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C&D Canal Trail info session set

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Local residents will have an opportunity to voice their opinions concerning plans to add trails and other recreational amenities along the C & D Canal on Wednesday, Jan. 16, during a C & D Canal Trail public workshop set for Bohemia Manor High School from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Canal Trail Project is currently at the 30 percent design completion level. The general public will be able to review the proposals and give input to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the public committee working on the project. The goal is to finish the design phase of the project by the fall of 2008 and begin construction in 2009.

Elkton to hear train update

A representative from Maryland's Transit Administration is scheduled to address Elkton's mayor and board of town commissioners during their regular bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday evening.

Diane Ratcliff, the director of the transit administration's office of planning, is expected to give an update on a proposal to extend MARC train service to Elkton.

Elkton Mayor Joseph Fisona has been pushing hard for the extended rail service, as have state elected officials. MARC officials, meanwhile, have expressed concern about whether there would be enough customers to justify the expense.

Elkton's meetings are held at 100 Railroad Avenue and begin at 7 p.m.
Schools reschedule events

The county board of education agreed Monday to reschedule the dates of its first budget hearing and an upcoming celebration in honor of the former George Washington Carver School.

The budget session, originally scheduled for Jan. 22, will now be held at 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 28. Public comment will be held at the start of all five budget hearings planned between then and Feb. 26.

The celebration of the former all-black George Washington Carver School, which now serves as the public schools administrative headquarters, has been moved from its original date on Feb. 3 to Feb. 10. The celebration, which begins at 2 p.m., is intended to coincide with the building's recent renaming. It will now be known as the George Washington Carver Education Leadership Center.

Rising Sun to set town goals

The mayor and commissioners of Rising Sun will hold a special meeting Monday at 5 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to outline the projects and goals of the town for the current year. The meeting is open to the public and there will be an opportunity for comments and suggestions.

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