## SYKESVILLE NURSING HOME RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Sykesville's Fairhaven facility was recently named in "U.S. News Best Nursing Homes" by U.S. News & World Report. The Integrace community is one of 2,000 communities to earn the designation nationwide, and one of just 36 in Maryland.

The announcement was made as U.S. News & World Report released its new Nursing Home Finder tool (http://health.usnews.com/best-nursing-homes), which offers comprehensive information about care, safety, health inspections, staffing and more for nearly every nursing home in the country. To create the resource, U.S. News evaluated more than 15,000 homes nationwide, across each state in 100 major metropolitan areas.

To qualify as a Best Nursing Home this year, facilities had to earn an average of 4.5 stars or better during the 12 months of federal reports ending in October 2016 and had to consistently meet certain performance standards set by U.S. News during the period.

Fairhaven provides a range of services to support both residents and their greater communities, including independent living, assisted living, skilled nursing, short-term rehabilitation and more. To learn more, please visit www.fairhavenccrc.org.

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## MARCH 5

Maple Sugarin' Festival & Pancake Breakfa Have you ever tapped a maple tree and watche the sap flow? Hiked past the Martin Cabin and wondered what's inside? Come out to Hashawl Environmental Center to enjoy pancakes with r maple syrup, learn how to tap a maple tree and make syrup of your own, create a few crafts to t home, enjoy living history demonstrations and so much more! 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Hashawha Bear Branch Nature Center, 300 John Owings Rd., Westminster. Visit www.ccrecpark.org for more information.

**Exploring Homelessness in Carroll County:** Town Hall Forum A short film exploring the liv of several Carroll County residents as they share their stories of homelessness will be played. He local neighbors talk about their own journey, th struggles to get back on their feet, and their ho for the future. A time of discussion and reflectio will follow the film with a discussion of ideas ab community response to homelessness. This eve is sponsored by The Circle of Caring Homelessn Board, a voluntary collaborative committee of o 50 government, non-profit, business, and faith based groups with an interest in ending homele ness in Carroll County. For ages 10 to adult. 6:30 p at Finksburg branch library, 2265 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg. Visit www.library.carr.org.

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