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MAYOR BRANDON SCOTT



#### DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

Let's talk about cell phones. Love them or hate them, they are a fact of life these days. When it comes to Action in Maturity, they are a critical part of our communication with you, our riders.

Too many times we have missed a connection with a rider because they did not have a cell phone. Think of it, the bus is waiting to depart Arundel Mills, you have lost track of time, and we can't find you in that enormous mall. Or you are waiting for pick up from the doctor's office at a different entry point from where you were dropped off, but the driver doesn't know and is parked where you were first dropped. Without the ability to call you, it is very difficult to bring you back home.

All this to say: we strongly, strongly urge you to obtain a cell phone to support your AIM experience. There are many affordable, easy-to –use models on the market and we are happy to guide you if you need assistance in making a choice. A cell phone can also be a very useful tool for connecting outside of AIM of course.

As always, please see new trips on page 3. And we hope you will sign up for our newest gathering, "Sip and Paint" on November 13. See page 4 for details.

Finally, AIM will be closed on November 28 and November 29 in observance of Thanksgiving and "Thanksgiving Friday." Here comes holiday time!

Warmly, Laura

P.S. Thanks to everyone for their cooperation with our new pre-pay/no refund policy for monthly trips. We now take CashApp! Our name is \$Actioninmaturity.

Please note, for Transportation by Request (TBR), you can simply pay the driver when you enter the car. No pre-payment is required.

#### 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 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, 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 and does not pick up after 3pm.
- \* 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 (only required for group trips)

### **\$3 WEDNESDAY GROCERY SHUTTLES**

The 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. A second bus will do more pick ups if first bus is full. **ALL wheelchair riders MUST call AIM at 410 889 7915 to reserve your seat at lest 24 hours in advance.** 

LOCATION	PICK UP	
Stadium Place	10:00 AM	
Woodbourne Woods	10:10 AM	/
Belvedere Green	10.10 AM	
Kirkwood House	10:15 AM	
Walker Co-op/Mews	10:15 AM	00

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

- AIM will start taking reservations FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1.
  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. Pay with cash/check/money order/Zelle (to aim@actioninmaturity.org/Cash App (to \$Actioninmaturity)
- **v** Venue admissions fees and meals are not included with Bus Fee.

DATE	LOCATION/ AIM will call with pick up time	BUS FEE (meals on your own) ALL FEES MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE
FRIDAY, NOV 8	Dutch Market	BUS Fee: \$10 in advance Please call starting 11/1
MONDAY NOV 11	Eggspectations restaurant/Dollar Store	BUS Fee: \$10 in advance Please call starting 11/1
FRIDAY, NOV 15	Columbia Mall	BUS Fee: \$12 in advance Please call starting 11/1
MONDAY, NOV 18	Boscovs	BUS Fee: \$12 in advance Please call starting 11/1
FRIDAY, NOV 22	American Visionary Arts Museum (Admission \$13.95)	BUS Fee: \$10 in advance Please call starting 11/1
MONDAY, NOV 25	Hazelwood Inn	BUS Fee: \$12 in advance Please call starting 11/1

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## GET IN TOUCH WITH YOUR INNER ARTISTE... At "Sip and Paint"

Join a local artist for an energizing paint lesson — and walk away with your creation. All tools will be provided: paints, brushes, canvas, smocks, even the design. The fee is \$45 (payable to the artist, not to AIM). AIM will provide the "sips."

DATE: WEDNESDAY, November 13 TIME: 10:00 a.m. FEE: \$45 to be paid to session leader PLACE: Hampden United Methodist Church, 3449 Falls Road (entrance to left of main doors) Please call AIM at 410 889 7915 to reserve a spot. Transportation is not provided for this event.



## **MOVE OR GROOVE ON TUESDAYS!**

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

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

**QUILTING**: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, New Location to be Announced

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LINEDANCE: Hampden United Methodist Church 3449 Falls Road (\$3 per class)

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

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

#### Free Estate Planning/Legal Counseling

#### NOVEMBER 4 and NOVEMBER 18 DECEMBER 2 and DECEMBER 16 **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

(Please note, SMOC is closed Thursday November 28 for Thanksgiving) MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4... 11am-12:30pm... 3939 Roland Avenue

Civic Works: Elder Services information

Falls prevention, housing upgrades, service coordination, links to community services



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7... 10am-Noon...3939 Roland Avenue Tech Thursday Review of Gmail basics

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14... 10am-2pm...VFW, 1200 Union Avenue Community Resource Day

Energy Assistance, Water 4All, SNAP, Medstar Community Outreach, AETNA Insurance. Please bring all IDs, utility bills, proof of income)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14... 11am-1:00pm..Senator Theater, 5904 York Road Senior Movie Day/ Free Admission

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24... 10am-2pm... Pratt Library 3641 Falls Road Community Resource Day

Call SMOC at 410 366 3106 Monday-Friday 9am-4pm

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