

2026

MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORY CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 7, 2026 | GERMANTOWN, MD



8:00 – 9:00 am Registration & Coffee

9:00 – 9:15 am Opening Remarks

Matthew Logan, Executive Director
Montgomery History

9:15 – 10:45 am Morning General Session

*The Summer of 1787: The Men, and Committees,
Who Invented the Constitution*
David O. Stewart

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 – 12:00 pm Morning Concurrent Sessions

OPTION 1

*"There's Nothing Wrong With Me": A New Look at
Disability in Montgomery County*
Brenna Ryan

OPTION 2

*The Man in the Gray Hat: A Pictorial History of
FDA Inspections and Food in the 1910s*
Frank Riccio

OPTION 3

*Creating a National Park to Commemorate Julius
Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools*
Dorothy Canter

OPTION 4

*Montgomery County Stories from the
U.S. Colored Troops*
Julianne Mangin

12:00 – 12:45 pm Lunch Break

12:45 – 1:45 pm Afternoon Concurrent Sessions

OPTION 1

Jim Crow in Montgomery County, Maryland
L. Paige Whitley

OPTION 2

Montgomery County's Deep History
Cassandra Michaud

OPTION 3

*Why isn't Bethesda a City?: Municipal Incorporation
and its Absence in Montgomery County, Maryland,
1930-1960*
Amanda Lehman

OPTION 4

*The Noodge: A book unveiling by authors Joyce B.
Siegel and Paul B. Tukey, with Knight Kiplinger*
Joyce B. Siegel, Paul B. Tukey, and Knight Kiplinger

1:45 – 2:00 pm Break

2:00 – 3:15 pm Afternoon General Session

*FreedomWalk2026: Retracing the Underground Railroad
in the 250th Year of Our Nation's Independence*
Anthony Cohen

3:15 – 4:15 pm Reception