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**Friends of the Library, Montgomery County
To Open Used Bookstore in Gaithersburg**

Friends of the Library, Montgomery County (FOLMC) will open its third used bookstore on April 15 at Quince Orchard Plaza, located at the intersection of Quince Orchard and Clopper roads in Gaithersburg.

The non-profit bookstore will house a variety of reading materials in addition to tapes, videos and educational games, all at reduced prices. The store also will accept tax-deductible donations of books during normal business hours; Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A grand opening is scheduled for Saturday, May 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities will include live entertainment, free giveaways and arts and crafts for children.

Friends of the Library received financial and in-kind support from the City of Gaithersburg, HarVest Bank of Maryland and Borders, Inc. to establish the new bookstore operation.

“We are grateful to the City of Gaithersburg, Mayor Katz and the entire Gaithersburg City Council for a \$10,000 grant to help with build out costs,” said FOLMC Board President Ann Dorough. “We are encouraged by their support and thrilled to bring a vital resource to the book lovers of Gaithersburg,”

The Friends also operates used bookstores in Wheaton and Rockville. Proceeds are used to fund library enhancements such as children’s educational programs, cultural celebrations and new library technology.

For more information about the FOLMC or to apply for a paid or volunteer position at the new store, call 240-777-0020 or visit www.folmc.org.

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