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Photo: King Barn Dairy MOOseum

HERITAGE MONTGOMERY ANNOUNCES FY 2014 MINI-GRANT AWARDS

The Heritage Tourism Alliance of Montgomery County (Heritage Montgomery, HM) is a non-profit organization created to bring the county's rich history to the attention of its residents and visitors. Each year, Heritage Montgomery Mini Grants of up to \$2,500 are available to county non-profit organizations and local government entities. Programs supported by Mini Grant funding contribute to interpreting, promoting, preserving, or researching our historical, cultural and natural resources and encourage heritage tourism to the area. FY 2014 Mini Grants totaling \$18,050 include:

Town of Brookeville – \$2500 to develop a website for the War of 1812 Bicentennial Celebration in Brookeville

Glen Echo Partnership for Arts & Culture – \$2000 to produce two short videos on Glen Echo's Spanish Ballroom and Dentzel Carousel

King Barn Dairy MOOseum, Boyds – \$2000 to develop a model milk train diorama for the MOOseum's Milk Transportation exhibit

Montgomery County Historical Society, Rockville – \$2500 for their annual History Conference

Montgomery Countryside Alliance, Poolesville – \$1000 for a "Growing Legacy" short film project

National Capital Trolley Museum, Colesville – \$1800 for interpretive signage and materials

Peerless Rockville – \$2500 to produce an historic Rockville wayfinding brochure

Sandy Spring Museum – \$2500 for the museum's Extreme Exhibit Makeover

Sugarloaf Regional Trails, Barnesville – \$625 for Heritage Days programming and research on a Native American trail

Warren Historic Site Committee, Dickerson – \$625 to revise and reprint the Warren Historic Site brochure

"We were delighted to see such a strong slate of applications for this year's grants. Our Mini Grant Program is one of our most rewarding initiatives. These grants can make such a difference to a small heritage organization and we're happy to be able to support such worthwhile projects," commented Heritage Montgomery Executive Director Peggy Erickson. Over the past ten years HM Mini Grant awards have totaled over \$142,000.

