

# PCV POST APRIL 11, 2021

### **PCV EVENTS**

Advance registration is required for PCV-hosted events. PCV members log into their accounts and click on the "Register" button for the desired event. If you are a member without a login password, please inform us at <a href="mailto:info@potomaccommunityvillage.org">info@potomaccommunityvillage.org</a> and the password creation email will be sent to you. Non-members should click on the "Register for this event" link and follow instructions to provide the required information and then again click "Register for this event." The Zoom link will be provided in the confirmation email.

**Tuesday, April 20, 1:30 - 2:30 pm. PCV Book Group** will discuss *Cilka's Journey* by Heather Morris. This is a members' club but non-members can attend once and try it out. Click **Book** to learn more and register.

**Wednesday, April 28, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Making Your Home Safer and More Comfortable for Older Adults.** An expert from AARP's HomeFit program will share her expertise and teach us how to examine our own homes and how they fit our needs - or if they don't. Click <a href="HomeFit">HomeFit</a> for details and to register.

Please read the article on some products and devices that will help to make your home safer in our Members Notebook

(<a href="https://pcv.helpfulvillage.com/pages/10032-members-notebook">https://pcv.helpfulvillage.com/pages/10032-members-notebook</a>). And please share information and suggestions about any other devices or products you have added at your home that have provided additional safety for you, by emailing us at <a href="mailto:info@PotomacCommunityVillage.org">info@PotomacCommunityVillage.org</a> so we can share it with our members and with our larger community.

### **BILLBOARD**

Area organizations are presenting Zoom programs for varied interests. A listing for the next few weeks is provided here to help you plan ahead.

The PCV calendar has details for these events as well as others. They are free and open to all. Click <a href="Homepage">Homepage</a> and select EVENTS tab. Generally advance registration is required. Please see the individual listings for further relevant details.

Sunday, April 11, 6:30 - 7.30 pm. The Power of Protest and the Great Kosher Meat War. Learn the twin stories from 1902 of mostly female immigrants who discovered their collective consumer power and of the Beef Trust, the midwestern cartel that conspired to keep meat prices high despite efforts by the U.S. government to curtail its practices. Click Kosher for details and to register.

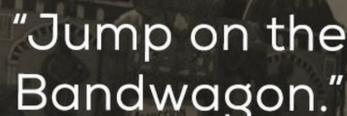
Wednesday, April 14, 7:30 - 8.30 pm. Celebrating 100 Years of the Dentzel Carousal at Glen Echo Park. Click <u>Carousal</u> for details and to register.

Monday, April 19, 1:00 - 2.30 pm. Artists and Social Change. This virtual tour of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, led by docent Bob Ferguson, will examine how artists have responded to periods of turmoil in American history. Click Art for details and to register.

Thursday, April 22, 1:00 - 2.00 pm. The Tale of Two First Ladies: Jackie Kennedy's Secret Return to the White House & Pat Nixon's Unknown Legacy. Click Jackie for details and to register by the 19th.

Thursday, April 29, 2:00 - 3.00 pm. Treason! - How Local Leaders of Montgomery County Helped Launch the American Revolution. Click Treason to learn more and to register.

**RECORDING OF JAMIE RASKIN EVENT:** On April 5, the Little Falls Village was one of the hosts for a program with Congressman Jamie Raskin on **Constitutional Patriotism, Partisanship and The Future of American Democracy** as a Facebook Live event. They very kindly shared with us its recording on YouTube and we are making the video link available to PCV members and friends. Here is the link https://voutu.be/HwsTdzicAgw



In the mid-1800s, circuses would parade around town before setting up, with bandwagons leading the parade. They drew large crowds, and politicians started renting space on the bandwagons to get face time with an audience.



PCV Walk on Tuesday, April 6 for National Walking Day

On April 6 an outdoor walk was organized just for PCV members who have been fully vaccinated, meaning at least 14 days past the date of a second vaccination. They gathered at Hadley's Park Playground in Potomac. All walkers received a bottle of water and a mask courtesy of PCV. Plans are to have more walks and outdoor activities for vaccinated members and volunteers this spring.

Please keep an eye on your inbox!

# Thank You for Renewing Your PCV Membership

Kathleen & Richard Fuller, Margie Holman, Bob Lawrence, Margaret & Calvin Meleney, Diane Onsted

Welcome to New Member
Caroline Lewis

### NEW PCV POLICY: PROOF OF VACCINATION

As PCV begins to open up a little, for the sake of everyone's safety, the Board has established the following policy for rides, home visits, etc.

If a member and volunteer have reason to meet, the assumption is made that each has been fully vaccinated. In order to confirm this, it is important that the rider/driver as well as the member at home/volunteer show the other their completed vaccination cards. The ride/meeting will proceed only if both can document their vaccination completions (photocopy is fine) to each other.

You can see this policy on the PCV website Here.

LINKS TO COUNTY WEBSITE PAGES ON DIFFERENT TOPICS

Click <u>Vaccine</u> and pre-register at the earliest to get an appointment for COVID vaccination. The registration is easy and quick with just your demographic and contact details. The registration can be for your own vaccination and/or for somebody else who is eligible as per the stated requirements of age, profession, etc.

Click <u>Email/Text Updates</u> to hear the latest about the status on vaccination from the county. They will send you more details as soon as they are available.

To understand the vaccine priority groups, click Priority

To visit the Covid 19 Information Portal click Covid

To visit the County's Testing Portal click Testing

#### **COVID RELATED UPDATES**

### **Preregistration Open to All**

Beginning Monday, April 12, all Marylanders 16 and older will be eligible for a vaccine, no matter what provider is giving the vaccination. Residents can preregister for an appointment at a mass vaccination site by visiting <a href="https://onestop.md.gov/preregistration">https://onestop.md.gov/preregistration</a> or calling 1-855-MD-GOVAX (1-855-634-6829). During preregistration, you can choose your top two preferred sites.

All Montgomery County residents can now preregister for an appointment at a County vaccine clinic by visiting govaxmoco.com. Preregistration does not guarantee an appointment. Residents currently eligible under Phase 1 and Phase 2, who have not yet been vaccinated, will continue to be prioritized.

## Mass Vaccination Site at Montgomery College Germantown

The vaccination site at Montgomery College's Germantown campus has transitioned to a State-supported mass vaccination site on Thursday, April 8. Vaccinations at MC Germantown will be available to all Marylanders, but about 25% of the appointments will be reserved for Montgomery County residents. If you have already preregistered with the County, no further action is needed.

Free Ride-On shuttle service will run from the Shady Grove Metro station to the vaccination site at Montgomery College-Germantown, with drop off at the vaccination site. Buses will run every 15 minutes from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Pick up the shuttle on the east side of the Shady Grove Metro. Buses will be marked "Vaccination Shuttle." If you are driving to the Germantown vaccination site, take Exit 15 (Rt. 118) from I-270 and follow signs to Montgomery College. Free parking is available.

### **Help Reduce Lines at Vaccination Clinics**

To avoid lines and maintain safe distancing, please plan to arrive at a vaccination site no more than 10 minutes before your appointment time. If you do arrive earlier, please remain in your car until 10 minutes before your appointment.

#### **Updates about Eligibility to Preregister**

As of Tuesday, March 30, residents age 16 years and older with underlying medical conditions are eligible to preregister for State vaccination sites. Eligibility does not confirm an immediate appointment. Appointments are made based on available vaccine supply.

You may <u>preregister for State mass vaccination clinics online</u> or call 1-855-MDGOVAX (1-855-634-6829).

The Montgomery County health department is continuing to vaccinate all essential employees and residents age 65 and older. These efforts continue to target getting doses to residents in zip codes that have been heavily impacted by COVID-19 deaths (and cases) and to those who have difficulty accessing vaccinations.

Residents are encouraged to preregister with the State and with the County, and to take the first vaccination appointment offered at any clinic.

### Please Cancel Your Preregistration if Already Vaccinated.

If you're already been vaccinated, you can now <u>cancel your</u> <u>preregistration for a County-run clinic</u>. Completing this form will remove you from their preregistration list.

#### **Keep Getting Tested for COVID-19**

Montgomery County health officials recommend testing at least once each month if you are frequently out in the community. You may test more often if you were not able to follow safety steps like distancing from others and wearing a mask.

While many people with COVID-19 have mild or no symptoms, it is still possible to be infected and pass the disease to friends, family and loved ones. You may have been in close contact with someone with asymptomatic COVID-19 without knowing it. Free testing is provided at numerous locations for anyone who wants one. Find a complete schedule of upcoming clinics at www.MoCoCOVIDTesting.org.

# Click <u>here</u> to visit the Members' Only Covid-19 Information page on PCV website.

This page lists the websites and provides links for all the various locations--state, county, hospitals, pharmacies and grocery stores that are offering vaccines now (or will be soon). The intent of this page is to

provide current information and is updated by your dedicated volunteers as additional information becomes available. You can always access here the latest information on COVID and vaccinations without having to look through your old emails.

Please contact our Help Desk at either <a href="mailto:20854helpdesk@gmail.com">20854helpdesk@gmail.com</a> or 240-221-1370 if you need assistance in preregistering for an appointment or to set up an appointment.

Also, please let us know at <a href="mailto:info@potomaccommunityvillage.org">info@potomaccommunityvillage.org</a> if you have been successfully vaccinated so we can possibly plan a few outdoor events as the weather improves.

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