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Taneytown Student Joins Elite Hoops Club

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Clergy Corner

The 1,000-point club at Francis Scott Key High School began in 1973 when alumni, Bill Hill, made his 1,000th point score and concluded his basketball career at FSK with 1,056 points. Since then, additional Key graduates followed



Taneytown History

suit with Rick Jenkins in 1977, Mike Crawmer in 1996, Jordan Fine in 2014, Bradley Schug in 2015, and Noah Vipond in 2019.

On January 31, 2022, Ryan Rill became the most recent Key student to make history as he became the seventh member in Key's 1,000-point club.

Rill has been pursuing his athletic career in basketball since he was a child. The athletic genes of his family's competitiveness influenced Rill's pursuit in basketball, among the Winter League, Amateur Athletic Union, and Tournament Ball to strengthen his athleticism. Rill attributes the significant impact of his father, "If I had a bad or good game, he would let me know, he pushes me the most." Rill notes constructive criticism and self-reflection, which led to the effectiveness of his performance. Rill models his qualities after Lebron James "just how he is as a leader, even when stacked against the odds, he'll work through it and find a way."

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Service Spotlight: Daniel M. Haines

It took Taneytown resident Daniel Haines until the age of sixteen to decide that he wanted to dedicate his life to service, both in Taneytown and to the State and nation.

Although he's known locally for his service on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and the City Council, Haines is currently spending much of his time in Hagerstown, where the Governor has deployed his unit of the Maryland Natoinal Guard.

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The Mayor's Message

I don't know about you, but I am ready for the cold winter to come to a quick end! There is just something special about warmer weather, bringing with it the bright colors of nature and temperatures that beg for open windows and fresh breezes. I've been told that it's coming.

As for now, we wait.

Your city has been quietly working on preparing our next projects and the budget that will pay for them. As I write this message, the council just had their first cut at the fiscal year 2023 budget. I can proudly say that this is (probably) the cleanest budget that the city has seen in several years. The funds are self-sustaining thanks to the growth we have achieved, and the addition of ARPA (America Rescue Plan Act) funds has dramatically reduced the amount of money being taken from our reserves to cover overdue capital projects. I expect that you will see a lot of progress over the next year and half regarding our aging water and sewer lines, along with the beginning of construction on Bollinger Park.

After three years in this office, I am extremely pleased with the current position of our beloved city. I appreciate all of the compliments and criticisms from residents, both of which help guide my continued vision for Taneytown.

Now that we are moving further away from the pandemic, I expect nearly all of the disruptions that we experi-

Main Street
Taneylown

Main Street Taneytown was founded about 20 years ago when the City of Taneytown adopted the Main Street America method for downtown revitalization. Main Street America is known for having "Four Points," and its affiliates are expected to focus on design, organization, promotions, and economic vitality. In Taneytown we've also decided to focus on clean, green, and safe and on arts and entertainment.

One component of being a Main Street community is having an advisory board of stakeholders to guide the activities of the local Main Street program. Main Street Taneytown's advisory board used to operate independently of City government, with the only connection being that the City Economic

enced to be a thing of the past. Unfortunately, the new unrest on the other side of the world could play a similar role in altering the lives that we lead. Although we are "simply" local leaders, we continue to monitor these events and what impact they may have on our community both economically and socially. Regardless of our personal political stances, we must pray that our nation's leaders make the best decisions for our free country.

I want to remind you that we are in an important election year for county and state offices. The races that directly impact our municipality are for District 1 County Commissioner and District 5 State Delegates and Senator, along with the race for governor. I refuse to use this article to give political endorsements, but I hope that your votes are cast for those who understand the importance of municipalities and will represent us aggressively at their respective levels. Our only chance to fix certain issues, like traffic and a future bypass, is with those elected officials who are willing to work alongside our own local government.

Thank you all for your help in making Taneytown an amazing place to live. We have accomplished so much together in the last three years, and I hope that we keep the momentum going forward!

Here's to a warm spring!
-Mayor Bradley J. Wantz

Development Director was also the Main Street Manager. This sometimes caused some confusion about responsibility, since the Main Street Manager is on the City payroll, and the City contributes \$10,000 annually to Main Street's operating budget.

In the coming weeks and months, the Mayor & City Council will pass an ordinance officially making the Main Street Advisory Board a City board like the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board or the Planning Commission; they will appoint seven new members to serve on the Advisory Board; and they will receive and review a proposed Main Street Taneytown budget for Fiscal Year 2023. Meetings of the Main Street Advisory Board will be open to the public, and meeting dates will be shared in the Keep It Around Calendar that appears in the Taneytown Record.

These changes are one more effect of our committment to transparency at the City of Taneytown.

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The City of Taneytown spends more than \$6,000,000 per year on general fund expenses. Where does that money go? We're glad you asked.

In October 2021, someone emailed the City asking who pays for the paper that's in your hands right now. He thought it was a total waste of money if the citizens of Taneytown paid to publish and delvier the Taneytown Record. Great news: THEY DON'T! Not anymore, at least....

The Taneytown Record serves two purposes: it's the City newsletter to residents and it's a merchandiser for Main Street Taneytown businesses. As the City newsletter, the paper alerts citizens to government meetings, shares departmental reports, carries the Mayor's Message, and hopefully helps people avoid paring tickets for street sweeping and late fees for water bills. As a Main Street merchandiser, the paper encourages all of the households in the 21787 zip code to patronize our downtown businesses.

The cost of printing the Taneytown Record, about \$1,895 for 5,500 copies, has always been paid by Main Street Taneytown, which operates as a nonprofit under the Community Foundation of Carroll County. We sell ads to businesses outside of Main Street in order to generate the revenue to pay for printing.

The cost of mailing the Taneytown Record used to be paid for by the City. It cost \$978 to have the January/February issue delivered to all 4,890 homes in the zip code. Since last fall, postage is also paid for by ad revenue, saving the taxpayers of Taneytown almost \$6,000 per year. So "where does the money go?" Not to printing this paper!

It is our hope that "Where Does the Money Go?" helps Taneytown residents and taxpayers understand what their government pays for with tax money and why those choices get made. Upcoming topics include how much the City spends on: office supplies, lawn maintenance, and phone bills. Find a past issue to learn about how much the City spends annually on fuel, electric, and waste removal.

Taneytown American Legion Auxiliary to Public Safety Workers: We Luv U!

On February 14, Taneytown's public safety workers got a special Valentine's Day treat from the Hesson Snider American Legion Unit #120 Auxiliary. Members Pat Lindemeyr and Kathy Moxley stopped by the Taneytown Police Department and the Taneytown Volunteer Fire Company with doughnuts in a show of appreciation for their services to our community.

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness.

Anyone interested in learning more about the American Legion, the Sons of the American Legion, or the Auxiliary can call (410) 756-2219 or stop in at 9 Broad Street for an application.

(Right, Police Chief Jason Etzler, Kathy Moxley, Pat Lindemeyr, and Major Robert Mitchell.

Below, Paramedic James Ulrich, Kathy Moxley, Pat Lindemeyr, and EMT Steve Barker)





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Fun, Adventure and Community Service: That's the Girl Scout Way

Since 2015, Girl Scout Troop 689 has been providing opportunities for Taneytown girls to discover who they are, connect with others, and make a difference in their community. "At a time when girls can choose from many activities in their spare time, Girl Scouts offers a unique way for girls to develop leadership skills and independence," said troop co-leader, Tara Wetherell. "Our girls get to make decisions about what badges they want to earn, how they want to help out in their community and how they want to use the money they earn from selling cookies."

At the start of this school year, Troop 689 celebrated a Bridging Ceremony, which marks the transition from one scouting level to another. This year, they bridged from the Junior level (fourth and fifth grade) to Cadette level (sixth, seventh and eighth grade). As part of the ceremony, the girls enjoyed taking part in readings, lighting candles and receiving a special gift. Afterward, they enjoyed dinner and cake with their families. The girls' first official job as Cadettes was to decide what badges they wanted to earn. This was tough because there are dozens of badges to choose from. After looking at all the options and voting on their favorites, they decided to work on the Cadette Outdoor Journey, which is a series of badges centered around learning outdoor skills and planning a camping trip. Other badges they plan to work on include Archery, Babysitting, First Aid and Animal Helpers.

One aspect of Girl Scouts that everyone looks forward to is the annual Girl Scout Cookie sale—which is also the troop's main fundraising activity. Girls work individually to sell the famously addictive treats to friends, family members, teachers and coaches. They also set up booths to sell cookies to customers at local businesses. Many Taneytown residents may have seen members of Troop 689 hard at work selling cookies at our local Kennie's Market this past fall.

Community service is also an important part of the Girl Scout mission. For the past two years, Troop 689 has used part of their cookie proceeds to purchase personal care items like shampoo and soap to create care packages for local families in need. In past years, they baked and packaged homemade cookies to be served as part of the Caring and Sharing Ministries' community Thanksgiving dinner.

Girl Scouts also offers plenty of ways to have fun! Over the years, Troop 689 has enjoyed spending the night at the Maryland Science Center, going snow tubing at Liberty Mountain, and camping out with other troops at Hashawha Environmental Center in Westminster. In addition to their own troop activities, the girls can participate in community events sponsored by our local Girl Scout Service Unit, which serves troops in Westminster, Silver Run, New Windsor and Union Bridge. Girl Scouts also offers unique summer camp opportunities, including a day camp at Piney Run Park in Sykesville, and resident camp at Camp Conowingo in Cecil County. These camps provide girls with plenty of outdoor adventures and themed specialty activities.

Troop 689 is currently open to new members and welcomes girls in 6th, 7th or 8th grade to come to a meeting and see what it's all about. Meetings take place at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Taneytown on the first and third Tuesday of each month, from 6:30 to 7:45. Interested girls or parents who have questions can contact troop co-leaders Tara Wetherell at tara. wetherell@gmail.com or Shannon Livesay at skadair@gmail.com for more information.



Photo courtesy of Girl Scout Troop 689, photographer Vilve Ladon

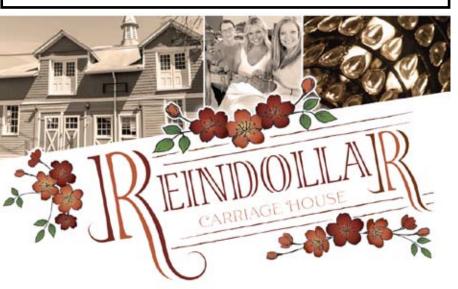


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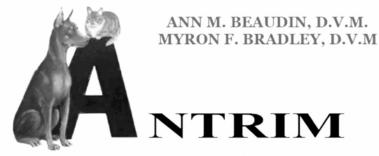
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Each year, a budget is adopted, specifying how much money each department is authorized to spend and what categories they plan to spend the money in. Some categories include advertising, dues and subscriptions, printing, IT/computer, legal, elections (in odd-numbered years when the City holds its elections), consulting/engineering, gasoline, and electricity. Whenever possible, the City prefers to pay for things by check rather than by credit card. Paying by check means that four people are involved in making sure each transaction is approved before any tax money leaves the City's bank account. To get a check, most City vendors issue an invoice for services that have been or sometimes will be rendered.

When an invoice arrives, it is placed in the appropriate department's mail box. The department director receives the invoice and verifies that the recipient and amount are correct. The department head signs or initials the invoice and lists the category number on the invoice that corresponds to the budget line that the money should be "taken out of."

Then the invoice goes to the fiscal account technician. The fiscal account tech enters the invoice into the City's accounting software, which is called Abila. Once a week, the fiscal account tech verifies that everything is entered correctly and then does a "check run." When the checks are completed, they go to the City Treasurer for the first of two signatures. The Treasurer makes sure that the payment has appropriate documentation also verifies that there is still money in the department's budget line.

After the Treasurer, the checks go to the Mayor. He verifies that all of the checks are for something that the City deems appropriate, and then he provides the second signature. After the Treasurer and Mayor have literally signed off, the checks are ready to go out to the various organizations that provide goods and services to the City of Taneytown.



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The History of Grace United Church of Christ

Throughout the church's 240-year history, Grace Church has changed many times. First the German Reform Church, then the Reformed Church, then the Evangelical and Reformed Church, and finally, in 1957, the United Church of Christ. One of Carroll County's oldest places of worship is the United Church of Christ in Taneytown, which is said to be the "oldest village" in the county. The exact date of the congregation's organization cannot be determined because of the lack of definite records. However, it is known that Synod of The Reformed Church of Holland sent Michael Schlatter (1716-1790) to the colonies in 1747 to establish churches. Between 1756 and 1760, Rev. Steiner from Switzerland traveled from Frederick to conduct services in German under the auspices of the Reformed Church even before Taneytown existed. People often traveled twenty miles or more, packing guns to protect themselves from wild beasts and Indians. The area. known as 'Pipe Creek,' became Taneytown in 1762.

In 1764, the land was conveyed by Raphael Taney; the first church (known as the 'Old Yellow Church') was built where the cemetery stands today, with Lutheran and Reformed congregations sharing the building. In 1812, the Lutheran congregation moved to a new building, and the Reformed congregation continued to use the facility for eight more years.

It was common for congregations to meet in homes, barns, or even outdoors in this period. Ministers were responsible for several congregations (called charges) simultaneously. In some cases, ministers served as both the schoolmaster and minister to dozens of congregations at once. During those early years, schools were the responsibility of the churches. Since there were few ministers in the area, services were held infrequently and usually only during the summer. Sermons were lengthy, lasting one to three hours, and were known for being quite dry. There were no musical instruments, but singing was an essential part of the worship.

The Lutheran and The Reformed congregations shared the first church building until 1812, when the Lutherans dedicated their owning building. Then, together with the Presbyterians, the Reformers built the Union Church in 1820, the nu-

cleus of the present church. Built-in 1822, the church remained a Union church until 1884. At this dedication, special hymns were sung. For example, in the first verse of one of the hymns, "Today we lay the cornerstone, in hopes that we shall build, thereon, a house of God, who loves to dwell, where'er His people worship well."

The Reformed ministers preached in German, and the Presbyterian preached in English. Over the next one hundred years, the congregation witnessed many changes. In 1890 the building was extended back 20 feet, and the bell tower and front entrance were constructed. In 1924 under the pastorate of Rev. Guy P. Bready, the sanctuary's interior was remodeled to its present appearance. (Continued on page)



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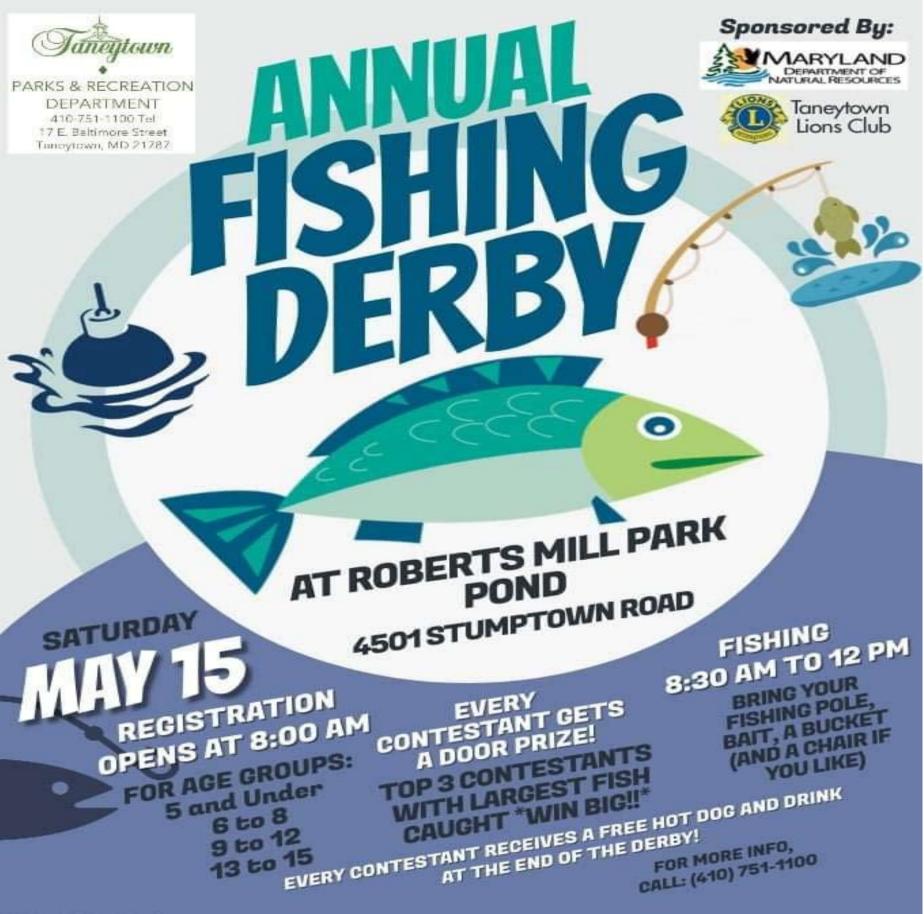
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The vendor registration fee is \$30.00 for a standard 10' x 10' booth area and \$50.00 for a 20' x 20' booth area. (\$0 for wineries, breweries and distilleries; these vendors agree to provide tastings to festival attendees in lieu of a booth space fee.) We will have volunteers available to assist you with setup and take-down, if requested. Spaces are allotted on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Lorena Vaccare, Director of Parks and Recreation, City of Taneytown, telephone 410-751-1100 extension 108, or email Lvaccare@taneytown.org.

We hope you will be part of this successful event!

Water/Sewer bills will be issued April 1, with a **due date of April 30, 2022**. Any bill not paid by April 30 will be assessed a 5% late penalty fee; on May 8 an additional 5% will be added to any unpaid balance, and on May 15 an additional 5% will be added to any unpaid balance.

After May 15, a late Water/Sewer bill will be mailed to anyone with an outstanding balance and will be due by May 22, 2022. **Water shut-off is scheduled after May 22, 2022.** If water service is interrupted for non-payment, there will be an additional restoration fee of \$50.00 to reconnect water service. **On the day of water shut-off only cash payments will be accepted**. Questions regarding your bill can be directed to the Water/Sewer Department at (410) 751-1100.

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If your bill has the "Estimated Reading" image, please contact the City Office at (410) 751-1100 immediately and we will schedule a time to physically check the meter, obtain an actual reading and/or complete the needed repair so we can obtain future radio reads. This process takes 10-15 minutes. *Thank you*.





MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

MAY 30 1:00 PM Parade Participants Wanted!

If you or your business or organization would like to participate, please contact Taneytown City Hall by May 6th! Call 410-751-1100 or email Lvaccare@taneytown.org.

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General Membership Meetings

All 2022 Taneytown Heritage & Museum Association general membership meetings will be held at the Grace United Church of Christ parish hall, located at 49 W Baltimore Street. Our next 2 meetings are Monday March 28th and Monday April 24th at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

Did you know?

The Taneytown History Museum first opened its doors August 15th 2004 in conjunction with Taneytown's sestercentennial celebration.

Taneytown Heritage & Museum Association Inc. 340 E. Baltimore Street, Taneytown, MD 21787 www.TaneytownHH.org (443) 918-8687 Greetings from Officer Adam Romero,

Today's topic is child car seat safety. But before we discuss that, a little bit about me. I will be coming up on four years with the Taneytown Police Department (TPD). Previously, I spent three years as a Police Officer in Pennsylvania. I also served in the United States Air Force as Security Forces (military police).

In addition to numerous responsibilities as a Patrol Officer, I currently serve as the only certified Child Car Seat Technician for TPD. My role as a Child Car Seat Technician is to ensure citizens are installing child car seats correctly and properly fitting their children, in a safe manner according to state laws. Typically, when you set up an appointment with me, we will discuss age and weight restrictions regarding the car seats. I will show you how to properly install and remove a car seat. I will also go over all the information labels located on your car seat and answer any questions you might have. My hope is that when you leave our appointment, you can comfortably set up and remove your car seat as needed without help and that I have answered all your questions.

Here are some important factors to consider when educating yourself regarding car seats...

- Don't use a seat that is missing parts or lacks a manufacture's date and model number. If there's no instruction manual available, don't use the seat. Also, check the seat for the recommended "expiration date." If you know the seat has been in an accident and regardless if it "looks good" or not. It is best practice to not use the seat.
- Be sure to fill out the product registration card so you hear about any recalls right away.
- Do not let price or brand be the factor when deciding on car seats. ALL car seats must pass the same safety regulations to be sold in the United States. Choose your seat based on age, weight, and comfort.
- If you go to the manufacture's website, most of them have all their manuals and videos on how to set up online. YouTube would be a secondary option.

To set up an appointment for a car seat check or installation, please contact TPD at 410-751-1150 and ask for Officer Romero or send me an email at aromero@taneytown.org.

March

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April

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Keep It Clean

Recycling & Waste Reminders & Rules

RECYCLING

The following items are **are not** permitted in curb-side recycling:

- Plastic shopping and grocery bags
- Newspaper bags
- Bread and produce bags
- Food storage bags
- Wrap packaging (the thin plastic wrap covering items such as water, napkins, paper towels, etc)
- Air pillows from packaging

Although these items can't be recycled by our local hauler, some of them may be accepted for recycling at local stores. You may also choose to not use them at all! According to ThoughtCo, plastic bags are used for an average of 12 minutes, take 1,000 years to break down into smaller particles, and can continue to pollute soil and water for years. Reduce the use of plastic bags by using alternative methods such as bringing your own reusable bags.

More information regarding Carroll County recycling programs may be found on the County website and a guide to Waste Management & Recycling is also available.

www.carrollcountymd.gov/medi/3128/acceptable.pdf www.recyclecarroll.org

BULK TRASH

If you are in need of having large items removed from your property, you may call Ecology Services at 1-866-427-8389 to set up a time for them to remove it. Ecology Services will charge a fe for this service. **This fee will not be paid by the City.** You will need to send pictures of the item(s) so they can properly price the cost of this service. Fees are based on size and volume of materials that you are having collected.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Trash collection is for household garbage only. The City's hauling company will not collect yard waste, building materials, and bulk items. Recycling containers containing trash will not be picked-up. Remove empty cans from curbside and open common areas before the next day.





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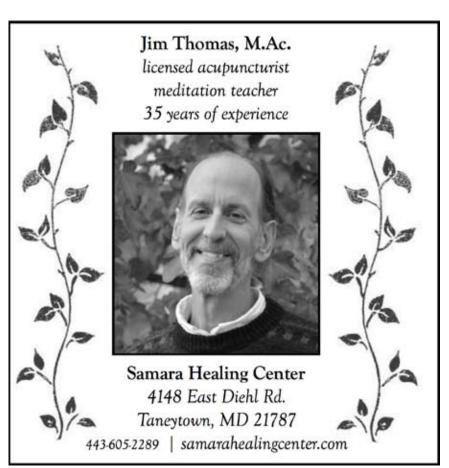
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one 2-inch by 2-inch passport photo with a white background. Photographs are available at the CCPL passport center for an additional \$15. This fee must be paid separately and should not be included in the check or money order that accompanies the form DS-11.

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Clergy Corner

Hello to the community of Taneytown! My name is Cody Danner and I have been serving as the Vicar of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Taneytown while Pastor Cris Frigm has been on military leave as a Navy Chaplain. I began my time with Trinity in January of 2021. As my time at Trinity comes to an end, I have been reminiscent of the many things that I have been able to be a part of at Trinity.

As a church, we have partnered with other local congregations and Carroll County Food Sunday to serve food to those in our community who are in need. As I have continued to discern my call for ordained ministry, I have always considered serving others a part of who I am. In addition to being able to serve this community, I have also been able to spend time with members of my congregation talking and working through difficult social issues,

social issues that continue to come up, not just here in Taneytown, but throughout the world.

Over the course of my time at Trinity, we have spent time talking about racism and sexism, the implications they have regarding our Lutheran faith, and how we can act to inspire positive change in this community and around the world. One other highlight that I would like to share is the work that our congregation does with Carroll Lutheran School (CLS). During this past Advent season, I had the privilege of working with members of my congregation and students of the 6, 7, and 8th-grade classrooms to complete an Advent devotion. The students prepared pictures, while members of my congregation wrote prayers to a particular piece of scripture. The originality and creativity of those helped to grow in our relationship with God and the

community.

While my experience at Trinity has been formative, I have enjoyed being a part of this congregation and community. As we begin to enter this season of Lent, our congregation will be using a resource from a group called A Sanctified Art. We will be focusing on our covenantal relationship with God through their work called Full to the Brim. In addition, we will also be focusing on what it means to be our authentic selves, remembering that we are God's. Our congregation welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ. In closing, I would like to express my gratefulness to my congregation and this community. It has been a joy to share with you God's love and ministry over the course of this past year. May the Lord God bless you and keep you, until we meet again.



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In 1952 under the pastorate of Rev. Morgan Andreas, the parish house was built, including a Sunday School room, stage, and altar. The present organ was also purchased.

From 1961-70 under the pastorate of Rev. William Wiley, air conditioning and a sound system were installed. The lower level was remodeled to provide classrooms and offices, the Lay Life & Work Committee was formed, and the Hesson Scholarship Fund was established. In 1972 under the pastorate of Rev. Fred Wenner, a new parsonage was built on Roberts Mill Road, and the old parsonage on West Baltimore Street was sold. The yoke between the Keysville and Taneytown churches was dissolved. In 1998 under the pastorate of Rev. Keith DeBord, the church building was made handicap accessible

with an elevator and renovated restrooms, and a youth meeting room and nursery were added. In 2000 a new sign was placed on the front lawn. In 2002 during the interim pastorate of Rev. Lois Ann Ferguss-Oler, the church took

over ownership and management of the daycare center now known as Grace United Learning Center. Steeple lights were installed, illuminating the steeple at night.

In 2002 under the pastorate of Rev. Sam Askew, cabinets were constructed for the church's treasures and artifacts. In 2003 a memorial garden was erected in front of the church.

In 2004, our current pastor, Rev. Steven Ostendorf-Snell, began serving in the pulpit. In addition, the front doors were replaced with solid mahogany doors. Also, in 2004, plaques were mounted on the original cement post of the cemetery entrance reflecting the current name of Grace UCC Cemetery, and a wrought iron fence was added.

In 2006 the parsonage on Roberts Mill Road was sold for \$350,000. Also, in 2006, the entire sanctuary was painted, and the pews refinished in preparation for the 250th celebration.

For the last sixteen years, like many churches, Grace UCC has seen a drastic decline in its congregation. But those who remain continue to be active in providing services to the community.

David Buie is a volunteer at the Historical Society of Carroll County and can be contacted via e-mail at downtowntaneytown@gmail.com.

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Parks & Recreation

December

CDM Smith will submit the preliminary plan for Bollinger Park to the County in early January for review, and the Taneytown Planning Commission will review the plans for approval at the same time. Met with the City's DNR representative for a site inspection of Bollinger Park on December 10.

Construction has begun on the THS Park storage buliding. Police officers will be increasing patrols in the park to help ensure tha tthere is not theft or vandalism of construction materials.

Twenty-seven homes entered the 2021 Holiday Decorating Contest. The 2022 Events calendar is nearly complete.

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and the Taneytown Athletic Association both did not meet in December due to the holidays.

January

Submitted our request to the County to amend the forest conservation easement at Roberts Mill Park in the woods adjacent to Amicus so we can create a grass pathway. We are recommending Council approve bids for the tennis/basketball court improvements project that was rebid.

A fence will be installed at Roberts Mill Park between the rear of Food Lion and the soccer fields to deter drivers from riding onto the fields (an ongoing problem). When the weather improves, old wood benches at Roberts Mill Park will be replaced with aluminum ones

We expect to receive a \$136,464 grant from the Community Parks & Playground program for rehabilitation of the THS skatepark, including a new concrete plaza in the center and and a pump track for BMX/bikes. Official notification will be in May.

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and the Taneytown Athletic Association both cancelled their January meetings.

Public Works

December

Seven Use and Occupancy Inspections occurred, allowing dwellings to be occupied. All were in Meades Crossing. A total of 305 work orders were completed, and 27 of them were from other City departments.

The most recent recycling bill was for \$1,418.70 for 47.29 tons of recycling collected. Ecology Services will be working to implement some changes due to complaints from residents about the throwing of cans and lids as well as sloppy collections. This will take some time.

Well levels continue to be stable. It is recommended to keep the voluntary water restrictions in place.

During our December leak detection, we found no leaks.

Bids for 2022 CCTV and Meadowbrook Interceptor were opened and reviewed by City staff and CDM Smith. Staff is making recommendations to Council to award the bids.

January

Fourteen Use and Occupancy Inspections occurred, allowing dwellings to be occupied. Thirteen were in Meades Crossing and noe in Meadowbrook. A total of 347 work orders were completed, and 53 of them were from other City departments.

The most recent recycling bill was for \$2,269.60 for 75.62 tons of recycling collected. Ecology Services is continuing to work on complaints from City residents.

Well levels continue to be stables. It is recommended to keep the voluntary water restrictions in place.

During the January leak detection, no leaks were found.

Bids for four RFPs were opened and reviewed by City staff. Staff is making recommendations to Council regarding these services.

December-January

Economic Development

December

Currently for sale: 1 building zoned Downtown Business, 2 buildings zoned Restricted General Business, 3 land parcels zoned General Business. For rent: 3 spaces at NWSB Bank building, 2 spaces at Taneytown Shopping Center.

Six business visits or calls for assistance answered. Completed 12 Days of Taneytown Chistmas promotion and Small Business Saturday Passport programs.

Current workforce needs: welders, chemical engineers, project managers, carpenters, customer service/retail worers, nursing home staff. Working with FSK High School career placement contact for internships, exploring BERC's mobile welding training program

January

Currently for sale: 2 buildings zoned Restricted General Business, 3 land parcels zoned General Business. For rent: 3 spaces at NWSB Bank building, 2 spaces at Taneytown Shopping Center.

Seven business visits or calls for assistance answered. Held a quarterly meeting of the Taneytown Manufacturers' Roundtable at CuraLeaf facility.

Current workforce needs: accounting staff, homebuilders, retail staf, nursing home staff, full-time and part-time jobs. Including BERC's upcoming virtual job fairs in City-wide business emails from now on.

New business (Sunflower Boutique by Sara) now open at 27 E. Baltimore Street. Submitted Main Street ordinance to City Council for potential adoption in March.

Filed intent to apply for Maryland Heritage Areas Authority grant, researching DHCD Community Safety Works grant, received notification of \$20,000 Main Street Operating Assistance Grant for FY22.

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(BASKETBALL)

Rill plays masterfully and lives for every moment in each game. As Varsity Coach Kimble remarks "Ryan is the ultimate competitor on the court. He expects his teammates to play hard in every moment of the game. He also respects his opponents who give everything on the court." Rill described his perspective of leadership as an opportunity to support his team "When I start scoring that opens opportunities for teammates...with defense, especially help defense I can get a lot of blocks. I can also get a lot of assists and rebound the ball...I'm always encouraging [my team] to work hard." Rill is a dedicated team player; he mentions when his shots are not enough, he uses it to his advantage to elevate another team member. Rill has a strong connection with his coach and team, as a key part of being an athlete means confiding in his team through every success and defeat.

Basketball is more than the wins; it is the continuous practice and the hard work behind it. Rill reflects on his achievement in his freshman year, an FSK game against Smithsburg "I was nervous from shooting the basketballs. There was a lot of pressure from the screams of the audience and the weight of the game." Since his freshman year he learned to harness his intensity into an unwavering concentration for his games. He has grown tremendously from his freshman year "I am more positive as I encourage my teammates." Rill knows who he is;

positivity, productiveness, and practice are the three pillars to his game.

In an interview with Ryan on his recent success, he offers advice to his fellow teammates and players at all levels: "Keep Shooting! Keep working—the more shots you make, the better you are going to get at the game."

In addition to playing basketball, Ryan was a valued member of the FSK Varsity Football team this past fall. His successes on the field include nominations as: a wide receiver for First Team All-County and as WTTR's Athlete of the Week several times.

Ryan graduates this spring; he plans to play basketball in college at a D-3 level while studying Sports Management. As of right now, his college plans are not set in stone, but his future is looking bright!

Article by Arianna Swaby, FSK High School Senior & PR Intern

(SPOTLIGHT)

One of the many results of the COVID-19 pandemic has been staffing shortages at Maryland's hospitals. In order to fill some vacant spots and to ensure that workers who have been on the front line since March 2020 can get time off, Governor Hogan activated 1,000 National Guardsmen and women earlier this year. Fortunately for Haines, his unit was deployed close enough to Taneytown that

he can still sleep in his own bed.

Haines and his unit are on duty at Meritus Medical Center in Hagerstown, Washington County. There, they do a variety of jobs that don't require specialized medical training. These duties include moving beds and patients from one floor or department to another, meal delivery, COVID testing, data entry, and in Haines' case, providing a unique service that enables others to do their own part.

In his civilian career, Haines is a professional sign language interpreter. The Environmental Services Department at Meritus Medical Center has two hearing-impaired employees that he has been able to interpret for, allowing them to do their jobs more efficiently. This is especially valuable because everyone in the hospital is required to wear face masks, making it impossible for hearing impaired people to read lips.

Haines expects this deployment to end in late April, and then he will resume his one weekend a month and two weeks a year committment to the National Guard, where his regular role is as an intelligence analyst.

"Service Spotlight" is a new feature to highlight the men and women of northwestern Carroll County who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States. Please email jmeashey@taneytown.org to suggest American heroes as future subjects for this column.

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Although it's difficult to tell from walking around the Liquor Barn today, the original store was only half the size that it currently is. And it was decorated to look like – a barn!

These days, the Liquor Barn doesn't look like a farm building anymore, but it is jam-packed with many of the needs and wants of the people of Taneytown. In addition to snacks, novelties, and sodas, the store sells a wide vari-

ety of beer, wine, and of course liquor. The Liquor Barn partners with the beverage brands that it sells there and offers specials like getting a bottle engraved with your name or the name of a loved one, sampling and tasting, and occasional give aways.

The Liquor Barn is also a convenient place to get lottery tickets. For one Gettysburg man, it turned out to be even more lucky than it was convenient! In 2019, Paul Hooper, Jr. stopped at the Liquor Barn and bought a scratch-off ticket from the Maryland Lottery. That ticket was a \$1,000,000 winner!

Through the years, the store continues to be a family-owned and operated local business, with younger generations doing their part to keep the doors open and the shelves stocked.

Visit the Liquor Barn family on Saturday, April 2 to find out how they're celebrating their 35th Anniversary!





Left, the Liquor Barn today at Taneytown Shopping Center, 520 E. Baltimore Street, Taneytown, MD 21787. Top, manager Kim Coyle Carter celebrates the store's 4th anniversary in 1991, bottom founder Jim Coyle in May 2001.



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2005, Natali arrived 2008, Nicole arrived

Time for a Change

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2017, We purchased the Model Steam Bakery in Taneytown, renovated & moved the store to Main Street!

Adapting

2019, The Dart Zone opened for a limited time & provideed a recreation rom for kids of all ages to spend good, quality time together in a safe, fun-filled environment.

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Why buy mulch from Valley Lions? All of the profits stay in our community. This enables us to donate thousand of dollars each year to local charities ie: college scholarships, eye glasses for the needy, aid to victims of house fires, and the Pleasant Valley Fire Company. **Thank you for your help!**

Country Boy Aged Premium Hardwood

Shredded Hardwood Mulch

2 cu. ft. bag: \$3.45 Picked-up \$3.70 Delivered

Black Mulch

2 cu. ft. bag: \$3.75 Picked-up \$3.95 Delivered

No Minimum Delivery Quantity

Shredded 2 cu ft. Bags



	Pick-up at Pleasant Valley Community Fire Company, back parking lot	
	PLEASE ORDER EARLY SO WE CAN MEET EVERYONE'S NEEDS:	
Address: _	Phone#	

Black 2 cu ft. Bags

Please Circle - Date Wanted: April 23rd or April 30th / Delivery or Pickup

Checks Payable To: Valley Lions Club

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Although the national news reports on a hectic first two months of 2022, locally, not much seems different than it did at the end of last year. Sure, the mask mandate in schools has ended, but few other local establishments were asking people to wear masks or prove that they were vaccinated, so that's not much of a difference to us in northwestern Carroll County.

It's easy to see that the price of gas has gone up dramatically, but even as of this writing, it's lower than the all-time record set in July 2008. Prices in the grocery stores are up, too. But I couldn't say when the last time is that it cost me *less* instead of more to get my ice cream. (Yes, I personally measure inflation by the price of ice cream and whether the package shrinks in size while the price stays the same.)

All in all, I look at headline news and then I look around us in Taneytown and even Westminster, and I don't see stores without shoppers or gas pumps without lines. I don't hear (yet) about people cancelling summer vacations because of the increased cost of driving or flying. I also haven't heard about tax increases - heck the State has \$4 billion MORE than

they know what to do with.

No, life around here doesn't look as bad to me as the headlines make out. Which is something to be glad for. On the other hand, life in Ukraine looks like a nightmare now.

As most people know, Vladimir Putin's Russia has invaded the sovereign nation of Ukraine and is battering that country. I'm thankful to live in the United States of America, and for a large, well-armed, well-trained military. Although it was planned before the current conflict began, this does seem like an opportune time for the introduction of our "Service Spotlight" column.

In future issues of the Taneytown Record, we'll be spotlighting a member of the American armed forces who is from our area. Please email me with nominations for service-members that we can feature.

You may have noticed that there's no "Social Page" with birthdays and anniversaries in this issue. That's because too few people volunteerred to participate. I hope that we'll have both the "Service Spotlight" and the "Social Page" in May.

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