

April guest speaker:

Marshall White, Agronomist, Lippy Brothers Farms Hampstead, Maryland will discuss agriculture in the region with the focus being modern technology on the farm. Questions will be answered from those in attendance

Adopt-A-Highway

John Lorenz and his volunteer team again deserve our thanks for the spring cleanup along Route 30 from Frye Road to the intersection of Route 30 & 91. Go John!

From the President: After about a year of review the IRS has finally awarded the Hanover Road Association Inc. 501(c)3 nonprofit status. Receiving this recognition opens many additional doors necessary for the Association to continue its efforts in land preservation so critical to preserving the rural character of our community.

What are some of the benefits being a 501(c)3 offer the Hanover Road Association Inc. and its contributors?

- One of the primary benefits of being tax-exempt under IRS Section 501(c)3 is the ability for the Hanover Road Association Inc. to accept contributions and donations that are tax-deductible to the donor. Therefore, your membership contribution and or donation is tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.
- The ability for the Association to apply for grants and other public or private allocations available only to IRS-recognized, 501(c) 3 organizations.
- The ability for the Association to be exempt from Maryland State Sales Tax.
- The public legitimacy of IRS recognition. This gives the Hanover Road Association Inc. perpetual existence to continue its work after the death of its founders.

Membership in the Hanover Road Association Inc. (HRA) benefits you and our community.

Benefits to you: Membership in HRA raises your role as a stakeholder in preserving the rural character of our community and its land use outcomes. You join other members who, over the years, have come to experience the positive impact of land preservation and environmental stewardship led by HRA.

Benefits to our community: An HRA membership denotes a commitment to your family and community. By helping support HRA's land preservation and environmental stability actions, you promote a positive and lasting effect on Baltimore County lands, which benefits the present and future generations to come.

Join now or renew your membership at the next General Membership Meeting: Send your tax-deductible check in the amount of \$20.00 for annual membership to the Hanover Road Association Inc. P.O. Box 121, Upperco, Maryland 21155. Or At the April 16, 2014 General Membership Meeting see HRA Membership Chairman, Santo Mirabile to renew your membership.

Please attend our April 16th General Membership meeting and bring a neighbor to learn about modern farming techniques. Many of us live in homes surrounded by farms and know little more than how to plan a vegetable garden.

Paul E. Joyce

April Business Spotlight: Sportsman's Hall Roller Skating Center, PO Box 87 15500 Hanover Pike, Upperco, Maryland 21155. Rink phone: 410-429-6030

Hours of operation and specific programs are varied and numerous. Please call for specific times and prices. Stephen Hoffman is the managing partner of the family owned and operated roller skating rink. Originally they bought Sportsman's Hall as an investment, but after five years of renting, the Hoffman's discovered how much the rink meant to the community.

In November 2012 the Hoffman's took over the day to day operations and they say that they hear almost every skating session about husbands and wives meeting at Sportsman's Hall. The Hoffman's say they feel an obligation to the community to work tirelessly to make sure Sportsman's Hall lives on for many generations to come. The family feels they have "created a Disney World that you do not need to get on a plane to visit and a whole lot less expensive." They believe their job was to expand the market by reaching out to all the schools in the area, contacting numerous churches and synagogues and by doing 60 fundraisers in the past 15 months. Stephen says the work is very hard and time consuming but he looks forward to Thursday night, as that is when the first session of the week begins. Thursday nights are the "Cheapskate" sessions with admission lowered to \$5. Friday nights are still the traditional teenager night with over 300 attending. Saturday nights have become almost as populous as Friday nights with a good mixture of families, teenagers and young professionals. Saturday and Sunday matinees have grown to a point where it seems like Sportsman's Hall is the place to be. Stephen reports they have up to 8 birthday parties each matinee plus between a hundred to two hundred extra skaters. Saturday starts at 12 noon with an hour of skate lessons. Since Stephen allows anyone to just come and join in any Saturday, these groups have grown to over 20 students a week. Further, Sundays nights were a big challenge, but since the Hoffman's partnered with one of the top Chefs in Maryland, Chef Benny Gordon, that session has grown tenfold. Jumbo lump Crab

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ATTEND THE NEXT MEETING

of the Hanover Road Association
Wednesday, Apr. 16th, 7:30

*St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Dover and Trenton Roads
Upperco, Maryland 21155*



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MEETING SCHEDULE

The association holds public meetings on the second Wednesday of April, August and November at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church located at Dover & Trenton Roads. Upperco, MD 21155

MEMBERSHIP

Open to anyone interested in preserving the quality of life in the Hanover Road area and promoting cooperation between the residential, business and agricultural communities.

Annual Dues: \$20.00 - Tax Deductible

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Cakes and Steamed Shrimp just to name two of the many new dishes now being served. Soon they plan on having in place "flavor infused" ice cream and snow balls offered both inside and outside the rink. Stephen says his next step will be to add Pit Beef and Ham and Turkey so that he can expose as many people as possible to the beauty of Sportsman's Hall. Stephen Hoffman says if you have not seen the inside of Sportsman's Hall you need to. The floors have been redone and the majority of the inside repainted. His favorite overheard compliment "your staff is unbelievable".

Camp Fretterd Deer Hunt Has Concluded For 2013

Having received numerous complaints from farmers and motorists regarding deer eating farmer's crops and deer being struck on Route 30 near Camp Fretterd, the Hanover Road Association Inc. contacted Colonel Adam R. Flasch, Commander of the facility for help in solving this problem. Working with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Colonel Flasch developed a plan where a USDA sharpshooting team would be contracted to reduce the herd size.

Lt. Colonel Drew Sullins supervised this well planned hunt resulting in 80 deer culled from the herd with the deer meat being processed and donated to the Maryland Food Bank. With these results farmers and neighbors should see dramatically less deer impact coming from Camp Fretterd this spring and summer. Lt. Colonel Sullins said they will continue to monitor the deer population, and if necessary, contract with USDA for another deer hunt next year.