

Bringing the County Closer to You!

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June 3, 2016

### **Reminder**!

### UCAB's Land Use Committee Meeting Monday, June 6 7:00pm-9:00pm Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

**Topic:** State Road and Intersection Projects

Board meetings are open to the public!

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to <u>catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov</u>.

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## Metrorail to Close at Midnight Every Night Beginning June 3 Seven-day-a-week midnight closures will expand maintenance time, improve safety

In case you haven't heard, beginning Friday, June 3, the Metrorail system will close at midnight every night to allow for the implementation of SafeTrack, an expanded track work plan to improve Metrorail safety and restore service reliability. Last-train departure times vary by station. Customers are encouraged to check wmata.com/stations to determine the last-train departure time for their trip.

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# Executive Office Building (EOB) lobby level Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) entrance door will be closed for a period

The Executive Office Building (EOB) lobby level Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) entrance door closed at 6:30pm on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, and will remain so until approximately July 1, 2016 in order to complete exterior concrete repairs.

Throughout this time the lobby revolving door will be in service during building operating hours. ADA access to the EOB will be through the EOB Cafeteria entrance during the closure.

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### Community Forum on Community Recreation & Aquatic Center for Clarksburg and Surrounding Area Wednesday, June 8 7:00pm-8:30pm Rocky Hill Middle School Cafeteria 22401 Brick Haven Way, Clarksburg

Meeting with the community is our earliest preliminary step in the planning and design process for this project and information gathered from residents will be evaluated for use in developing the project further for the County's Capital Improvements Program (CIP). Please help us define the needs for community recreation and aquatic services for the northern county region. We want to hear from you!

Questions? Contact: Carmen Berrios at 240-777-6875 or carmen.berrios@montgomerycountymd.gov

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### Plum Gar Community Recreation Center Invites Active Seniors 55+ on Mini Trip to Smithsonian Museum of Natural History Tuesday, June 7 9:30am-2:00pm meet at Plum Gar Community Recreation Center 19561 Scenery Drive, Germantown

Bring your lunch to eat by the mall. Register online at ActiveMONTGOMERY.org, Activity #21572. \$9 per person. Space is limited!

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## Newly Renovated Western County Outdoor Pool Re-Opens 201151 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

The Departments of Recreation and General Services celebrated with Poolesville Town officials the opening of the newly renovated Western County Outdoor Pool with a ribbon cutting ceremony this past weekend. Renovations to the pool began in September 2015 and included the construction of a new 3,160- square foot "spray" ground and renovations of the bathhouse, snack bar and filter room. In addition, upgrades to the site and buildings, including the parking lot and pool grounds, improved accessibility. Accessible upgrades at the site include drinking fountains, pool deck showers, restrooms and shower facilities, and an accessible route to a shade structure. Other system upgrades include new light fixtures and in-pool lighting, a new dive board and a new leisure pool slide. Renovation costs were approximately \$3.85 million.

# County Began Issuing Birth Certificates June 1

The County's Department of Health and Human Services began issuing birth certificates on Wednesday, June 1 at the Dennis Avenue Health Center in Silver Spring. Death certificates will continue to be issued as well.

Birth certificates are available on a walk-in basis Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Birth certificates are available for any individual born in the State of Maryland. Individuals seeking a birth certificate must present a valid, unexpired, government-issued identification such as a driver's license or U.S. passport. The identification must have an issue date and an expiration date. Only parents or legal guardians (must provide proof of guardianship) may obtain a child's birth certificate. For adults, only the individual named on the certificate, or his/her parents, may apply for a birth certificate. Applicants must have been born in Maryland after 1939. Those born before 1940 should contact the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Division of Vital Records at 410-764-3063. Applications are available online at <a href="http://dhmh.maryland.gov/vsa/Pages/birth.aspx">http://dhmh.maryland.gov/vsa/Pages/birth.aspx</a>. The fee to obtain a birth certificate is \$32 payable by cash, credit card or check/money order.

The Dennis Avenue Health Center is located at 2000 Dennis Avenue, Silver Spring. For more information, call 240-773-1207 or 3-1-1.

## Road Resurfacing Project: Quail Valley Community (Gaithersburg)

The Division of Highway Services is about 80% through the patching phase of the road resurfacing project within the Quail Valley Community. Subsequent work includes pavement and edge milling, utility adjustments, paving with hot mix asphalt, and replacing roadway lane markings. This project started in May 2016 and is scheduled to take 6 to 8 weeks to complete, weather and other operational requirements permitting. Work hours will be between 7:00am and 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. However, the contractor will be permitted to work longer hours and on Saturdays, if necessary, to expedite the completion of the project.

If you have any questions, contact: Nicholas Boone, Project Manager, at 240-777-7648.

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# Storm Drain Culvert Replacement Project on Long Corner Road (Damascus)



As reported in last week's issue, the Division of Highway Services is replacing a storm drain culvert on Long Corner Road at Scott Branch in Damascus. Two, 36-inch, storm drain culverts will be replaced by two, 48-inch ones. A section of the road will be closed to through traffic; however, local traffic will continue to have access to homes located along Long Corner Road. A detour will redirect drivers to Mullinix Mill Road and MD 108. This project is expected to take three months to complete, weather permitting.

For more information read the Long Corner Road Newsletter.

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Senior Safety Forum Tuesday, June 14 10:00am-1:00pm Holiday Park Senior Center 3950 Ferrara Drive, Wheaton

The 6th annual free Senior Safety Forum in honor of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day and the event highlights will include presenters, exhibitors and workshops on a variety of important safety topics with a focus on the safe use of technology. Enjoy free bag lunches while supplies last. The event will also feature raffle prizes, live music and police and fire and rescue demonstrations.

## **Office of Consumer Protection Offers Mediation Services for Businesses**

Montgomery County's Office of Consumer Protection (OCP) is offering expert mediation services to businesses to help resolve a variety of disputes. In conjunction with County Executive Ike Leggett's "Culture of Solutions" initiative, expert mediation services currently used to resolve consumer and common ownership community disputes are now being extended and made available to businesses in Montgomery County for <u>free</u>.

Mediation serves as an alternative to expensive and protracted litigation in court, and enables the parties to structure their own settlement agreements. Mediation sessions will be offered in Rockville on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Each confidential session may be scheduled for 1 to 4 hours, and a written agreement will be prepared at the conclusion of each successful session. The parties generally meet together and separately with OCP's volunteer expert mediator. Disputes between a business and a supplier, between a business and a landlord, or between two businesses, may be appropriate for these mediation services.

Merchants interested in learning more about mediation services should contact OCP by calling (240) 777-3636 or by email at <u>ConsumerProtection@MontgomeryCountyMD.gov</u>

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# Montgomery County Recognizes Excellence in Recycling Achievement During the 17th Annual Recycling Awareness Week

As part of Montgomery County's 17<sup>th</sup> annual Recycling Awareness Week, the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) recognized outstanding achievements in recycling, waste reduction, reuse, buying recycled-content products, and educational efforts by local businesses, organizations, multi-family apartment and condominium properties, residents and individuals for their contributions to increase recycling. These efforts support the County's goal to reduce waste and recycle 70 percent by 2020. Recycling more materials at home, work and school will ensure clean land, air and water for everyone living, working and visiting the County, and will encourage continued economic growth.

Among those recognized for their efforts were the following residents and businesses from the Upcounty (or northern region of the county):

### **Outstanding Leadership Efforts to Increase Recycling Awareness**

Freeman Lee, Germantown; Celia Reidler, Northwest High School, Germantown; Sanjukta Sil Upadhyay, Germantown; and Demari Simms, Germantown

### Multi-Family Property Excellence in Recycling

The following multi-family properties were recognized for their efforts to recycle 70 percent or more of their waste stream in 2015: Cherry Knoll Apartments, Germantown; Churchill Senior Living, Germantown; Kentlands Manor, Gaithersburg; and Willow Manor at Cloppers Mill, Germantown

### Multi-Family Property Staff Outstanding Individual Achievement in Recycling

Harold Jones, Asbury Methodist Village, Gaithersburg; and Deneen Martin, Normandie on the Lake I, Montgomery Village

### Excellence in Recycling – Business

Lockheed Martin Information Systems & Global Solutions, Gaithersburg.

### **Outstanding Achievement in Recycling – Business**

Barrons Enterprises, Gaithersburg; Copper Canyon, Gaithersburg; Edgewood Vantage/Management, Gaithersburg; Euro Motorcars Germantown Mercedes-Benz, Germantown; Express Café, Gaithersburg; Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County, Gaithersburg; Matan for 20251 Century Boulevard, Germantown; Russell Office Park, Gaithersburg; United Parcel Service, Gaithersburg; and Village Montessori School, Montgomery Village

### Outstanding Achievement in Business Recycling – Individual

Craig Pardini, CSAAC, Montgomery Village

Detailed information about each of the award recipients is available on the Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Solid Waste Services website at <u>www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling</u>.

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# Don't forget your entries!

**The 30th Annual Landscape Beautification Competition** (deadline is June 3)

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# **The Amateur Photography Contest!** (deadline is July 1)

For details, call 240-777-7155 or visit <u>www.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcdotcommunityoutreach</u>

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# Council is on recess until June 13, 2016

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

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

Office of Community Partnerships http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html

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