

ANNOUNCEMENT TO BE READ AT MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING

September 21, 2009

The City of Gaithersburg and the Friends of Wells Robertson House, Inc. are celebrating National Recovery Month by hosting the 5th annual Recovery Month Picnic on Saturday, September 26. The event takes place in the outdoor pavilions at the Activity Center at Bohrer Park from 1 to 6 p.m.

The picnic features games, a DJ, face painting, a moon bounce, a Wells Robertson House graduation ceremony, and guest speakers. For reservations and information please call Lourdes (*LOR-dez*) Carazo at 301-258-6390.

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Gaithersburg is pleased to join with Montgomery County in once again co-sponsoring the Montgomery County Housing Fair and Financial Fitness Day. Last year nearly 1,000 people came out for this wonderful resource event, which provides information on managing money and credit, preventing foreclosure, saving energy, lowering utility costs, and keeping your home safe.

The Fair will take place on Saturday, October 3 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Activity Center at Bohrer Park, located on Rt. 355 next to Gaithersburg High School. Admission and parking are free.

For more information please contact the Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Development at 240-777-3602 or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dhca.

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The City of Gaithersburg has joined with Women Who Care Ministries and the Victims' Rights Foundation to co-sponsor "Restore the Joy," the 3rd Annual Domestic Violence Empowerment Luncheon on Saturday, October 10 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Gaithersburg.

The event features a resource fair, a commemorative candlelight vigil, a panel discussion, poetry, vendors, and entertainment. The keynote address will be delivered by celebrity speaker Jewel Diamond Taylor. Admission is \$35 per person. Tickets for children and senior citizens are available for \$20 each.

For more information please contact Judith Clark of Women Who Care Ministries at 301-963-8588 or e-mail womenwhocare@comcast.net,

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Census 2010 General Announcement

Next March all households in Gaithersburg will receive a 10-question U.S. Census Questionnaire. We urge you to fill it out and send it back.

Census data is completely confidential. The Census Bureau is prohibited by law from sharing information with any other government agency.

The information collected by the Census Bureau is used to help determine the allotment for federal funds for such things as hospitals, schools, and other community facilities and services. The data is also used to determine boundaries for legislative districts.

So make sure you're counted in Census 2010. It's safe, it's easy, and it's important. For more information visit www.2010census.gov.