GAP Update Week of Apr 01, 2023

This mGAP newsletter includes timely updates for Montclair’s community of older residents.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO STAND WITH US FOR “MAKING MONTCLAIR AGE-FRIENDLIER.” SIGN OUR PETITION BEFORE THE TOWN COUNCIL VOTES ON PROPOSED BUDGET!

mGAP Receives Grant to Organize ADU Design Competition!
The Partners for Health Foundation has awarded mGAP $10,000 to organize an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) design competition with local colleges. This effort builds upon Montclair’s 2023 successful passage of an ADU Ordinance allowing construction of rentable ADUs on properties zoned for single families.

Grade School Children Need Rides
Montclair Fund for Educational Excellence is looking for volunteer drivers to help out with its bilingual after-school programming. You can make a real difference in the lives of all the kids - most are able to speak some English already! It’s truly a rewarding way to connect with a community that has often been invisible in our town.

Internet For All: New Jersey
Ann Lippel, President of Montclair Gateway for Aging In Place, has been a participant in local conversations exploring how Federal dollars for the Internet For All: New Jersey campaign can be used to benefit our region. Lippel will participate in a webinar with NTIA’s Anita Bennett on April 17, 2023 at the New Brunswick BEAD conference.

NJ Transit will take over most of DeCamp Routes
When governance works, people benefit. Governing partners at the county, state, and Federal levels working with the team at NJ Transit, and at the request of concerned Montclair residents, all found a way to offset DeCamp withdrawal from commuter service.

MountainSide Hospital Offers Programs for the Community
Mountainside Hospital will be offering both preventive care and health-related programs at community locations.

Wise Words for Wise Aging
I’m at an age when my back goes out more than I do.
— Phyllis Diller

It’s paradoxical that the idea of living a long life appeals to everyone, but the idea of getting old doesn’t appeal to anyone.
— Andy Rooney

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