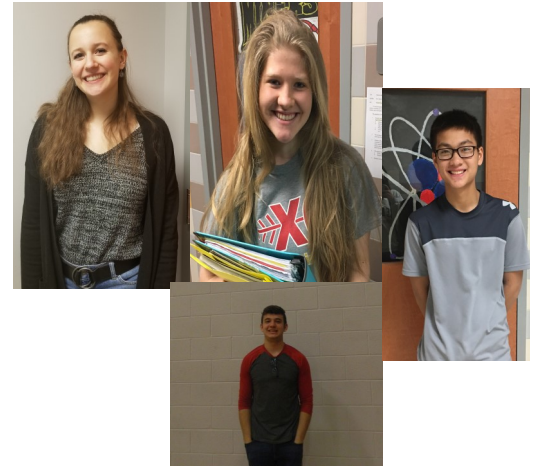
### **French Club**

**On Tuesday, April 26th, the French club held their Farewell party for the seniors. They celebrated by cheese tasting, playing games, and listening to French music. Mrs. Gray would like to recognize Chloe Wildman for being the French Club president for 2 years!- Emily Beck**



## Band

Band adjudications were held at Mountain Ridge on April 15th. They performed "Fantasy On A Japanese Folk Song" and "Sheltering Sky". Also, the jazz orchestra performed at the Blue Ridge Jazz Fest on April 20th. Mr. Shank would like to recognize the following students on their performances at the festival: Laurel Plitnik, Kaleb Tawney, Annie Moon and Dillon Kaschenbach.  
-Chyler Ravenscroft & Morgan Sgaggero



## FCA

On April 11<sup>th</sup> there was an FCA meeting with donuts donated by Duckworth Heating and Air. Softball Coach and local pastor, Matt Eichorn was the guest speaker. This was also be the spring sports pizza challenge. The boys' and girls' tennis teams were the winners!  
-Emily Beck



## Project YES

Project YES students Shyan Wilt, Aidan Deaner, Sarah DiGraziano, Dustin Muir, and Natalie Murray, were awarded for good attendance and grades with a field trip to Annapolis. Ms. Miltenberger and the students did a walking history tour of Annapolis, which involved history with a focus on "Myths and Legends" where guides had students act out roles and the decide if the story was a myth or a legend, and if it was true or false. They also observed the performance of "Noon Formation." The trip ended with a boat cruise on the bay.  
-Savannah Galliher

## Envirothon

The Envirothon team was preparing for their competition on April 25th. The team trained at Glen Denning Park and Rocky Gap. The team members include: Morgan Edwards, Ian Zheng, Eleanor Brown, Kendra Harpold, Dresden Kershaw, Sarah Browning, Sarah Robertson, Aashee Singh, Alex McNemar, and Jessica Blank. "The Trees Knees" team won first place overall, receiving 393 points! This team included Jessica Blank, Sarah Robertson, Alex McNemar, Sarah Browning, and Ashee Singh.  
- Chyler Ravenscroft & Morgan Sgaggero





## Car Crash Demonstration

On April 30th, a program featuring an ultra- realistic car crash demonstration was presented by the Cumberland and Frostburg City Police in the parking lot outside of the bus entrance. The program lasted approximately 50 minutes. The design of the program was to act as a deterrent towards drinking and driving on prom night. All juniors and seniors were called via PA system at 9:30 to stand along the sidewalk on either side of the bus entrance for the presentation. —Savannah Galliher



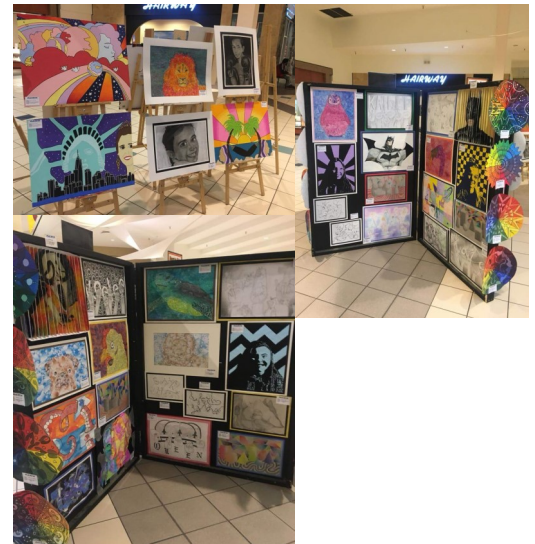
## Stepping into Spring Walking Challenge

Mountain Ridge Stepping into Spring Walking Challenge ended Monday, April 30th. The top 3 place winners received an Amazon Echo Dot. Congratulations to Ms. Broadwater, Mrs. Bittinger, and Mr. Dillon for being the top 3 finishers! Other participants names were randomly drawn for ten fun prizes. —Emily Beck



## Allegany County Annual Art Show

The art show took place April 25-April30 at the Country Club Mall. A student reception was held recognizing students that had art work chosen. We have many talented students at Mountain Ridge. Art 1, 2, 3, and 4 students were all represented at the art show. —Chyler Ravenscroft & Morgan Sgaggero



## Prom

The News Nugget Staff would like to wish everyone a happy Prom! We hope that everyone enjoys the “Starry Night” Prom and stays safe throughout prom weekend! —News Nugget Staff

## **Academics!**

### **Personal Financial Literacy**

**Personal Financial Literacy students are creating “credit” flyers. Business and Marketing students are discussing techniques when selling to customers.**

**– Emily Beck**

### **Entertaining with Food**

**In Mrs. Hankinson’s Entertaining with Food class, the students baked, iced, and decorated cakes in one week. The students had to develop a work plan, figure out what ingredients they needed, and complete the plan. Mrs. Hankinson said, “I was so impressed with the cakes this year; the students worked very hard.” Students and the staff were invited to vote on appearance and tast. Congratulations to the “We Scare Because We Care”, “Cookie Monster Cake”, and “Oreo Drip Cake” groups for winning the contest!- Emily Beck**

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