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**BETHESDA CENTRAL FARM MARKET HOSTS WINE AND CHEESE  
TASTING TO CELEBRATE NEW RULES FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
FARM MARKETS**

***-- Pen Presentation, Wine and Cheese Tasting, Press Conference Mark New Law--  
--Maryland Delegate Brian Feldman Presents Pen Used at Bill Signing to BCFM  
Co-founder Mitch Berliner --***

*Bethesda, MD... May 27, 2010...* Bethesda Central Farm Market, located Sundays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the parking lot off Elm Street behind Jaleo and Thursdays from 3:00-7:00 p.m. in Bethesda Lane between Elm Street and Bethesda Avenue, will be the site when Montgomery County Delegate Brian Feldman presents the pen to Mitch Berliner that Governor Martin O'Malley used to sign the bill that allows farmers' markets to sell wine. Berliner, co-founder of the Bethesda Central Farm Market, was instrumental in getting the bill sponsored.

The pen presentation will take place Sunday, June 6 at 10:30 a.m. at the market's Sunday location. Says Delegate Brian Feldman, "We are all very excited about the emerging wine industry in Maryland which will benefit our economy, local winemakers and consumers. Wineries will be able to showcase their products here in Montgomery County, including at farmers' markets. I think this will help bring a new group of shoppers into these markets, and they will enjoy one-stop shopping, purchasing wine along with their local fruits, meats, vegetables and cheeses. This is a win-win-win."

To celebrate the occasion, Sugar Loaf Mountain Vineyard's co-owner Jim McKenna will host a wine tasting at the market. The tasting will also include local artisan cheeses from Stonyman Gourmet Farmer as well as charcuterie from MeatCrafters.

A press conference about the new bill will be held at 10:00 a.m. Sunday prior to the pen presentation. County Executive Ike Leggett and Council members Marc Ehrlich, Duchy Trachtenberg, Phil Andrews and other officials and business leaders are expected to attend.

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