

GSSCC MEMBER NEWS

(JANUARY 2015 - DECEMBER 2015)

DECEMBER 21, 2015 - WASHINGTON ADVENTIST HOSPITAL HAS RECEIVED APPROVAL FOR A NEW HOSPITAL

The Maryland Health Care Commission has granted formal approval for Adventist HealthCare Washington Adventist Hospital to develop a replacement hospital in the White Oak section of Montgomery County. The project is part of the hospital's longstanding plan to expand access to care in the region and includes keeping healthcare services on its current Takoma Park campus. Congratulations to WAH. [Click here](#) to read the full article.

DECEMBER 21, 2015 - PULSE COMMUNITY CARE IS GIVING AWAY A MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP AND A FREE YOGA CLASS

Pulse Community Care is giving away a monthly membership in Creative Colony to the next person who schedules a new patient appointment. Pulse Community Care is also offering a free yoga class from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, January 3, and another from 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. on Friday, January 8. [Click here](#) for more information.

DECEMBER 21, 2015 - THE MARYLAND YOUTH BALLET IS PERFORMING THE NUTCRACKER THROUGHOUT DECEMBER

The Maryland Youth Ballet is performing "The Nutcracker" from December 18 through December 27 at Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center, Montgomery College. Purchase tickets in advance [here](#) or at the door.

DECEMBER 21, 2015 - A WIDER CIRCLE WAS FEATURED ON THE COVER OF EXPRESS MAGAZINE

A Wider Circle was featured on cover of Express magazine earlier last week to discuss a successful 2015 and the continuous movement to end poverty in 2016. [Click here](#) to read the full article.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 - THE EMERALD DOOR SPA IS HOSTING A "HOLIDAY SIP & SHOP"

The Emerald Spa (8311 Grubb Rd.) is holding a "Holiday Sip & Shop" from noon to 8 p.m. today, Monday, December 14. Find local favorites, ECO gifting products, and Emerald gift card specials; and enjoy festive cocktails, snacks, and savings. This is the spa's way of saying "thank you" to its loyal customers and friends. For more information go [here](#).

DECEMBER 14, 2015 - THE FILLMORE SILVER SPRING NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT TO FULFILL THE DREAMS OF YOUNG MUSICIANS

This holiday season The Fillmore Silver Spring is working with the House of Blues Music Forward Foundation on its "Give Music 2015" campaign (details [here](#)), designed to fulfill the dreams of 14 deserving young musicians in Montgomery County by awarding a new instrument to each student on stage at the venue. In order to provide these instruments, The Fillmore is seeking to raise \$5,000 through its Crowdrise webpage. [Click here](#) to support the goal.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 - JOIN HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S RESTORE MOCO HOLIDAY HAPPY HOUR

Join Habitat for Humanity's ReStore MoCo from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16, for "Happy-Tat Hour." Enjoy cider, hot chocolate, cookies, treats, special sales, door prizes, and more. [Click here](#) for more information.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 - HAPPY 2ND BIRTHDAY TO URBAN BUTCHER

Happy birthday to Urban Butcher and congratulations on two years in the Silver Spring community.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 - CONGRATS TO APEX HOME LOANS ON THE LAUNCH OF ITS SIXTH BRANCH

Congratulations to Apex Home Loans on the launch of its sixth branch, in Herndon, VA. And, thanks to the company for its efforts to "Warm Up Our Community" by hosting the second annual "One Warm Coat" drive. Between now and December 31, Apex Home Loans will be collecting gently worn coats at its Rockville (3204 Tower Oaks Blvd., Suite 400) and Clarksville (6449 Ten Oaks Rd., Suite 200) locations. Call 301-610-9600 for more info.

DECEMBER 14, 2015 - THE POINT AT SILVER SPRING IS OFFERING \$500 CASH FOR REFERRALS

The Point at Silver Spring is offering \$500 to any GSSCC member who refers a colleague or friend who applies for and is approved for a one-year or more lease at the property. [Click here](#) for more details.

DECEMBER 7, 2015 - CONGRATS TO GSSCC PRESIDENT JANE REDICKER WHO WAS AWARDED WITH A MD HERO MEDALLION

Maryland Comptroller Peter Franchot addressed the Chamber's Government Affairs Committee today and surprised GSSCC President Jane Redicker with one of his "Maryland Hero Medallions," for being a champion for the business community. See the picture [here](#).

DECEMBER 7, 2015 - JOIN PETER CASCIANO, ANDALMAN & FLYNN, FOR A SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY SEMINAR

On December 21, Attorney Peter Casciano, Andelman & Flynn will speak at a nationwide tele-seminar in reference to "Social Security Disability Tactics and Advanced Challenges" for the National Business Institute. Peter routinely lectures on Social Security Disability issues, including how to win at the Hearing Stage. [Click here](#) to learn more and to sign up for the seminar.

DECEMBER 7, 2015 - ENJOY BRUNCH WITH SANTA AT AG KITCHEN NEXT SATURDAY

Join **AG Kitchen** for "Brunch with Santa Claus" from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, December 19. Enjoy pictures with Santa, cookie decorating, balloons, games, and shenanigans. [Click here](#) for more information.

DECEMBER 7, 2015 - GANDHI BRIGADE IS LOOKING FOR A PART-TIME EDUCATOR FOR A NEW PROGRAM

Gandhi Brigade Youth Media (GB), in partnership with the Montgomery County Conservation Corps and **YMCA Youth and Family Services**, is proud to announce its flagship program, the Full Circle Brotherhood (FCB), designed to provide a group mentoring model for young men ages 16-24. GB is currently looking for a part-time educator with media experience to manage and implement this program. [Click here](#) for more information.

DECEMBER 7, 2015 - JOIN ALTAVISTA FOR A FREE "BUSINESS OWNERS ON THE MAP" WORKSHOP

Join **Altavista** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8 for "Business Owners On The Map," a free workshop to help small business owners learn more about Google Maps, Google Search, and how to make their business stand out online. Enjoy lunch, wine, and a raffle. [Click here](#) for reservations.

DECEMBER 7, 2015 - RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH EL GOLFO AND A LIVE BAND

Ring in the New Year with **El Golfo Restaurant** starting at 8 p.m. on December 31. Enjoy a free live band, free champagne, props, specials, and more. Click [here](#) for more information and click [here](#) to sign up.

NOVEMBER 30, 2015 - THE KENSINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL HOST BREAKFAST WITH SANTA THIS SATURDAY

The **Kensington Volunteer Fire Department** will host its annual "Breakfast with Santa" from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, December 5, at KVFD Station 5 (10620 Connecticut Avenue). Call 301-929-8000 for more information.

NOVEMBER 30, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH OWNERS WILL BE FEATURED ON WUSA9'S NEW SHOW GREAT DAY WASHINGTON

Jerry Holinger and **Zena Polin**, owners of **The Daily Dish, a Restaurant & Catering Company**, will be featured in a cooking demo segment on WUSA9's new show, **Great Day Washington**, between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9.

NOVEMBER 30, 2015 - CONGRATS & THANKS TO EASTER SEALS FOR ITS COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Congratulations and thanks to **Easter Seals serving DC Maryland and Virginia!** Since its Inter-Generational Center opened in 2008, the organization has supported Silver Spring and the greater Montgomery County community by providing more than \$1 million in scholarships to help those in need access its programs and services.

NOVEMBER 30, 2015 - CHECK OUT INTERFAITH WORKS' NICHOLE LAND ON MONTGOMERY COUNTY MEDIA'S WEEK IN REVIEW

Interfaith Works' Nichole Land was a recent guest on **Montgomery Community Media's "Week in Review"**. She discussed three simple ways families and individuals may give back to their community during the holiday season. Take a look at the video [here](#).

NOVEMBER 30, 2015 - CONGRATS TO MOD PIZZA FOR RANKING 7TH IN FORTUNE MAGAZINE

Congratulations to **MOD Pizza** for ranking 7th in Fortune Magazine's "20 Best Workplaces in Retail." The announcement came on MOD Pizza's 7th Anniversary. Read the article [here](#).

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - THE CVC WILL HOST ITS SECOND ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIVING PROJECT AND TOY DRIVE

The Corporate Volunteer Council of Montgomery County (CVC) will host its Second Annual Holiday Giving Project and Toy Drive in partnership with the Montgomery County Holiday Giving Project, A Wider Circle, and M&T Bank. The CVC encourages four ways to give: adopt a family, host a toy drive, donate, and/or volunteer. [Click here](#) for a [Toy Drive Tool Kit](#).

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - CONGRATS TO 4 CORNERS PUB ON ITS 3 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to **4 Corners Pub**, on celebrating its 3-year anniversary this past Wednesday, November 19. [Click here](#) to visit the site.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - CELEBRATE WITH LA MALINCHE FOR ITS 3 YEAR ANNIVERSARY THIS FRIDAY

La Malinche is celebrating its 3-year anniversary this Friday, November 27. Patrons can enjoy specials and a live guitarist from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. See the menu [here](#).

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - CONGRATS TO OUR CHAMBER MEMBER CORPORATE PHILANTHROPY WINNERS

Congratulations to **EagleBank**, **Sandy Spring Bank**, **M&T Bank**, and **PEPCO** on being recognized with a Washington Business Journal 2015 "Corporate Philanthropy by Giving" award. Congratulations to **EagleBank** and **PEPCO** on also being recognized with a "Corporate Philanthropy by Volunteer Hours" award.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - DAILY DISH WILL SERVE A FREE THANKSGIVING LUNCH TO A WIDER CIRCLE FAMILIES

The **Daily Dish, A Restaurant & Catering Company** will serve a free Thanksgiving lunch to clients of **A Wider Circle**, including individuals and families who participate in the workforce readiness and wellness programs. The farm fresh lunch, with a naturally raised turkey, roasted vegetables, pies and all the trimmings will be served at 1:30 pm.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - SLIGO CAFE HAS LAUNCHED A KICKSTARTER CAMPAGIN TO REMAKE THE RESTAURANT

The owner of Sligo Cafe has launched a Kickstarter campaign to remake the restaurant into "Bibim," the first Korean restaurant in downtown Silver Spring. The campaign will support a completely make-over of the space, equipment, cookware, and tableware, as well as branding and marketing for the new restaurant. [Click here](#) to learn more.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - CONGRAT TO KATE MCDONOUGH OF ANDALMAN & FLYNN

Congratulations to Kate McDonough, Andelman & Flynn, on being selected to serve as the 2015-2016 President of the Montgomery County Women's Bar Association. [Click here](#) for details.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - JOIN CREATIVE COLONY TONIGHT TO VOLUNTEER AT SHEPHERD'S TABLE

Join Creative Colony from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. today, Monday, November 16 (and on the third Monday of every month) to set-up the dinner service for Shepherd's Table. Volunteers meet at Creative Colony's office (8121 Georgia Avenue, Suite 600) and walk over as a group. [Click here](#) to sign up.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - ANY PURCHASE MADE AT FENWICK BEER & WINE TODAY WILL SUPPORT DOCS IN PROGRESS

Fenwick Beer & Wine will donate 10% of all sales today to Docs In Progress.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - MOD PIZZA WILL CELEBRATE ITS 7TH BIRTHDAY BY SPREADING THE MODNESS DURING THANKSGIVING

MOD Pizza will celebrate its seventh birthday with an annual "Spreading MODness campaign." During Thanksgiving week (November 24 to 29), MOD Pizza Silver Spring will donate \$1 to Gandhi Brigade for every pizza sold. New this year, on Black Friday customers will be encouraged to add a buck to "Magnify the MODness." Go to www.modpizza.com and click on Silver Spring location.

NOVEMBER 16, 2015 - ATTEND A FREE MEDICAL MUSEUM SCIENCE CAFE EVENT TOMORROW

Join National Museum of Health and Medicine for its Medical Museum Science Café event "Threats From Infectious Diseases: A Look To The Future," scheduled from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, November 17. U.S. Army Colonel Matthew Hepburn will host a discussion on the challenges for military medicine to maintain an edge in combating emerging infectious diseases. This event is free and open to the public. No RSVP is required. Call 301-319-3300 or [send an email](#) for more information.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - SUPPORT EASTER SEALS' MILITARY PROGRAMS THIS WEEK

This week through November 15, members who shop at Safeway can support Easter Seals Serving DC|MD|VA programs that help veterans and military families reintegrate into our local community. A 'YES' click on the pin pad at checkout will send a donation to support the program. For additional information about this campaign please email acress@eseal.org.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - JOIN DOCS IN PROGRESS FOR ITS 6TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY STORIES FESTIVAL

Docs In Progress kicks off its 6th annual Community Stories Festival with a reception and screening at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 10, at the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center. Documentary films, produced by adult and youth students, tell real-life stories of Montgomery County artists, nonprofits, and small businesses. On Wednesday, November 11, the group will partner with Silver Spring Town Center, to present "Brookeville: Capital for a Day" at the Silver Spring Civic Building. Click [here](#) for more information.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - THE CVC, KAPLAN UNIVERSITY, AND CORNERSTONE MONTGOMERY WILL HOST A FREE JOB FAIR

The Corporate Volunteer Council of Montgomery County, Kaplan University Rockville, and Cornerstone Montgomery will host a free job fair from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. next Thursday, November 12, at Kaplan University's Rockville campus (1390 Piccard Drive). Click [here](#) for more information.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - DOWNTOWN SILVER SPRING IS BRINGING IN THE HOLIDAYS

Downtown Silver Spring hosts its annual "Re-Imagining the Holidays Tree Lighting Celebration" at 6 p.m. next Saturday, November 14, on Fountain Plaza. This year's "tree" is a 35-foot-tall public art installation built with food containers, plates, cups, bottles, and silver "u-tinsels" draped throughout. Maryland Youth Ballet dancers and Nutcrackers will join the festivities. Click [here](#) for more details.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - PUJA SATIANI AND ALL SET RESTAURANT WILL JOIN THE URBAN WINERY

Puja Satiani and All Set Restaurant & Bar will join The Urban Winery for its Bole Zinfandel Release Party to benefit The Alzheimer's Association. The event, beginning at 7 p.m. on November 16, will feature Puja's signature chocolates and a six-course meal prepared by Chef Ed and paired with local wines, as well as appearances by eight former Redskins players and a silent auction. Click [here](#) for more information.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - THE EMERALD DOOR SPA WILL OFFER AN EVEING OF ECO BEAUTY NEXT SATURDAY

The Emerald Door Spa (8311 Grubb Rd.) will offer an "Evening of Eco-Beauty" from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, November 21. The celebration will launch of the first skincando organic facial pop-up and include sips, bites, an eco-beauty goody bag, and more. RSVP by November 13 to sacha@grassfedmediadc.com.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH GOOD IS HOSTING ITS FIRST GIVE GOOD! HOLIDAY FAIR

Daily Do Good will host its first annual Give Good! Holiday Fair from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2, at the WeWork Wonder Bread Factory (641 S. St., N.W.). Vendors from the D.C. Metropolitan region will showcase goods that benefit the community and support local arts. Click [here](#) for more information.

NOVEMBER 9, 2015 - PEPCO HAS BEEN HONORED BY THE WILDLIFE HABITAT COUNCIL

Pepco has been honored by the Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC) for its WaterShed Sustainability Center, located at the company's Rockville Service Center, 201 West Gude Drive. The 900-square-foot home designed by University of Maryland students is a living classroom and laboratory for sustainable energy that features multiple electric vehicle charging ports and other hands-on, interactive displays. WaterShed won first place in the U.S. Department of Energy's 2011 Solar Decathlon. Learn more [here](#).

NOVEMBER 2, 2015 - RIDERWOOD WILL HOLD A FALL FAIR ARTS & CRAFTS BAZAAR NEXT WEEKEND

Riderwood (3110 Gracefield Road) will hold a "Fall Fair Arts & Crafts Bazaar and Bake Sale next weekend from noon to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, November 13, and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 14, in Maryland Hall. The event will feature knitted and crocheted goods, paintings, etched glass, jewelry, ceramics, handmade crafts, and more, all created by Riderwood residents. For more details and ticket information, click [here](#).

NOVEMBER 2, 2015 - DOCS IN PROGRESS' ANNUAL COMMUNITY STORIES FILM FESTIVAL STARTS NEXT TUESDAY

Docs in Progress' Annual Community Stories Film Festival starts next Tuesday, November 10 and runs through Sunday, November 15. Silver Spring Town Center Inc. is a community partner for the festival. Click [here](#) for more information.

NOVEMBER 2, 2015 - CATYLATOR MAKERSPACE WILL HOST A WOMEN'S CRAFT NIGHT EVERY THURSDAY

Catylator Makerspace (8121 Georgia Ave, Suite LL1) will host women's craft night every Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. starting this week on November 5. Classes include demonstrations and ideas for beginners and encouragement for participants to become as inventive as they like. For more information call 301-588-8833 or click [here](#).

NOVEMBER 2, 2015 - ALTAVISTA IS HOSTING A FREE WORKSHOP "BUSINESS OWNERS ON THE MAP" IN DECEMBER

Altavista will host a FREE workshop, "Business Owners on the Map," from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8. The workshop focuses on business growth strategies using Google Search and Google Maps, and includes complimentary lunch, wine tasting, and a raffle. Click [here](#) for more information.

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - RIGHTTIME MEDICAL CARE COMMEMORATES "RED RIBBON WEEK" THIS WEEK

Righttime Medical Care commemorates "Red Ribbon Week," a national campaign to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage participation in drug prevention activities, from October 23 to October 31. Click [here](#) to learn more.

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - SUPPORT THE SILVER SPRING YMCA AT CUABNO'S RESTAURANT TOMORROW NIGHT

Enjoy authentic Cuban cuisine at Cubano's Restaurant (1201 Fidler Lane) from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. tomorrow, October 27, and support the Silver Spring YMCA. 35% of food and beverage purchases will be donated to the "Y." Click [here](#) for more information.

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - COLLEGE PARK TENNIS CLUB IS OFFERING FREE TENNIS LESSONS IN NOVEMBER

College Park Tennis Club (CPTC) is offering FREE tennis lessons during November. GSSCC members, friends, family, and employees can learn tennis using CPTC's Rally in 10®, a patented program that allows adults to play and learn tennis using rally based drills during one-hour lessons each week. Click [here](#) for more information.

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - THREE CHEERS FOR EYA FOR SUPPORT A WIDER CIRCLE

Three cheers for EYA for not only joining A Wider Circle for a day of service last Friday, but also presenting the organization with a \$10,000 check, enough to furnish some 200 more homes.

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - THE FILLMORE SILVER SPRING IS HOSTING ITS 4TH ANNUAL "GIVING THANKS" EVENT

The Fillmore Silver Spring will host its 4th Annual Giving Thanks event in partnership with Shepherd's Table from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Thanksgiving Day. Those in need in our community will be invited to enjoy seasonal treats, live music, and take-away care packages complete with food, toiletries, and more. The Fillmore is accepting donations of food, clothing, and toiletries onsite from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning on November 2. For details and a list of donations sought, click [here](#).

OCTOBER 25, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH IS "SERVING OTHERS" ON THANKSGIVING DAY, JOIN THE COMMUNITY

Join The Daily Dish in its commitment to "Serving Others" on Thanksgiving Day. From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, The Daily Dish will provide turkey with all the trimmings for special individuals served by a local community organization that helps those in need. For more details about the organization, or to volunteer, email zena@thedailydishrestaurant.com.

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - CONGRATS TO THE FILLMORE ON WINNING THE "DISCOVER MOCO AWARD"

Congratulations to The Fillmore in Silver Spring, on winning the "Discover MoCo Award," one of Visit Montgomery's 2016 Hospitality Awards. This award recognizes the best creative marketing campaigns from attractions in the County. Calling The Fillmore "one of the top event venues in the Greater Washington D.C. area, . . . [hosting] the top artists in the music industry," Visit Montgomery said that the venue "has continued to elevate Montgomery County as a go-to destination for entertainment." Read the article [here](#).

OCTOBER 26, 2015 - RIDERWOOD ANNOUNCES THE HIRING OF A NEW PERSONAL MOVING CONSULTANT

Riderwood, the Erickson Living retirement community, just announced the hiring of Jennifer Hill to serve as a personal moving consultant, joining Diane Thometz in the community's Department of Sales and Marketing. Click [here](#) to learn more.

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - THE DAILY DO GOOD WILL HOST A HALF-DAY CONFERENCE EXCLUSIVELY FOR NON-PROFITS

The Daily Do Good will host a "Grow Your Good" half-day conference from 8:30 a.m. to noon this Wednesday, October 21, at R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center in Washington, D.C. The conference is exclusively for non-profit organizations seeking information on social media, fundraising, board development, and strategic planning. For more information, click [here](#).

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR IS CALLING ALL BARTENDERS AND MIXOLOGISTS

All Set Restaurant & Bar is calling all bartenders and mixologists for the "Absolut Smackdown," a healthy competition for the DMV bartending community. Click [here](#) for more information about joining and/or attending.

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - SPEEDPRO IMAGING OF SILVER SPRING IS HIRING

SpeedPro Imaging of Silver Spring is seeking a Production Manager/Graphic Designer to start on or before December 1. Click [here](#) for the full job description.

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - SHEPHERD'S TABLE WILL HOST A "FRIENDRAISER" AT ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR THIS SATURDAY

Shepherd's Table will host a "Friendraiser" at All Set Restaurant & Bar from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 24. Members of Shepherd's Table's Board of Directors will be on hand to talk about the organization's impact in the community. Complimentary appetizers, New England-influenced cocktails, and food for purchase will be available. RSVP [here](#).

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - SEEC IS HOSTING A FREE EMPLOYER NETWORKING & RECOGNITION BREAKFAST

In honor of Disability Employment Awareness Month, SEEC will host a free Employer Networking & Recognition Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Friday, October 30, at the United Therapeutics Education Center. RSVP to jalvandi@seeconline.org.

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - JOIN ARDEN COURTS FOR A FREE DEMENTIA EDUCATION EVENT

Join Arden Courts of Silver Spring (2505 Musgrove Road) for its Dementia Education Event: "Music Therapy and Dementia," from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 5. RSVP by calling 301-847-3051 or emailing SilverSpring@arden-courts.com.

OCTOBER 19, 2015 - THE URBAN WINERY IS HAVING A SIX COURSE MEAL + WINE PAIRING + REDSKINS EVENT

The Urban Winery will celebrate the release of its newest wine, Bole Zin, with a fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Association at 7 p.m. on Monday, November 16. The event will include a six-course meal with wine pairings in collaboration with three other local wineries, and appearances by several former Washington Redskins, who will offer signed jerseys, photos, and a football for a silent auction. Click [here](#) for more details.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - HOOVER-FISHER FLORIST WILL DONATE 15% OF EACH ORDER TO A CHARITY DURING OCTOBER

During the month of October Hoover-Fisher Florist will donate 15 percent of each floral bouquet ordered to the charity of the customer's choice. Online orders should use the promo code CHARITY and enter the full name and complete address of the selected charity in the box labeled special instructions. For customers who do not specify a charity, Hoover-Fisher will donate the proceeds to Family & Nursing Care Foundation.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - CELEBRATE FOOD DAY WITH WASHINGTON ADVENTIST HOSPITAL WITH A FREE COOKING CLASS

Washington Adventist Hospital will celebrate Food Day by hosting a free cooking class with Executive Chef Randall Smith, from noon to 1 p.m. next Wednesday, October 21. Click [here](#) for registration details and more information.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - EL GOLFO IS CELEBRATING OWNER ADA VILLATORO'S 50TH BIRTHDAY AND HER COMMUNITY OUTREACH

El Golfo Restaurant is celebrating owner Ada Villatoro's 50th Birthday and recognizing her community outreach in Silver Spring, at the "party of the year," from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Friday, October 23. Local musicians will perform, and a percentage of the proceeds from food and drink sales will be donated to the non-profit arts outreach organization, Carpe Diem Arts. For more information or to RSVP, click [here](#).

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - MONUMENT BANK WILL HOST THE FOURTH ANNUAL MOCO BUSINESS HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON

Monument Bank will host the fourth annual Montgomery County Business Hall of Fame with a luncheon on Tuesday, October 27, at The Universities at Shady Grove (USG). Four honorees will be inducted into the Hall of Fame for their efforts reach business goals and impact the County business environment. The event also supports a USG scholarship fund. Click [here](#) for more information or to register for the event.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - CONGRATS TO ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR FOR BEING FEATURED ON FEDERAL NEWS RADIO

All Set Restaurant & Bar was featured on Foodie and the Beast on Federal News Radio (1500AM) yesterday morning. Bar Manager Molly Horn was on air discussing cocktails.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - THE CVC HOSTED A SMALL BUSINESS FORUM LAST WEEK

The Corporate Volunteer Council (CVC) hosted a small business forum at the Montgomery County Correctional Facility last week, where businesses in the area had a chance to speak with inmates who are going through the OneStop program, part of the reentry services offered at the facility. Check out the video [here](#) and see a glimpse of some Chamber members.

OCTOBER 12, 2015 - CLASS ACTS ARTS IS HOSTING THEIR ANNUAL GALA CELEBRATION "ART INSPIRES"

Join Class Acts Arts annual gala celebration "Art Inspires" to honor Joan Burns and Jeanne Simon, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, at the Silver Spring Civic Building, One Veterans Plaza. All proceeds will benefit Class Acts Arts. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets.

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - CREATIVE COLONY WILL HOST AN OPEN HOUSE EVERY DAY THIS WEEK FOR POTENTIAL PARTNERS

Creative Colony will host an open house every day from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day this week to offer potential partners an opportunity to experience its collaborative space in a supportive environment of like-minded creative professionals? [Click here](#) for more information.

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - PUJA SATIANA & SLIGO CAFE HOST "CRAFT COCKTAILS & HANDCRAFTED PAIRINGS"

Chocolatier Puja Satiani and Jung-Ah Park (JP), craft bartender and owner of Sligo Cafe, join forces to present "Craft Cocktails & Handcrafted Chocolate Pairings," scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, at Sligo Cafe. In addition to the craft cocktails and chocolates guests can enjoy passed hors d'oeuvres. [Register here](#).

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - KAPLAN UNIVERSITY WILL HOST A BOOT CAMP FOR HR PROFESSIONALS

Kaplan University will host "SHRM Boot Camp for HR Professionals" from October 14 to October 16, in its Rockville Learning Center. The program will focus on financial expertise, strategic planning, and process improvement. Click [here](#) for more details.

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - THE ORIGINAL VELATIS IS HIRING IN TWO LOCATIONS

The Original Velatis, Inc. is now hiring at both its Silver Spring store, and its newest store (to open in December 2015) in Crystal City, VA. Interested applications should call (301) 578-8612.

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - THE CVC WILL HOST THEIR 2015 ANNUAL LUNCHEON & AWARDS CEREMONY

The Corporate Volunteer Council (CVC) of Montgomery County will host 2015 Annual Luncheon & Awards Ceremony from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, October 16, at The Bolger Center (9600 Newbridge Drive, Potomac). The CVC will recognize four businesses for outstanding volunteer efforts this past year. Purchase tickets [here](#).

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - THE DAILY DO GOOD WILL HOST A HALF-DAY CONFERENCE FOR NONPROFITS

The Daily Do Good will host a half-day conference for nonprofits from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, October 21. Panelists will discuss fundraising, social media, board development, and strategic planning. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - LERCH, EARLY, & BREWER WILL HOST A PRESENTATION ON IMMIGRATION ISSUES

Lerch Early & Brewer, Chtd. will host a presentation on immigration issues in the workplace at 8 a.m. on Friday, October 23, in its offices at 3 Bethesda Metro Center, Suite 460. A corporate immigration specialist will discuss the nuts and bolts of visas, including some new regulations, changes in immigration law, ensuring compliance with global immigration requirements. Light breakfast will be served. Space is limited and registration is required. Call (301) 657-0184, or email mrenkel@lerchearly.com.

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - SAVVY WOMEN, SMART INVESTORS - FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT SEMINAR

Mark your calendars for "Savvy Women, Smart Investors - Financial Empowerment Seminar" hosted by Rick Hoskins, Edward Jones Investments. This free event is scheduled from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 29, at the DoubleTree by Hilton - Silver Spring. The seminar will cover topics currently faced by female professionals, as well as planning for the future. Space is limited. [RSVP here](#).

OCTOBER 5, 2015 - CONGRATS TO TWO MEMBERS ON BEING RECOGNIZED IN THE WASHINGTON BUSINESS JOURNAL

Congratulations to two Chamber members on being recognized in the *Washington Business Journal's* "Women Who Mean Business 2015": Martha Foulon-Tonat, President and Chief Administrative Officer, Monument Bank, and Leslie Ludwig, Partner, The JBG Companies. Read about Foulon-Tonat [here](#) and Ludwig [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - GSSCC CELEBRATES MEMBER RESTAURANTS' SUCCESS

Congratulations to Sligo Cafe on its Grand Re-Opening under new management! Congratulations to The Original Crisfield Seafood Restaurant on its 70th Anniversary!

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - JOIN WASHINGTON PROPERTY CO. AT ITS GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY ON OCTOBER 1ST

Join **Washington Property Company** at its groundbreaking ceremony for the new Progress Place homeless facility, scheduled for 11:30 a.m. this Thursday, October 1, at 8110 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring, behind Fire Station #1. **Washington Property Company** owners will be joined by Montgomery County officials to launch this public private partnership. Due to limited onsite parking, attendees are asked to park in the garage at 8100 Fenton Street.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - THE URBAN WINERY IS NOW OPEN FOR LUNCH

The Urban Winery is now open for lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and from 1 p.m. weekends. Check out the menu [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - PRINT 1 PRINTING & COPYING WAS HONORED TO PRINT THE OFFICIAL PRAYER CARDS FOR THE POPE

Print 1 Printing & Copying was honored to print the official prayer cards for Pope Francis to use on his visit to Washington DC last week. The cards were also distributed at the lunch for the homeless. See the cards [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY TO DAILY DO GOOD! JOIN THE CELEBRATION

Happy 1st Birthday to Daily Do Good. Join the celebration from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, October 7, at the WeWork Wonder Bread Factory in D.C. Enjoy wine, hors d'oeuvres, connections and conversation. RSVP [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - JOIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY MEDIA TO HONOR VIETNAM VETERANS ON OCTOBER 24

Join **Montgomery Community Media** to celebrate this country's Vietnam Veterans with gratitude and a commemoration celebration from 10:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, October 24 at the **Universities of Shady Grove** in Gaithersburg. The event includes celebrity guests, elected officials, and the honorees - a Montgomery County's Vietnam Veterans and their families. Click [here](#) for more details.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO WASHINGTON ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY FOR RANKING 43RD IN THE NATION

Washington Adventist University (WAU) ranks 43rd among regional colleges of the north in the 2016 edition of U.S. News & World Report "Best Colleges Ranking", moving up from its 46th position in the 2015 edition. In this latest edition, WAU also ranks fifth in best ethnic diversity among the regional colleges of the north. Read the article [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 - INTERFAITH WORKS WILL CELEBRATE ITS VOLUNTEERS & PARTNERS ON OCTOBER 22

Interfaith Works will celebrate its volunteers and partners with its annual "Empty Bowls" event, scheduled for Thursday evening, October 22. The event brings the Interfaith Works community together through art, a bowl of soup, and the desire to help the most vulnerable in Montgomery County move from crisis to stability. Each attendee will take home a hand-crafted bowl, as a reminder that hunger and homelessness continue to challenge thousands in our community. Register [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - VOTE ADAM S. LOWE PHOTOGRAPHY FOR "BEST EVENT PHOTOGRAPHER" IN BEST OF BETHESDA

Support Adam S. Lowe Photography for "Best Event Photographer" in Best of Bethesda Magazine 2015. Voting closes TODAY, Monday September 21 at 5:00 pm so [vote here](#) and share on social media with #VoteASLphoto. Help Adam Lowe as he hopes to make the list for the second year in a row.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - JOIN NATIONAL MUSEUM OF HEALTH AND MEDICINE FOR THE FREE SEPTEMBER SCICAFE EVENT

Join **National Museum of Health and Medicine** for its September SciCafe event "Making Them Whole: Ocular Prosthetics", scheduled from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. this Tuesday, September 22, Anaplastologist Louis Gilbert from the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center will discuss the history of ocular prosthetics and demonstrate the seven-step process of creating prosthetic eyes. This event is free and open to the public. No RSVP is required. Call 301-319-3300 or [click here](#).

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - JOIN CREATIVE COLONY FOR A FREE CREATIVE BOOST THIS WEEK

Join **Creative Colony** for a free Creative Boost "Improv Comedy Tools for Strategic Communications Planning" scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. this Thursday, September 24. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR A DAILY DISH EVENT: YOM KIPPUR "BREAK THE FAST"

The Daily Dish (8301 A Grubb Rd.) presents a Yom Kippur "Break the Fast," this Wednesday, September 23. The menu includes a special platter of house-made gravlax, smoked whitefish, and smoked salmon; fresh soups; dips with pita bread; roast chicken or salmon; apple cake; challah bread pudding and our regular dinner menu. [Click here](#) for reservations.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO SLIGO CAFE FOR ITS RELAUNCH; JOIN THE CELEBRATION THIS SATURDAY

Congratulations to **Sligo Café** for its relaunch under new management. Join the celebration at 9:00 p.m. this Saturday, September 26. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, drinks, and dancing. [RSVP here](#).

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOWER COMPANIES FOR WINNING 2015 HEALTHIEST COMPANY

Congratulations to **The Tower Companies** on winning SmartCEO's 2015 Healthiest Company Award in the 50-149 employee category at a special event on September 1. Tower was selected as an award winner for its Transcend, Rejuvenate, Exercise, and Energize (TREE) program and other initiatives that provide an engaging and effective health and wellbeing programs for all employees. [Read more](#) about Tower's programs here.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO 8407 KITCHEN BAR FOR BEING NAMED TOP 10 BEST RESTAURANTS

Congratulations to 8407 Kitchen Bar for making "The 10 Best Restaurants In Montgomery County, MD" list by The Culture Trip. [Read more here.](#)

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FOUR CHAMBER MEMBER RESTAURANTS

Congratulations to our Chamber member restaurants who made it on Zagat's list "5 New Silver Spring Spots to Check Out": All Set Restaurant & Bar, Sligo Café, The Urban Winery, and Urban Butcher. [Read the full article here.](#)

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - JOIN PER SCHOLAS FOR A TECH GALA ON OCTOBER 7

Join Per Scholas, Inc. for the tech gala (no ball gown required) "Beta Bash 1.0" on Wednesday, October 7, in Silver Spring. Eat, drink, and embrace the vibrant tech ecosystem of the National Capital region while raising funds for future generations of Per Scholas grads. [Click here](#) for tickets and more information.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO MARIE TAYLOR OF THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Congratulations to Chamber member Marie Taylor, former executive of The Community Foundation, on her appointment as President & CEO of Leadership Montgomery. Her tenure will begin on September 21 and she can be reached at cmarie.taylor@leadermont.org. Anna Hargave will assume the position of Interim Director for The Community Foundation.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - BERLIN, RAMOS & COMPANY ARE HIRING TWO PROFESSIONALS

Berlin, Ramos & Company P.A. is seeking a senior tax professional with a CPA and 8-plus years experience and an audit-focused accountant with 2+ years experience. Berlin Ramos offers a competitive salary and benefits package, excellent work environment, and flexible schedules. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - CONGRATS TO CATYLATOR MAKERSPACE ON ITS GRAND OPENING IN DOWNTOWN SILVER SPRING

Congratulations to Catylator Makerspace on its September 21 opening in downtown Silver Spring! Following the success of a sold-out summer camp, Catylator will run a 13-week semester "TeenShop" after school program from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. During this time the Makerspace will be reserved exclusively for youth, 12 years to 15 years old, to work on projects and take classes. [Click here](#) for more information about "TeenShop." Charter membership applications are [available here](#).

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - CONGRATS TO THE ORIGINAL CRISFIELD SEAFOOD RESTAURANT ON ITS UPCOMING 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to "The Original" Crisfield Seafood Restaurant on celebrating its 70th Anniversary on Saturday, September 26! The restaurant will commemorate the day with an all-day celebration that will include a few surprises for its diners.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - CORNERSTONE MONTGOMERY WILL HOLD ITS FIRST "BE BRAVE 5K RUN AND WALK" THIS MONTH

Cornerstone Montgomery will hold its first "Be Brave 5K Run and Walk" at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 26, at Wheaton Regional Park. Registered runners will receive a t-shirt. Prizes will be awarded for the 5K race: first place male and female finisher in the ten year age groups and first place male and female overall. The 5K walk will begin five minutes after the beginning of the 5K run. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - EAGLEBANK WILL HOST A RECEPTION TO HONOR EASTER SEALS SERVING DC, MD, VA THIS MONTH

EagleBank will host a reception in honor of Easter Seals serving DC, MD, VA from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29, at the Easter Seals Inter-Generational Center (1420 Spring Street). Food and cocktails will be served.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - SW CREATIVES WILL HOST A WORKSHOP ON MAILCHIMP FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

SW Creatives will host a workshop, "Learning the Ropes: Become a Nonprofit MailChimp Ninja in Three Hours or Less," from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 30. The company's design experts will help attendees learn the ropes of MailChimp in a small workshop environment and design newsletter templates that reinforce the nonprofit organization's brand. [Get the details.](#)

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - INTERFAITH WORKS IS HOSTING A 2015 "EMPTY BOWLS" COMMUNITY GATHERING

Interfaith Works' 2015 "Empty Bowls" community gathering is scheduled from 6:30 pm. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 22, at the Julia Bindeman Suburban Center in Potomac. [Click here](#) for ticket information.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - CONGRATS TO COMMUNITY BRIDGES ON ITS THREE CBHS GRADUATES WHO RECEIVED SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to Community Bridges and its three CBHS graduates (Maria, Noemi, and Alis) who received the Montgomery County Executive Hispanic Gala scholarship for college!

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - CONGRATS TO THE GROSVENOR ON ITS UNVEILING OF CENTRAL IN SILVER SPRING

Congratulations to The Grosvenor on last week's unveiling of Central, its new apartment and retail development on the site of the former First Baptist Church in downtown Silver Spring. [Click here](#) for details about the new development.

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 - THE UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE IS NOW HIRING THREE NEW PROFESSIONALS

The Universities at Shady Grove is now hiring. Check out its three full-time job opportunities [here](#).

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - RIGHTIME MEDICAL CARE IS SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR THEIR CLINICAL STAFF AND CARE CENTERS

Righttime Medical Care is seeking candidates for the clinical staff (certified Mas, LPNs and RNs) and welcome desk team members its Montgomery County Care Centers. Interest individuals should bring a resume for an on-site interview at a job fair from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. today, Tuesday, September 8, the Silver Spring Care Center (20 University Blvd. East, across from Montgomery Blair High School).

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR TO SUPPORT AND DONATE FOR "HUNGRY FOR CHANGE"

All Set Restaurant & Bar has created a special cocktail to support Share our Strength's September "Dine Out for No Kid Hungry" fundraising campaign. The restaurant will donate the proceeds from its "Hungry for Change" cocktail, a refreshing mix of vodka, coconut syrup, orange juice, lemon juice and vanilla extract.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - DONATE TO THE KENSINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISER FOR A NEW AMBULANCE

The Kensington Volunteer Fire Department is raising funds for a new ambulance. KVFD is now in its 90th year of service and is the only volunteer fire & rescue service in Montgomery County that owns all of its fire and EMS response apparatus, in its own building at Station 5, with 100 percent volunteer staffing of all fire and EMS operations. To make a donation, [click here](#).

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL IS HOSTING COOKING FOR ONE 101, A FREE TWO-PART COURSE

Holy Cross Hospital will host Cooking for One 101 on Thursdays, September 10 and 17. In this free, two-part series, a nutrition specialist and chef will teach the nutritional aspects of cooking, how to pare down recipes, and how to use fresh ingredients without having them go bad. Participants enjoy samples of everything prepared. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 -COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT IS HOSTING A KICK-OFF PARTY FOR FOOTBALL SEASON

Courtyard by Marriott - Silver Spring Downtown will host a Kick-Off Party to gear up for football season. Guests who come to watch the game from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, will enjoy discounts on appetizers and NFL food and drink combos from the Bistro. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - URBAN BUTCHER WILL NOW BEGIN SERVING BRUNCH ON SUNDAYS

Urban Butcher is excited to announce that it will begin serving its "Sublime Sunday Brunch" on Saturdays from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. starting next Saturday, September 12. To see the full weekend brunch menu, [click here](#).

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO DEBORAH REISER OF LERCH, EARLY, & BREWER CHTD.

Congratulations to Deborah Reiser, divorce attorney with Lerch, Early & Brewer Chtd., on being selected as the 2016 "Lawyer of the Year" for family law in Washington, D.C. by Best Lawyers in America. [Read more here](#).

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - ALTAVISTA COMMUNICATIONS GROUP WILL OFFER A PHOTOGRAPHY COURSE STARTING THIS MONTH

Altavista Communications Group will offer a photography course starting on Saturday, September 12 that is designed for those who have little to no experience in photography. Attendees will learn the basic tools for photo retouching, how to use the shutter speed and aperture for consistent results, and how to switch from automatic to the manual mode used by professionals. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - THE UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE IS HOSTING AN OUTDOOR FESTIVAL

The Universities at Shady Grove is hosting #USGFEST from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16, in the USG Courtyard. There will be free food, games, inflatables, a student involvement fair, and a contest for the best school spirit. Special guest appearance and music by HOT 99.5. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 -RANSTAD IS HOSTING AN OFFICE & ADMINISTRATION CAREER EXPO THIS MONTH

Ranstand will host a nationwide "Office & Administration Career Expo" on Thursday, September 17. The company is looking to find candidates for immediate openings, hard-to-fill positions, and temporary or permanent placements. For more information on this event, email [Stacey Kruml](mailto:Stacey.Kruml).

SEPTEMBER 8, 2015 - SUPPORT YOUR GSSCC MEMBER RESTAURANTS FOR SILVER SPRING RESTAURANT WEEK

Support GSSCC member restaurants by visiting them often to dine out, and during a Silver Spring Restaurant Week this week. Participating GSSCC member restaurants include: 8407 kitchen bar; Adegia; All Set Restaurant & Bar; Copper Canyon Grill Cubanos Restaurant; El Golfo; La Malinche; Mix Bar and Grille; Mrs. K's Restaurant; Olazzo; Pacci's Neapolitan Pizzeria; Pacci's Trattoria & Pasticceria; Sligo Café; Society; and The Urban Winery. For a list of all GSSCC member restaurants, [click here](#).

AUGUST 31, 2015 - CHECK OUT THE GROSVENOR FOR ITS OFFICIAL UNVEILING CEREMONY AND GROUNDBREAKING

The Grosvenor invites GSSCC members to the official unveiling ceremony and groundbreaking for 8455 Fenton Street, a new mixed-use community in downtown Silver Spring, at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9. RSVP required to Jordan.Prior@grosvenor.com.

AUGUST 31, 2015 - VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE GSSCC MEMBER RESTAURANT

Vote for your favorite GSSCC member restaurant in Bethesda Magazine's "Best Restaurant in Silver Spring" in the "Best of" readers' poll. [Click here](#) to vote.

AUGUST 31, 2015 - ZENFUL BITES RECIPE WAS FEATURED IN WASHINGTONIAN MAGAZINE

Zenful Bites co-founder Josephine Chu was featured in Washingtonian Magazine for her roasted patty pan squash recipe. [Check it out here.](#)

AUGUST 31, 2015 - SUPPORT GSSCC MEMBER RESTAURANTS DURING SILVER SPRING RESTAURANT WEEK

Support GSSCC member restaurants by dining out often, and during a Silver Spring Restaurant Week beginning September 8. Participating GSSCC member restaurants include: 8407 kitchen bar; All Set Restaurant & Bar; La Malinche; Mix Bar and Grille; Mrs. K's Restaurant; Pacci's Neapolitan Pizzeria; Pacci's Trattoria & Pasticceria; Sligo Café; Society; and The Urban Winery. For a list of all GSSCC member restaurants, [click here.](#)

AUGUST 31, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH PRESENTS A BEER DINNER AT DENIZENS BREWING COMPANY ON SEPTEMBER 21

In celebration of Fall, and the bounty of the season, The Daily Dish (8301 Grubb Road) presents a beer dinner featuring the brews of Denizens Brewing Company, at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 21. Daily Dish Executive Chef/Owner Jerry Hollinger and Owner Zena Polin have created a five-course menu that pairs perfectly with five of the local brewery's best brews. Advance reservations are required. For more information or to make a reservation, [click here](#) or call 301-588-6300.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH IS CELEBRATING NATIONAL DOG DAY WITH A YAPPY HOUR THIS WEDNESDAY

The Daily Dish celebrates "National Dog Day" from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. this Wednesday, August 26, with a free "Yappy Hour" for dogs and their owners on the outdoor patio. Dog-themed food and drinks will be featured. A portion of proceeds will benefit The Washington Humane Society. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - HUNGRY HARVEST IS HOSTING YOGA WITH THE HUNGRY HARVEST COMMUNITY THIS SATURDAY

Hungry Harvest will host "Yoga with the Hungry Harvest Community" at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 29, at Georgetown Waterfront. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - THE INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES ITS 6TH BIENNIAL JOB FAIR NEXT WEEK

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Silver Spring announces its 6th biennial job fair, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, September 3, at the Silver Spring Civic Building. The free job fair will provide local businesses and community partners access to more than 100 IRC job seekers. Businesses and community organizations interested in attending and/or sponsoring the 2015 spring job fair should email [Elizabeth Ajunwa](mailto:Elizabeth.Ajunwa). Advance registration is required.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - ARDEN COURTS IS HAVING A FREE DEMENTIA EDUCATION SEMINAR ON SEPTEMBER 9

Arden Courts is having a Free Dementia Education Seminar "Caring for Someone with Dementia of Alzheimer's" from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, at Inter-Faith Chapel at Leisure World. RSVP by calling Arden Courts at (301) 847-3051 or email SilverSpring@arden-courts.com

AUGUST 24, 2015 - SEEC SOFTBALL IS BACK, REGISTER NOW FOR EARLY-BIRD PRICING

SEEC softball is back with the 4th Annual Big Pitch softball event, on September 26, and is open to players, spectators, children, and sponsors. Register now through September 8 for early-bird pricing. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO COMMUNITY BRIDGES FOR THEIR AWARD FROM EWOMENNETWORK

Congratulations to Community Bridges on being one of only three nonprofits recognized by [eWomenNetwork](#) for creating impact in the lives of girls and/or women, at the International Femtor Awards this month.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS FOR BEING NAMED #1 BY SELLING POWER

Congratulations to Heartland Payment Systems on being named #1 in the [50 Best Companies to Sell for by Selling Power](#), for the second year in a row.

AUGUST 24, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO DISCOVERY COMMUNICATIONS AND SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING

Congratulations to Discovery Communications Inc. and Sunrise Senior Living Inc. for being on the [Washington Business Journal's "Most Social Companies"](#) ranked by combined Facebook "likes" and Twitter "followers." Discovery Communications Inc. was ranked at #1 and Sunrise Senior Living Inc. was ranked at #21.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - JOIN CREATIVE COLONY TONIGHT TO VOLUNTEER AT SHEPHERD'S TABLE

Join Creative Colony from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. tonight, Monday, August 17, or any third Monday of the month to volunteer and set up the dinner service at Shepherd's Table. This monthly community service event usually takes less than an hour to provide a huge help. For more information and to RSVP, [click here.](#)

AUGUST 17, 2015 - JOIN RANDY SHANNON OF WEB STRATEGIES FOR A FREE WEBINAR ON EMAIL DESIGN

Join Randy Shannon of **Web Strategies** for a free webinar: "Look Great in the Inbox: The 7 Don'ts of Email Design," from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17. [Click here](#) to register.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ORIGINAL VELATIS CARAMELS FOR THEIR NOMINATION

Congratulations to **The Original Velatis Caramels** for being nominated in the 2015 Martha Stewart American Made Awards. [Click here](#) to view their nomination page.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - M&T BANK PRESENTS PREVIEW NIGHT AT THE MARYLAND STATE FAIR ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

M&T Bank presents Preview Night at the Maryland State Fair. Get a sneak peak from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Thursday, August 27 and enjoy big discounts on admission, unlimited rides, and more. [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - JOIN ARGYLE COUNTRY CLUB FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL SILVER SPRING INVITATIONAL

Join **Argyle Country Club** for the Second Annual Silver Spring Invitational on Thursday, September 3. Schedule is as follows: 10:30 a.m. registration and lunch, 12:00 p.m. shotgun start, 5:00 p.m. awards ceremony and dinner reception. [Click here](#) for more information and to register to play.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - MRS. K'S RESTAURANT IS HOSTING "CARRIBEAN NIGHT" ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Mrs. K's Restaurant is hosting "Caribbean Night" from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, September 5. Enjoy live steel drums, drink specials, and tons of food. Tickets must be purchased. [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - JOIN CORNERSTONE MONTGOMERY IN HELPING TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY

Join **Cornerstone Montgomery** in helping to raise awareness, encourage open dialogue, and promote help-seeking behavior on World Suicide Prevention Day at a "Tweet Up" for #MentalHealthMatters, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, September 11, at **All Set Restaurant & Bar**. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be provided. Click [here](#) to register for this free event.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - BECOME A SPONSOR FOR A WIDER CIRCLE'S COMMUNITY BALL ON OCTOBER 7

A Wider Circle asks GSSCC members, "Won't you be our "Neighbor" Sponsor?" for The Community Ball on October 7? Sponsors will be recognized and be named as part of the movement to end poverty in this region. For more information about the event and all sponsorship levels see [The Community Ball](#) or contact pam@awidercircle.org.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - JOIN THE TOWER COMPANIES AND TORTI GALLAS & PARTNERS DURING THEIR PRESENTATION

Join Chamber Members **Sri Velamati**, **The Tower Companies**, and **John Torti**, **Torti Gallas and Partners**, as they participate in a Panel discussion at Washington Gas' 5th Annual Multifamily Symposium. This event is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 20, at the AMP by Strathmore. Hear about the biggest trends in all aspects of Multifamily Development, from energy efficiency, design, development, management and ownership. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

AUGUST 17, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO RIDERWOOD VILLAGE FOR BEING AMONG THE HEALTHIEST EMPLOYERS

Congratulations to **Riderwood Village** for being among the 40 finalists for the [Washington Business Journal's](#) "Healthiest Employers 2015".

AUGUST 10, 2015 - THE FILLMORE INVITES CHAMBER MEMBERS TO LOCAL BREWS LOCAL GROOVES THIS SATURDAY

The Fillmore Silver Spring would like to invite all current chamber members to "Local Brews Local Grooves" this Saturday, August 15, at the Fillmore. Enjoy live music, food, and beer from the region's best local breweries including Port City, Flying Dog, Heavy Seas and more. Please RSVP to [Victoria Shamas](#) by 4:00pm on Thursday, August 13 to secure free tickets for entry into the event. Once inside, wristbands for sampling will be available for purchase. [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - DOWNTOWN SILVER SPRING WILL FEATURE TAX-FREE WEEK, NOW UNTIL AUGUST 15TH

Downtown Silver Spring will feature Shop Maryland's "Tax-Free Week" from now until August 15. Purchases of qualifying clothing and footwear selling for \$100 or less per item are exempt from sales tax.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO SPARK DESIGN WHO WON A NATIONAL 2015 CLARION AWARD

Congratulations to **Spark Design** on receiving a national 2015 Clarion Award from [The Association for Women in Communications](#). Spark's recent "Pain Reliever" self-promotion won in the category of Special Design/Creation.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO CUBA DE AYER FOR MAKING THE LIST OF BEST CHEAP EATS

Congratulations to **Cuba De Ayer Restaurant** (15446 Old Columbia Pike) on making Washingtonian Magazine's list of "Best Cheap Eats." See the [June issue](#).

AUGUST 10, 2015 - LEE DEVELOPMENT GROUP & MONTGOMERY COUNTY HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION WERE FEATURED

Lee Development Group's Elizabeth Square redevelopment project with the Montgomery County Housing Opportunities Commission was featured in last week's Washington Business Journal. [Click here](#) to read about the project.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - THE NEW SILVER SPRING LIBRARY WAS FEATURED IN THE WASHINGTON BUSINESS JOURNAL

The unique design of the new Silver Spring Library was praised in an article in last week's Washington Business Journal. [Click here](#) to read the article.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - JOIN ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR THIS WEEK FOR RAMW'S SUMMER RESTAURANT WEEK

Join All Set Restaurant & Bar August 17 through August 23 for RAMW's Summer Restaurant Week. Enjoy a special prix fixe dining experience created by Executive Chef Ed Reavis. Click here to view the [3-course lunch \(\\$22\)](#) and [3-course dinner \(\\$35\)](#) menus and make a reservation.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - ALTAVISTA COMMUNICATIONS WILL HOST A FREE GOOGLE WORKSHOP ON AUGUST 20

Altavista Communications is one of six companies in Maryland designated by Google to help companies participate in its "see inside" search results that can provide a 360° virtual tour inside businesses. Alta Vista will host a free "Let's Put Our Cities on the Map" workshop on the program at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 19, and 6 p.m. on Thursday, August 20. For more information, call 800-930-0951. To register for the workshop go to <http://cities.altavistacg.com>.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH HOSTS "AN ARTIST EVENING" EVENT WITH JASON SWAIN ON AUGUST 23

The Daily Dish welcomes artist Jason Swain for "[An Artist Evening](#)" featuring his cafe infusion portraiture, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 23. Enjoy \$4 select beers and house wine.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - THE DAILY DO GOOD IS OFFERING INTERNSHIP OPPORUNITIES FOR CREDIT

The Daily Do Good is offering for-credit internship opportunities in writing, researching, blogging, fundraising, marketing, ad sales, event coverage, and more. Contact s.holmes@dailydogood.com.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - RIGHTTIME MEDICAL CARE IS HOSTING A JOB FAIR FOR NEW STAFF MEMBERS ON SEPTEMBER 8

Righttime Medical Care is holding a job fair to recruit new staff members for its center teams. Candidates should bring a resume for an immediate, on-site interview from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, at the Silver Spring Care Center (20 University Blvd. East). [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - JOIN PER SCHOLAS FOR THEIR 2ND ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Join Per Scholas on September 10 for some fun on the fairway at its second annual Per Scholas Columbus Golf Outing. Register a foursome, individual, or become a sponsor. [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - JOIN YMCA SILVER SPRING FOR THEIR 10TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AT ARGYLE COUNTRY CLUB

YMCA Silver Spring will host its 10th Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, September 21, at Argyle Country Club. The event supports programs and services for youth and families. [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 10, 2015 - MID-ATLANTIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION IS OFFERING LOANS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Mid-Atlantic Federal Credit Union has set aside \$1 million for micro lending to small businesses in Montgomery County. The loans, \$50,000 or less with a minimum of \$10,000 can be used for permanent working capital, equipment and machinery, and other needed capital to start, sustain, and grow a business. For more information or to apply for a loan visit a branch or go online to www.mafcu.org.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR IS HOSTING A WINE TASTING & FOOD PAIRING EVENT

All Set Restaurant & Bar is hosting a Wine Tasting & Food Pairing event from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. this Wednesday, August 5. [Click here](#) for more information and to RSVP.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - WASHINGTON ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY IS HOSTING A FREE LINKEDIN WORKSHOP

Washington Adventist University is offering a free LinkedIn Workshop from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. this Thursday, August 6. [Click here](#) for more information.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - MONTGOMERY COLLEGE WILL PRESENT TWO INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS THIS MONTH

Montgomery College will present two information sessions this month for individuals interested in exploring a career in information technology, or seeking to expand their expertise in the field. [Click here](#) for details on the August 13 and August 20 sessions.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - THE URBAN WINERY IS NOW HIRING

The Urban Winery of Silver Spring is now hiring two full-time servers and one part-time server to complete its tasting room team. Training will be provided for selected candidates who demonstrate a thirst for knowledge and excitement for joining the team. Contact info@theurbanwinery.com for more information.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - ELEVEN55 RIPLEY IS HOSTING #BUILDBACKPACK, A BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THIS MONTH

Eleven55 Ripley is hosting a back-to-school supply drive "#BuildABackPack," seeking donations of new and unused school supplies for the upcoming school year. Donations are welcome in the building lobby all month long.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE YMCA SILVER SPRING ON OPENING ITS NEW TENNIS COURTS

Congratulations to the YMCA Silver Spring on the opening of its new tennis courts this past weekend. In partnership with the College Park Tennis Club's Junior Tennis Champions Center, the courts will be home to a new benefit for YMCA members.

AUGUST 3, 2015 - GSSCC PRESIDENT JANE REDICKER COMPLETES HER THIRD YEAR OF "INSTITUTE"

Last week, GSSCC President Jane Redicker completed the third year of an intensive course on chamber and association management, sponsored by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for Organizational Management. "Institute" as it is called, is often dubbed a Master's degree in non-profit management.

JULY 27, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOWER COMPANIES FOR BEING AMONG WBJ'S HEALTHIEST EMPLOYERS

Congratulations to The Tower Companies for being among the 40 finalists for the [Washington Business Journal's](#) "Healthiest Employers 2015".

JULY 27, 2015 - SUPPORT DOCS IN PROGRESS AND DONATE TO SUPPORT ITS FREE PROGRAMS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Help keep the vision of Docs in Progress a reality. There are only a few days left to help raise much-needed funds to support its free programs and infrastructure. [Click here to donate.](#)

JULY 27, 2015 - SUPPORT THE SILVER SPRING LIBRARY AND NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITE LIBRARIAN

Support the Silver Spring Library and nominate your favorite librarian for a national award. Up to ten librarians nationwide will be honored with "I Love My Librarian" awards, and [nominations are now open.](#)

JULY 27, 2015 - BELL FLOWERS SPONSORS AIR FORCE ONE TEAM MEMBER

Bell Flowers sponsored Air Force One Detailing Team member, Carson Mangum of We-C-Clean Mobile Detailing, on his second trip to Seattle's Museum of Flight from July 13 to July 18. [Click here](#) to read about the trip.

JULY 27, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO DEFACTO SOUND FOR WINNING AN EMMY NOMINATION

Congratulations to Defacto Sound and Blood Brother on winning an [Emmy nomination](#) for "Outstanding Music & Sound".

JULY 27, 2015 - 8407 KITCHEN BAR AND MRS. K'S RESTAURANT ARE OFFERING LUNCH SPECIALS FOR HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES

8407 Kitchen Bar and Mrs. K's Restaurant are offering 15% off lunch specials for all employees of Holy Cross Hospital, Bethesda Naval Hospital, and Washington Adventist Hospital through August. Click here to see the full offer: [8407 Kitchen Bar](#) and [Mrs. K's Restaurant](#).

JULY 27, 2015 - E-MANAGEMENT IS HIRING; SEVEN NEW POSITIONS AVAILABLE

e-Management has seven new positions available on its [careers page](#) including HR, cyber security, records, and more.

JULY 27, 2015 - ADVANCE IS ALSO HIRING; FIVE NEW POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Advance is searching for dedicated and intelligent individuals to grow its team. Five positions are available [on their website](#) in sales, IT, and delivery.

JULY 20, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SILVER SPRING LIBRARY

Congratulations to the new Silver Spring Library for being named the "[Best New Reason to Read](#)" in Washingtonian magazine's latest list of "The Best Arts, Music, and Things to Do in DC."

JULY 20, 2015 - ENTER TO WIN A NEW SET OF TIRES FROM MEINEKE CAR CARE CENTER

Enter to win a new set of Cooper Tires during Meineke Car Care Center's Summer to Spare Sweepstakes, now through July 30. [Click here to enter.](#)

JULY 20, 2015 - MEDTECH INSTITUTE + THE AMERICAN RED CROSS TO HOST A BLOOD DRIVE

Medtech Institute is working with the American Red Cross to host a Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, at its 1100 Wayne Ave. campus. Advance registration is requested. [Click here for more information.](#)

JULY 20, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SILVER SPRING CIVIC BUILDING ON ITS FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to the Silver Spring Civic Building on its five-year anniversary! The Silver Spring Regional Services Center invites the community to share stories, pictures, and artifacts of what the building and Veterans Plaza means in Silver Spring, starting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, in the Great Hall. The celebration will continue at the last of the "Thursday Night Summer Concert Series" on Veterans Plaza.

JULY 20, 2015 - JOIN SHEPHERD'S TABLE AT THE URBAN WINERY FOR A "FRIENDRAISER"

Join Shepherd's Table for its "[Friendraiser](#)," from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, August 13, at The Urban Winery (949 Bonifant St.). Enjoy drink specials and door prizes. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Shepherd's Table.

JULY 20, 2015 - SHANE ROCK, CEO OF INTERFAITH WORKS, WAS INTERVIEWED BY COMCAST NEWSMAKERS

Shane Rock, CEO of Interfaith Works, talked about the organization's School Supplies Drive, now through September 11, on Comcast Newsmakers. [Click here to see the interview.](#)

JULY 20, 2015 - ARROW BOOKKEEPING IS NOW HIRING

Arrow Bookkeeping is looking to hire two full charge bookkeepers. Requirements include five-plus years of experience, and strong Excel and Quickbooks knowledge. Fax interest and resume to 301-587-4833.

JULY 20, 2015 - ELITE PERSONNEL IS ACTIVELY RECRUITING FOR SEVERAL POSITIONS

Elite Personnel is actively recruiting to fill several positions: Human Resources Generalist for a fast-growing health related company, a Payroll Specialist for a pharmaceutical company, an HR/Payroll specialist for a religious organization in Montgomery County, a Front Desk Administrator for a construction company in Rockville, and more. Inquiries about these and other opportunities should be emailed to Morgan@elitepersonnel.com.

JULY 13, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO E-MANAGEMENT ON RECEIVING THE 2015 IT COMPANY OF THE YEAR AWARD

Congratulations to e-Management on receiving the 2015 Information Technology Company of the Year Award from Montgomery County Department of Economic Development (DED), chosen for the company's "demonstrated record of achievement," and to the company's CFO Bambo Bamgbose on being named 2015 CFO of the Year by the Washington Business Journal.

JULY 13, 2015 - THE SILVER SPRING LIBRARY IS HOSTING A LIVE WATCH PARTY TODAY

The Silver Spring Library is having a live watch party for the White House Conference on Aging from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today.

JULY 13, 2015 - ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR, CHEF ED REAVIS, WAS FEATURED ON ABC 7 NEWS THIS MORNING

All Set Restaurant & Bar Chef Ed Reavis was featured on ABC 7 News Good Morning Washington this morning.

JULY 13, 2015 - DB CONSULTING WILL HOST ITS 9TH ANNUAL "HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR" ON AUGUST 7

DB Consulting will host its 9th annual "Health & Wellness Fair" from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, August 7, at the Silver Spring Civic Building. The free event features various health screening, dental screening, CPR instruction, osteoporosis testing, fitness assessments, and more. McGruff and a fire truck will be on site, along with Tae Kwon Do, Tai Chi, Zumba, and chair massages. [Click here for more info.](#)

JULY 13, 2015 - MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY MEDIA HAS THREE OPEN POSITIONS

Montgomery Community Media is currently recruiting for three open positions: Multimedia Journalist, Philanthropy Associate/Philanthropy Manager & Grant Writer, Production Technicians. [For more information click here.](#)

JULY 6, 2015 - THE FILLMORE SILVER SPRING WILL HOST EVENT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR MCPS "GIVE BACK PACKS CAMPAIGN"

The Fillmore Silver Spring has partnered with Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), Leaders Institute, and Bach to Rock to put on its first ever "Geared Up Concert and Fashion Show" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on August 2. The event goal is to raise funds for the MCPS "Give Back Packs Campaign" which provides backpacks to students in need throughout the school system. Tickets are on-sale now at www.ticketmaster.com or at The Fillmore Silver Spring Box Office.

JULY 6, 2015 - THE DUFFY INSURANCE GROUP/ALLSTATE AGENCY IS GROWING AND LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL STAFF

The Duffy Insurance Group/Allstate Agency is growing and looking for additional Property & Casualty licensed staff. Life license a plus. Career position for ambitious self starter with strong work ethic. Please email resume to mikeduffy@allstate.com.

JUNE 29, 2015 - THE FILLMORE SILVER SPRING WILL HOST EVENT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR MCPS "GIVE BACK PACKS CAMPAIGN"

The Fillmore Silver Spring has partnered with Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), Leaders Institute, and Bach to Rock to put on its first ever "Geared Up Concert and Fashion Show" from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on August 2. The event goal is to raise funds for the MCPS "Give Back Packs Campaign" which provides backpacks to students in need throughout the school system. Tickets are on-sale now at www.ticketmaster.com or at The Fillmore Silver Spring Box Office.

JUNE 29, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR - "10 GREAT DATE RESTAURANTS IN DC"

Congratulations to All Set on being named among Zagat's "[10 Great Date Restaurants in D.C.](#)" and being selected as a winner for the OpenTable Diners' Choice Awards!

JUNE 29, 2015 - SLIGO CAFE FEATURED ON FOX5 LAST WEEK

Chef Corey (Locker) and JP (Jung-Ah Park) of Sligo Cafe were featured on Fox5 last week making their lamb ribs and spiced sangria.

JUNE 22, 2015 - CREATIVE COLONY SPACES, LLC IS HOSTING A FREE CREATIVE BOOST WORKSHOP ON WEDNESDAY

Creative Colony Spaces, LLC (a subsidiary of SW Creatives, LLC) is hosting a free creative boost workshop "The Power of Print is Alive," from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., next Wednesday, June 24, at its offices in Suite 600, 8121 Georgia Avenue. Focus of the workshop will be on how to apply design to different forms that increase engagement. [Click here](#) to reserve your space.

JUNE 22, 2015 - LERCH, EARLY, & BREWER CHTD. IS PRESENTING A FREE WORKSHOP ON THURSDAY

Marc Engel, Lerch Early & Brewer Chtd., will present a free workshop entitled "Blowing the Whistle on Whistleblowing: How Employers Can Avoid and Strategically Defend Against Retaliation Claims," from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., this Thursday, June 25, at the offices of The Meltzer Group in Bethesda. Learn how a retaliation claim differs from a discrimination claim, why these claims are being filed in record numbers, "red flags" for employers, special problems under wage-hour laws, and more. [Click here](#) to RSVP by tomorrow, June 23.

JUNE 22, 2015 - JIM MUSGRAVE, RESEARCH FINANCIAL STRATEGIES, WAS FEATURED IN LAST WEEK'S GAZETTE

Jim Musgrave, Research Financial Strategies, was featured in last week's Gazette, for his efforts with the Society of Financial Awareness to end financial illiteracy. [Click here](#) to read more.

JUNE 22, 2015 - CONGRATS TO UNITED THERAPEUTICS & PETERSON CO ON RANKING IN THE TOP 150 COMPANIES IN D.C.

Two GSSCC members made the list of "150 companies in the D.C. area with the highest ratings from their employees," as identified by a Washington Post survey. **United Therapeutics** was ranked 5th in the mid-sized category in the region and 4th in Maryland. **Peterson Companies** was ranked in the top 100 in the small business category. [Click here](#) to see the complete list.

JUNE 22, 2015 - JOIN GSSCC FOR THE GRAND OPENING OF MOD PIZZA ON THURSDAY, JULY 2

Mark your calendar for the Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting at **MOD Pizza** (909 Ellsworth Drive) at noon on Thursday, July 2. Join GSSCC to welcome this new member to Silver Spring. Details to follow via email.

JUNE 15, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO GET WINDID ON ITS OFFICIAL GRAND LAUNCH THIS FRIDAY

Congratulations to **Get Windid** on its official Grand Launch event, scheduled from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. this Friday, June 19, at The Cameron (8710 Cameron Street). Join GSSCC and enjoy complimentary cocktails, win some prizes, and learn about a new hair styling service that will come directly to you. RSVP by emailing **Todd Tolson** at info@getwindid.com by this Thursday, June 18.

JUNE 15, 2015 - HEAD TO THE NEW SILVER SPRING LIBRARY FOR ITS GRAND OPENING AND CHECK OUT THE NEW KEFA CAFE

Head off to the new Silver Spring Library (900 Wayne Avenue) for its grand opening celebration at 11 a.m. this Saturday, June 20, and enjoy tasty treats provided by **Kefa Cafe**. **Kefa Cafe** was selected to operate the coffee shop inside the library, once it officially opens for business.

JUNE 15, 2015 - COPPER CANYON GRILL IS OFFERING TWO WAYS TO HONOR DAD THIS FATHER'S DAY

Copper Canyon Grill is offering two ways to honor Dad this Fathers' Day, Sunday, June 21. Live jazz will accompany brunch or dinner served in the restaurant at 928 Ellsworth Drive. For those who prefer celebrating at home, the chef has created a special carry out menu for the day. [Click here](#) to see the carry out menu.

JUNE 15, 2015 - DOCS IN PROGRESS IS OFFERING LOCAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS A HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

As part of its Lights! Camera! IMPACT! program, **Docs In Progress** is offering local non-profit organizations a hands-on workshop on producing a short video. Participants will learn how to recognize what makes a good story, use cameras and editing systems, and work collaboratively to create short documentary-style videos. The workshop is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from July 14 to August 6. Learn more and [apply here](#). Application deadline is next Friday, June 26.

JUNE 15, 2015 - LEARN MORE ABOUT THE URBAN WINERY

Check out the background story on Owners Damon & Georgia Callis, who held the Grand Opening of The Urban Winery last week. [Click here](#) to see the article.

JUNE 8, 2015 - STOP BY FENWICK BEER & WINE TODAY, MONDAY, JUNE 8, TO SUPPORT A WIDER CIRCLE

Stop by **Fenwick Beer and Wine** (1327 Fenwick Lane) today, Monday, June 8, to stock up on some interesting wine and beer for the summer, and support **A Wider Circle**. Today only, **Fenwick Beer and Wine** will donate 10 percent of all sales between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m. to **A Wider Circle**. The money raised will be directed to **A Wider Circle's Million Dollar Match Building Fund**, to be matched dollar for dollar. Light snacks will be served from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. **A Wider Circle** representatives will be on hand to talk about the organization's programs and services.

JUNE 8, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DAILY DISH ON WINNING A 2015 RAMMY AWARD

Congratulations to **The Daily Dish** on winning a 2015 Rammy Award for "Everyday Casual Brunch"! The award is given to the restaurant that demonstrates a dedication to dining excellence, service, and value in a casual environment for brunch. The award was presented this past Sunday evening. [Click here](#) to see photos.

JUNE 8, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO SOCIAL & SCIENTIFIC SYSTEMS, INC. ON WINNING A MONTGOMERY COUNTY AWARD

Congratulations to **Social & Scientific Systems, Inc.**, on being selected one of three recipients of Montgomery County's "Experience Counts Best Practices Recognition Awards for 2015." This award recognizes workplaces where policies and practices support and encourage older employees. The award was presented by County Executive Leggett on June 1 at the annual 50-Plus Employment Expo.

JUNE 8, 2015 - CHECK OUT AN ARTICLE ON DENIZENS BREWING COMPANY IN THIS WEEKEND'S WASHINGTON POST

[Check out an article](#) on Denizens Brewing Company founders Julie Verratti, Emily Bruno, Taylor Barnes, and Jeff Ramirez in this weekend's Washington Post. Great coverage of an amazing success story right here in Silver Spring!

JUNE 8, 2015 - RESCARE WORKFORCE SERVICES WILL HOST A MEGA JOB FAIR THIS FRIDAY, JUNE 12

ResCare Workforce Services will host a Mega Job Fair from noon to 5 p.m. this Friday, June 12, at Bohrer Park (506 S. Frederick Ave., Gaithersburg). Job seekers from throughout Montgomery County are expected. Companies interested in free vendor space at the event should [register here](#). Use the password: rescare. For more information, contact [Karynn Jones](#) at 301-562-8180, ext. 1557.

JUNE 8, 2015 - OFFICE DEPOT IS OFFERING A FREE CANISTER OF TWIZZLERS® WITH ANY ORDER OF \$125 OF MORE

GSSCC MemberSave partner Office Depot is offering a free canister of Twizzlers® Strawberry Licorice with a qualified delivery order of \$125 or more. [Click here](#) to see the offer and redeem the coupon.

JUNE 1, 2015 - VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE "BUILDING TAKEOVER" AT DISCOVERY COMMUNICATIONS

Get ready for a "building takeover" at **Discovery Communications** when "Shark Week" comes this July. [Vote for your favorite shark-tastic design and join your friends and neighbors in making a splash in Silver Spring](#). Voting is open today, June 1, through Saturday, June 5. (The winning installation will go up in early July.)

JUNE 1, 2015 - THE FAMILY & NURSING CARE FOUNDATION HAS ESTABLISHED A SCHOLARSHIP FUND AT MONTGOMERY COLLEGE

The Family & Nursing Care Foundation has established a scholarship fund at **Montgomery College** to support students interested in pursuing training to become Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA). Through a partnership with the college, the Foundation has established a \$25,000 scholarship; \$5,000 will be awarded in each year of a five-year period to selected CNA candidates applying for financial assistance. [Click here for more details](#).

MAY 26, 2015 - ADAM S. LOWE PHOTOGRAPHY OFFERS HIS "7 TIPS TO MAKE YOUR VACATION PHOTOS AWESOME"

Just in time for the vacation season, Adam Lowe of Adam S. Lowe Photography offers his ["7 Tips to Make Your Vacation Photos Awesome."](#) Check them out on his blog.

MAY 26, 2015 - JOIN GSSCC FOR THE GRAND OPENING OF THE URBAN WINERY ON THURSDAY, JUNE 11

Mark your calendar to join GSSCC as we cut the ribbon for the grand opening of **The Urban Winery**, 949 Bonifant Street, at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 11. Help the Chamber welcome this new business to Silver Spring. More details to follow.

MAY 21, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CHAMBER CUP WINNERS!

First Place: The **Monument Bank** team who consisted of "Larry the Banker" Bolton, Brian Smith, John Ohly, and Matt Bart
Second Place: The **Grady Management** team who consisted of Bill Rhodes, David Brown, Kevin Williams, and Andrew Williams
Third Place: The **Ellsworth Place** team who consisted of Chris Duffy, Gary Brewer, Jeff Sylvester, and Randy Williamson
Longest Drive: Jen Moersen from the **Apex Home Loans** team and Chris Canty from one of four **Sandy Spring Bank** teams
Closest to the Pin: Maggie Whall from **Fairland Animal Hospital** and Tuan Tran from the **Montgomery County Police** team

MAY 19, 2015 - HELP SHEPHERD'S TABLE QUALIFY FOR A \$25,000 AWARD AND VOTE NOW!

GSSCC members can help **Shepherd's Table** qualify for a \$25,000 award, by [clicking here](#) and voting on Facebook. **Shepherd's Table** has already been selected among the top 200 organizations that are part of a crowd-sourced philanthropic initiative by State Farm Neighborhood Assist. The initiative allows communities to determine, exclusively through Facebook, where grant funding will be awarded. Members can help **Shepherd's Table** make it to the top 40 and receive \$25,000 in cash, by voting here (as many as 10 times a day, every day, until midnight on June 3.)

MAY 19, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO ADVENTIST HEALTHCARE WASHINGTON ADVENTIST HOSPITAL

The Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS) has awarded **Adventist HealthCare Washington Adventist Hospital** a three-star rating, the highest possible quality rating, for coronary artery bypass graft surgery (CABG) and aortic valve replacement surgery (AVR). The three-star rating for heart surgery demonstrates: patients experience fewer complications, better survival rates, optimal surgical techniques. Only 9 percent of hospitals nationwide received a three-star rating for CABG and only 8 percent received this level rating for AVR.

MAY 11, 2015 - BRUCE LEE OF LEE DEVELOPMENT GROUP RECENTLY NAMED A CO-CHAIR

Bruce Lee, Lee Development Group, and Holly Sears Sullivan, Montgomery Business Development Corporation, were recently named co-chairs of the International Council of Shopping Centers Washington regional panel on leadership.

MAY 11, 2015 - ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR WILL OFFER A 10% DISCOUNT TO ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT THIS WEEK

In commemoration of National Police Week 2015, **All Set Restaurant & Bar** (8630 Fenton Street) will offer a 10% discount to any patron having a law enforcement badge, today through Saturday, May 16. In addition, in commemoration of all those lost, **All Set** will contribute to the Fallen Office Fund for every badge flashed during the week.

MAY 11, 2015 - GSSCC'S OWN KELLY WRIGHT WAS FEATURED IN THIS WEEKEND'S SILVER SPRING PATCH

GSSCC's own Kelly Wright, Programs and Online Presence Manager, was featured in this weekend's [Silver Spring Patch](#), for her heartwarming tribute to her mom. Kelly's tribute was selected for the "Silver Spring Mother's Day Superstar" feature.

MAY 4, 2015 - THE INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE IS RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT WORLD REFUGEE DAY

In honor of World Refugee Day, the **International Rescue Committee** is raising funds to support the 1,000 refugees, asylees, and survivors of human trafficking served by the organization in Montgomery and Prince George's counties. Community members are invited to contribute what they can and leave a note welcoming refugees. To give, [click here](#).

APRIL 27, 2015 - PREAL HALEY, CRPC®, FINANCIAL ADVISOR, TO PRESENT "HEALTH, WEALTH, & A CONFIDENT RETIREMENT"

Preal Haley, CRPC®, Financial Advisor, will present "Health, Wealth and a Confident Retirement," as part of a free "Spring Into a New Year, New You: Food, Fitness & Finances" seminar scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, at **Argyle Country Club** (14600 Argyle Club Road). The seminar also includes a demonstration of the "paleo diet" with smoothie making by a private chef, and a 30-minute Zumba session. Space is limited. [RSVP here](#), or by email to Camille.Davis@ampf.com or call (301) 982-1206 by Tuesday, April 28.

APRIL 27, 2015 - THE BAR ASSOCIATION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY ANNOUNCED LAURI CLEARY AS PRESIDENT-ELECT

The Bar Association of Montgomery County recently announced **Lerch Early & Brewer** litigator **Lauri Cleary** as its president-elect for the coming year. Cleary will serve as president in 2016-17. In addition, several Lerch Early attorneys received award recognition during the 21st Annual Meeting & Law Day Celebration. They included: litigator **Mike Goecke**, President's Citation for Outstanding Pro Bono Service; divorce attorney **Deborah Webb**, Family Law Practitioner of the Year; and family law attorney **Chris Roberts**, Family Law Section Chair of the Year. [Click here](#) to see more.

APRIL 27, 2015 - GSSCC MEMBER\$AVE PARTNER OFFICE DEPOT IS OFFERING A FREE BOX OF BISCOFF COOKIES

GSSCC Member\$ave partner **Office Depot** is offering a free box of Biscoff cookies with a qualified delivery order of \$125 or more. [Click here](#) to see the offer and redeem the coupon.

APRIL 20, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TOWER COMPANIES ON THE OFFICIAL GROUNDBREAKING FOR "THE PEARL"

Congratulations to **The Tower Companies** on the official groundbreaking for "*The Pearl*," a new high-rise residential building in downtown Silver Spring. Elected officials and community leaders joined members of the project team members to kick off the project this morning. The first phase of a 20-year master plan redevelopment of *The Blairs*, the new apartment building will be a 14-story complex made up of three buildings, 284 rental units, with 30,000 square feet of indoor/outdoor amenity spaces including a floating wellness center, private courtyards and a rooftop pool. Read more and see photos [here](#).

APRIL 20, 2015 - THREE GSSCC MEMBER RESTAURANTS WILL BE FEATURED ON "TASTEMADE"

Three GSSCC member restaurants will be featured when "Tastemade," a video network that enables "tastemakers" to come together electronically to share their passions for great food and travel, hits the streets of Silver Spring this Thursday, April 23. Members can join the progressive dinner and video-crawl beginning at 6:30 p.m., at **Denizens Brewing Company** (1115 East West Highway). The second course will follow at 7:45 p.m. at **Urban Butcher** (8226 Georgia Ave.), with the third course will be served at 8:45 p.m. at **The Daily Dish** (8301 A Grubb Rd.). The first round of drinks at each location is on "Tastemade" and each restaurant will offer food specials. No reservations are required. To participate in the video sharing, download the Tastemade app on your mobile device before going. Click [here](#) for more information.

APRIL 13, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO ZENFUL BITES, AWARDED SNAIL OF APPROVAL 2015 BY SLOW FOOD DC

Congratulations to [Zenful Bites](#), plant-based eco-catering service, on receiving the Slow Food D.C.'s Snail of Approval, given to 20 businesses, artisans, and eateries that contribute to food quality, authenticity, and sustainability and are making significant contributions to transforming the food system in the region. [Click here](#) to register and join Zenful Bites at the Slow Food DC Snail of Approval Award Party, scheduled from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 18, at Ris (2275 L Street NW, Washington, D.C.).

APRIL 13, 2015 - ABELLA INDUSTRIA ANNOUNCES A NEW WEIGHT AND STRESS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Abella Industria announces a new "Dragon's Way" program beginning this Thursday, April 16, running evenings for six weeks through May 21, at Crossings in downtown Silver Spring (8505 Fenton Street, Suite 202). The weight-management and stress-management program is based on Traditional Chinese Medicine principles. Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Contact Cristina Abella at cristina.abella@verizon.net or 917-340-9079.

APRIL 13, 2015 - THE YMCA SILVER SPRING WILL CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH AN OPEN HOUSE ON APRIL 15

The YMCA Silver Spring will celebrate Earth Day with an open house from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15. Children ages 3 to 10 will learn about world of amphibians and reptiles and have an opportunity to touch the animals, in a program led by Montgomery Parks. Cost is \$10. The celebration also includes free PiYo, Zumba, and spinning classes, body fat screening, healthy snacks, and more.

APRIL 13, 2015 - A WIDER CIRCLE WILL HOST "THE RACE TO END POVERTY" ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25

A Wider Circle will host "The Race to End Poverty," a 5K race and one-mile fun run, on Saturday, April 25, at Meadowbrook Park in Chevy Chase. [Click here](#) to learn more. Members who have questions or are interested in volunteering should email pam@awidercircle.org.

APRIL 9, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO CUBA DE AYER, VOTED D.C.'S BEST LATIN AMERICAN RESTAURANT 2015

Congratulations to [Lebanese Taverna](#), voted D.C.'s Best Middle Eastern Restaurant 2015 in the [Washington City Paper Reader Poll!](#) Readers said, "I've never had a bad meal there, and I am enjoying their new menu... I was a customer the first night they opened in 1979 and try to get back to the Westover place frequently."

APRIL 9, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO CUBA DE AYER, VOTED D.C.'S BEST LATIN AMERICAN RESTAURANT 2015

Congratulations to [Cuba De Ayer](#), voted D.C.'s Best Latin American Restaurant 2015 in the [Washington City Paper Reader Poll!](#) Readers said, "I will gladly drive 45 minutes to get there from D.C. Hands down, the most authentic Latino food around."

APRIL 9, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO FENWICK BEER AND WINE, VOTED D.C.'S BEST PLACE TO BUY BEER 2015

Congratulations to [Fenwick Beer and Wine](#), voted D.C.'s Best Place to Buy Beer 2015 in the [Washington City Paper Reader Poll](#) (for the third year in a row)! Readers said, "Hands down the best selection of beer in the D.C. area. Free samples and a new selection almost every time I walk in."

-----> [Fenwick Beer and Wine](#) is also hosting a fundraiser for [Shepherd's Table](#) on Monday, April 13. They will donate 10% of the entire day's sales to [Shepherds Table](#). Please show your support!

APRIL 6, 2015 - ALL SET RESTAURANT & BAR IS SET TO OPEN ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14

Restaurant industry veterans Jennifer Meltzer and Chef Edward Reavis announce the opening of [ALL SET Restaurant & Bar](#), where the welcoming spirit of New England is combined with a modern take on the mid-Atlantic and Northeastern cuisine. Located at the Montgomery Center in downtown Silver Spring, the restaurant is set to open on Tuesday, April 14. [Click here](#) to read more.

APRIL 6, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DAILY DISH -- VOTE FOR YOUR FELLOW CHAMBER MEMBERS

Congratulations to [The Daily Dish](#) on being selected as one of the five finalists in the "Everyday Casual Brunch" category in the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington's 2015 "RAMMY's." [The Daily Dish](#) is the only GSSCC member, and one of only two Montgomery County restaurants, named as finalists in this year's competition. The final winners will be selected by public vote, so let's help this GSSCC member bring home the victory. [Click here](#) to cast your vote.

APRIL 6, 2015 - WASHINGTON ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY TO HOST ITS ANNUAL FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL

[Washington Adventist University](#) (7600 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park) will host its annual Family Fun Festival, rain or shine, from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday April 12. The festival features food from local restaurants, live music, children's entertainment, and local businesses. For more information, or to apply for a vendors license, contact Prof. Kimberly Pichot at kspichot@wau.edu. Those who register in advance will receive a free t-shirt. [Click here](#) to register and select the size.

APRIL 6, 2015 - YMCA YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES WILL CELEBRATE HEALTHY KIDS DAY®

[YMCA Youth & Family Services](#) will celebrate Healthy Kids Day® from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 25, with a free community event at Rosemary Hills Elementary School (2111 Porter Rd.). YFS's Healthy Kids Day is the Y's national initiative to improve the health and well-being of families, featuring fun active play and educational activities, including field games, soccer, Zumba,

Ethiopian dance, face painting, healthy snacks, and free health screenings. Every family will receive a goody bag to fill with free health information from a variety of vendors. And, the YFS plans to give away thousands of pounds of healthy food, providing families a free grocery bag of wholesome food.

March 30, 2015 - COMMUNITY BRIDGES IS MOVING TO A NEW HEADQUARTERS IN JULY

Community Bridges is moving to a new headquarters in July. The organization will open its doors at 8757 Georgia Avenue, Suite 540, in downtown Silver Spring, on August 3. In the meantime, the organization is seeking a new tenant for its old space at 620 Pershing Drive (1,600 square feet, free parking, and walking distance from downtown Silver Spring). Interested non-profits, click [here](#) to learn more about seeing the space, or [here](#) for an appointment to view existing furniture that will be available in connection with the move.

March 30, 2015 - LERCH, EARLY & BREWER LITIGATOR HARRY STORM WAS RECENTLY INDUCTED

Lerch, Early & Brewer litigator Harry Storm was recently inducted as a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers (ACTL). Fellowship in ACTL is by invitation only to experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility, and collegiality. Storm is the only lawyer in Montgomery County and one of seven in Maryland to be selected this year. Read more [here](#).

March 30, 2015 - TRANSCEN, INC.'S "ADD US IN" AND "YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES" PROGRAM TO HOST A BUSINESS BREAKFAST

TransCen Inc.'s "Add Us In" and "Youth With Disabilities" program will host a business breakfast themed, "Are you getting the best Return On your Investment (ROI) from your employees?" this Wednesday, April 1, at the Bethesda North Marriott and Convention Center (5701 Marinelli Rd, Rockville, MD). Attendees will receive information on strategies for increasing ROI, disability as a diversity category, and resources to expand recruiting outreach. To register, email mgarcia@transcen.org.

March 23, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO SPARKS PERSONNEL SERVICES, INC.

Congratulations to Sparks Personnel Services, Inc. on being named to Invero's 2015 "Best of Staffing List" for client satisfaction for the fourth year in a row. The annual competition awards staffing firms for superior service quality as rated by hiring professionals and job candidates. Click [here](#) for more information.

March 23, 2015 - KAPLAN UNIVERSITY'S ROCKVILLE LEARNING CENTER WILL HOST A PRESENTATION

Kaplan University's Rockville Learning Center will host a presentation by Allie Piching, Director of Community and Charitable Programs for the Washington Redskins, on how she successfully plans and implements programs and events in education, health and wellness, and community outreach. Q&A will follow the program which runs from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. this Tuesday, March 24, Kaplan University's Rockville Learning Center (1390 Piccard Drive, Suite 100, Rockville). Click [here](#) to register.

March 23, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO MICHELLE A. BELL PHR, 1ST CHOICE LLC

Congratulations to Michelle A. Bell PHR, 1st Choice LLC, on being named among the 2015 Top 100 Women by The Daily Record. The program recognizes outstanding women leaders who are not only leading the way professionally but are dedicating their time and energy to community work as well as mentoring. Read more [here](#).

March 23, 2015 - SHEPHERD'S TABLE INVITES MEMBERS TO "SPRING INTO THE COLOR OF HOPE," ITS ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Shepherd's Table invites members to "Spring into the Color of HOPE," its annual fundraiser, scheduled from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 12, at The Fillmore Silver Spring. The event helps support Shepherd's Table's work as one of the area's leading provider of services for the homeless and those in need. The event will feature great food, live and silent auction, and live music (The Ozymorons of DC, and Still Surfin', a Beach Boys cover band). For more information, or to register, click [here](#).

March 23, 2015 - PEPCO IS PROVIDING 1,500 FREE TREES TO CUSTOMERS IN MARYLAND AND DC

Pepco is providing 1,500 free trees to customers in Maryland and the District of Columbia through its Energy-Saving Trees program. This is the fifth year of the Pepco-Arborday Foundation partnership that provides two trees per household while supplies last. Pepco customers can reserve up to two free trees by calling 1-855-670-2771, or visiting www.arborday.org/pepco.

March 16, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SOCIETY RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

Congratulations to The Society Restaurant & Lounge for being featured on Fox 5's "Will You Eat There? with Will Thomas" last Thursday evening. Restaurants featured in this regular segment are chosen by the station's viewers via their tweets to the host. See the full segment [here](#). Click [here](#) to go to the restaurant's website.

March 16, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DAILY DISH

Congratulations to The Daily Dish on being included in the inaugural issue of Zag Magazine, a new publication for millennials and their Gen X cousins in Montgomery County, just out this month. Click [here](#) and scroll to page 20 of the magazine to read the "mixology" page which features Daily Dish co-owner Zena Polin and her recipe for blood orange margarita.

March 16, 2015 - THE YMCA SILVER SPRING WILL HOST A FUNDRAISER NIGHT AT SWEETGREEN

The YMCA Silver Spring will host a fundraiser night at SweetGreen in Silver Spring, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday March 19. SweetGreen will donate 20 percent of the proceeds to the "Y" Caring for Community campaign, that helps send kids to Camp.

March 16, 2015 - A WIDER CIRCLE WILL HOST THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ENDING POVERTY

A Wider Circle will host The National Conference on Ending Poverty on Saturday, March 28, at the Washington Convention Center. Interested members can register [here](#). The organization is also seeking job coaches for its next Job P.R.E.P Boot Camp, scheduled for March 23 to March 27. For more information contact lizanne@awidercircle.org.

March 9, 2015 - BLUE MASH GOLF COURSE IS HOSTING ITS ANNUAL MASH MADNESS GOLF EVENT

Blue Mash Golf Course is hosting its annual Mash Madness golf event Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21. The event features two-man team scramble and best ball handicapped competition. Friday's event features nine holes and dinner; Saturday features breakfast and 27 holes, with food between the nines. [Click here](#) for more information.

March 9, 2015 - THE INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE (IRC) IN SILVER SPRING IS LAUNCHING ITS 5TH BIENNIAL JOB FAIR

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Silver Spring is launching its 5th biennial job fair, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, at the Silver Spring Civic Building. The free job fair will provide local businesses and community partners access to more than 100 IRC job seekers. Businesses and community organizations interested in attending the 2015 spring job fair should email [Elizabeth Ajunwa](mailto:Elizabeth.Ajunwa). This free event requires advance registration, and spots are filling up quickly.

March 9, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO KEFA CAFE ON ITS ALREADY HUGELY SUCCESSFUL "GOFUNDME" CAMPAIGN

Congratulations to Kefa Cafe on its already hugely successful "GoFundMe" campaign! In just eight days, some 159 friends and supporters have shown their "latte love" by pledging more than \$25,000 toward the future Kefa Cafe Hub at the new Silver Spring Library. [Click here](#) for more information, and to join the growing list of loyal supporters.

March 2, 2015 - THE DAILY DISH & DENIZENS BREWING COMPANY ARE OFFERING A SPECIAL BEER DINNER

The Daily Dish has teamed up with Denizens Brewing Company to offer a special beer dinner at The Daily Dish beginning at 6:30 p.m on Tuesday, March 24. The Daily Dish Executive Chef/Owner Jerry Hollinger and Owner Zena Polin have created a five-course menu that pairs perfectly with five of Denizens' best local brews. Advance reservations are required. For more information or to make a reservation, call 301-588-6300 or go to www.thedailydishrestaurant.com/denizens-beer-dinner.html

February 24, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO KEFA CAFE

Congratulations to Kefa Cafe on being selected by Montgomery County to operate the coffee shop in the new Silver Spring Library! Lene and Abeba received the official word this morning!

February 24, 2015 - SIGN*A*RAMA SILVER SPRING IS MOVING IN MARCH

Sign*A*Rama Silver Spring is moving in March. Its new address will be 8930 Brookville Road. Phone (301-273-3462) and website address (www.signarama-silverspring.com) remain the same.

February 24, 2015 - PREAL HALEY, CRPC®, TO PRESENT "HEALTH, WEALTH AND A CONFIDENT RETIREMENT" AT SEMINAR

Preal Haley, CRPC®, financial advisor, will present "Health, Wealth and a Confident Retirement," as a part of a free "New Year, New You: Food, Fitness & Finances" seminar scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, at Argyle Country Club (14600 Argyle Club Road). The seminar also includes a demonstration of the "Paleo Diet" by a private chef, and a 30-minute Zumba Session. Space is limited. RSVP [here](#) by Wednesday, February 25.

February 24, 2015 - YMCA SILVER SPRING WILL HOST A BRAZILIAN OPEN HOUSE

The YMCA Silver Spring (9800 Hastings Dr.) will host a Brazilian open house featuring cultural and community-based information, Brazilian food, Hispanic culture artwork, massages, live music, free aerobic classes, and a Samba demonstration from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25.

February 24, 2015 - SILVER SPRING GREEN JOINS OTHER "GREEN" ORGANIZATIONS TO HOST "GREEN FEST"

Silver Spring Green joins other "green" organizations in Montgomery County to host "Green Fest," from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, at Jesup Blair Park and Montgomery College Takoma Park/Silver Spring. The event will feature an electric car show, tree climbing for kids, environmental films, exhibits, workshops, and more for all ages. More info is at www.montgomerycountygreenfest.org.

February 17, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO ANDREW P. RUSSELL OF MAFCU

Andrew P. Russell has been named the new President and CEO of **Mid-Atlantic Federal Credit Union (MAFCU)**. Russell will also serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors for Mid-Atlantic Financial Partners LLC's Credit Union Service Organization. Read more [here](#).

February 17, 2015 - CVC TO PRESENT A FIVE-PART MONTHLY SERIES

The **Corporate Volunteer Council (CVC)**, in cooperation with the Montgomery County Department of Economic Development, will present "Engage, Implement, Grow: The Value of Corporate Volunteerism," a five-part monthly series on employee volunteer programs, beginning on February 26, at United Therapeutics Silver Spring headquarters. **Apex Home Loans, Pepco, The Gazette, and United Therapeutics** are among corporate sponsors for the event. Read more [here](#).

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February 2, 2015 - HATS OFF TO MARY ELLEN FLYNN OF ANDALMAN & FLYNN

Hats off to Mary Ellen Flynn, Andelman & Flynn, on surviving the January 2, 2015 Polar Bear Plunge at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis. Flynn raised more than \$2,000 to raise awareness for Special Olympics and provide an opportunity for more special kids to compete. Joining with colleagues in the Young Lawyers Section of the Maryland State Bar Association on a rainy day when the temperature was only 34 degrees, Flynn said she "kept every promise that I made: total submersion, no cursing, and I survived!" To see a video of her "plunge," [click here](#).

February 2, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO ALAN SPECK OF MID-ATLANTIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Mid-Atlantic Federal Credit Union (MAFCU) has named Alan Speck to be its new Director of Mortgage Origination. With almost 30 years of mortgage loan experience, Speck will be responsible for managing and directing the business development efforts for MAFCU's well-seasoned mortgage loan division.

February 2, 2015 - HOLY CROSS HEALTH ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD APPOINTMENTS AND POSITIONS

Holy Cross Health in Silver Spring is pleased to announce the appointment of Theresa Brown and William LaFond to its Board of Directors as well as the election of Hercules Pinkney as chair, Sister Ruth Marie Nickerson, C.S.C., as vice chair, Lynne D. Diggs, M.D., as secretary, and Paul Kaplun, Esq., as treasurer.

January 26, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO FAIRLAND ANIMAL HOSPITAL

Congratulations to Fairland Animal Hospital! Last Friday marked the one-year anniversary of being in their new building at 13425 Old Columbia Pk. See photos on their [Facebook](#) page.

January 26, 2015 - MONTGOMERY COUNTY DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE SERVICES TO HOLD RECYCLING SEMINAR

The Montgomery County Division of Solid Waste Services will hold a Business Recycling Seminar from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday, January 29, at the Ana G. Mendez University System campus (11006 Veirs Mill Road L-1 in Wheaton). Cost is \$10 per person. Click [here](#) for more information.

January 20, 2015 - MID-ATLANTIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION INVITES GSSCC MEMBERS TO "SMALL BUSINESS U"

Mid-Atlantic Federal Credit Union invites GSSCC members to "Small Business U," co-sponsored by The U.S. Small Business Administration, Montgomery Community Media, the Gazette Newspapers, and Montgomery County Department of Economic Development, from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 22. Click [here](#) for more information.

January 20, 2015 - HAPPY 65TH ANNIVERSARY TO LERCH EARLY & BREWER CHTD.!

Congratulations to Lerch Early & Brewer Chtd. on celebrating its 65th Anniversary this year! And, congratulations to the firm on having 26 of its partners, including past GSSCC Chair **Bill Kominers**, listed among [2015 Maryland Super Lawyers](#).

January 12, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO ADAM S. LOWE PHOTOGRAPHY

Congratulations to Adam S. Lowe Photography on moving into new space at Washington Artworks (12276 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville). Move in day is tomorrow.

January 12, 2015 - ABELLA INDUSTRIA'S DRAGON'S WAY PROGRAM WILL RETURN TO CROSSINGS

Abella Industria announces that its *Dragon's Way Program* (6-week weight-management and stress-management program) will return to Crossings (8505 Fenton Street, 2nd Floor, just above Whole Foods), at 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 29. The 6-week class will run through Thursday, March 12, with a "hiatus/break" on Thursday, February 26. Click [here](#) for more info.

January 12, 2015 - SPECIAL WEEK AT THE DAILY DISH

The Daily Dish brings its own special version of "Restaurant Week in January," this week, by offering a three-course meal (appetizer, entrée, and dessert) from a special menu, for just \$30. And, bottles of all reserve wines will be \$5 off. Click [here](#) for details.

January 12, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO A WIDER CIRCLE'S MARK BERGEL

Congratulations to A Wider Circle's founder and Executive Director, **Mark Bergel**! Bergel has been named one of *Washingtonian Magazine*'s nine [Washingtonians of the Year](#), "local heroes whose good works and generous spirits make Washington a great place." The current issue, on newsstands now, features his profile, in which he talks about the people served every day by A Wider Circle. Click on the link above to read more.

January 12, 2015 - HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO SW CREATIVES

Happy 10th Anniversary to **SW Creatives**! Founded by **Shala Graham** in 2005, **SW Creatives** has expertise in web and graphic design, large-scale print design, branding, front-end web coding, and project management. The firm is a graduate of the Wheaton Incubator and found a permanent home in the **Royco World Building** in March of last year.

January 12, 2015 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY ZIPCAR

Happy 15th Birthday to **Zipcar**! A celebration party is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at UberOffices in Dupont Circle. Click [here](#) for more details.

January 5, 2015 - KALDI'S COFFEE BAR IS EXPANDING

Kaldi's Coffee Bar is expanding....adding a rooftop deck. Visit their Facebook page to see photos of the planned expansion.

January 5, 2015 - CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE GSSCC MEMBERS

Congratulations to these GSSCC members selected among The **Best of Montgomery County** by **Gazette** readers: **Stronsniders Hardware**- first in the Hardware category; **Mid-Atlantic Federal Creditunion** - first in the Credit Union category; **The Classics**- second in the Steakhouse category; **Mi Rancho**- second in the Mexican Restaurant category; **Maisie Dunbar Spa Lounge**- second in the Nail Salon category; **Hoover Fisher Florist**- third in the Florist category; and **Statland & Katz, Ltd.** - third in the Insurance Agent category.