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SUNRISE BRIEF, FEBRUARY 17, 2020

I. WEATHER

- **Today:** Partly cloudy with north wind 5 to 7 mph becoming east in the afternoon. High 53°. Low 39°.

Washington's
Birthday



Partly Sunny

High: 53 °F

Tonight



Mostly Cloudy

Low: 39 °F

Tuesday



Rain Likely

High: 59 °F

II. DEVELOPMENTS OF NOTE

National Capital Region

- **District of Columbia:** An intoxicated man fell onto the tracks at Capitol South Metro Station and took shelter in the under-platform refuge area to avoid an oncoming train. Metro trains single tracked to avoid delays. [Link](#)
- **District of Columbia:** FEMS performed a water rescue at the Georgetown Harbor Complex. An adult male was located in the water underneath the dock. The victim was safely removed from the water and evaluated by EMS.
- **Montgomery County:** A driver veered off the road and tumbled down an embankment near Laytonsville. The driver sustained life-threatening injuries. The cause of the incident is under investigation. [Link](#)
- **Prince George's County:** The United States Park Police reported all north and southbound lanes of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway/MD-295 were closed at Landover Road/MD-202 overpass due to a fatal pedestrian accident. The travel lanes were closed for approximately four hours and are now open.

- **Prince George's County:** Greenbelt Police Department issued a citizen advisory urging people not to meet up with strangers through dating apps after several recent armed robberies. At least five of the victims used the MeetMe app. Anyone with information related to the robberies as asked to police at 301-474-7200. [Link](#)



MeetMe app allows people to meet and chat with others in their area for free (Source: New York Post/Shutterstock)

III. COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

- **Overview:** Johns Hopkins University's Center for Systems Science and Engineering reports 71,810 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 1,775 deaths as of 2/17/2020 at 4AM. [Link](#)
- **United States:** Over 300 American passengers arrived this morning on a charter flight from Japan after being quarantined on a cruise ship since February 5. The passengers were flown to two US military bases and must undergo an additional two-week quarantine. [Link](#)
- **United States:** The State Department reported 14 Americans who were evacuated from the quarantined cruise ship in Japan tested positive for COVID-19. [Link](#)
- **Taiwan:** Health officials reported the country's first COVID-19 related-death. The patient was a man in his 60s with no history of traveling and no known links to previous cases. [Link](#)