Art Enriches Lives – Closing Session
Monday, April 7, 2014
Strathmore Mansion, Music Room

PROGRAM FACILITATOR: Esther B. Newman, CEO and Founder, Leadership Montgomery

10 a.m. WHEN A DREAM COMES TRUE
Eliot Pfanstiehl (Founding Board), Retreat Facilitator, Leadership Montgomery, and CEO, Strathmore
Monica A. Jeffries Hazangeles ('98), President, Strathmore

10:45 a.m. THE STATE OF THE ARTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY
Suzan Jenkins ('13), CEO, Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County

11:45 a.m. LUNCH - TALK ABOUT WHAT WAS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE ARTS EXPERIENCE AND WHY?

12:30 p.m. DANCE WITH THE CHINESE AMERICAN SENIOR SERVICES ASSOCIATION GOLDEN SUN DANCING TROUPE
Vivien Hsueh (SLM ’07), President, Chinese American Senior Services

1:30 p.m. NONPROFIT DISCOVERY – LESSONS LEARNED
Group Presentations

2:45 p.m. IS THERE LIFE AFTER GRADUATION?
Ellie L. Giles (SLM ’10) Director of Operations, Montgomery Business Development Corporation

ELECTION OF CLASS CONNECTOR

3:15 p.m. CLOSING CIRCLE

3:30 p.m. END

HOMEWORK: Attend a Montgomery County arts or humanities event at a venue that you have not visited before. For a complete listing of arts and humanities activities in Montgomery County, go to WWW.CREATIVEMOCO.COM
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SPEAKERS:

ELIOT PFANSTIEHL, (Founding Board), Retreat Facilitator, Leadership Montgomery, and CEO, Strathmore

Mr. Pfanstiehl is CEO of Strathmore, which operates the Music Center and Mansion at Strathmore. He was Director of Maryland Leadership Workshops and in the first class of Leadership Greater Washington in 1985. A Leadership Montgomery Founding Board member, he was Program Chair for the first two years and Chair for two years, and he has facilitated all of the Core program retreats for all 25 classes. He also serves as facilitator for a number of other leadership programs.

MONICA A. JEFFRIES HAZANGELES (‘98), President, Strathmore

Ms. Jeffries Hazangeles joined the Strathmore staff as Special Events Coordinator in 1994. In July of 2005, she was named EVP for Administration and placed in charge of day-to-day administration, strategic planning, institutional evaluation, budgeting, and external partnerships. She plays an active role in the community as a member of Leadership Montgomery, a Board member with the Arts & Humanities Council of Montgomery County, and as a volunteer with other local and state organizations. She has served as a panelist for the Maryland State Arts Council, a member of the Arts & Entertainment District Committee for Bethesda. She has given lectures on fundraising for the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy, the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and the Center for Nonprofit Advancement’s Center for Nonprofit Learning and Leadership.

SUZAN JENKINS (‘13), CEO, Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery

Recognized as one of the Top CEOs You Need To Know in 2009 by The Gazette of Politics and Business, featured in Women Business Leaders of Maryland 2010, and winner of the 2012 Washingtonian Green Giant Award, Ms. Jenkins is a visionary CEO with a knack for leading cultural initiatives. She has over 20 years extensive experience spearheading organizational and programmatic development in the nonprofit arts and culture sector from world renown organizations such as the Rhythm and Blues Foundation, the Smithsonian Institution and the Recording Industry Association of America. Her career has been dedicated to encouraging creativity and scholarly excellence in arts and cultural organizations. She has served as Executive in Residence in the College of Music at Loyola University, New Orleans, as an adjunct professor at American University and is currently an adjunct professor in the Department of Visual and Performing Arts, Arts Management Program, at George Mason University. She is a Board member of the Cultural Data Project, the Cultural Alliance of Greater Washington and Committee for Montgomery, and she also serves on the Silver Spring, Arts and Entertainment Advisory Committee and is Co-Chair of the Women of Color in the Arts Mentoring Committee.

VIVIEN HSUEH (SLM ’07), President, Chinese American Senior Services Association

After retiring from IBM, Ms. Hsueh took up volunteering with different nonprofit organizations. Currently, she serves as the President of Chinese American Senior Services Association; is the Vice Chair of the Oversight Committee on the County Commission on Aging (COA); the liaison for COA with the Recreation Department; and she also finds time to volunteer at Strathmore. The Chinese American Senior Services Association was founded in February 2005 to provide social service information and to assist seniors of Chinese descent to more readily adapt to life in American society. Members of the organization conduct community service and plan social events and activities to promote both the mental and physical health of the participants.
ELLIE L. GILES (SLM ’10) Director of Operations, Montgomery Business Development Corporation

As her second career, Dr. Giles works for Montgomery Business Development (MBDC) Corporation, the first public/private economic development agency in Montgomery County. MBDC’s mission is to provide engagement and a platform for the business community in economic development and policy decisions. In this role, Dr. Giles builds relationships and implements actions with targeted decision makers to realize a shared vision of economic stability. Dr. Giles is a former professor and researcher at Johns Hopkins University with an emphasis on developing strategies to enhance educational practices for students with special needs. Her book entitled, Paraprofessionals’ Perceptions of Training and Efficacy details specific strategies to optimize support staff in the classroom in order to enhance student’s learning experiences. She is an award winning international speaker and consultant sharing her passion regarding educational reform and advocacy for a strong educational future. She has over 30 years of experience in the field of education and has been recognized as National Educator of the Year. Dr. Giles serves on several boards and committees, including Council for Exceptional Children, The Transition Network, Montgomery Women and on the Economic Development Committee for Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce and collaborate through MBDC with Montgomery County Chamber on several initiatives regarding economic development.

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