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MAYOR BRANDON SCOTT



DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

As the saying goes, "We get letters..."

AIM receives many notes complimenting us on our service. We are so grateful for the acknowledgement. Forgive us for bragging, but we would like to share with you some of the kind words we have received:

- ... "As a recent member of AIM, this was my second outing. I truly liked everything. The driver is a gem. The other riders were a chatty delight. Now I don't have to bother others for transportation." GW
- ..."The transportation by request is a wonderful program! It has been a great help to us since we stopped driving. You have our deepest appreciation." NS
- ..."The services are so appreciated. I no longer have to depend on my sister for rides to the doctor. The rides are reasonably priced. The drivers are all good. We are thankful for what you do." CB

Thank you for the messages. Please know, too, that we always share your feedback with the drivers.

We thank all AIM riders for their membership.

Warmly, Laura

P.S. AIM is closed on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.

PS. A request from the Quilting Club... all needlecrafters please join! If you can share your expertise, some beginners would welcome a chance to learn from you.

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TRANSPORTATION BY REQUEST: SCHEDULING YOUR RIDE

To get access to the TBR program, first you must be an AIM member.

- * Reservation required. Please call AIM's office at 410-889-7915 at least two weeks prior to your appointment. We know that lead time seems long, but this is the price we pay for being excellent, affordable, and in demand.
- * The driver will pick you up from home 30 minutes before your appointment time. When you are ready to be picked up from your appointment, call AIM and we will send a driver back.
- * When you reserve your ride, the coordinator will tell you the fee, calculated at a per-mile radius rate (under two miles = \$5). Please pay the driver when you enter the car or call AIM to pay by phone (pay by phone only if ride is over \$15). We accept cash, check, Zelle, CashApp or money order. Fees are calculated as round trip only.
- * Medical appointments are always given FIRST priority for rides. At times, AIM may contact you to reschedule your non medical ride.
- * AIM only drives to <u>non-work</u> destinations and does not make return trips after 2:30pm.
- * The minimum appointment time is one hour. If your appointment ends before one hour, please call, but you may have to wait up to an hour for pick up.
- * Prepayment is NOT required for this program (it is only required for group trips)

\$3 Wednesday Grocery Shuttles: Reserve ahead

The Wednesday shuttle stops at Walmart and other grocery stores and banks at the Nottingham location. Return trip is 12:30pm. Please limit purchases to two (2) bags, or what you can carry. **ALL riders MUST call AIM at 410 889 7915 to reserve a seat before close of business Mondays.**

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PICK UP</u>
Stadium Place/Zen/Heritage Run	10:00 AM
Woodbourne Woods	10:10 AM
Belvedere Green	10.10 AM
Kirkwood House	10:15 AM



If you do not live in a residence listed above, you may still be eligible for pickup from your home. Please call AIM at 410 889 7915 on or before Mondays to see if you can be part of the route. Not all zip codes can be included. If your zip code is excluded, you can schedule an individual ride to a grocery store within two to three days of your request.

Should I tip my driver? Tips are neither required nor requested. However, if you wish to acknowledge excellent service by your driver, you are more than welcome to offer a tip.

BUS TRIPS: HOW TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION

- AIM will start taking reservations THURSDAY, May 1. Calls tend to come in all at once, so if we don't pick up, please leave a message with the trips you want, and we will call you back to confirm.
 - Please call 410 889 7915. Let us know if you are a wheelchair rider. Thank you.
- NEW: Trips must be paid for in advance. Bus fees are not refundable but can be applied to a later trip if you need to cancel. Pay with cash/check/money order/Zelle (to aim@actioninmaturity.org)/Cash App (to \$Actioninmaturity)

DATE	LOCATION/ AIM will call you with a pick up time	BUS FEE (meals on your own) ALL FEES MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE
FRIDAY, MAY 9 Call to reserve starting Thursday, May 1	Miss Toya's Southern Creole House restaurant	\$12
MONDAY, MAY 12 Call to reserve starting Thursday, May 1	Boscov (White Marsh)	\$12
FRIDAY, MAY 16 Call to reserve starting Thursday, May 1	Collins Seafood/Dollar Tree	\$10
MONDAY, MAY 19 Call to reserve starting Thursday, May 1	Bubbas/Walmart Glen Burnie	\$12
FRIDAY, MAY 23 Call to reserve starting Thursday, May 1	Shops at Canton/ Iron Rooster	\$12

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COMMUNITY NAVIGATORS NEEDED

The Maryland Food Bank is seeking neighbors to help expand their impact.

If you have 6-10 hours per week to commit for 12 weeks, and are interested in learning about access to government benefits and community resources that fight food insecurity, please email snapteam@mdfoodbank.org for more details.

You will be trained in customer service and benefits navigation— plus you will receive a stipend and access to benefits support and food resources.



MOVE OR GROOVE ON TUESDAYS!

YOGA: Tuesdays, 10am, Hampden Library, 3641 Falls Rd (No Fee)

QUILTING/CROCHET/KNITTING: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 10:00 am, Hampden United Methodist Church, 3449 Falls Road (No Fee)

LINEDANCE: Tuesdays, 10:00 am, Hampden United Methodist Church 3449 Falls Road (\$3 per class)

No need to sign up in advance. If you have questions just call AIM at 410 889 7915.

Please note, AIM does not provide transportation to these activities.

LEGAL SERVICES (AT KESWICK, 700 W 40TH ST.)

Free Estate Planning/Legal Counseling

Monday, MAY 5 and Wednesday, MAY 19 Monday, JUNE 9 and MONDAY, JUNE 23

IN-PERSON, BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Call AIM office to schedule, 410-889-7915 You will meet the attorney at Keswick's Wise & Well Building, 700 W. 40th St.

An attorney is available to prepare wills, advance medical directives, and power of attorney documents, all free of charge. To qualify, you must be a Baltimore City resident and at least 60 years old.

ST MARY'S OUTREACH CENTER: CALENDAR

Office Hrs: 9:00am-4:30pm... Walk-ins Tues and Thurs... RSVP to calendar events: 410 366 3106

"What Makes a Good Life?" Explore older adults' views about a good life and hardship. Lunch provided. Saturday, May 3, 10am-3pm, 3838 Roland, Ave. Social Room

Glam Day — Mother's Day Event: Thursday, May 9, 2p,-4pm, 3838 Roland Ave. Social Room

SNAP Applications: Tuesday, May 13, 11am-1pm, 3939 Roland Ave./Tuesday, May 27, 11am-1pm, 3838 Roland Ave.

TECH Thursday: Thursday May 15, 2p,-4pm, 3939 Roland Ave. Lower Level

Water, Walk & Word — Women's Support Group, Wednesday, May 21, Noon—1pm, 3838 Roland Ave. Light refreshments served.

Homeowners/Renters Tax Applications: 10am-3pm, Tuesday, May 13, 3939 Roland Ave/Tuesday, May 27, 3838 Roland Ave.

OUTREACH DAYS: Monday, May 28, Pratt Library, 3641 Falls Rd, 10-2pm and Wednesday, May 28, VFW, 1200 Union Ave 10am-1pm

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Farewell to AIM Founder Ruth Gavis

AIM mourns the recent passing of Ruth Gavis. Ms. Gavis was an original founder of Action in Maturity — and she claimed this as one of her proudest accomplishments.

As AIM's first and only ever Development Director, Ms. Gavis helped raise the money for AIM's first shuttle bus. As her daughter, Elizabeth, said, "My mother was very proud of that bus." Ms. Gavis also involved her family in AIM activities: her children helped in the office; her mother helped test out AIM's shuttle services.

Ms. Gavis and her family first lived in Boston and then settled in Maryland, where Ms. Gavis held leadership positions at Goodwill Industries and the Maryland Association of Dyslexic Adults and Youths. Her commitment to AIM remained an important part of her work on behalf of older adults in Baltimore.