20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



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## HERITAGE DAYS WEEKEND

This year marks the **20**<sup>th</sup> **anniversary of Heritage Days** – a countywide festival offering programs and activities appealing to visitors of all ages and interests.

With **over 40 free events** all around Montgomery County, Heritage Days Weekend is the perfect time to explore local history, culture, and nature. **Sites are open from noon to 4pm unless otherwise indicated.** 

A special focus this year is **heritage food traditions** with activities including cooking demonstrations – featuring both unique cooking methods and presentations by acclaimed chefs – farm and garden displays, and food trucks. Other programs will highlight Civil War and agricultural history, historic African American communities, the stories of local railroads and trolleys, and much more.

Heritage Days also showcases local arts and culture as well as outdoor recreation, including biking, hiking, and walking tours. Many venues offer musical entertainment, activities and crafts for children, and refreshments!

Celebrate Heritage Days and explore fascinating sites that help make Montgomery County great!

# HERITAGE COOKBOOK

As part of Heritage Days Weekend, Heritage Montgomery is pleased to announce the publication of the new *African American Heritage Cookbook: Heritage Foodways in Montgomery County, Maryland.* 

The cookbook contains a collection of authentic historic Maryland recipes dating from the 1700-1800s as well as recipes collected from local church communities representing foods that were served at family and communal gatherings like Homecoming and Juneteenth.

In addition to these recipes, tested and curated by Executive Chef Larkin Rogers, brief histories and firsthand accounts from local residents collected in the 1970s by Dr. George McDaniel are included.

The cookbook will be available for purchase at various Heritage Days sites or by contacting Heritage Montgomery.







## HERITAGE AREA THEMES

Rivers, Roads, & Rails: Transportation Trails highlights the C&O Canal along the Potomac River and the Metropolitan Branch of the B&O Railroad running through communities dating back to the late 1800s. Discover historic lockhouses and aqueducts along the canal towpath. Travel scenic byways and historic roads to enjoy hiking, biking, canoeing, sightseeing, and more!

Crossroads & Cultures: African American & Quaker Heritage represents Montgomery County's many rich and diverse cultural histories. These include the long-standing Quaker communities of Sandy Spring and Brookeville and the many early free black communities represented by local churches and preservation groups, community buildings, and cemeteries.

The Agricultural Reserve: Farms, Markets & Scenic Byways encompasses 93,000 acres of protected farmland – one of the most successful countryside preservation programs in the U.S. The "Ag Reserve" showcases beautiful vistas, winding country roads, historic buildings, pick-your-own farms, and farmers markets.

Heritage Gems: Montgomery County's Past features sites scattered throughout the heritage area representing the unique stories of history, culture, and nature found in Montgomery County, from historic houses to Civil War sites to parks, theatres, and historical societies.

Let Heritage Montgomery be your first stop for planning year-round exploration of local history, culture, and nature.

Check out our website at HeritageMontgomery.org. You'll find everything you need to plan your heritage area outings including information on:

- Over 40 **Heritage Site** destinations
- Parks & Trails including pet-friendly parks
- Farms and Farmers Markets
- Activities for families with children
- The **Civil War in Montgomery County** including our *Life in a War Zone* Civil War documentary
- Montgomery County's rich African American Heritage
- Plus, a detailed Events Calendar
- And much more!





## HERITAGE SPOTLIGHTS

Join us in celebrating Heritage Days' 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary at over 40 free programs and activities across the county!

Stop by the newly restored **Odd Fellows Lodge** in Sandy Spring, a cultural center for African Americans in the region from the early 1900s and enjoy jazz music. Hike along the C&O Canal stopping at **Seneca Aqueduct/Riley's Lockhouse 24** to learn about the history of the canal and **Pennyfield Lockhouse 22** to explore life along the canal in the 1830s. In addition to the heirloom garden and heritage breed animals at **Button Farm Living History Center**, a professional chef will demonstrate heritage cooking techniques.

The **Casey Community Center** in Gaithersburg has served the community for 40 years and will celebrate with an open house on Sunday from 10am to noon.

We are especially pleased to have a number of new partners join us for Heritage Days this year. See the event program on the reverse for special activities at each of their sites.

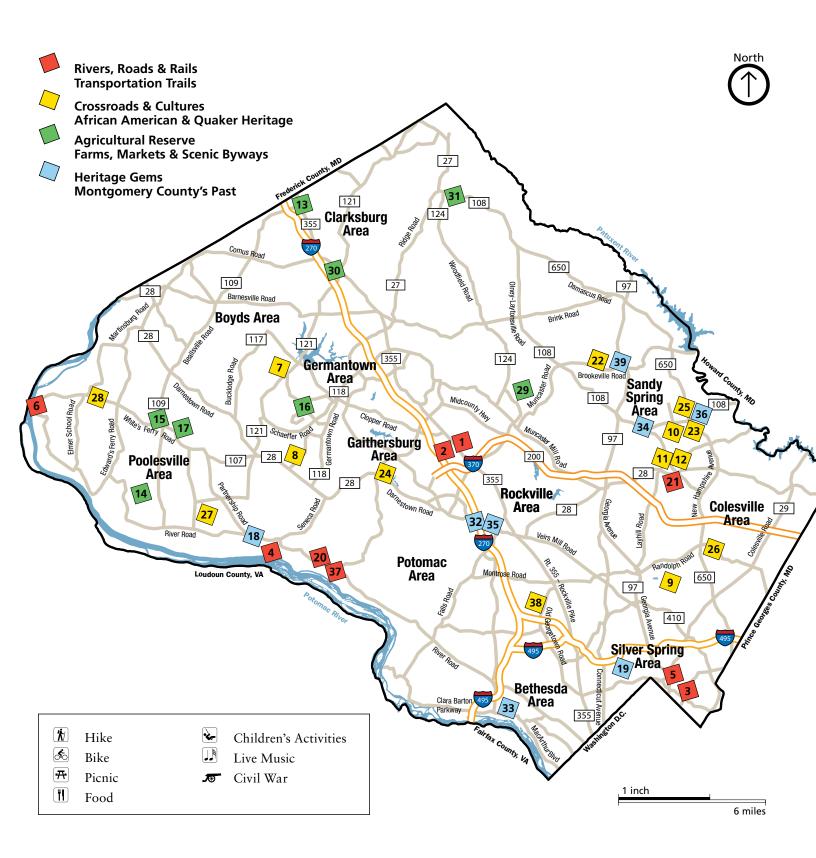
**Historic Takoma** works to preserve the heritage of Takoma Park, founded as a late-1800s railroad stop,

including its historic landmarks and archives. Their offices are located in what was a Piggly Wiggly grocery store in a former life.

The **Izaak Walton League's Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chapter** is one of over 250 chapters nationwide dedicated to protecting our nation's soil, air, woods, waters, and wildlife. Their Conservation Farm in Poolesville is an excellent example of living resource management and habitat conservation in the county.

The 1817 Quaker Meeting House is home to the **Sandy Spring Friends Monthly Meeting** which was "settled" in 1753. This community played an important role in the establishment of local free black communities as many Quakers manumitted their slaves as early as the 1770s.

The **Audubon Naturalist Society** is the oldest independent environmental organization in the Washington, DC region. In addition to its work fostering conservation issues, a wide variety of programs and outdoor activities are offered at the 40-acre Woodend Nature Sanctuary.



## SATURDAY AND SUNDAY



#### **Gaithersburg Community Museum**

GaithersburgMd.gov 301-258-6160 9 S. Summit Avenue, Gaithersburg

Try the first Gaithersburg Scavenger Hunt. Fun activities throughout the museum and rail cars. Play with big blocks and other old-fashioned games. Saturday: artist Leila Cabib explores optical illusion toys and teaches how to make them.



# Gaithersburg International Latitude Observatory GaithersburgMD.gov 301-258-6160

100 DeSellum Avenue, Gaithersburg

Bryan Blundell, Architectural Preservation Specialist, will discuss the observatory's restoration and history. Enjoy a self-guided walking tour of the park. Participate in STEM activities created by NASA and the NISE Network.



#### **Historic Takoma Storefront**

HistoricTakoma.org 240-393-6060 7328 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park

Exhibits at this 1932 storefront recall its days as a Piggly Wiggly grocery and later, home to Barcelona Nuts. Presentation on the evolution of American grocery shopping, Sunday, 1pm. Self-guided tours of the commercial and historic districts. Takoma Park Farmers Market, Sunday, 10am-2pm.



#### Seneca Aqueduct & Riley's Lockhouse

CandOCanal.org 13025 Riley's Lock Road, Poolesville Open at 10am

Interpretive tours of the canal's only site with both an aqueduct and lockhouse. Talks on the history of the C&O Canal. Lockhouse tours: Saturday, 11am-4pm; Sunday, 1-4pm. [7] [8] [7]



## **Silver Spring B&O Railroad Station**

MontgomeryPreservation.org 301-384-2536 8100 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring Saturday: Open 10am-3pm

Open House featuring trains and model trains inside and out. HO scale model train display, children's play area, family-friendly activities, refreshments, and more at this restored 1945 train station.

## SATURDAY AND SUNDAY



#### **Whites Ferry**

Historic White's Ferry on facebook 301-349-5200 24801 Whites Ferry Road, Dickerson



#### **Boyds Negro School**

BoydsHistory.org 301-943-8771 19510 White Ground Road, Boyds

This restored one-room structure was the sole public school for African American children in the Boyds area from 1895-1936. Watch the video *Boyds Negro School: Historic Lives*. Activities include calligraphy, button necklaces, marbles, sack races, and horseshoes.



## **Button Farm Living History Center**

ButtonFarm.org 202-903-4140 16820 Black Rock Road, Germantown

Plantation life in 1850s Maryland is depicted with an heirloom garden, heritage breed animals, and newly restored farmhouse. Heritage cooking demonstrations and a scavenger hunt for visitors of all ages. [7]



## **Harper Cabin at Brookside Nature Center**

HistoryintheParks.org 301-962-1480 1400 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton Saturday: 9am-5pm; Sunday: 1-5pm

This 1880s homestead features a chestnut log cabin with period furnishings. Learn about the daily life of newly emancipated African American families. Guided tours, hands-on activities for families.



## **Sandy Spring Friends Meeting House**

SandySpring.org 301-774-9792 17715 Meeting House Road, Sandy Spring Sunday: Open at 12:30pm

Celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Quaker Meeting House: learn about the history of the building and the role of Quakers in the community. Music, refreshments.

## **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY**



#### **Underground Railroad Experience Trail**

HistoryintheParks.org 301-929-5989 16501 Norwood Road, Sandy Spring (Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park)

Join "conductors" on guided hikes along a simulated Underground Railroad trail. The 2-mile natural surface trail winds through fields, woods, and across streams to the historic Sandy Spring. Learn techniques used by freedom seekers to elude pursuers. The 2-hour hikes begin on Saturday at 9:30, 10, & 10:30am; Sunday at 10am. Appropriate for ages 8 and up. [h] & 🍜



#### **Woodlawn Museum**

HistoryintheParks.org 301-929-5989 16501 Norwood Road, Sandy Spring Saturday: Open at 10am

Exhibits in the restored 1832 barn highlight local agricultural, Quaker, and African American history. Guided tours, hands-on activities for families, games for children. 🥻 🏍 开 😓 🕭



#### **Hyattstown Mill**

HyattstownMill.org 301-830-1142 14920 Hyattstown Mill Road, Clarksburg Open at 10am

See the new art exhibit, Origins, in the gallery of the historic mill; crafts for children. Saturday: Artists' reception, 2-4pm; Tumbleweeds performs bluegrass & country swing music, 3pm. Sunday: Live guitar music by Jim Wagner. 🕻 🏂 🛧 📞



# **Izaak Walton League Conservation Farm**

bcciwla.org 20601 Izaak Walton Way, Poolesville

Family-friendly activities celebrating B-CC Chapter history, conservation efforts, and appreciation of local ecology. Programs include forestry, fishing, archery, archaeology, wildlife, hayrides, plus Woodsey the Owl.





#### **John Poole House**

HistoricMedley.org 301-477-0777 19923 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

This 1793 log cabin was built to serve as a general store and trading post; it is the oldest building in Poolesville. Civil War artifacts, children's crafts, and refreshments.



## SATURDAY AND SUNDAY



## King Barn Dairy MOOseum

MOOseum.org 301-254-6575 18028 Central Park Circle, Boyds Saturday: Open at 10am

See a Ford Model T milk delivery truck, wooden milk wagon, model railroad, robotic milker, and life-sized model cows. Make crafts or "milk" a model cow. Walking tours of the farm, 1pm; butter churning, 3pm. Saturday: Balloon Man makes hats for kids, 12-2pm; live farm animals. Sunday: music with Miss Regina (ages 1-4), 1pm.  $\bigcirc$ 



#### **Poolesville Museum**

HistoricMedley.org 301-477-0777 19933 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

This 100+ year-old restored bank includes an ornate, early 20th-century vault with decorative painting. The documentaries Life in a War Zone: Montgomery County during the Civil War and Growing Legacy, about the Agricultural Reserve, will be shown. &



#### Seneca Schoolhouse Museum

HistoricMedley.org 301-477-0777 16800 River Road, Poolesville

Take a step-back-in-time at this restored 1880s one-room schoolhouse. Class will be in session with a periodcostumed teacher. Classroom activities, games, and refreshments. 🥻 🏂



## **Woodend Nature Sanctuary**

301-652-9188 ANSHome.org 8940 Jones Mill Road, Chevy Chase Open 10am-1pm

Open house at the home of the Audubon Naturalist Society. Guided tours of the historic Woodend Mansion; tours of the Blair Native Plant Garden and children's organic garden; lawn games for children; family walks with naturalists. [\*] 🔊 🖚 😓

## **SATURDAY ONLY**



## **Blockhouse Point Civil War Experience**

HistoryintheParks.org 15000 River Road, Potomac

301-650-4373

See the remains of an 1862 Civil War outpost camp and blockhouse. Two-mile, two-hour guided hikes on an easy to moderate natural trail at 12, 1 & 2pm. Park at Callithea Horse Farm across from Signal Tree Lane.



## **National Capital Trolley Museum**

DCTrolley.org

301-384-6088

1313 Bonifant Road, Colesville

Guided tours of the Street Car Hall; Streetcars Go to the Movies video; Rock Creek Railway model. Civil War Streetcars exhibit explores the introduction of street railways in the Nation's Capital. Ride vintage streetcars for two miles through Northwest Branch Park (\$).



## Oakley Cabin African American Museum & Park

HistoryintheParks.org 301-650-4373

3610 Brookeville Road, Olney

Tour the restored log cabin, home to African American tenant families during the late 1800s. Storytellers, guided tours, hands-on activities for families, games for children, and live music. Park at Longwood Local Park, 19300 Georgia Ave. Shuttle provided.



#### **Odd Fellows Lodge**

OddFellowsLodge.org OddFellowsLodge@yahoo.com

1308 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Sandy Spring

Come and see the newly renovated historic lodge, a site for worship, social activities, and education used by the local African American community in the mid-to late-

1800s. Enjoy jazz music, 2pm. 🔝



#### **Pleasant View Historic Site**

11810 Darnestown Road, Gaithersburg 301-330-9828

Tours of the historic schoolhouse and church at this African American heritage site; guest speaker; performances by local gospel groups; refreshments.

## **SATURDAY ONLY**



## **Sandy Spring Slave Museum**

SandySpringSlaveMuseum.org SlaveMuseum@yahoo.com 18524 Brooke Road, Sandy Spring Open at 11am

View African and African American art and artifacts in the Great Hall, a clipper ship cross section, log cabin, and African hut arts pavilion. Gwendolyn Briley Strand performs a dramatic monologue as Harriet Tubman, 12pm; Community Cornerstones screening, 2pm. 🛱 🍴 🗸



## **Smithville School Museum and Education Center**

811 E. Randolph Rd., Silver Spring 301-879-3700

This restored Rosenwald school was built in the 1920s for African American children. Activities include a film about its history, discussions with former students, and presentations on its current use.



#### St. Paul Community Church

SugarlandEthnoHistoryProject.org 301-717-9304 14730 Sugarland Lane, Poolesville

Tour the 1893 church and cemetery at this African American heritage site; exhibits, oral histories, artifacts and historical documents; refreshments.



#### **Warren Historic Site**

WarrenHistoricSite.weebly.com 301-972-7263 22625 Whites Ferry Road, Dickerson

This unique African American site dates to the 1860s with the church and original one-room schoolhouse still in use. Exhibits and photographs, plus restoration plans for the Loving Charity Hall; refreshments.



#### **Agricultural History Farm Park**

HistoryintheParks.org 18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood Open at 11am

301-650-4373

Tour the turn-of-the-20th century Magruder-Bussard farmstead. Old-fashioned farm demonstrations, hands-on activities for families, games for children.



#### **Clarksburg Two-Room Schoolhouse**

ClarksburgMDHistory.org 301-972-3571 13530 Redgrave Place, Clarksburg

Visit the 1909 two-room schoolhouse and church. Activities include re-enactors, local history exhibits, classic cars, children's games & activities, moon bounce, music, and more. Free shuttle rides between historic sites. Dedication of the John G. Clark Family Memorial Cemetery on Burdette Forest Road, 11am.

## **SATURDAY ONLY**



## **Damascus Heritage Museum**

DHSM.org 301-253-3361 9701 Main Street, Damascus

Displays on local agricultural history plus hands-on



# activities using early kitchen utensils. 32 Beall-Dawson Museum

MontgomeryHistory.org 301-340-2825 103 W. Montgomery Avenue, Rockville

Tours of the new exhibit, Inside Out/Upside Down: Furniture from a Different Perspective; visit "Dr. Stonestreet," Civil War Union Army surgeon and local doctor, in the Stonestreet Museum; interactive games and activities for the whole family.



#### 337 Glen Echo Park

GlenEchoPark.org 301-634-2222 7300 MacArthur Boulevard, Glen Echo

Stop by the historic Spanish Ballroom for guided and selfguided tours. Live music from the 1920s, 30s, and 40s. Enjoy activities throughout the park including rides on the historic carousel (\$). Park is open sunrise to sunset.





## 34 Olney Theatre Center

OlneyTheatre.org 301-924-3400 2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney

Tour this theatrical arts campus dating to 1939, 1, 2, & 3pm; Musical Masterclass discussion: From Rent to Hamilton, 5pm. 🎵



#### **Red Brick Courthouse**

PeerlessRockville.org 301-762-0096 29 Courthouse Square, Rockville

Walking tours of Rockville sites highlighting historical efforts by the African American community to secure quality educational opportunities. Tours leave from the courthouse at 1 & 3pm.



#### **Sandy Spring Museum**

SandySpringMuseum.org 301-774-0022 17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring

The annual Sandy Spring Folklife Festival features dance, music, and performances that represent the local multicultural community. Food, kids' activities, crafts for sale, discussions, and a celebration of heritage! 🛱 🗓 📞

## **SUNDAY ONLY**



#### Pennyfield Lockhouse 22

CanalTrust.org 301-745-8888 12100 Pennyfield Lock Road, Potomac

Explore the 1830s and the construction of the C&O Canal through a tour of Canal Quarters' Lockhouse 22. Period music and games. Bring your fishing rod and try your luck in the canal or Potomac River. 1/2 50 7 1



#### **Josiah Henson Park**

HistoryintheParks.org 301-650-4373 11420 Old Georgetown Road, N. Bethesda

Tour the historic Riley farm where Rev. Josiah Henson was enslaved from 1795 to 1830. Henson's autobiography inspired Harriet Beecher Stowe's landmark novel, Uncle Tom's Cabin. Guided tours: hands-on activities for families. Park at Shriver Aquatic Center, 5900 Executive Blvd. 🔻 😓



#### **Brookeville Academy**

TownofBrookevilleMD.org 5 High Street, Brookeville

301-570-4465

Learn about Brookeville's history during the War of 1812 and life in the early 1800s. Archaeological exhibits from the Madison House site. Walking tours of the historic town.

Please use the map and list of heritage sites to plan your visits year round. Remember that admission is free for Heritage Days, but may be charged at other times.

**Heritage Montgomery** is one of thirteen certified heritage areas in the state of Maryland – areas where "public and private partners make commitments to preserving resources for sustainable economic development through heritage tourism."

Heritage Montgomery is dedicated to the mission of preserving and promoting local history, culture, and distinctive natural areas, and fostering a sense of stewardship and pride in our community.

As a non-profit organization sustained primarily through State and county grant funding, Heritage Montgomery has brought over \$2 million in State grants to county organizations. In addition, \$20,000 in Mini-Grant funding is awarded to local nonprofits and government entities each year.

Visit HeritageMontgomery.org to learn more about our organization and plan your next daytrip exploring the Montgomery County Heritage Area!

For Heritage Days updates before and during the weekend, check in at HeritageMontgomery.org and follow Heritage Montgomery on Facebook.

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