

SERVICE & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT. UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES.







STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Oklahoma Road Middle School (ORMS) student, Andrew Zahner, is a volunteer for **Kits to Heart,** an organization that provides thoughtfully designed, curated cancer care kits for patients and caregivers throughout the United States.

Using his crafting skills, Andrew spent over sixteen hours creating face masks for cancer patients and an additional 34 hours sewing heart pillows..

In addition to his commendable service to the community, Andrew is a high-achieving honors student, student of the month for December of 2021, a member of the Student Government Association (SGA).

Andrew has already started his next effort by painting mugs for the Meals on Wheels organization. We applaud his outstanding efforts to give back to those in need.

CARROLL HOSPITAL JUNIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Carroll Hospital offers a great opportunity for students, ages 15 to 18, to volunteer for a community organization, while earning service hours that may be applied to their required 75 hours of community service for the Carroll County school system. All applicants must be 15 years of age AND have completed 9th grade.

Only a limited number of applicants will be accepted in 2022. Applications are due Monday, April 25, 2022.

To apply:

- Complete online application
- Print out and return signed Parent Permission Form (access form here)
- Print out and return signed Counselor Form (access form here)
- Write a 300-word essay (guidelines found in online application)

Mail completed forms to: Carroll Hospital Attn: Volunteer Services 200 Memorial Avenue Westminster, MD 21157



Once you become a Junior Volunteer, you will have a diverse selection of volunteer opportunities to choose from, including:

- General clerical and administrative duties
- Assisting the nursing staff with a variety of duties such as:
- Discharging patients via wheelchair
- Assisting with patient transfers
- Acting as a liaison between nursing stations and the lab
- Delivering flowers
- Assisting at nursing station

Junior Volunteers generally serve 4 hours per day, once per week. The hours are 8 a.m. to noon and noon to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please make sure you have transportation for these times.

Junior Volunteers must be available to volunteer a minimum of 8 weeks between June and August. If vacations, camp or athletics will keep you away for more than 2 weeks, please consider applying the following year.

For more information about the Junior Volunteer Program at Carroll Hospital, please call Volunteer Services at 410-871-6535 or email Sharyn Rhodes at srhodes@lifebridgehealth.org.

THE 2022 CITY NATURE CHALLENGE & I-NATURALIST TRAINING

Interested in wildlife?

Want to help researchers around the world?

Join us for free

iNaturalist Training

Learn to use the **iNaturalist** app to identify & document local plants and wildlife, become a citizen scientist and join the City Nature Challenge - the four-day annual community science competition held around the globe starting April 29th.

Saturday April 23rd
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Bear Branch Nature Center
300 John Owings Road
Westminster, MD 21158

Please RSVP to FriendsHBB@gmail.com

Bring a cellphone or camera. Download the iNaturalist app!

This GYEARS

Qualifies for Student Service Learning Hours & MD Master Naturalist Advanced Training.

Sponsored by Friends of Hashawha Bear Branch





April 29 – May 2

Join the project at iNaturalist.org

Carroll County observations count as part of the **Baltimore Metro Area**



How much wildlife can you find in Carroll County?

April is Earth Month and Citizen Science Month!

Participating in the City Nature Challenge makes you a citizen scientist as you observe nature and share data with cities around the world.

Here is how you can participate:

STEP 1: Download the iNaturalist App Create a user account at iNaturalist.org

STEP 2: Find Wildlife

Spot and observe plant and animal life in and around your home environment or neighborhood.

STEP 3: Photograph What You Find Note the location.

STEP 4: Share Your Observation

Post photos on Naturalist to share with fellow observers and scientists.

STEP 5: Help Identify Observations

Help ID what citizen scientists like you discovered!

Scan for more info:



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FINKSBURG BASEBALL & ROARING RUN LIONS CLUB FIELD MAINTENANCE & CONCESSIONS

Finksburg Baseball is seeking student volunteers who would like to assist with the operation of their concession stand and the maintenance of their fields this spring.

The Roaring Run Lions Club, also based in Finksburg, generously donates the use of their fields at Roaring Run Park to the student athletes each spring. In return, Finksburg Baseball is responsible for maintaining the baseball facilities and raising funds to offset costs through concession stand sales.

The baseball season runs through the end of June.

- Concessions Contact: Email Vicki Mahr at mahrfamily5@comcast.net
- Field Maintenance Contact: Email Frank Roelke at finksburgbaseballpres@gmail.com

Lions Club Mission: The primary mission of the Lions is to serve the community, which they do through outreach of many kinds. They collect and distribute medical equipment to those in need, they organize many community events throughout the year, and for Finksburg Baseball, they provide a ballpark at no cost.





WESTMINSTER FLOWER & JAZZ FESTIVAL - SERVICE-LEARNING FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The City of Westminster Recreation and Parks Department is seeking volunteers on Saturday, May 7, 2022 for our annual Flower & Jazz along Main Street. We are seeking volunteers for:

- Vendor Load-In (age 18+ only) from 7am-10am. Volunteers will assist craft/food vendors safely to their preassigned space within the festival footprint.
- Vendor Load-Out (age 18+ only) from 3:30pm-5:30pm. Volunteers will assist vendors safely out of the event to ensure the road can be re-opened at the appropriate time.

If this is of interest to you, please sign up here! Please feel free to pass this along to any friends or family that might be interested!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jessica Taylor at jtaylor@westminstermd.gov or 410-751-5501.





CAMP INVENTION LEADERSHIP INTERNSHIP



Your local site information:

Location: Linton Springs Elementary School 375 Ronsdale Road, Sykesville, MD 21784

Date & Time: June 27 - 30, 2022 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Director: Brandon Koontz | brkoon2@carrollk12.org

Visit invent.org/leadershipintern or call 800-968-4332 to find out more and apply!







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