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#### DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Happy (almost) Spring to one and all!

It's been a busy few weeks as AIM made appointments for over 100 taxpayers to have their taxes prepared by AARP, launched a new partnership with the Baltimore Housing Authority, hired a new Transportation Manager, and refined scheduling processes so we could serve more riders.

Special thanks to our drivers for being the best in the business: safe, reliable, friendly and flexible.

Also, thanks to our members who chime in with suggestions for trips and activities. In response to member calls for new places to go, we have added some different destinations for March. Please see page 3 for old favorites and new additions. There will be more new destinations in the coming months — and possibly a gathering or two.

Warmly, Laura

PS. AIM will be closed Friday, March 29 in observance of Good Friday.

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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 ten (10) business days prior to your appointment. We know that is challenging 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, 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, 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.
- \* The minimum appointment time is one hour. If your appointment ends before one hour, you may have to wait up to an hour for pick up.

## \$3 WEDNESDAY GROCERY SHUTTLES

The shuttle stops at the shops at Towson Marketplace/Putty Hill and, on the first Wednesday of the month, at the Cockeysville Walmart. Return trips are 12:30pm. Please limit purchases to two (2) bags, or what you can carry.

Walker Co-op/Mews	10:15 AM	
Walley Co. or /Morre	10.15 ANA	
Kirkwood House	10:15 AM	
Belvedere Green	10.10 AM	
Woodbourne Woods	10:10 AM	
Stadium Place	10:00 AM	
<u>LOCATION</u>	PICK UP	

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 Tuesdays to see if you can be part of the route. Not all zip codes can be included.

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

- NEW: To give everyone a chance to receive the newsletter, AIM will not take your trip reservations until FRIDAY, MARCH 1. *Thank you*.
- ♦ Call AIM at 410 889 7915 to make your reservation.
- Call in your reservation <u>first</u> to ensure a seat. You can send payment promptly after reservation is made, or pay driver on the day of your trip.

Venue admissions fees and meals are not included with Bus Fee.

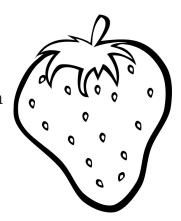
DATE	LOCATION/ AIM will call with pick up time	BUS FEE
FRIDAY, March 8	Dutch Market	\$10 Please call 3/1 to reserve
MONDAY, March 11	Living History: Museum of Nursing/IHOP	\$10 (no entry fee) Please call 3/1 to reserve
FRIDAY, March 15	Southern Blues restaurant	\$10 Please call 3/1 to reserve
MONDAY, March 18	Boscov/White Marsh	\$12 Please call 3/1 to reserve
FRIDAY, March 22	Walmart Towson Pl/ First Watch restaurant	\$10 Please call 3/1 to reserve

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## FARMER'S MARKET COUPON UPDATE

Thanks to all members who have been calling to find out when the Farmer's Market coupon distribution will take place. In fact, the calls have reminded us to announce that in 2023, over 80 percent of AIM members who picked up a coupon book did use it at a Farmer's Market. That's a solid redemption rate that should ensure AIM receives at least as many booklets as last year (if not more).



As always, the coupon distributions are scheduled over two days in early July. We will let you know specifics in the June newsletter. This year, we may do the distribution differently to avoid having folks standing out in the hot summer sun. Stay tuned!

## LET'S GET PHYSICAL ON TUESDAYS!

YOGA — 10AM LINE-DANCE — 10AM PICKLEBALL — 11:30AM

QUILTING (FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS ONLY) —  $10 \mathrm{AM}$ 

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

Classes are held at
St. Thomas Aquinas Church at
37th and Roland Avenue — enter at Roland Ave
Fee: \$3 per session (Quilting sessions are free).

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

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

#### Free Estate Planning/Legal Counseling

MONDAY, MARCH 4 and MONDAY MARCH 18 APRIL 1 and APRIL 15 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

MONDAY, MARCH 11 — 11am-1pm — 3939 Roland Avenue — Social Room Legacy Workshop... Financial and estate planning

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 — 10am-noon — 3838 Roland Avenue — Social Room \* FREE TABLET GIVEAWAY 2pm-3pm \*

Tech Thursday... get support for your phone, tablet, laptop, Ipad

SATURDAY, MARCH 30 — 11am-3pm — 3838 Roland Avenue — Social Room Community Resource Day

Support with applications for Medicare, Medicaid, Water 4 All, Tax Credits, Utilities

WEDNESDAYS — 10am-2pm: Appointments to meet with Bendu Baba, SMOC Client Service Specialist. Please call Bendu at 410 366 3106

Income Tax Preparation: Call Bendu for Appointment 410 366 3106

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