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Planting Seeds to Last a Lifetime

*Treat your grandchild to a fun, yet educational experience
at the 2009 Grandparents Camp*

(Bel Air, MD) - - "Will it be greener? Will it be cleaner? When I'm 64?" These are some questions our children are asking these days as the nation turns toward more environmentally friendly ways to go about every day living. How is the world going to look in fifty or sixty years? It all depends on our actions today.

That is the focus of the Department of Community Services' Office on Aging's Grandparents Camp this summer. The "Camp" will feature nature walks, craft projects, theater productions, gardening, games, local field trips, ice cream and pizza parties, and much more! So are you looking for something fun, yet educational to experience with your grandchild this summer? Then begin by planting seeds that last a lifetime at the 2009 Grandparents Camp.

Participating Senior Activity Centers include Aberdeen, Edgewood, Havre de Grace, Highland and McFaul (in Bel Air). Each center has its own theme and specific days of activities.

The cost per pair (grandparent and grandchild) is \$25 at all centers except McFaul, which is \$40, due to an additional two days of camp at this center. Each additional grandchild will be an additional \$12.50.

Aberdeen: The Green Generation Camp: August 20 and 21; 9am-2pm; activity highlights include herb planting and a "living green" theater production. Call 410-273-5666 for details and to register.

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Edgewood: Green Thumb and Then Some: July 20 and 21; 10am-2pm; activity highlights include visiting a therapy dog and learning how a canine deals with environmental issues; recycling program information; butterfly craft projects; a nature walk; green bingo dance and more. Call 410-612-1623 for details and to register.

Havre de Grace: Creating a Green Earth for Our Family: August 10 and 11; 10am-2pm; activity highlights include creating a Terrarium; going onboard the Martha Lewis Skipjack and observing bay ecology; recycling crafts, etc. Call 410-939-5121 for details and to register.

Highland: Building a Bridge to the Kids: August 18 and 19; 10:30am-2pm; activity highlights include a visit to Eden Mill Nature Center; a milk carton planting project, a presentation by the Emergency Operations Center on weather, climate and storms, and more. Call 410-638-3605 for details and to register.

McFaul: It's So Easy Being Green!: August 4, 5, 6 and 7; 9am-2pm; activity highlights include visiting the Scarborough Landfill, going to the Anita Leight Estuary Center, making a mosaic stepping stone, taking a trip to Harford Glen, making your own "green" sidewalk paint, and much more. Call 410-638-4040 for details and to register.

For additional information, contact the Harford County Office on Aging at 410-638-3025.