



Montgomery County
RECREATION
DEPARTMENT



2009-2010

Dec/Jan/Feb



MONTGOMERY COUNTY
Charles W. Gilchrist
Center for Cultural Diversity



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Montgomery County Recreation Department
Wheaton: 11319 Elkin Street, Wheaton, MD 20902 (TEL: 240-777-4940)
Upcounty: 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown, MD 20874 (TEL: 240-777-4940)

December/January/February 2009/10 Programs & Services



The Gilchrist Center for Cultural Diversity offers:

Programs for New Americans: Focus on the needs of new immigrants and new residents to the County. Programs include English as a second language, basic legal assistance (civil and immigration), and informational seminars on a variety of themes.

Cultural/Educational Programs: Promote multicultural and multinational understanding among the County's residents. Programs include educational and recreational events concentrating on culture, cultural competency, diversity, and intercultural relations.

Small Business Development Programs: Includes informative seminars, workshops, and classes for the multicultural population on how to establish, finance, and efficiently operate a small business.

Recruiting Now!

Volunteer positions are available as:

- Information & Referral Assistant
- Program Coordinator
- ESOL Instructor/Aide
- Basic Computer Instructor/Aide (multi-lingual capability preferred)
- Spanish as a second language Instructor/Aide
- Spanish Literacy Instructor/Aide

Need \$5L Hours? High School Volunteers Wanted!

Call us at 240-777-4940 for more information.



The Gilchrist Center will be CLOSED on:

- December 20, 2009 - January 4, 2010
- Monday, January 19 (MLK Day)
- Monday, February 16 (Presidents' Day)



WHEATON Location Hours of Operation:

- Monday: 9am - 5pm
- Tuesday: 9am - 9pm
- Wednesday: 9am - 9pm
- Thursday: 9am - 9pm
- Friday: 9am - 1pm
- Saturday: 9am - 3pm

UPCOUNTY Location Hours of Operation:

- Monday: 5 - 9pm
- Tuesday: 5 - 9pm
- Wednesday: 5 - 9pm
- Thursday: 5 - 9pm

For information about programs offered by Montgomery County Recreation Department,
please visit the website www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec

Montgomery County Government is committed to complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need auxiliary aids or services (such as large print, electronic format, ASL, or cued speech interpreting, or mainstream companion) in order to participate, please call a mainstream facilitator (240-777-4925) to discuss your needs.

December/January/February 2009/10 Programs

All programs are for adults (18 and older) and free of charge unless noted. Todos los programas son gratis y para adultos a menos que se indique lo contrario.

WHEATON

Programs for New Americans



ENGLISH CONVERSATION

Improve your English conversation skills!

Advanced Beginning

Mondays, 3:00-5:00pm (ongoing)
First-come, first-served, until full.
Drop-ins welcomed.

Advanced Beginning & Intermediate

Saturdays, 11:30am-1:00pm (ongoing)
First-come, first-served, until full.
Drop-ins welcomed.

Intermediate

Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00pm (ongoing)
First-come, first-served, until full.
Drop-ins welcomed.

Advanced

Thursdays, 3:30-5:30pm (ongoing)
First-come, first-served, until full.
Drop-ins welcomed.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

SATURDAY ENGLISH

Saturdays, 9:15-11:00am (ongoing)
Classes for Beginning, Intermediate & Advanced levels. First-come, first-served, until full. Drop-ins welcomed.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

EVERYDAY ENGLISH for Beginners

Registration for this 6-week Survival English class begins Monday, January 25. Call (240)777-4940 for details.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE ESOL

Beginning & Intermediate levels; Early Morning, Morning and Afternoon classes. Registration on January 12 and March 16. First-come, first-served, until full. Registration for placement test required. Call (301)962-8950 for more information.

Taught by Montgomery College

MONEY MATTERS

A series of financial management workshops & one-on-one counseling with financial experts will be offered in Spring 2010. Must attend workshop before signing for counseling. Call (240)777-4940 for more information.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers



CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION

Saturdays, January 9 thru March 13, 11:30am-2:30pm

Over 55? Prepare for U.S. Citizenship. Call (410)580-2756 for more information.

Presented by: Baltimore City Community College

PRO BONO LEGAL CLINIC

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, 5:30-8:30pm

Obtain free legal advice on civil cases. Must be a Montgomery County resident. Intake starts at 5:30pm. First-come, first-served, until full. Call (301)424-7651/52/33 for more information.

Presented by: Montgomery County Bar Foundation



GRUPO DE APOYO EN ESPAÑOL

Se reúne el tercer jueves de cada mes de 6:30 - 9:30pm hasta el 17 de Junio

Para más información llame al (301)949-5852. Ext.112 o visite la página web:

www.namimc.org

Presentado por: NAMI de Montgomery County (La Alianza Nacional de Salud Mental)



TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

Sundays, February 7 - April 11, 1:30 - 4pm (No sessions on February 14 & April 4)

Federal and state income tax preparation assistance to low-income individuals and families (max. income of \$22,000 for individuals and \$42,000 for families.) First-come, first-served, until full.

Presented by Community Tax Aid

Cultural and Educational Programs

BASIC COMPUTERS

for *Absolute Beginners*

Learn basic computer skills in English and Spanish. Registration fee required. Registration for Winter Session will be held on Thursday, January 21 at 6:00pm. Call (240)777-4940 for more information.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

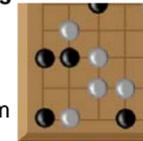
Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers



"GO" CLUB

Tuesdays, 6:00-8:30pm (ongoing)
Learn and play this ancient Asian strategy game!

Presented by: Arthur Lewis Go Club



CLUB "GO"

Martes de 6:00-8:30pm (ongoing)

Aprenda y juegue este juego antiguo de estrategia.

Presentado por: el Club de GO de Arthur Lewis

¡HABLEMOS!

Saturdays, 1:30-3:00pm (ongoing)
Improve your Spanish through this weekly Spanish conversation club! Drop-ins are welcomed.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

SPANISH FUN for EVERYONE 101/102

Learn Spanish through this fun 8-week course. Registration begins on Monday, Jan 25. Registration fee required. Call (240)777-4940 for details.

Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

Small Business Development Programs



For more information on upcoming small business seminars and training courses designed for entrepreneurs and business owners, please contact LEDC at (202)540-7424.

Para mayor información sobre nuestros próximos seminarios y cursos de capacitación para emprendedores y dueños de negocios, por favor contacte LEDC al (202)540-7424.

Programs at Wheaton Library

ENGLISH CONVERSATION (Intermediate)

Tuesdays, 10:00-11:30am (ongoing)
First-come, first-served, until full.
Drop-ins welcomed.
Taught by Gilchrist Center Volunteers

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Tel: (240)777-0678

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Banking Basics:

Workshop: February 2, 6-7 pm

Counseling: February 16, 6-8 pm

Credit/Borrowing Basics

Workshop: March 2, 6-7 pm

Counseling: March 16, 6-8 pm

Home Ownership Assistance

Workshop: March 30, 6-7 pm

Counseling: April 6, 6-8 pm

To register for workshops, call (240)777-4940.

BEGINNING ESOL

Wednesdays & Thursdays, January 6 thru March 18, 5:00-7:00pm

For registration information, call (301)740-2523.

Taught by Spanish Catholic Center



Any questions about Gilchrist programs and services? Feel free to call us at (240)777-4940.