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## **The Arc of Montgomery County’s Annual “Beat The Odds” Fundraising Event to Benefit Families Affected By Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities**

Rockville, MD—Tickets for travel on Southwest Airlines, items autographed by Washington Nationals’ third-baseman Ryan Zimmerman, a children’s gymnastics party for 16 and wine tasting tours for groups of 10 are among the outstanding auction items available at the fourth annual “Beat the Odds” dinner and casino night to benefit The Arc of Montgomery County. The gala will include music, live and silent auctions, a \$5,000 cash raffle and gaming of all types. Winnings from the evening can be exchanged for chances in the grand prize drawing.

Catherine Leggett, wife of Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett, and Greta Kreuz of WJLA-TV 7 are co-chairs of this year’s event. A special presentation in recognition of The Arc’s outstanding work in the community will be made by County Executive Leggett and Montgomery County Council President Nancy Floreen.

“Beat the Odds” will be held on Saturday, May 1, from 7pm until midnight, at The Universities at Shady Grove in Rockville. Tickets are available online at [www.thearcofmontgomerycounty.org](http://www.thearcofmontgomerycounty.org) or by contacting Doug Gaddis at 301.984.5777 x244. Attendees must be 21 years of age or over.

The Arc of Montgomery County is one of the largest and oldest nonprofit organizations in Maryland, serving individuals, families and employers affected by intellectual and developmental disabilities. Since 1958, The Arc has been the leading provider of life-long educational, residential, vocational and support programs and resources. The Arc provides award-winning services and empowers individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities with lifelong opportunities to live, learn, work and play with dignity, freedom and full inclusion in the community.

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