



CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND STATUS & INFORMATION REPORT NO. 6 FOR 2025

To Members of the City Council:

February 14, 2025

FEBRUARY 2025

*For additional information and a complete list of City events, please visit the
Calendar of Events on the City's website at <http://www.hagerstownmd.org/calendar.aspx>*

*Questions about any of the Downtown Events listed, please email events@downtownhagerstown.org
Visit Hagerstown Parks & Recreation website and flip through the 2024/2025 Fall Winter digital Program Guide
<https://www.hagerstownmd.org/145/Parks-Recreation>*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 Mayor and Council Work Session 4 PM	5	6	7	8 Galentine's Tour 11 AM to 8 PM Tickets: \$25
9	10	11 Mayor and Council Work Session 4 PM	12	13	14 	15
16	17 FREE PARKING CITY PARKING DECKS President's Day HOLIDAY	18 Mayor and Council Work Session 4 PM	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Mayor and Council Regular Session 7 PM	26	27	28	

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

To obtain City Department or City Boards and Commissions meeting information, please visit <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/27/Government>.

We encourage you to visit our website at <https://www.hagerstownmd.org> for all City-related updates.

Other inquiries may be made by visiting the City Resident 311 page at <https://www.hagerstownmd.org/841/Services>

COMMUNICATIONS

This Week's Headlines & Media Releases:

- With Utility Bills on Rise, Maryland Lawmakers Unveil Energy Package
- Meritus Medical Center Has More Staff on Duty to Aid with Patient Jump
- Hagerstown Police Officer Exposed to Suspected Fentanyl During Chase
- Hagerstown's Isaiah Brooks is Ready for His First MMA Pro Fight
- Maryland Juvenile Justice in Crosshairs as Lawmakers Debate Reforms
- Hagerstown Big Lots Having Big Sale Before It Will Close Permanently
- Hagerstown Man Charged Federally After Suspicious Photos Found
- Comings & Goings: Sporting Goods Store Coming, Field House Opens
- Just Lookin' Gallery to Celebrate 30 Years in Business
- Washington County Transit's Event to Promote Public Transportation
- Bank Promotes Long-Time Employee to Executive Vice President
- Traffic Advisory: Summit Avenue
- Traffic Advisory: Mulberry Avenue
- Trash & Recycling Advisory: Collection Delayed One Day

This Week's Video Projects:

- Mayor & Council Special & Work Sessions
- "State of the City" Video Shooting

Channel 25 Hub City Now Programming:

- Mayor & Council Meeting
- "Council wRap"
- Visit Hagerstown :30 Promo
- Fit Room :30 Promo
- Public Works Snow Information Facts Video

City Website:

- www.hagerstownmd.org attracted 6,667 user visits for the week of February 6-12
- The most popular top entrances (the first page users accessed on the website):

1. Home Page	1,848
2. Online Payment Portal Page	1,702
3. Utility Billing Page	812
4. Police Page	323
5. Jobs Page	322
6. Search Page	286
7. Trash & Recycling Page	176
8. Civic Alerts Page	165
9. Bids Page	142
10. Skate Park Page	67

- Top searches

1. Water
2. Trash & recycling
3. Jobs
4. Homestead Act
5. Bids

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Taste of Downtown – March 8 from 3 PM to 8 PM

- Stroll through Downtown and taste the different flavors of international cuisine
- Participating Downtown restaurants will offer an appetizer/tasting
- Tickets go on sale in February

Run-Fest and St. Patrick’s Day Festival – March 15 from 8 AM to 1 PM

Sign up for a 1-mile walk, 5K or 8K

Following the run – Poor Man’s Gambit takes the stage at Hub City Brewery from 11 AM to 1 PM

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Community Development

The Hagerstown Youth Council hosted Washington Goes Purple staff to brainstorm outreach ideas to target local youth. Hagerstown Youth Council members are also preparing for an advocacy day in Annapolis hosted by the MOST Network and the Maryland Youth Advisory Council.

ENGINEERING

1. **Hagerstown Field House** – the certificate of substantial completion has been issued for the project, and a final punch list has been distributed to the contractor. A public Open House celebration has been scheduled for February 22nd.
2. **Hager House Museum Improvements** – staff held a kick-off meeting with the project architect and the display case consultant to discuss the project. The first phase of construction will entail removal and storage of the artifacts, and demolition of the existing interior space.
3. **Engineering Statistics**

Description	Week of 02/10/2025	Calendar Year 2025 TOTALS
Traffic complaints received	0	13
Work Orders completed	0	12
Traffic counts completed	0	0
Construction Projects		
Description	Week of 02/10/2025	Calendar Year 2025 TOTALS
Construction	0	0
Projects advertised for bids		
RFP's Advertised	2	3
Projects under construction	7	7
Projects completed	0	0

FIRE

2/4/25 - 2/11/25			
Total Incidents (City only)	52	Mutual Aid to surrounding FDs	14
• Unit Responses	86	• Halfway FD	2
• Fire/Rescue Responses	22	• Maugansville FD	2
• EMS Responses	19	• Funkstown FD	5
• Other Responses	11	• Longmeadow FD	2
Inspections/System Tests	27	• Other	4
Community Events	0		

Significant Incidents

No significant incidents this week.

PLANNING & CODE ADMINISTRATION

Report not available

POLICE

STATS (02/06/2025 – 02/12/2025)

Calls for Service:	1534	Field Interviews:	5
Arrests/Warrants Served:	26	Moving Violations:	15
Domestic Violence Calls:	17	Safety Repair Orders:	1
DUI Arrests:	1	Warnings:	102
Reports Filed:	118		

ACADEMY: The Washington County Police Academy kicked off Class 10 on Monday. The Department is proud to announce that 18 of the 30 cadets are HPD employees. The largest class ever. The cadets have been hired by HPD, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Frederick County Sheriff's Office and Allegheny County Sheriff's Office. This week starts the seven months of academy training and for those that make it through, it will be followed by four months of field training before they can be certified for patrol solo. Congratulations to all the cadets. HPD will soon be testing for the fall 2025 academy.

MEDIA RELEASES:

Homicide Investigation: On 2/12/25 at approximately 3:41 PM, Officers of the Hagerstown Police Department responded to the 200 block of West Franklin Street in reference to a shooting investigation inside a residence. The victim in the shooting succumbed to his injuries and this incident is now being investigated as a homicide.

The victim is identified as Jamaal Roberts, 39, of Rocky Mount, North Carolina. A suspect is in custody and their name will be released when they are officially charged. This is an isolated event and there is no threat to the public related to this incident. Further information will be released as it becomes available. If anyone has any information relating to this incident, please contact Detective Vogel at dvogel@hagerstownpd.org

Suspect Identified: Members of the Hagerstown Police Department were able to positively identify Kevin Wilfred Huling, age 28, as the shooter. The investigation led officers and detectives to a residence in the 200 block of Wakefield Road. Huling was located hiding in a closet of the home, was arrested and subsequently transported to the Hagerstown Police Department for questioning.

Members of the Hagerstown Police Department executed a search and seizure warrant at the residence and recovered evidence relating to the homicide. As a result of the investigation, Huling was transported to the Washington County Detention Center, where he is currently being held without bail, on First, Second Degree Murder, and related firearms charges.

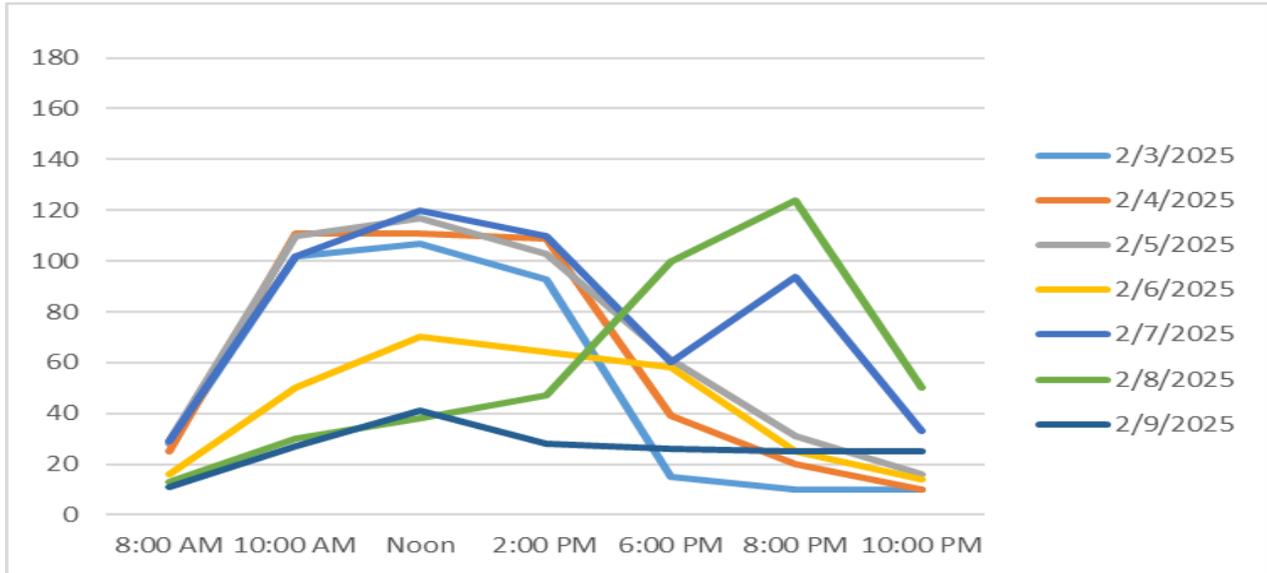
This investigation was supported in part by the Maryland Criminal Intelligence Network (MCIN). The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy (GOCPP) supplies grant funding and strategic assistance to MCIN member sites. These resources enable the identification, disruption, and dismantling of criminal organizations through enhanced inter-agency collaboration and data sharing, contributing to a safer Maryland for all.

PUBLIC WORKS

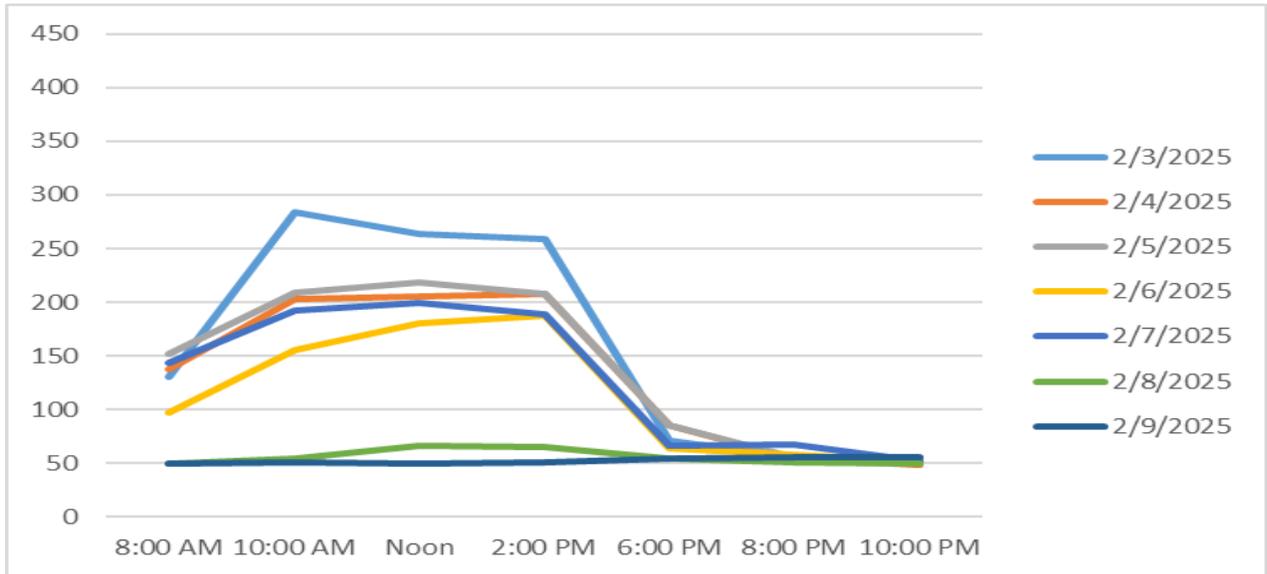
GENERAL PARKING SYSTEM DATA

		Current Week	Previous Week
Number of Permit Holders	A & E Deck	178	178
	University District Deck	295	295
	Hub City Garage	67	65
Number of Student Permits	Central & Rochester Lots	58	56
Number of Patrons Using Decks	A & E Deck	1390	1485
	University District Deck	1591	1655
	Hub City Garage	594	614
Number of Citations Issued	(Includes Warnings)	236	317
Peak Occupancy (%)	A & E Deck	68% Sa@ 8PM	95% Sa@ 8PM
Peak Occupancy (%)	University District Deck	65% Mo@ 10AM	50% Tu@ 10AM, 2PM
Peak Occupancy (%)	Hub City Garage	13% Tu@ 10AM	12% Tu@ 10AM

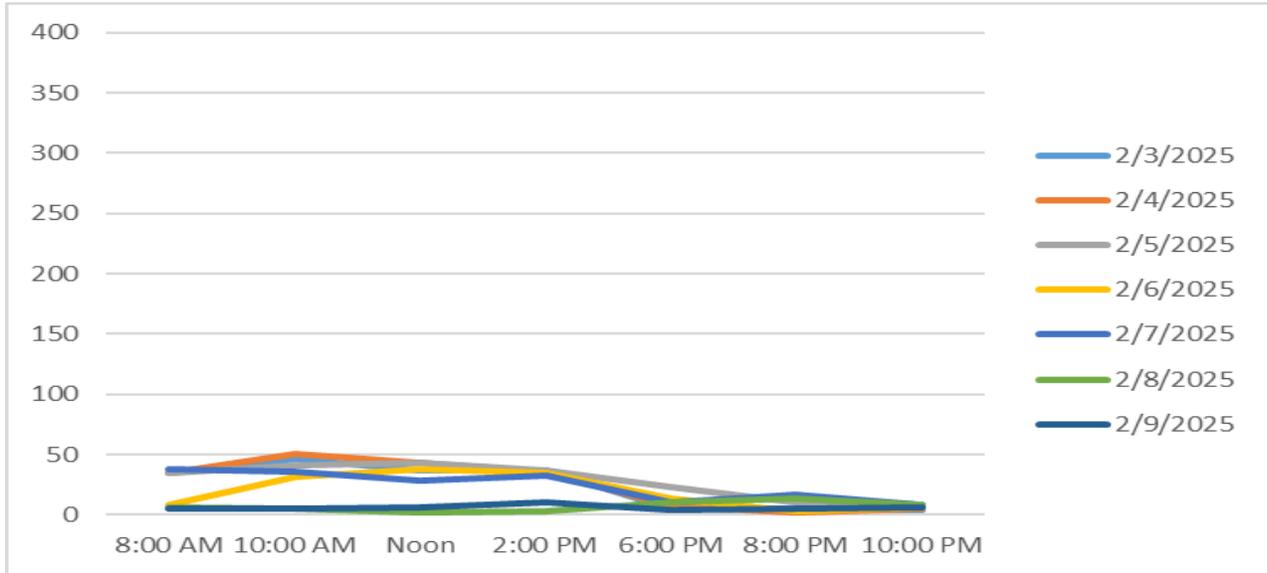
A&E PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY



UD PARKING DECK WEEKLY OCCUPANCY



HUB CITY PARKING GARAGE OCCUPANCY



DOWNTOWN EVENTS

Event Name	Date	Location
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner & Training	02/04/2025	Maryland Theatre
Love Story: Taylor Swift Tribute	02/07/2025	Maryland Theatre
Business Gala	02/08/2025	Maryland Theatre
Galentine's Tour	02/09/2025	Downtown

CENTRAL MAINTENANCE GARAGE REPAIR DATA

	Current Week	Previous Week
DCED	0	1
Planning & Code	2	5
Fire	0	1
Engineering	0	0
Parks & Recreation	6	4
Public Works	5	4
Police	10	18
Water	2	4
Wastewater	5	4
Light	2	3
Human Resources	0	0
Weekly Totals	32	44
Yearly Total	141	109

AFTER HOURS CALL BACKS

Friday, February 7, 2025 @ 12:30AM: Staff received a text message from truck driver wanting to unload a delivery of bulk road salt at the 51 W. Memorial Blvd. facility. Staff came to the site, opened the gate for the driver and secured site after salt was dropped off.

Saturday, February 8, 2025 @ 4:22PM: Dispatch reported a twisted one-way sign at W. Franklin and Alexander St. Sign crew was already working overtime for snowstorm and could make the repair.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Fit Room

See Fit Room report attached with weekly recreation classes. No private rentals scheduled this weekend.

Hager House

Save the date for a new living history event on Saturday, June 7 at the Hager House, 1775: Hager's Town Revolts. Living historians and reenactors are being recruited for both the June 7 and Sept 20 Fall Fest events. The 3rd annual Plein Air event is expanding into City Park on August 9, 2025 and expecting a large number of artists to participate. See flyers attached.

Virtual Fitness

- Virtual Strength Training, Thursdays 6-7pm
- Virtual Yoga, Tuesdays 6-7pm

Golf Course

Staff is running three promotions for the course promoting the new Divot Club Card, Memberships, and a new St Patrick's Day Tournament "No Shenanigans" on Friday, March 14. See flyer attached. We continue to monitor the weather daily. The course is closed again now through Sunday, Feb 16 due to snow and wet ground conditions.

Golf Course	2/5/25-2/11/25	2/5/24-2/11/24
# of Golfers	9	0*

*Please note the golf course was closed from December 2024 until May 2025 due to the stormwater project to reconstruct the stream.

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

ELECTRIC DIVISION

Service Calls

Thur. 2/6 - Pole #14, Wesel Blvd – a street light was struck in a vehicle accident. Time Out: 4.1-4.9

Fri. 2/7 - 1042 Brinker Drive, Unit 102 – total outage; the customer's main breaker tripped.
Time Out: 16.2-16.7

Lamps Replaced	New Fixtures Added	Changeouts	Fixtures Removed
5	0	2	0

- Multiple permit reviews and service upgrades requests have been reviewed and/or completed.
- Engineering staff began preparations for an upgrade to HLD's Milsoft Engineering Analysis and Mapping software in conjunction with the IT Dept.
- Engineering staff reviewed plant facilities for overload conditions and proper voltage support.

- Data Request No. 1 was completed and submitted to the Public Service Commission this week for the annual review of the Actual Cost Adjustment under review. The hearing for this case, 9505(s), will be held on March 13, 2025 in Baltimore.

WASTEWATER DIVISION

Wastewater Treatment Plant at Frederick Street

Date	Flow (mgd)	Rainfall (inches)
Wednesday, Feb 05, 2025	5.32	0.00
Thursday, Feb. 06, 2025	6.39	0.21
Friday, Feb. 07, 2025	5.72	0.00
Saturday, Feb. 08, 2025	5.41	0.00
Sunday, Feb. 09, 2025	5.59	0.00
Monday, Feb. 10, 2025	5.48	0.00
Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025	5.36	0.01
Weekly - Avg. Flow/Total Rainfall	5.61	0.24
Monthly – Avg. Flo /Total Rainfall	5.53	0.24

- Removed existing underground fiber optic at Final #5
- Pulled Cat6 cable in underground conduits for gate cameras
- Repaired underground utility water leak
- Replaced faulty breaker in PLC 4
- Routine MVP Plant Work orders & Corrective Work Orders

Wastewater Collection

SSES Weekly Progress

Activity	Districts	L. F. main	Feet of lateral	# Inspected
CCTV Inspections	2,5,8,22,31	50,75.5,140.7,168.4,2146	0,9.1,14,6,91.6	0,1,1,1,7
Flushing	2,8,21,22,31	175,295,4061,896,1546		
Point Repairs		# of Repairs	Reason	L.F. of Repairs
Lateral Only	2	1	Roots	4

Collection System Maintenance Tasks

- Construction crew cleaned up trees by the storm drain by our shop.
- Sawcut patches from previous digs for future blacktop patches.
- Dug lateral on 581 Northern Avenue due to roots in lateral line.
- Snow removal around shop and pump stations.
- CCTV and flusher crews worked off of Garland Groh Blvd behind the shopping center for GIS.
- CCTV and flusher crews worked on blockage calls on Park Place, Summit Avenue and Northern Avenue.
- Worked on Districts 21 and 22.
- Pump crew worked on generator at Pump Station 4. Removed bypass pump from Pump Station 4.
- Pretreated sidewalks around pump stations and sidewalk by our shop.
- Cleaned grinder pump canister and installed new tube/tubing at 20207 Mahogany Circle.
- Repaired pump #1 check valve at Pump Station 3.

Wastewater Division – Customer Call Log Summary 2025							
Type	Blockages	Grinder Pumps	Odor Complaints	Flushing	WW Pump Stations	Other	Totals
Weekly	3	1	0	0	0	5	9
YTD 2025	23	22	1	0	0	41	87

Engineering

- Review of Site Development and City Permit Drawings
- Gathering information for service inquiries
- Updating GIS databases completed with water projects

Lab

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week
- Completed QC verifications: monthly autoclave bioindicator verification
- Collected samples for COVID and other pathogen research studies: Wastewater-SCAN, Biobot, and CDC-NWSS
- Cross-training with Lachat nutrient analysis on-going
- Primary sampler maintenance, mini ChemScan maintenance
- Replace DI water tanks

Environmental Coordinator and Pretreatment

- Submitted 4th Quarter Compliance Report to MDE
- Updated DQM data

WATER DIVISION

Plant Flows - System Demand (MGD)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Willson</u>	<u>Breichner</u>	<u>Total</u>
02/06/25	11.52		11.52
02/07/25	11.69		11.69
02/08/25	11.10		11.10
02/09/25	11.53		11.53
02/10/25	11.57		11.57
02/11/25	11.26		11.26
02/12/25	11.37		11.37
		Average:	11.43

Water Production at R. C. Willson & Pump Station Distribution

- Staff worked on facility maintenance and routine preventative maintenance.

Water Production at Breichner / Edgemont Reservoir

The Edgemont Reservoir pool elevation is currently at 3.61 ft. Site evaluation continues per the contract with Hazen and Triad. City staff and Hazen and Sawyer continue to work with MDE Dam Safety on the final Dam Evaluation Report, design criteria, and project schedule.

Water Distribution

- Staff performed customer service work and new meter installations as needed.
- Staff repaired main breaks on Woodburn Drive and Woodland Heights Drive.

Laboratory

- Process and regulatory testing were routine for the week.

Engineering

- Construction inspection of ongoing projects
- Review of City permit and site plan drawings
- Review of County building permits
- Updating GIS mapping
- Concept design of upcoming capital improvement projects

Respectfully submitted,



Scott A. Nicewarner, City Administrator

Fit Room at Fairgrounds Park at Fairgrounds Park

Monthly Calendar For February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8a-9a Slow Flow Yoga #8618 7p-8:30p Private Gymnastics Lessons #8770
2 8:15a-9:45a Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8649 9:45a-11a Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8655 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8636 12p-1:15p Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8655	3 9a-10a Slow Flow Yoga #8616 7p-8p Belly Dance #8553	4 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8560	5 9a-10a Slow Flow Yoga #8616 4p-8p CPR and First Aid #8565	6 8a-3p Block 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8725 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8726	7 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8655 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8643	8 10:30a-11:30a Zumba Step Aerobics #8600 2p-3:30p GeoCaching in the Parks #8549
9 8:15a-9:45a Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8649 9:45a-11a Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8655 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8636 12p-1:15p Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8655 2p-3p Aerial Stretch #8692	10 9a-10a Slow Flow Yoga #8616 7p-8p Belly Dance #8553	11 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8560	12 9a-10a Slow Flow Yoga #8616	13 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8725 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8726	14 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8655 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8643	15 8a-9a Slow Flow Yoga #8619 10:30a-11:30a Zumba Step Aerobics #8600
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23 8:15a-9:45a Gymnastics for Kids, Intermediate #8650 9:45a-11a Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8656 11a-12p Gymnastics for Kids #8637 12p-1:15p Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8656 2p-3p Aerial Stretch #8693 4p-8p Destiny Christian - Baby Shower	24 9a-10a Slow Flow Yoga #8616 7p-8p Belly Dance #8554	25 6p-7p Buti Yoga #8560	26 9a-10a Slow Flow Yoga #8616	27 4p-4:30p Princess Ballerina #8725 4:35p-5:05p Ballet & Acro #8726 6:30p-7:30p Aerial Stretch #8680 7:45p-8:45p Aerial Tricks #8715	28 3:15p-4:45p Gymnastics for Kids, Preteam #8656 4:45p-5:45p Gymnastics for Kids #8644	

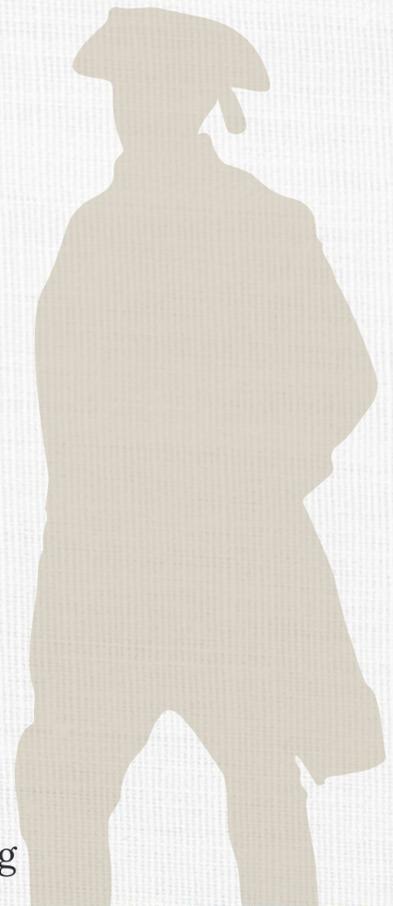
Jonathan Hager House Museum

Living Historians & Reenactors Wanted!

The City of Hagerstown is seeking living historians and reenactors to participate in programs this year at the historic Jonathan Hager House in Hagerstown City Park.

Opportunities to participate in two events this season—celebrating 18th century colonial life from the French & Indian War to the American Revolution.

Contact Matt Penrod for more details at mpenrod@hagerstownmd.org



1775: Hager's Town Revolts

June 7 10am - 4pm

The Revolution has begun in Western Maryland! Come represent the people of this community who took opposing sides in the fight for independence from British rule.

City Park Fall Fest

September 20 11am - 4pm

The 18th century comes to life during this park-wide event celebrating the fusion of arts, entertainment, and history!



Jonathan Hager House



Art Educators
SAVE THE DATE!

CITY PARK PLEIN AIR ART FESTIVAL

Saturday, August 9

The City of Hagerstown Parks and Recreation Division invites you and your students to participate in this year's Plein Air Art Festival in historic Hagerstown City Park. We would like to partner with you!

This annual event creates an extensive and immersive art creation experience for artists of all ages and levels of experience. Help us plan and implement this exciting new annual community event.

For more information about how you can be involved contact Matt Penrod at mpenrod@hagerstownmd.org



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