

Friends,

I wanted to keep you in the loop on some of the activities happening in the County this month and in January. If you could please share this with your community, I would greatly appreciate it.

Have a wonderful holiday season.

Eric

Upcoming Events and Announcements

Job Openings

Gaylord Hotel, resort and conference center at the National Harbor is looking for prospective employees. They are having a "grand hire" event at the site from January 30 – February 2nd. To apply for jobs, do so immediately at www.gaylordnational.com.

There are job descriptions on the website as well an explanation of how the process will work.

Second Annual Back to the Delta Project

In the coming months the student-mentors in Colours will be hosting the second annual "Back to the Delta Project." Last year, the student-mentors not only formed a living, breathing blues band in honor of the Delta Region, but they raised \$15,000 for five student programs in the Delta Region. They did not do this alone. Please consider doing the following to support this excellent program.

1. Visit www.colours.org and learn more about this year's event.
2. Get involved by joining the 2008 Honorary Blues Council
3. Plan to be there with 10 friends and / or family the weekend of Feb. 21st - 23rd, 2008.
4. Support the student efforts through the advertising program

This year they are also looking for local and national business to have the student led Splatt Blues Orchestra to come out and perform and /or distribute information about their efforts.

Countywide Master Plan of Transportation

The county is in the midst of updating its overall transportation plan which looks at road improvements, transit services and bike/pedestrian enhancements. Soon, the County will be hiring an outreach coordinator who will be available to providing briefings and presentations to civic associations and other stakeholder groups. More details can be found at http://www.mncppc.org/county/Transportation_MP/. Please make sure that you share your transportation needs with the county.

Maryland Department of Transportation

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) is currently updating the State's long range transportation plan, known as the (MTP). The MTP establishes a 20-year vision of transportation in the State and provides policy direction through statewide goals and objectives. Throughout the coming months, MDOT will be conducting extensive public outreach to engage Maryland's citizens, agencies, and interested organization to help revise the transportation system's long-range, goals, and objectives.

We encourage you to participate in helping to shape the MTP. For additional information and to learn about upcoming events, review draft goals and objectives and participate in an on-line survey visit their website: www.mdot.state.md.us/Planning. If you have questions or concerns, please call Mr. Ron Spalding in the office of Planning at 410-865-1304 or email him at mtpupdate2@mdot.state.md.us.

Scholarship Opportunity

The Prince Georges County Federation of Park and Recreation Council represents approximately 80 Recreation Councils, Civic Associations, and individuals interested in promoting parks and recreation within Prince Georges County. The Federation will award its 17th scholarship in parks and recreation next spring. The \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Prince Georges County resident student who is currently or intends to major in recreation at a recognized college or university.

For additional information including an application call Harlan W. Tucker 301-262-1010