



Bringing the County Closer to You!

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April 11, 2014

Countryside Artisans Studio Tour
Friday and Saturday, April 11 & 12 10:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday, April 13 12:00n – 5:00pm

They are a group of craftspeople and artists located in the foothills of Sugarloaf Mountain in rural Maryland. Working out of their cottage studios, they create quality handcrafted items such as original prints, paintings, hand blown glass, pottery, hand spun yarns, knitted and woven apparel, wine, woodenware, jewelry, wrought ironware, home and garden furniture, annuals and perennials.

See the brochure for more [Information](#)
Visit the website at <http://www.countrysideartisans.com/index.htm>



(rain, snow or shine!)



Residents Invited to Participate in Live Online Discussion with County Executive Ike Leggett

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett will hold a “virtual” Town Hall Meeting on Monday, April 28 from 1 to 2 p.m. County residents will be able to ask questions of the County Executive before or during the chat at [Live Discussion with Ike Leggett](#). Questions and answers will be posted both during and after the chat.

For more information, call the Office of Public Information at 240-777-6507.

Leggett Announces Another Pothole Blitz; Two-Week Effort will also Repair Damaged Pavement Sections

Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett has announced April 3rd that MCDOT will conduct another intensive effort to fill the County’s potholes. MCDOT’s Division of Highway Services repairs potholes every day of the year except during rain and snow. But, **over the next two weeks, the department will devote about 60 percent of its resources to filling potholes and replacing damaged road sections.** See more at http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/dot/pressrelease/PR_details.asp?PrID=13564

April 24 is Take Your Children to Work Day!

Gilchrist Center Spring 2014 class registrations commenced April 1

Gilchrist Center in-person registrations began April 1. If you or anyone you know is interested in registering for classes, the following upcoming dates are useful to remember:

Wheaton Site

- **ESL** (Beginning & Intermediate): April 10, 4-7 pm

Gaithersburg Site

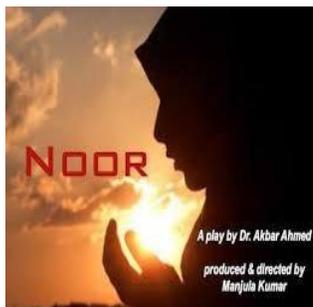
- **Saturday Intermediate English**: April 12 at 10:30 am

Germantown Site

- **ESL (beginning)**: April 22 & 24, 5-7 pm
- **ESL (intermediate)**: April 23 & 24, 5-7 pm
- **Citizenship**: April 24, 6-8 pm

Space is limited, so hurry up, and contact us at (240)777-4940 to receive information on available spaces for Spanish Beginning, and Citizenship classes.

For a full description of **class schedule**, visit the [website](#)



Montgomery College presents . . .

Frank Islam Athenaeum Symposia Spring 2014 Speaker Series

“NOOR—Screening of Drama “
Monday, April 14 7:00pm
Globe Hall—High Tech Building
Montgomery College Germantown Campus
20200 Observation Drive, Germantown

Written by Akbar Ahmed and Directed by Manjula Kumar

Followed by Distinguished Panel: Director, Actors, and Philanthropist Frank Islam

For more information, please visit www.montgomerycollege.edu or email joan.naake@montgomerycollege.edu. For accommodations please call 240-567-7734.

GET WORKFORCE HELP FOR 6 WEEKS. FREE! ... AND DO GOOD!

THURSDAY, APRIL 17 12:00noon
Silver Spring Civic Building
One Veterans Plaza, Silver spring

This invitation is intended for business owners and entrepreneurs. As a business owner/entrepreneur you know how tough it is to find good staff. Come learn about this innovative program that matches young people with employers – like you! Youth Employment Services (YES) is based on a true match between employer's needs and the unique strengths and interests of the job candidate. It is a refreshing and mutually beneficial alternative to traditional business services. The Youth Employment Specialist gets to know and understand your business and workforce needs and develops a customer relationship between you and a well-matched youth job candidate.

RSVP required. Lunch provided. E-mail dgilgenbach@montgomeryworks.com

For more information on MontgomeryWorks, visit:
http://www.montgomeryworks.com/programs_services_youth.asp

PRESENTED BY
THE AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH PROGRAM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

AAHP Community Day:

One Healthy Life Leads to Another

Join Us...

SATURDAY
APRIL 19TH
12-4 PM



FREE EVENT: Click Here to Register

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE –TAKOMA PARK/SILVER SPRING CAMPUS
Charlene R. Nunley Student Services Center
7625 Fenton Street • Takoma Park, MD 20912

Saturday, April 19 12:00n – 4:00pm
Montgomery College - Takoma Park Campus
7600 Takoma Avenue, Takoma Park

The Executive Committee of the African American Health Program (AAHP) and their partners are hosting their 1st annual community day. It is free and open to the public, with a variety of events for everyone. There will be live cooking demonstrations, group fitness activities, and several information booths. Free screenings for high blood pressure, cholesterol, and diabetes, Body mass Index (BMI), vision screenings and free HIV testing are also available. For the children in attendance, there will be science demonstrations that will be sure to teach and keep them entertained.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Griffin Rodgers, Director of National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases <http://www.onehealthylife.org/about-aahp.html>

The event will kick off with a Men's Health and Fitness walk at 8:00am.

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Ride On Fare Changes (starting July 1, 2014)

April 22 1:30 pm,
County Council Building
100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville
(3rd floor hearing room)

The Montgomery Council hereby notifies the general public that it will receive testimony on potential changes to transportation fees, charges and fares on April 22, 2014. The proposed fare changes will keep the County fares in line with the regional fares set by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA).

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to speak at the public hearing are requested to call 240-777-7803 on or before April 21, 2014 by 12:00noon to register to speak. Comments may be written, faxed or e-mailed on the proposed Ride On Fare changes to the Montgomery County Council by the close of business on May 1, 2014.

Send your comments to:

Montgomery County Council
100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, MD 20850
240-777-7900 (voice)/240-777-7888 (fax)/240-777-7914 (TTY)
E-mail: county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov



Recipients of 2014 Montgomery Serves Awards Announced;
Awards will be Presented at April 28 Ceremony

Visit <http://www.montgomeryserves.org> for details!



zoningmontgomery.org

Open Houses

County residents and property owners are invited to attend an open house and talk to Planning Staff about the proposed zoning map. Staff will be on hand with interactive maps to illustrate any proposed changes in zoning and to help answer questions.

- April 22 (6-8pm) [Rockville Memorial Library](#)
- April 24 (6-8pm) [Wheaton Regional Library](#)
- April 29 (5-8pm) [Park and Planning Headquarters](#), Silver Spring
- May 1 (6-8pm) [Marilyn J. Praisner Library](#), Burtonsville
- May 5 (6-8pm) [UpCounty Regional Services Center](#), Germantown
- May 6 (6-8pm) [B-CC Regional Services Center](#), Bethesda

Revised Zoning Code - The County Council approved the revised zoning code (ZTA 13-04) on March 4, 2014; it will become effective on October 30, 2014. The final version of the revised zoning code is available [here](#).

Revised Zoning Map - The Council deferred action on the [zoning map](#) (DMA G-956) until later this year. Review of the draft zoning map will continue. Questions about the draft zoning map should be directed to Matt Johnson at Matt.Johnson@montgomeryplanning.org or 301-495-1325.

TRAINING FOR RELIGIOUS LEADERS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Thursday, April 24 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Silver Spring Civic Building
One Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring

This training is recommended for religious leaders and their staff, who are contacted by concerned members in their congregation and by strangers coming for assistance, on how to safely and sensitively respond to persons who may have untreated mental illness. Topics will include recognition of mental illness, de-escalation techniques, safety awareness and community resources for patients, caregivers, family and religious leaders.

More info needed? e-mail mcclergyworkshop@yahoo.com

Montgomery County’s Commission on Common Ownership Communities To Hold Annual Forum

Saturday, April 26 10:00am – 1:00pm
North Creek Community Center
20125 Arrowhead Rd., Montgomery Village
(doors open at 9:00am, presentations begin at 10am)

The Montgomery County Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC) will host its annual forum where homeowners and residents of common ownership communities in the County are invited to attend, as well as professionals who work with those communities. This year’s free public forum will cover all aspects of reserve funding, including presentations by experts on reserve studies, preventative maintenance, legal aspects of reserve planning, tax issues of reserve funds, how to invest reserve funds and best practices for reserve fund planning.

Light refreshments will be served.

The Commission on Common Ownership Communities is a County agency whose mission includes advising on public policy issues that impact these communities; educating owners, residents and professionals associated with these communities on community management and governance; and resolving disputes between owners or residents and the governing bodies of these communities.

Community Appreciation Event; “Open Hearts Open Doors”
Tuesday, April 29 3:00 pm.
KPC Temple
18400 River Road, Poolesville

The community is invited to join County Executive Isiah Leggett and other officials, community leaders and clergy at a community appreciation event hosted by the Buddhist Temple, Kunzang Palyul Choling (KPC), in Poolesville. The County’s liaison to the faith community, Rev. Mansfield Kaseman, the Dept. of Permitting Services, and the Upcounty Regional Services Office worked with KPC leaders on the Temple’s first phase of their renovation project that now allows the reopening of the 24-hour Prayer Room and the launching of phase II. Tours will be available of the facilities that are open to people of all faiths as well as the grounds including about 50 acres with trails leading to a variety of meditation centers. Light refreshments will follow the program.

To RSVP or find out more information, email kpc@tara.org or 301-710-6259.

Affordable Housing Conference
Friday, May 2 8:00am – 3:00pm
Bethesda North Marriott Conference Center
5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD

Visit <http://www.affordablehousingconference.org> for details

April is National Financial Literacy Month!



For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/cs/templ.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/libraries/index.asp>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>