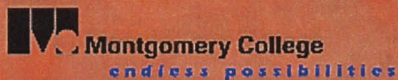


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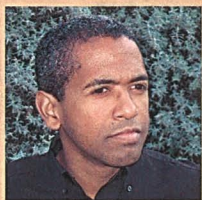
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TONY COHEN

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6 @ 7 PM

Unshackling History: Recreating Experiences from American Slavery. Tony Cohen, historian

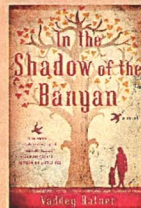


and fourth generation descendant of a runaway slave, recounts his experiences re-enacting the Underground Railroad, including his journey inside a wooden crate, mailing himself to "freedom."

VADDEY RATNER

FRIDAY, MARCH 1 @ 7 PM

Vaddey Ratner's, *In the Shadow of the Banyan*,



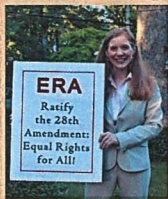
narrates her "hauntingly powerful" childhood experiences amidst the Khmer Rouge regime and the Cambodian killing fields. In her talk, author Ratner will focus on the resilience of the human spirit amidst shocking violence.

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CAROLYN COOK

THURSDAY, MARCH 28 @ 7 PM

The Equal Rights Amendment: History, Obstacles, and Strategies.

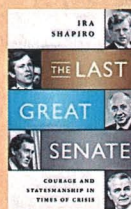


Why has the United States, one of the most developed countries in the world, not passed the Equal Rights Amendment for Women? Carolyn Cook, CEO, United for Equality, will explain.

IRA SHAPIRO

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10 @ 7 PM

IRA Shapiro's *The Last Great Senate* is a study of



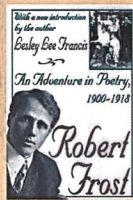
"courage and statesmanship in times of crisis." Mr. Shapiro will recount how the Senate of the 1960s/1970s overcame opposition to civil rights, passed the Great Society Legislation, and battled the executive branch on Vietnam, Watergate, and its abuses.

Dr. LESLEY FRANCIS

GRANDDAUGHTER OF ROBERT FROST

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 @ 11 AM

Lesley Francis, author of *An Adventure in Poetry,*



1900-1918, and granddaughter of Robert Frost will bring to life the Frost family's idyllic early years. Dr. Francis will be sharing her work as well as sharing with us her memories of her grandfather.

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AMBASSADOR GIRMA BIRRU

AMBASSADOR OF ETHIOPIA

THURSDAY, APRIL 18 @ 7 PM

Gondar, Ethiopia, is Montgomery County's new sister city.



Ambassador Girma will comment on the economic, cultural, and educational strategic partnership between the United States and Ethiopia.

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