

150 Years of Advancement in Educational Equality

Peerless Rockville Spring Series | Free & Open to the Public

Friday, February 24 7 pm

Rockville Memorial Library, Rockville Town Square Plaza, 21 Maryland Ave., Rockville

Exhibit Opening & The Experience of Emancipation in Maryland

The new State Constitution of 1864 freed slaves throughout Maryland. But what did emancipation actually mean for the newly freed? **Morgan State University Professor DAVID TAFT TERRY, PhD** will explain the changes, challenges and opportunities emancipation brought to daily life in Maryland.

Slavery Forever Abolished The New Constitution Adopted

Saturday, March 11 1 pm

Jerusalem–Mt. Pleasant Church, 21 Wood Lane, Rockville

The Rise of Separate but Unequal Schools

Exactly 150 years ago, a group of African American men—some recently freed—petitioned for a school in Rockville. Segregated schools resulted—separate but hardly equal. Rosenwald schools later resulted in a county high school for blacks in Rockville, years after high schools for white children.

Speaker: RALPH BUGLASS, Montgomery History Speakers Bureau

Saturday, April 1 10 am

Red Brick Courthouse, 29 Courthouse Square, Rockville





Thurgood Marshall & William Gibbs: Civil Rights in Rockville

In 1937, renowned civil rights attorney and future Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall represented William Gibbs, a Rockville school principal suing for equal pay for all county black teachers. **HONORABLE PATRICK WOODWARD, Maryland Court of Special Appeals Judge,** will discuss the case. **University of Maryland Law Professor and historian LARRY S. GIBSON** will explain how this local civil rights hero helped set the stage for Marshall's further legal work against discrimination.

Coming in April & May . . .



Panel Discussion I: Remembering Carver High School

Learn about the achievement of Carver as the only modern high school for black students in Montgomery County and the experiences of students and teachers.

Panel Discussion II: Stories of School Desegegration

Our county was the first in Maryland to desegregate, following the City of Baltimore. Hear stories of those who lived it as students and teachers.



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