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Village residents tried their hand at Pickleball on the Stedwick tennis courts on Wednesday, Sept. 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. The sport combines badminton, tennis and ping pong. Watch for more fun events in the *Village News* or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Apple Ridge Pool renovation conceptual design meeting

The Apple Ridge Pool, located at 10101 Apple Ridge Road, is scheduled to be renovated beginning in fall 2016. In order to be ready, the planning for this renovation began in fall of 2014 so the newly renovated pool will open for the 2017 pool season.

On Monday, Oct. 12, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Recreation Committee will host a community meeting to review and discuss a concept plan for the Apple Ridge Pool. The preferred contractor for the project will present conceptual design options to the community. The presentation will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 12 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East

Village Avenue. Residents are encouraged to attend and provide input and feedback into the design process.

Items in consideration for the leisure pool include: a sprayground; beach entry; a lazy river; slides; tumble buckets; pipe falls; large shade umbrellas and/or structures; and in-water benches. Renovations to the bathhouse are also included in the project.

Residents who are unable to attend this meeting but would like to participate in the pool design process can contact Scott Gole, Assistant Director of Recreation, Parks and Culture at sgole@mof.org. Gole is the project manager for the pool master plan development.

Only a few weeks left to enjoy the MV Farmers' Market

Cooler temperatures are setting in, fall is here, and the MV Farmers' Market is getting ready to close up shop on another successful season.

For the next five weeks, residents can still enjoy farm fresh goods and produce from the

regular vendors, as well as a few last visits from Cove Point Winery (Saturday, Oct. 10), Great Shoals Winery (Saturdays, Oct. 10 and Oct. 17) and Elk Run Vineyards (Saturday, Oct. 31).

There's still plenty of pro-

duce, meats, cheeses, breads, plants, juice, desserts and more to be had from any of the 19 market vendors. This was the fifth season the market was open and it has seen the most growth and influx of new vendors. With a weekly

attendance of over 500 visitors, the MV Farmers' Market is certainly the place to be on Saturday mornings.

This season we added several new vendors, expanding

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Race a pumpkin or bake it—find out how

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The Great Pumpkin Race & Fall Festival
Saturday, Oct. 10,
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pumpkin Pie & Baked Goods Contest

If racing pumpkins is not your thing, try baking with them!

This contestant friendly event has just two rules:

1. Entries must include pumpkin in the recipe and
2. Entries must be a baked item.

Bring your entry to the North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, on Saturday, Oct. 10 between 10:15 and 11:30 a.m. Entries will only be accepted at the above time and place.

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For more information, contact Melanie Maggi at 301-948-0110, ext. 2338, e-mail mmaggi@mof.org, or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



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MVF MEETING AGENDAS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The 2016 budget is scheduled to be approved.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 7 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, to review residents' requests for exterior modifications. The board requests that homeowners contact the Foundation if they plan to attend and if their contractors will accompany them.

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Committee on the Environment (COE) meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 14 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 12 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. This is a public meeting to review concept plans for the replacement of the Apple Ridge Pool. The committee will also review the Private Use of Community Centers Policy and discuss 50th Anniversary activities.

Note: All meeting agendas listed in this section are current as of the deadline date for this publication. The listings do not include every agenda item. This information is also available on the MVF website at www.montgomeryvillage.com. For the most up-to-date information available, call the MVF Board/Committee Agenda hotline at 301-948-0110, then press 4. All meeting agendas are tentative and may be changed without notice.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

CENTER COURT

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 at the Heron's Cove Office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

CHRISTOPHER COURT LAND ASSOCIATION

The Christopher Court Land Association meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

HORIZON RUN

The Horizon Run Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 26 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

NORMANDIE ON THE LAKE I

The Normandie on the Lake I meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 at the NOLI Office, 18701 Walker's Choice Road, #3.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 13 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

NORTH VILLAGE

The North Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

SOUTH VILLAGE

The South Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at the Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 12 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 12 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

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Friday,
Oct. 23*



Schedule for 2016 MVF Budget Process

Thursday, Oct. 22

MVF Board Meeting

- Adopt 2016 Budget
- Set 2016 Assessment Rates

November 2015

- Notify owners of 2016 assessments
- Approval of 2016 Assessment Coupon bid

All above referenced meetings will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, unless otherwise noted.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gearing up for fall



by John Driscoll

MVF President

For Charlie Brown, it's that time of year to watch for the Great Pumpkin. In Montgomery Village, we see many great pumpkins. Not only do we see many great pumpkins, but they are geared up for racing. Yes, it's that time of year, to get your pumpkin racer decorated and ready to go for this year's Great Pumpkin Race on Saturday, Oct. 12 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Our Fall Festival begins at 11 a.m. and will feature live music, great food, a baking contest and plenty of children's activities. There's something for everyone in your family at this fun event. I hope to see you there!

I also highly recommend that you attend the MV Farmer's Market every Saturday through October 31. You can buy farm-to-table fresh vegetables and fruit, have a freshly made breakfast, sample Maryland wines and enjoy simply delicious baked goods. It's a great way to start your Saturday morning and meet several of your neighbors. It is another program provided by Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) that makes Montgomery Village the great place it is to live.

On Monday, Oct. 12, the MVF Recreation Committee is holding a meeting to discuss plans for the Apple Ridge Pool renovation. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. We were pleased with the input from our community members that resulted in a successful renovation of the Whetstone Pool in 2014. We hope that residents will continue to participate so that we can have a similar success with the Apple Ridge Pool. If you want to learn what the plans are for the Apple Ridge Pool, please plan on attending this meeting.

Now, let's take a look at the bigger picture for Montgomery Village. Montgomery County has scheduled another MV Master Plan Session on Thursday, Oct. 15 at the Montgomery Planning Session Headquarters, 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring. If you wish to help shape the future of the Village, this is one of the times we actually have input on the master plan prior to the Planning Board submitting the final plan to the county council.

Finally, as President of the MVF Board of Directors, one of the most common complaints I hear is that of cleanliness of our Village communities. All too often our residents are not disposing of their trash and recycling properly. Please remember that trash and recycling can only be put on the curb the night before the scheduled pickup day, and that the cans must be removed the same day as pickup. All trash and recycling must also be put on the curb in sealed containers. The cooperation of our residents on this matter can only make our community better.

As always you can contact me at jwdriscoll235@yahoo.com.

MVF BOARD MOTIONS

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MOTION LIST

September 24, 2015

1. Mr. Young moved to approve the minutes of the Joint Audit Committee/MVF BOD Budget meeting August 27, 2015 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with all in favor; Mr. Dyer abstained.
2. Ms. Moore moved to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Directors' meeting held August 27, 2015 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with all in favor; Mr. Dyer abstained.
3. Mr. Dyer moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Clark moved to approve the 2015 Guidelines for Applicants, the 2015 MVF Board of Directors Election Application for Candidacy, and the Letter to Applicants. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Mr. Gargan moved to approve the Election and Voting Procedures for 2016, the Voting Information of Private Dwelling Units and Multi-Family Unit Owners using Individual Ballots, the 2015-2016 Election Calendar, and reaffirm the format for the Candidates' Forum 2016. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Dyer moved to approve the revisions to the Online Privacy Policy, the Website Terms of Use, and the Website User Rules and Regulations. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Mr. Young moved to recommend the Board defer a decision regarding revisions to Greentee I and II architectural criteria for one month and allow members to visit this particular property, with the item to be reconsidered at the next meeting. The motion was seconded and passed with all in favor except Mr. Dyer who was opposed.
8. Mr. Gargan moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
9. Mr. Dyer moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:07 p.m. pursuant to Section 11B Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Maryland Homeowners Association Act) to go into closed session for (viii) Discussion of individual owner assessment accounts. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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NCCC North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.

SCC.....Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Rd.
TCPR.....Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Pl.
WCC.....Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Ct.
WHPR.....Walker House Party Room, 18700 Walkers Choice Rd.

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2. The *Montgomery Village News* will make every effort to publish all letters received during the weeks prior to publication.

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9. The Letters to the Editor section is not a forum for extensive debates; MVF encourages residents to use other avenues such as facebook and twitter for timely discussion.

10. All e-mail is subject to this policy. The e-mail subject line must read "Letter to the Editor."

- All e-mail letters must include the writer's full name, address and telephone number for verification.
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12. The Director of Communications, in his/her sole discretion, reserves the right to withhold from publication of inflammatory, slanderous, libelous, or lewd material, or material which may be an invasion of privacy, material deemed in bad taste and inconsistent with *Montgomery Village News* editorial policy, or other language which opens MVF to potential legal liability, and limit the number of letters on a given subject when the number is so large it presents a problem.

IN THE NEWS

New residents invited to MVF Welcome Reception

New residents are invited to attend an MVF-sponsored Welcome Reception from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10, at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

The Welcome Reception offers a chance to meet new neighbors and learn about local businesses, clubs, schools and organizations. Meet many state and county elected officials at the reception.

MVF staff will be on hand to answer questions about the Foundation.

Area services, businesses and schools will also be represented, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 301-948-0110, ext. 2331.

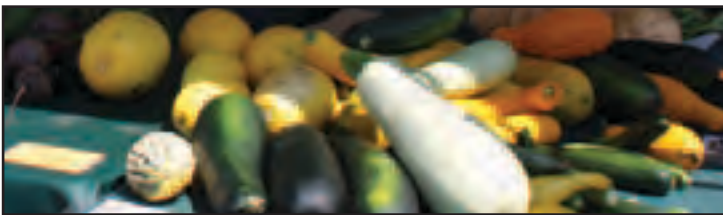
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the selection of great local products. In addition to fresh selections from market regulars like Tony Feters Fruit Farm, Abundant Grace Farm, Canela Bakery, Diaz Berries & Veggies, Rights OF Man farm, the JK Farm and Valencia's Produce, specialty items including ice cream, nuts, honey, sauces, cheese, sandwiches and baked goods have been added from Allen's Apiary, Barley Field Orchard, Master Freeman's, Holy Crepes Food Truck, Killdeer Valley Cookies, Only Nuts, Rock Hill Orchard and Sugar and Salt.

If you have comments or suggestions, please let us know. You can call 240-243-2367, e-mail farmermkt@mvpf.org or visit online at either www.mvfarmersmarket.com or www.facebook.com/MV.Farmers.Market.

The MV Farmers' Market is located in the Christ the Servant Lutheran Church Parking Lot, 9801 Centerway Road, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. The last day for the 2015 market is Saturday, Oct. 31; join us to help close out another great season of fresh farm goods.



Help save lives – donate blood

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is holding a Blood Drive from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10. Inova Blood Donor Services will be located in the church's Cultural Hall. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is located at 20020 Montgomery Village Avenue.

Make your lifesaving appointment today! Register in advance online at www.inova.org/donateblood. Donors should click "Schedule a Donation" and then "Donate Blood;" use sponsor code "7995." Donors must bring a photo ID and should allow one hour for donation.

For more information, call Margaret Ezell at 301-706-9437 or e-mail SenecaStakeSec@aol.com.

AAUW to present organization history

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) will host archivist Suzanne Gould at their Tuesday, Oct. 20 meeting to speak about the organization's history. Gould is a historian and librarian, and will present AAUW's history and the women who made the organization the powerhouse it is today.

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GFAA Open House

Along with the MVF Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival Saturday, Oct. 10, Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association members will hold an Open House inside the North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, displaying artwork currently in its Revolving

Show. The show features fall themes and other views from around the area, all painted by local GFAA artists. The open house will also feature a scavenger hunt to find items contained within the artwork. Be sure to come inside see some great art!

Vintage photos needed

Each year, the Montgomery Village Foundation runs a photo contest for our annual calendar, asking residents to highlight their favorite things about living in the Village. These photos usually showcase wildlife, recent events, parks, flower displays and snow scenes. For the 2016 calendar, and in celebration of Montgomery Village's 50th Anniversary, we are looking to showcase some of the Village's unique history through submissions of vintage and historical photographs.

E-mail photos to mvnews@mvf.org, with the appropriate contest name in the subject line. Original photos or those on CD may be dropped off at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Please include name, address and phone number for identification purposes. For more information or questions, contact Director of Communications Mike Conroy at 301-948-0110, ext. 2331 or e-mail mconroy@mvf.org.

CALENDAR
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- Photos must be received by close of business on **Friday, Oct. 9, 2015**.
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- Original photographs will be returned to contributors after they are scanned; CDs, disks and other materials received will not be returned to contributors.
- Entrants may submit up to five photographs.
- Photographs must be of Montgomery Village scenes, seasons or events from the last 50 years.
- All photographs are subject to the policies and by-laws set forth by the Montgomery Village Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors.

In memoriam—George E. Aubin, Jr.

Last week, long-time Kettler Brothers Inc. (KBI) employee, former Village Montessori School owner and Village icon George E. Aubin, Jr. passed away peacefully with his wife and family close by. Aubin was a retired United States Navy Veteran who served in World War II.

He leaves his wife, Patricia A. Aubin, his daughters, Linda S. Nyswaner, Laura Kerwin, Diana Bartell, and his son, Michael A. Aubin. He also leaves his sister, Lorraine Doolin of Wakefield, Rhode Island.

George and Patricia graduated from the University of Connecticut in June 1952, and were married shortly thereafter in November 1952. They moved from Rhode Island in 1960 when he was hired by Kettler Brothers Inc. as its service manager. Aubin was later promoted to vice president in charge of special projects during the development of Montgomery Village. He designed the golf course building, some rental townhouses and apartments and several shops in the Village Mall. He also planted many of the trees lining the streets of the Village.



George E. Aubin, Jr.

When the original hardware store went out of business, the Aubins took over the shop, turning it into a successful enterprise. In addition to hardware goods, they sold wallpaper, antiques, furniture and dollhouse furniture to many Village residents.

In the mid-1980s, after Patricia finished a degree in education, they designed and built the Village Montessori

School just off East Village Avenue; George supervised the construction. This family business was cared for and run by the Aubins for over 25 years before selling it in recent years. George also started several other companies, including C.E.K. Construction, Designer Kitchens and Bath, Green Valley Tree Transporters and Georicia.

A trained architect, George designed and built their home in Goshen, where they have raised their four children and lived many happy years since 1964.

They have called their home "Candlelight Farm" where they also raised Black Angus cattle, sheep, free-range chickens and horses.

George Aubin, Jr. was instrumental in many of the Kettler Brothers' decisions in the early days of Montgomery Village. After working on many special projects for KBI, he and his wife were instrumental in the education of the many Village residents who attended their family-run school.

Thank you, George, for your contributions to the Montgomery Village community over the last 55 years—you will be missed.

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Board considers plans for 50th Anniversary Celebration, 2016 election

At its monthly meeting on September 24, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board received an updated plan of activities and special events to celebrate the Village's 50th Anniversary. During months of research and discussion, the 50th Anniversary Committee considered cost, location and potential resident benefit of many diverse ideas, finally coming up with an exciting schedule of themed activities to take place throughout 2016.

In addition, the committee held a contest for logo submissions, looking to choose one that would provide consistency and "brand" the celebration. The committee received 21 submissions from individuals or families and chose one, created by a Village resident, that they believe will work well across several platforms (print, online, promotional items, etc.).

Action items at the meeting included the approval of the Nominating and Election committee recommendations, in preparation for the 2016 election. One significant change

relates to a new Montgomery County Law, effective January 1, 2016, requiring those elected as Board members to participate in a Montgomery County Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC)-approved board member training class, to be scheduled and completed within 90 days of the start of their term on March 31, 2016.

The Board also approved the Communications Committee recommendations for various website policies, which were extensively revised to prepare for the new MVF website being developed. Changes include new documents to support resident user accounts for the new website and language that is consistent with that used by other Maryland organizations with similar website user accounts.

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) had previously reviewed a violation case and subsequently approved revising the Greentee I and II (Patton Ridge) architectural criteria to allow the bay window roofs to be painted the front door and shutter color, rather than

only the current house trim color. There was not a consensus about this proposed revision, however, among either the ARB or the Board members, and it was therefore decided that the Board members should inspect the property in question prior to the next meeting, at which time the item could be reconsidered.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Board President John Driscoll invited everyone to attend the next Recreation Committee meeting on Monday, Oct. 12 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, at which the Apple Ridge Pool concept plan will be presented.

EVP REPORT

Executive Vice President Dave Humpton reported that Board Vice President Pete Young had testified on behalf of the MVF Board regarding the Montgomery Village Master Plan at the public hearing held by the Montgomery County Planning Board on September 12. He noted that the planning board will host

a series of work sessions on Thursdays, Oct. 1, Oct. 15 and Oct. 29 (time to be determined). In addition, the Hearing Examiner is expected to make a recommendation and full report to the county council within the next few weeks regarding the development plan amendment proposed by Monument Realty.

Humpton also reported that construction has begun on the South Valley Park Concession Stand/Restroom project. Necessary permits were approved and neighbors had been notified.

TREASURER'S REPORT

CFO Greg Snellings presented the MVF financial report for both the month of August and the year-to-date (YTD). He reported that YTD Net Income is \$597,404, which is favorable to the budget by 79.9%. Total Revenue trails the budget by .8% and Operating Expenses are 5.9% under budget. Capital Contribution Fees are tracking ahead of 2014, excluding the lump sum payment for the sale of the Cider Mill apartment

complex. Snellings noted that the MVF Fund accounts for the bulk of the \$325,395 excess for operating funds. He added that Community Management is favorable to the budget by approximately \$70,000.

Snellings also reported that write-offs are significantly higher than in past years, including four large bankruptcies in August. He added that foreclosures were running high in 2015 as well. Snellings noted that many of the properties could have been foreclosed years ago; however, lenders allowed the properties to sit so they did not have to pay assessments and property taxes.

NEXT MEETING

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. It is expected that the Board will approve the 2016 MVF budget at this meeting. The meeting is open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend. The meeting begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. with Residents Time.

MVF Financial Reports - August 2015

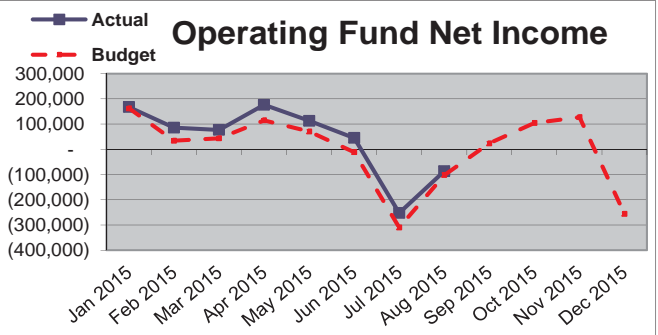
OPERATING FUND - STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE

	August 2015			YTD Aug 2015 August 2015		
	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Assessments	494,069	494,066	4	3,952,731	3,952,525	206
Assessment Fees	(2,451)	24,607	(27,058)	165,496	220,930	(55,433)
Transfer Fees	3,900	3,412	488	26,582	22,520	4,062
Disclosure Fees	13,861	13,783	78	106,122	84,469	21,653
Advertising revenue	10,132	9,124	1,007	100,486	107,085	(6,598)
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	3,138	3,198	(60)	90,360	65,145	25,215
Camps & Classes	17,909	13,407	4,501	203,311	285,803	(82,492)
Management Fees	69,930	69,544	386	549,813	537,744	12,069
Capital Contribution fee	14,748	10,355	4,393	98,056	71,077	26,979
Other Income	19,313	16,720	2,593	109,066	99,048	10,018
Total Revenue	644,549	658,215	(13,667)	5,402,024	5,446,346	(44,322)
Personnel Costs:						
Salaries & Wages	337,508	377,195	39,686	2,260,700	2,410,811	150,112
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	83,988	89,871	5,882	640,823	674,905	34,082
Personnel Costs	421,497	467,066	45,569	2,901,522	3,085,717	184,194
Business Expenses	40,768	26,413	(14,355)	118,776	160,210	41,434
Office Supplies	3,582	4,032	449	25,394	36,863	11,469
Program/Maint Supplies	8,798	15,950	7,152	101,584	109,350	7,766
Occupancy	30,376	39,803	9,427	223,279	223,924	645
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	43,008	17,569	(25,439)	194,117	187,511	(6,606)
Equip Maintenance	(110)	1,500	1,610	19,790	36,300	16,510
Vehicle Expenses	2,367	2,103	(264)	13,713	17,202	3,489
Financial & Legal	6,811	12,580	5,769	92,582	100,465	7,883
Insurance	11,649	12,085	436	68,651	69,662	1,011
Printing	5,307	5,925	618	48,015	49,475	1,460
Landscape/Maintenance	43,750	49,266	5,516	476,672	544,550	67,878
Security	16,309	13,714	(2,595)	89,789	95,713	5,924
Other	-	-	-	(255)	-	255
Operating Costs	212,615	200,940	(11,675)	1,472,105	1,631,225	159,120
Contribution to Reserves	82,254	82,254	0	658,033	658,033	0
Contribution to CCF	14,748	10,355	(4,393)	98,056	71,077	(26,979)
Purchases of Assets	-	-	-	(53,087)	-	53,087
Other Equity Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reserve/capital	97,002	92,609	(4,393)	703,002	729,110	26,109
Operating Expenses	731,114	760,615	29,501	5,076,629	5,446,052	369,423
Excess/Deficit Revenue	(86,565)	(102,399)	15,834	325,395	294	325,101

MVF BALANCE SHEET

For the Period Ended August 31, 2015

	Current	Prior Year
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash equiv	2,021,488	1,535,621
Investments	5,637,913	5,786,924
Due from Reserves	361,659	149,413
Assessment Receivables	887,209	892,493
Other Receivables	68,042	48,338
Current Assets	8,976,312	8,412,789
Gross Fixed Assets	13,467,260	12,817,830
Accumulated Depreciation	(7,498,433)	(7,396,774)
Fixed Assets	5,968,827	5,421,055
Other Assets	55,771	53,243
Assets	15,000,910	13,887,087
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Due to Operating	361,659	149,413
Payables	368,234	275,302
Deferred Revenue Liab	657,798	603,228
Liabilities	1,387,691	1,027,943
Undesignated Reserves	1,872,541	1,601,812
Designated Reserves	11,740,674	11,257,331
Equity	13,613,215	12,859,143
Liabilities & Equity	15,000,910	13,887,087



For complete details and explanations, please refer to the Treasurer's Report in the MVF Board meeting packet which can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

IN THE NEWS

Shredding Event helps residents clean up

On Saturday, Sept. 19, the Montgomery Village Rotary Club held their bi-annual Shredding Event at the Montgomery Village Foundation Office. Approximately 100 residents brought 6,000 pounds of old checks, bills and documents to be shredded.

Also at the event was the Montgomery Village based Women Who Care Ministries, who collected over 283 pounds of nonperishable food items that will be distributed to those in need. It was a very successful event, with help from over 15 student volunteers from Watkins Mill High School (WMHS); each volunteer received four student service learning hours that will be used towards their high school graduation.

A big thank you to the Montgomery Village Rotary Club, the Women Who Care Ministries, WMHS Student Service Learning Coordinator Karla Sandoval, the student volunteers and Iron Mountain shredding company.



Staying Aware
in the Village

The following is information taken from the Recent News Summaries of the Montgomery County Police Department. The report is not a complete listing of every incident.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential burglary occurred in the 9000 block of Whetstone Drive on Sept. 8 between 7:20 a.m. and 2:39 p.m. Forced entry; property taken.

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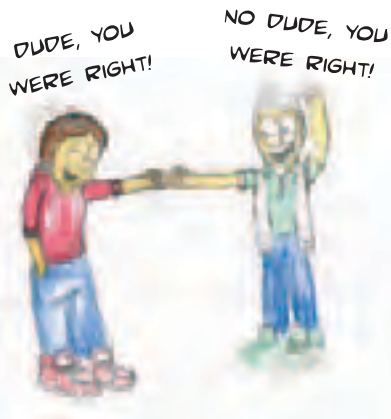
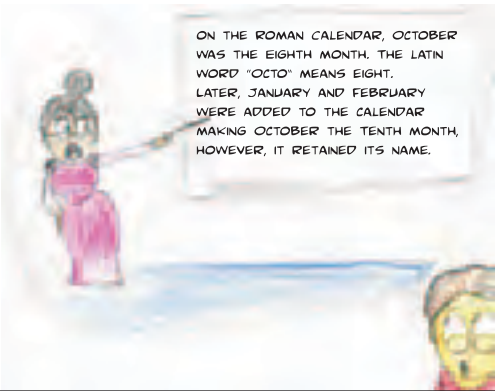
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Engagement & Wedding Announcements

Bride's Information

Bride's First Name _____ M.I. _____
Last Name _____
Complete Address _____
Employer _____
Employment City, State _____
Job Title _____
Years of Service _____
Volunteer Work/Hobbies/Sports/Etc. _____
College Name _____
Year Graduated _____
Field of Study and Degree _____
High School _____
Year Graduated _____
Awards/Achievements _____
Bride's Mother's First Name _____
M.I. _____ Last Name _____
Bride's Father's First Name _____
M.I. _____ Last Name _____
Maid/Matron of Honor First Name _____
M.I. _____ Last Name _____

Groom's Information

Groom's First Name _____ M.I. _____
Last Name _____
Complete Address _____
Employer _____
Employment City, State _____
Job Title _____
Years of Service _____
Volunteer Work/Hobbies/Sports/Etc. _____
College Name _____
Year Graduated _____
Field of Study and Degree _____
High School _____
Year Graduated _____
Awards/Achievements _____
Groom's Mother's First Name _____
M.I. _____ Last Name _____
Groom's Father's First Name _____
M.I. _____ Last Name _____
Best Man's First Name _____
M.I. _____ Last Name _____

Engagement Date _____ Honeymoon Location _____
Wedding Date _____ Address Where Couple Plans to Reside _____
Wedding Location _____

Birth Announcements

Child's First Name _____ M.I. _____
Last Name _____
Date of Birth _____ Gender _____
Length/Weight _____
Mother's First Name _____ M.I. _____
Mother's Last Name _____
Father's First Name _____ M.I. _____
Father's Last Name _____
Address _____
Hospital Name & Location (City, State) _____

Achievement Announcements

First Name _____ M.I. _____
Last Name _____
Address _____
Achievement (provide details) _____
School/College Name and Location _____
Grad Year _____
Company/Employer _____
Name of Organization Presenting the Award _____

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The Montgomery Village News will print milestone events and photographs at no charge for Montgomery Village residents.* Information can be provided on this form and dropped off at the Foundation at 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886. Information can also be emailed to mvnews@mvf.org or faxed to 301-990-7071. Announcements should be received at the Foundation by the deadline date of the specific Montgomery Village News issue requested for publication (see page 2 of this issue for deadlines). Publication dates are available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com under Press Room, then Village News, or by calling 301-948-0110, ext. 2331.

Anniversary Announcements

Wife's First Name _____ M.I. _____ Number of Grandchildren _____
Last Name _____ Description of How Anniversary Couple Met _____
Husband's First Name _____ M.I. _____
Last Name _____
Address _____
Where Couple Was Married _____
Anniversary Date _____
Wife's Employer/Location _____
Number of Years Married _____
Husband's Employer/Location _____
Children's Full Names (those without last names will not be printed) _____
Plans for Celebrating the Anniversary _____

ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS

Unique fence and gate designs within Village communities

Did you know that within each individual community of Montgomery Village, there are specific fence and gate styles? All fence and gate features are listed within each community's criteria, along with detailed drawings that show fence and gate details including style, dimensions and materials. The criteria may also list whether privacy fences are allowed within your community, and if so, where they may be located on the property.

Perhaps you are thinking of installing a new fence in your rear yard this year. As

you begin the process of hiring a contractor and receiving estimates, please remember to apply for the fence and gate as well as the specific location. Simply complete the Property Improvement Request form, and include all the information listed under the item "Fence" and "Gate." The form will ask for fence style, material, height and gate style. Also, the attachment item you must include with the application is the house location plat showing where the new fence and gate are to be installed on the property. If you do not have

your property plat to attach for this purpose, call 301-948-0110 so that the Architectural Standards Department can help you.

Among the many questions received at the MVF Office is whether or not to apply for a new fence when there is already an existing fence. Our suggestion is to apply for the new fence and indicate on the form that it is a replacement fence along with any changes that may apply with the new installation. We find that many homeowners wish to replace their fence as well as alter the

location or add an additional gate. These alterations will be reviewed upon application and updated in the property file.

Another question often asked is "Can I stain my fence and what color can I stain it?" Most of the wood fences, including the three-rail split rail fence and board-on-board styles in many of the communities, are meant to be natural in color. Allowing wood fences to weather naturally helps to maintain a consistent fence color throughout a community, promoting aesthetic harmony. Please check your commu-

nity's criteria for specific fence details regarding color as some communities may have specific fence colors that must be maintained.

All fence criteria can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. Select "Resident Services," "Architectural Standards" and "Community Criteria." Find your specific homes corporation to locate your specific community listing and criteria.



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STEDWICK SIGNALS

Winter preparation

by Wayne Rowland

WINTERIZING YOUR HOME

Fall is the time of year to prepare your home for the upcoming winter. There are several quick and easy steps that you can perform that can help conserve time, energy and money. First, prepare for freezing temperatures. Clean off debris from the roof and replace loose shingles. Ice and snow can weigh down branches, so inspect trees around your home and remove any branches that are hanging too close to the house. Pipes can freeze in extremely cold weather, which can cause them to rupture. Use an insulating pipe wrap on pipes to keep them functioning in freezing temperatures.

The next step is to perform draft tests. Drafts can enter a house at a variety of locations. To identify trouble spots, wet your finger and move it along the area in question to feel for drafts, or use an incense stick; if the smoke does anything but go vertical, you have a leak. Check wall joints, light fixtures, electrical outlets, window and door frames to interior walls and plumbing penetrations. A quick fix is to use weather-stripping to fill gaps and minimize air infiltration.

Have your heating system checked by a heating professional before the cold weather sets in. Vacuum vents and replace furnace filters if needed. If you use a fireplace, have it inspected and cleaned for proper efficiency or unsafe conditions.

Finally, insulate windows and doors. About 30 percent of a home's heat escapes through small cracks and holes around doors and windows. This can translate into a 50 to 75 percent

increase in your fuel bills. An inexpensive and effective way to insulate is a roll-on window insulation kit, which is easy to install and covers your windows with a transparent film.

Taking the time now to prepare for the cold can save you time and money when the weather becomes less than hospitable in the coming months.

UTILITIES

Pepco and WSSC have informed the Stedwick Homes Corporation that they will be performing work in our community in the coming months. Pepco will be trimming and removing trees along the power lines on Watkins Mill Road. WSSC will be performing sewer line and manhole improvements. We will keep you as informed as we can on when these actions will take place. We expect Pepco to do their work this fall. WSSC is in the design phase, and work should be completed in the next year.

If you have any questions or concerns about activity going on in Stedwick, contact our Stedwick Homes Corporation community management team at 301-948-0110, ext. 2326, e-mail stedwickhc@mvmf.org or consult your community website, www.stedwick.org.

You may also share any concerns or ideas with your board at residents time at any of our meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

Stedwick Signals: for residents of Club Hill, Clusters of Stedwick I, II, III, Forest Brooke, Frenchton Place, Ridges of Stedwick and The Heights.

WHETSTONE WATCH

Maintenance matters

by Sharon Cranford

Ah, the joys of maintaining an older community! We are fortunate to live in such a beautiful neighborhood with our curving streets, tall trees and classic colonial and contemporary homes. However, as we approach the 50 year mark, there are plenty of maintenance issues to address. At the top of the list is tree pruning. Tree pruning by Bartlett Tree Service in the Courts of Whetstone has been completed, as has the 2015 list of tree removals by Elliott's Tree Service. Residents have expressed appreciation for the excellent work by both companies. On our tree pruning rotation, pruning will next take place in Lakeside in 2016.

O'Leary has completed street repairs and installed a new asphalt curb on Chimney Way.

At the September meeting, the board approved:

- Demolition of the North Dock and Gazebo
- Removal of the park bench on the lake shore path near Lookout Place
- High priority concrete repairs in the Courts of Whetstone
- Installation of an asphalt curb on the hillside near 19125 Rhodes Way to prevent mud from flowing onto the bike path

- Repair of the storm drain cover at the inlet at 9505 Whetstone Drive
- Replacement of pavers at the Montgomery Village Avenue entrance to Whetstone

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC), which handles our public water and sewer service, recently notified the Whetstone Homes Corporation of its plan to improve sewer function in various parts of Whetstone. Please stay tuned for details.

AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE

As previously noted, the Whetstone Board of Directors has appointed an ad hoc committee of board members and residents to investigate and research the issues surrounding a proposed adult medical day care facility on Breckenridge Place. The ad hoc committee is scheduled to meet on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. at Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court. Everyone is welcome to attend these committee meetings.

The proposed facility is unanimously opposed by the Whetstone Board of Directors, as well as many other Whetstone neighbors. This type of facility would be the first of its kind in Whetstone and is incompatible with our desire to protect the

residential character of our community.

A prior "Whetstone Watch" column mentioned the possibility of a special assessment to finance the ad hoc committee's work. In its nearly 50 years of existence, Whetstone has never had to seek a special assessment. We have always managed our finances carefully and deliberately. There is no support for a special assessment by either the board of directors or the ad hoc committee.

WHC E-MAIL LIST

Are you on the e-mail list to receive Whetstone Homes Corporation announcements? If not, please send your name, street address and e-mail address to Chris Carew, the Whetstone Communications Chair, at cjcarew910@yahoo.com and you will be added to the list.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The Whetstone Board of Directors will hold a meeting on Thursday, Oct. 8 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents time begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. All Whetstone residents are welcome to attend.

Whetstone Watch: for residents of The Courts, Goshenside, Lakeside and the Ridges of Whetstone.



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NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

Wightman Road update

by the North Village Board of Directors

Your board of directors recently co-signed a letter to the Montgomery County Planning Board reiterating our objection to the recommended widening of Wightman Road stated in the Montgomery Village Draft Master Plan. Members from the neighboring communities testified on the Draft Master Plan at the public hearing on September 10. The Chairman of the Planning Board gave assurance that there is no intention to widen Wightman Road. However, the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) proposal to widen Wightman Road is in the Draft Plan, and it was not inherited from the 1985 Gaithersburg Vicinity Master Plan. It is not clear how the Wightman Road CIP proposal came to be in Draft Plan.

To prevent further disturbance of the affected and established communities and to protect property values, the letter gives a list of reasons why Wightman Road should not be widened. These include:

- A four-lane road would cause significant deterioration of community ambience and effectively divide communities in the 35 to 50-year-old communities closely built along the Wightman right-of-way.
- The difficulties of establishing a four-lane thoroughfare in this area were examined in the Midcounty Corridor Study, and a preliminary estimate of the loss of residences, the effects on the Agriculture Reserve and interference with numerous roads and driveways were considered far too great to warrant further consideration.

The letter concludes with a request that Wightman Road be reclassified as a two-lane arterial road and maintained on the existing right-of-way. The letter also requests that the two-lane status of Brink Road between Wightman Road and the M-83 alignment be maintained and reconfirmed.

MAINTENANCE

You have undoubtedly seen the Pepco contractors remove and trim trees along Wightman Road. They are also removing trees in the Picton community, but they are giving us a credit for 14 new trees, which we will plant next year. Although all of our electrical utilities are underground in the Village, there are power lines that run along the county roads, such as Wightman Road. Pepco is conducting an aggressive campaign throughout the county to remove trees and tree limbs that could possibly fall on power lines during a storm. The aim is to increase the reliability of the system. But some of the tree trimming leaves some unsightly results, not to mention the loss of several of our beautiful shade trees.

Talking about "beautiful," our effort against litter in the community is an ongoing battle. The new recycling bins in McRory and Picton seem to be working well, but not everyone is being conscientious about caring for our community. Residents out walking their dogs often pick up the many water bottles which children throw on the ground. The picture shows everything that was picked up Saturday, Sept. 26, on the path going down to Safeway from Picton. To be fair, it should be mentioned that many folks walk this path that do not all live in

Picton. At the top of the hill we have located a new trash can and a Montgomery County recycling bin. The hope is that folks will begin using these convenient receptacles.



CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Once again, we remind you that the North Village Board of Directors election is fast approaching. Every year we elect three members to the nine-member board. Board members serve for three years. We have recently been operating with two vacancies that resulted from members dropping off the board. These two vacancies and one incumbent board member are up for election this year.

If you are interested in volunteering to help your community, please submit your name to our community manager, whose phone number is given below.

REMINDER

Your quarterly assessment payment was due on October 1. This payment is your obligation as a responsible resident of Montgomery Village. It is your contribution to the upkeep of your community, and it pays you back by protecting the value of your property.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular North Village board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. If you have any questions or want to report any problems, call Community Manager April Steward, at 301-948-0110, ext. 2344.

North Village View: for residents of Essex Place, Highland Hall, McRory, Perry Place, Picton, Pleasant Ridge and Salem's Grant.

MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

Middle Village proposed 2016 Budget

By the Middle Village Board of Directors

Residents and owners in Middle Village will receive a copy of the proposed 2016 Budget in the coming weeks. Please review it and attend the October Middle Village Homes Corporation (MVHC) Board of Directors meeting with your questions and comments. The next MVHC board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

ILLEGAL DUMPING

Illegal dumping is one reason for an increase in assessments. Please review the trash policy to see which items resident must take to the county dump. You will be fined if you dump illegal items in the neighborhood.

TRASH

Trash is only picked up on Tuesdays and Fridays. Remember to use your trash can and make sure the lid is closed tightly. If you have too much trash to close the lid, please use a second trash can. Using your trash can helps control pests in the neighborhood. When you set out trash in a plastic bag and do not use a trash can, you are violating the trash policy. Violators will be fined.

RECYCLE

Recycling is picked up on Wednesdays. No recycle items should be placed on the ground. You must use your blue recycling bin. Violators will be fined. If you need a

recycle bin, please call Montgomery County at 311 and the bin will be delivered to your home free of charge.

LIGHTING

Contractors will be working in the area over the next few months upgrading the lighting throughout Middle Village. Please use caution when walking/parking near work areas.

SECURITY

MVHC's security company is Security on Demand (S.O.D.). The uniformed officers are patrolling Clubside and Thomas Choice West to ensure that our neighborhood is safe. They are here to enforce the regulations for parking, trash, loitering and noise control, and to help keep peace in the neighborhood. They are armed and experienced officers who will be patrolling on foot throughout the community. You can reach S.O.D. at 877-241-1265. If there is an emergency, please call 911.

COMSOURCE

All of the MVHC policies and regulations are available via the Comsource website. Do you need access to *Comsource.com*? If you are a tenant, contact your landlord to obtain authorization for Comsource to grant you access to the website. If you are a homeowner and need access to the Comsource website, contact Shirley Umali at 301-924-7355.

Middle Village Voice: for residents of Thomas Choice West and Clubside.

PATTON RIDGE REPORT

Pumpkin racer needed

by the Patton Ridge Board of Directors

Interested in representing Patton Ridge in Montgomery Village Foundation's upcoming Great Pumpkin Race on Saturday, Oct. 10? We're looking for a volunteer who would like to create a pumpkin to represent our community. Last year was a fun filled event where Village residents decorated and raced pumpkins in the community event.

The more creative the better! The Fall Festival will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, and the racing will begin at 1 p.m. Pumpkin Racer Kits are available for purchase (\$13) at the MVF Office. A limited

number of free kits are available (one per group or family). For more information, call 301-948-0110.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Patton Ridge Homes Corporation board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents time is from 7 to 7:30 p.m.; please limit your remarks to no more than five minutes.

Patton Ridge Report: for residents of Arrowhead, Fairway Islands, Fairidge, Greentee I, II, Highfield and Partridge Place I and II.

Leaf removal schedule

Leaf removal is upon us. Please check the next edition of the *Village News* or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com for a complete leaf removal schedule; it will be updated as dates get closer and pending major weather events.

Scheduled leaf cleanup for all MVF managed communities will begin in November, and signs will be placed at the entrances of each community one week prior to the

scheduled date. Once the schedule is published, please be sure to have your leaves raked to the curb in time for removal. If you miss your scheduled date for curbside leaf removal, you may place your leaves in approved paper bags to be placed at the curb and removed at no charge on your recycling day. If you have questions regarding leaf cleanup, please contact your community manager.

HOMES CORPORATIONS

EAST VILLAGE ECHO

East Village Community Picnic a success

by Scott R. Dyer

East Village Homes Corporation's (EVHC) Annual Community Appreciation Picnic was held on Saturday, Sept. 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Lake Marion Community Center. This family event featured fun for all ages: great food and activities (including a magic show, face painting, balloon creations and music) along with opportunities to meet with elected officials (special thanks to Senator Nancy King and Delegate Kirill Reznik for attending), MVF Community Management, Brickman Group, the Laytonsville District Volunteer Fire Department (with several emergency vehicles on display with tours of the equipment) and the Montgomery County Police Department. The picnic also included a special recognition of Joyce Kraus Dyer's service and contributions to the East Village community.

EVHC 2016 DRAFT BUDGET

The draft of the EVHC 2016 Budget is being published for review by East Village residents during the month of October in the *Village News*, for any comments prior to being voted on by the EVHC Board of Directors on Tuesday, Nov. 17. The 2016 proposed quarterly assessment for the East Village portion of the annual assessment (not including MVF's portion) is \$139.36, which is an increase of \$2.87 over 2015; the 2016 proposed overall annual assess-

ment is \$557.44, which is an increase of \$11.50 over 2015. East Village residents should also review MVF's proposed 2016 Budget for the MVF portion of the assessment (available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com).

BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, NOV. 17

The next EVHC Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. The EVHC Budget and assessment for 2016 will be approved at this meeting.

As always, these meetings are open to public, and each meeting begins with residents time for residents to ask questions or make comments; comments are limited to three minutes to allow time for all residents to speak. Each board meeting is followed immediately by a separate Closed Session not open to residents (Pursuant to Section 11B-111(4), *Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Maryland Homeowners Association Act) to - (iv.) Consultation with staff, personnel, consultants, attorneys, board members, or other persons in connection with pending or potential litigation or other legal matters. (viii.) Discussion of individual owner assessment accounts.*).

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Russell Avenue, Gaithersburg. The GWGVFD will be hosting their annual open house to allow the community to tour the facility, see vehicles on display and meet the brave men and women who risk their lives daily serving the Montgomery Village and Gaithersburg communities. For more information, call 301-948-0660 or visit www.gwgvfd.org.

Montgomery County Airpark (GAI) - Saturday, Oct. 17, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at 7940 Airpark Road, Gaithersburg. The airpark will be hosting their annual open house; officials from the airpark will be in attendance to answer questions and give facility tours, and various aircraft and vendors that use the facility will be on display. For more information, call 301-963-7100 or visit www.montgomerycountyairpark.com.

EAST VILLAGE COMMUNICATIONS

Sign up to receive e-mail communications (upcoming events, news, important notices, etc.) from East Vil-



lage Homes Corporation by e-mailing eastvillagehc@mvpf.org and include the subject, "Register." Also check out the EVHC facebook page by visiting www.facebook.com/eastvillagehc, or searching "East Village Homes Corporation;" be sure to "Like" our page to receive updates. Our Community Manager and the EVHC Board of Directors always want to hear from residents; if you have questions,

suggestions or just kudos, please e-mail eastvillagehc@mvpf.org, or call 301-948-0110, ext. 2344.

East Village Echo: for residents of The Downs, The Reach, The Estates, Essex Place II, Candle Ridge, Gablefield, Glenbrooke, Meadowgate, Ashford, Holly Pointe and Wethersfield.

SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

2016 South Village Budget changes

by the South Village Board of Directors

OK, the bottom line news - it will cost an additional \$8 per year, per household for South Village residents in FY 2016. The details of the budget are published elsewhere in this edition.

In summary, we're budgeting a little more this year to keep our books in balance. Some more for snow removal (last year's weather forced us to re-prioritize our expenditures), and some extra for green space renewal (we're trying some new things to both improve the look of the community and to reduce long run maintenance costs). Additional large line items include paving work to be done over the next few years.

We are painfully aware of the burden of any increase (we live here too), but as the common properties age, it's increasingly important to be realistic about the costs of keeping our common assets maintained.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Some topics never cease to be relevant, and unhappily so. Today's perennial is pedestrian safety. Surprisingly, it's (forgive the expression) "A Two-Way Street."

Some motorists, seemingly oblivious to the dangers of our

own speed humps, attempt to treat our neighborhood streets as raceways. They pose a hazard not only to their own vehicles but also to any hapless people trying to cross the street or walk through the common areas.

On the other hand, there are pedestrians, bicyclists and skateboarders who give the drivers a "target rich environment." Runners who dart into traffic rather than break stride, skateboarders who swoop in like headless horsemen and people who can't shut off their cell phone or iPod long enough to be aware that they're "playing in traffic." No it's not all "the children;" the so-called "adults" deserve a thumbs-down for their behavior, and all the more so because they're supposed to be grown up enough not to do these things. Take a little extra time to be aware and courteous. The life you save may be your own.

WILDLIFE ALERT

As winter approaches, our local wildlife begins to prepare. In some cases, that means new visitors to the communities and neighborhoods. Deer have been reported darting over Montgomery Village Avenue and several smaller streets. They're particularly abundant this year. Several families of foxes and even a few coyotes

have been spotted in the Village. There have even been a few documented kills of local birds by these predators.

The groundhog population is active, and a number of raccoons have been seen darting about the streets lately. Rodents are on the move seeking forage and protection against the coming cold. Even our turtle population has been stirred (if that's a word that can be applied to turtles) by the recent dredging activity.

If common sense weren't enough, there are laws against taking wildlife as pets or even food. Also, these animals may be vectors of disease - everything from the Lyme disease of the deer tick to the serious concern about rabies in the raccoon population. And let's put aside the risk of being attacked, bitten or otherwise rejected in your bid to make nature fit your expectations. Even feeding wildlife can discourage natural migration patterns and put exposed animals at risk.

Please let the wildlife remain wild - we'll all benefit in the end.

South Village Scenes: for residents of Center Stage, Dockside, Grover's Forge, Hamptons, Millrace, Nathan's Hill and Walker's Choice.



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HOMES CORPORATIONS

HOMES CORPORATION CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Volunteers needed for homes corporation boards of directors

Each year, the Village homes corporations seek candidates for election to their boards of directors. Interested residents are invited to submit applications for candidacy to the Nominating Committee of their local homes corporation.

Directors of homes corporations are responsible for setting assessments and managing the maintenance of all open spaces, streets, paths and lights that belong to the individual homes corporation.

Basic qualifications for board membership are time and interest, but whatever other knowledge, training, skills or experience one has will almost certainly be used in some capacity.

1. According to the documents, a candidate is not required to be a resident of Montgomery Village, except in Whetstone Homes Corporation and North Village Homes Corporation, where the candidate is required to be a resident homeowner. However, resident candidates must be in good standing with the Montgomery Village Foundation and their respective homes corporation with regard to covenants and must be current in all assessment payments.

2. To apply for candidacy, a prepared statement of the

applicant's qualifications and interests must be delivered to any member of the Nominating Committee or to the Montgomery Village Foundation office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, no later than 5 p.m. on the closing dates stated in the box.

3. A candidate may be solicited or may volunteer. A resident nominating another resident must secure his/her written consent.

4. The number of candidates is unlimited.

5. All nominees will be requested to submit a single page (typewritten, double spaced) statement, which will be reproduced in the December, January or February issue of the Village News and will be sent to all voters along with the ballots (standard form will be supplied to board nominees).

6. Also, per a new Montgomery County Law, effective January 1, 2016, if elected, candidates must participate in a Montgomery County Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC)-approved board member training class, to be scheduled and completed within 90 days of the start of their term of service.

Ballots will be mailed to the electorate either in December, January or February, depend-

ing on the specific corporation's election calendar.

In addition to electing directors, each homes corporation also elects a representative and an alternate representative to the MVF for one-year terms. Suggested names for the position will appear on the ballots.

Each board of directors consists of nine directors who serve three-year terms. The terms are staggered, creating three vacancies every year.

Applications for candidacy must be received by a member of the respective nominating committee or by the Foundation Office by 5 p.m. on the specific dates for each association (to be displayed in the next issue of the Village News).

Note: While the word count for candidates' statements varies among homes corporations (check with your community manager), the word count for candidates' statements for the Montgomery Village News must not exceed 200 words per candidate. To view Village News guidelines, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com, select Press Room, select Village News, then Village News Editorial and Submissions Policy (see #4 under Homes Corporations/Condominium Associations).

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HOMES CORPORATIONS - 2015 & 2016 BUDGET INFORMATION

Homes Corporation	Year	Income	Administration & General Expenss	Utilities (Included in Admin)	Maintenance	Reserves/Capital Expenses Contrib.	Number of Units	Annual Proposed Assessment including trash
East Village	2016	774,284.00	437,692.00	34,000.00	357,572.00	161,129.00	1389	\$557.44
	2015	758,311.00	323,739.00	40,000.00	332,172.00	149,241.00	1389	\$545.94
Eastgate	2016	301,060.00	112,631.00	12,000.00	134,500.00	52,429.00	443	\$639.64
	2015	299,825.00	119,819.00	12,000.00	136,750.00	43,257.00	443	\$621.00
Maryland Place	2016	157,585.00	73,227.00	6,000.00	48,110.00	40,463.00	276	\$570.96
	2015	152,727.00	73,246.00	6,500.00	45,573.00	39,135.00	276	\$553.36
Patton Ridge*	2016	781,453.00	186,130.00	33,990.00	290,825.00	162,105.00	1072	728.96
	2015	765,380.00	201,760.00	38,000.00	275,534.00	161,170.00	1072	713.96
South Village*	2016	735,280.00	211,811.00	30,000.00	440,370.00	141,675.00	1010	\$728.00/\$832.00
	2015	708,079.00	232,269.00	30,000.00	424,932.00	155,875.00	1010	\$720.00/\$824.00
Stedwick*	2016	936,707.00	216,864.00	30,000.00	395,480.00	191,536.00	1260	\$759.29
	2015	920,612.00	227,894.00	30,000.00	395,180.00	185,726.00	1260	\$729.72
Whetstone	2016	484,431.00	100,270.00	4,500.00	170,050.00	248,948.00	447	\$1,083.74
	2015	477,189.00	109,895.00	4,500.00	170,140.00	228,154.00	447	\$1,067.54

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Bushdogs (closed for the season)

Maryland Crab cakes, Cream of Crab Soup, Maryland Crab Soup, shrimp cocktail and salad, various sausages, Smith Island Cake, Tropical Pound Cakes

Canela Bakery

Artisan breads, empanadas, danishes, cookies, European and Mexican breads

Carolina Squeeze (closed for the season)

Fresh squeezed lemonade with local berry puree

Diaz Berries & Veggies

Tomatoes, peppers, peaches, strawberries, raspberries, red, black, tay and golden berries, broccoli, potatoes, beets, apples, spinach, snow peas, beans, summer squash, winter squash, sweet potatoes, turnips, pears, lettuce, cucumbers, watermelons, herbs, onions, garlic, shallots

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Rights of Man Farm

Organic Meats: goat, chicken, pork beef and eggs. Organic vegetables

Rock Hill Orchard

Milk, sheep's milk cheese and flower bouquets

Sugar and Salt

Slow churned ice cream and sorbets made with fresh local ingredients

The JK Farm

Grass feed beef and lamb products

Valencia's Produce

Asparagus, beans, berries, broccoli, carrots, hanging baskets, herbs, leeks, lettuce, melons, okra, peas, peppers, pumpkins, zucchini

Tony Feters Fruit Farm

Apples, peaches, nectarines, plums, apricots, cherries, tomatoes, cucumbers, apple cider, pears, blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, grapes, strawberries, asparagus, peppers, cantaloupes, fruit butter, apple juice, sweet and spicy salsa, jam and jelly

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MV Kids learn about spiders

Some spiders are as small as the head of a pin, yet others are as big as a dinner plate. Spiders display a wide range of colors and variety of shapes, and they’re found almost everywhere from the coldest to hottest climates.



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They are “arachnids” whose family members include scorpions, spiders, ticks and certain other eight-legged creatures. They have distinctive characteristics that clearly set them apart from insects. Let’s compare:

SPIDERS	INSECTS
2 body segments —a head, also called a cephalothorax, and an abdomen	3 body segments —a head, a thorax, and an abdomen
their eight legs are attached directly to their head	their eight legs are attached to their thorax
8 simple eyes	compound eyes
no wings or antennae	have antennae, some have wings
don’t eat plants	most eat plants



crab spider



goliath birdeater tarantula

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More about spider eyes

In the comparison above we said that spiders have eight “simple” eyes. This means each eye a single lens collects and focuses light onto the retina. Even though they have so many eyes, most spiders cannot see very well with them. Web-spinning spiders are nearly blind, navigating their world mostly by touch and smell. Some spiders, such as those in the family Sicariidae, have only six eyes. Cave-dwelling species, and those which live their entire lives in the soil, may have no eyes at all. There are also some spiders that fall between these extremes, but always with an even number of eyes. Those spiders which hunt their prey “on foot” can have very keen eyesight. Among those sharp-eyed hunters are the jumping spiders (family Salticidae) and the wolf spiders (family Lycosidae), both of which have at least one pair of very large, forward-facing eyes.



www.spiders.us jumping spider



brown recluse spider

Fun facts about our spooky spider friends:

- Not all spiders spin webs.
 - Spiders catch, and eat, many insect pests.
 - Spiders don’t stick to their webs because their bodies make very little contact with their sticky web, as opposed to other insects that come crashing into it.
 - The very center of the web, where the spider usually sits, is not sticky.
- Web-weaving spiders have three claws: two main claws with a hook in the middle to snag and hold onto the web so they don’t fall off.
 - Spiders can sleep or hibernate in cold temperatures
 - Fossil evidence reveals that the largest spider that ever roamed the planet was about 20 inches long! Ooooh! Scary!
- Today, the Goliath Tarantula of South America is the largest spider.
 - In Maryland, there are only two kinds of spiders that are potentially poisonous. One is the recluse spider, which cannot survive the Maryland winter and usually gets here by hitchhiking a ride when people move here from the Midwest or Southwest.

The other spider, the Black Widow, is common outdoors in Maryland. To learn more about bugs and spiders check out www.spiders.us.



AT YOUR LEISURE

"Trish Tinkler Gets Saved" at Unexpected Stage

Unexpected Stage Company proudly presents its second production of the 2015 season, "Trish Tinkler gets Saved," running from Thursday, Oct. 8 through Sunday, Oct. 18 at the Randolph Road Theater, 4010 Randolph Road, Wheaton.

Part of the Women's Voices Theater Festival, this world premiere comedy by award-winning playwright Jacqueline Goldfinger features Trish Tinkler, a down-on-her-luck rock 'n' roll groupie. Having just been kicked off the tour bus, she is standing in aisle 7 of the Eat 'n' Save Mini-Mart, with two bucks in her pocket, when Jesus appears to her. Or maybe it's just the second coming of Whitesnake. This loving presence promises to give her the secret to getting everything that she wants in life...after he takes a call from Mom. So on her 40th birthday, Trish Tinkler camps out in aisle 7 of the Eat 'n' Save. And waits. And waits. And waits. As Trish gets to know Eat 'n' Save workers Rhonda and Jan, the play moves beyond its broadly comedic premise to tackle broader issues of gentrification, class and what it means to find home in the most unexpected places.

"The comedy of this play is as shocking and jarring as the drama is touching and inspired. Haven't we all found an ending we didn't want to confront? Haven't the vast majority found a way forward? This is a celebration of moving forward," says director Christopher Goodrich, who serves as Unexpected Stage Company's co-artistic director with Rachel Stroud-Goodrich.

Unexpected Stage Company is a professional regional theater company founded by the husband-and-wife team and Village residents Christopher Goodrich and Rachel Stroud-Goodrich. The company dedicates itself to honoring the intricacies and intimacies of the complete human experience and, to that end, seeks to unite people, place and storytelling in order to explore interconnection.

For more information, call 301-337-8290, or visit www.unexpectedstage.org or www.facebook.com/unexpectedstage. General admission tickets are priced \$16 to \$27.50, and are on sale by calling 800-838-3006, online at www.unexpectedstage.org/tickets and are subject to availability at the door.

3rd Annual Halloween Hustle 5K and Fun Run

Family Services, Inc., along with The Montgomery Village Rotary Club, is presenting the 3rd Annual Halloween Hustle 5K & Fun Run on Saturday, Oct. 31 at 8:30 a.m. beginning in the parking lot of the Montgomery Village Shopping Center (near Global Food). The Challenge Yourself 5K event is held on a fun, yet challenging course that will take you along the ghostly trails of Watkins Mill Road. The Fun Run is a spooky mini trail for all ages. Parents are invited to push their little gremlins along the course in strollers. While Halloween costumes are encouraged, they are not required.

The main objective of the Halloween Hustle is to promote an active lifestyle, encourage families to spend quality time together and get involved in their community. The Halloween Hustle is focused less on ability and much more on just having fun with friends and family. Runners of all different ages, shapes, sizes, and ability levels are invited to come out and have some Halloween fun. Immediately following the race, runners and spectators alike are invited to partake in a special "I Survived the Halloween Hustle" awards ceremony and



festivities. Special awards will be given for the Best Individual Adult Costume, Best Individual Children's Costume and Best Family/Group Costume. The festivities will include trick-or-treating at all vendor tables, a moon bounce, music, face painting, food and much more!

TO REGISTER

Visit www.active.com/gaithersburg-md/running/distance-running-races/halloween-hustle-5k-2015?int.

Race day registration will also be available beginning at

7 a.m. Cost is \$30 for the 5K race through Friday, Oct. 30 (\$35 on race day) and \$10 for the Fun Run. Payment can be made by check, credit card or cash. All checks should be made out to: Family Services, Inc.

For more information or sponsorship opportunities, contact Erica Henze at 301-840-3225 or e-mail erica.henze@fs-inc.org. For more information about Family Services, Inc., visit www.fs-inc.org. For more information about the Montgomery Village Rotary Club, visit their www.mvrotary.org.

Sugarloaf Crafts Festival

The Sugarloaf Crafts Festival in Gaithersburg offers a shopping spree perfect for the change of seasons Friday, Oct. 16 through Sunday, Oct. 18, 2015 at the Montgomery County

Fairgrounds, 16 Chestnut Street, Gaithersburg.

More than 250 of the nation's finest artisans will be waiting with their latest creations in sculpture, glass, jewelry, fashion,

wood, leather, metal, furniture, home accessories, photography and fine art. Many of the artists will wow visitors with live demonstrations of meticulous, timeless skills including iron forging, copper spinning and carving.

Visitors will also enjoy live music and sample gourmet treats from artisanal food vendors, while kids can dress up and reenact fairytales at the children's entertainment area.

The festival is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Adult admission is \$8 online or \$10 at the door and valid for all three days; children 12 and under and parking are free. For more information, including driving directions and admission discounts, visit www.sugarloaforcrafts.com or call 800-210-9900.

Mushrooms in the garden: edible, poisonous, cultivated

The Montgomery Village Garden Club is hosting guest speaker Jared Urchek at their October meeting. Urchek will speak about identifying common mushrooms that might be found in your back yard, and whether or not they might be poisonous. He will cover the basic life cycle and biology of fungi and how gardeners might cultivate some safe and delicious species in their shady woods.

Urchek is certified in Mushroom Cultivation and Mycoremediation. He is the owner and founder of Boulder High Country Mushrooms, a mushroom cultivation and instruction business, which he recently moved to Maryland from Boulder, Colorado.

The Monday, Oct. 12 meeting is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. at Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court. For information, contact Barbara Stellar at 301-740-8566. Guests are welcome and refreshments will be served.



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Frederick Oktoberfest Walk

The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club is sponsoring a Frederick Oktoberfest Walk on Saturday, Oct. 3. The 6km/10km trails, rated 2A, are on sidewalks and roadsides in the City of Frederick. The trails go through historic Frederick, along Carroll Creek and out to Mt. Olivet cemetery with Francis Scott Key's gravesite. It is suitable

for strollers and for wheelchairs, though some difficulty may be encountered where there are no curb cuts.

The Start/Finish point is at the Frederick Fairgrounds, 797 E. Patrick Street, Frederick. The Start table is just inside Gate 1, next to the Fest Hall, south end. Volksmarch parking is at Gate 3. Parking and the walk are free;

Volksmarch credit is \$3. Donations welcome. Walkers must start between 9 a.m. and noon and finish by 3 p.m. Restrooms available at Start/Finish point. No pets are permitted at the Fairgrounds.

For more information, contact Yvonne Pennington at 301-431-6668 or e-mail yastill@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Village Kiwanis Club supports community

The Montgomery Village Kiwanis Club (MVKC) was chartered on April 1, 2003 and has been fulfilling the mission to serve the children of the world, one child and one community at a time ever since. Some of their first community involvement projects were Relay For Life (money to help fund cancer research); Treatment and Learning Center (volunteers and monetary donations); Children's Hospital (volunteers and monetary donations); and First Book (over 100,000 books given to economically disadvantaged children in local schools).

Partnerships with other community organizations so that we can make a greater impact on the lives of children in Montgomery County. Those partnerships include:

Women Who Care Ministries - provides food items to school

children for weekend meals

The Tree House Child Assessment Center - dedicated to reducing trauma and promoting healing for child victims of physical, sexual abuse and neglect. This is the only child advocacy organization program in Montgomery County.

CSAAC - state-of-the-art services for people with autism.

Girls on the Run - a transformational physical activity for girls in grades 3 through 8.

Miracle League - gives children with disabilities the chance to play baseball.

The Kiwanis Club sponsors Key Clubs at Watkins Mill, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley and Gaithersburg high schools. The Key Clubs involve high school students to help further the mission of Kiwanis International, and expose them to community service opportunities.

Montgomery Village Kiwanis Club also sells the White House Christmas Tree Ornaments as an annual fundraiser. 2015 ornaments are currently available; for more information or to place an order, call 1-877-904-8902.

To learn more about the MVKC and how you can participate, contact Earlene Wood Reynolds at 1-877-904-8902 or e-mail Earlene10@aol.com.

Caring for community

On Sunday, Sept. 13, Christ the Servant Lutheran Church participated in a day of community service called God's Work Our Hands. Members of the congregation made 500 sandwiches for Martha's Table, a food kitchen in Gaithersburg, and cleaned up trash around nearby bus stops and the Montgomery Village shopping center. On this day, members put faith into action by engaging in service projects to address community needs and deepen their relationship with the community. Participants also had an opportunity to get to know one another better as children and teens worked alongside adults and seniors to complete these projects, thereby strengthening the church community!

Regular Sunday worship services are at 8:30 and 11 a.m., with Sunday School in between. For more information, visit www.ctslutheranelca.org. Christ the Servant Lutheran Church is located at 9801 Centerway Road.

Bilingual voters needed to serve at polls

Because of the diversity within the county, the Montgomery County Board of Elections recruits workers who speak numerous languages. Voters who are fluent in both English and Spanish are especially needed in each polling place to meet Federal requirements of Section 203 of the 1975 Voting Rights Act, which stipulates that bilingual Spanish speakers be available at the polls.

The Election Law of Maryland requires that election judges are registered to vote in the State of Maryland, 17 years of age or older and a

U.S. citizen. Bilingual judges must also be able to speak, read and write English. All election judges will be compensated for training and for Early Voting or Election Day service.

Those interested should contact the Montgomery County Board of Elections at 240-777-8532, visit www.777vote.org or e-mail Dr. Gilberto Zelaya at gilberto.zelaya@montgomerycountymd.gov.

For more election information, call 240-777-VOTE, visit www.777vote.org or www.elections.maryland.gov.

MILESTONES

GGCC honors chamber stars

The Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce (GGCC) honored its "Chamber Stars" at the Business Networking After Five event on Thursday, Sept. 17. The event was held at and sponsored by Smokey Glen Farm Barbequers, Inc. in Gaithersburg.

The GGCC recognized Chamber Members who have been members for 10 or more years as a way to say thank you to their members.

"The sign of a good business is when customers keep coming back. The GGCC is blessed with a large number of members who have been with us for a long time—10 years, 20 years and over 30 years. It was high-time that we recognized them. They are truly our Chamber Stars," said GGCC President Marilyn Balcombe.

At the picnic, 17 GGCC Members received a "You're a

Star" star as a token of appreciation. 85 of 400 GGCC members were eligible to receive stars this year. The GGCC will continue to deliver stars to its members throughout the remainder of the year.

The GGCC is active in providing business-to-business networking opportunities throughout the year: a collective voice in local, regional, and state legislative affairs, professional development opportunities and other services that enhance the business environment.

The GGCC is located at 910 Clopper Road, Suite 205N, Gaithersburg. To learn more about the GGCC, visit www.ggchamber.org or www.facebook.com/pages/Gaithersburg-Germantown-Chamber-of-Commerce/64339954570, or on Twitter at @GGCCNEWS.

MEMBERS THAT RECEIVED STARS ON SEPTEMBER 17 INCLUDED:

- BlackRock Center for the Arts: 11 Years
- Proforma Stevenson & Associates: 11 Years
- Rodgers Consulting, Inc.: 11 Years
- GeneDx: 12 Years
- RE/MAX All Pro: 14 Years
- Crown Trophy: 16 Years
- D&M Consulting: 17 Years
- Mid-Atlantic Federal Credit Union: 17 Years
- Sandy Spring Bank: 20 Years
- Gimmel, Weiman, Ersek, Blomberg, & Lewis, P.A.: 24 Years
- Asbury Methodist Village: 25 Years
- Family Services: 25 Years
- Hughes Network Systems, LLC: 25 Years
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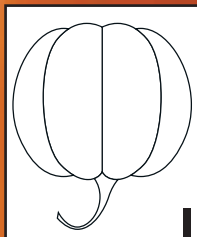
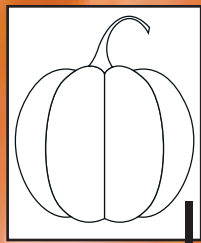
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RECREATION

Disguise A Pumpkin



Camouflage our pumpkin so he can escape being turned into pie! Color or glue your disguise directly on our pumpkin template or cut the template out to create a scene on a larger paper. Templates can be downloaded at www.montgomeryvillage.com or picked up at the MVF Office. Entrants must print their name, address, phone number, age and school on the back of the paper. Entries must be submitted by Thursday, Oct. 21.

Homework, Hockey and Hoops

Homework, Hockey and Hoops is a program designed to help participants develop their sports skills through drills and scrimmages, build an understanding of teamwork and game rules and emphasize academic and athletic success.

Whetstone Elementary School students will have the option of choosing a full afternoon session or the sports only session on Mondays and Wednesdays after school. The full program is scheduled for 3:30 to 6:15 p.m. from Monday, Nov. 9 through Wednesday, Dec. 16; the sports only session is scheduled from 5 to 6:15 p.m. The full session costs \$95/Resident and \$105/Non-

resident; sports only costs \$45/Resident and \$55/Non-resident.

MVF staff will supervise and lead academic study time and athletic activities. Snack will be provided for full program participants. MVF will also provide the necessary sports equipment for hockey and basketball; participants should bring their own mouth guard for hockey.

Full program participants will be escorted by staff from Whetstone Elementary School to the community center via the tunnel and path system and not across roadways. For more information,



contact Avery Watkins at 240-243-2367 or e-mail awatkins@muf.org. Register online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Stroll and Stride with your child twice weekly

Time is short to fit in exercise when you're keeping up with a toddler. Parents can combine the two by joining MVF staff and other parents in the community in the new Strollers & Striders program designed to give participants an opportunity to exercise, socialize and enjoy the green spaces in Montgomery Village.

Meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m. with basic stretching and a brief warm-up before hitting the paths around Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, and concluding at 10:30 a.m. The program is scheduled Mondays and Thursdays beginning Monday, Oct. 12. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Halloween Concert

The Montgomery Village Community Band will delight and haunt during this special Halloween concert. This performance will feature a mix of spooky-themed music from movies and performances as well as jazz and marches.

Enjoy the eerily-beautiful sounds of the band at this free event, scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Join many of the band members and don your costume. Who says Halloween is just for kids?



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Saturday Dec. 5
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Breakfast With Santa

Saturday, Dec. 12
 9:30 to 11 a.m.
North Creek Community Center
 20125 Arrowhead Road

Children will enjoy a steaming cup of cocoa and yummy continental breakfast, then create holiday crafts and visit with Santa. Children, ages 6 months to 8 years old, accompanied by a parent/guardian, will take home a keepsake photo of their visit.

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\$12/Resident child
\$17/Non-resident child
\$6/Adult

Participants must register by Thursday, Dec. 10, online at www.montgomeryvillage.com, at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road or by calling 301-948-0110.

For more information, contact Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338, or e-mail mmaggi@muf.org.

RECREATION

The Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival

Montgomery Village's signature fall community event is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 10 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This family friendly event features speedy pumpkin racers, delicious food, live rock and roll music, amusements, games and an art show/sale. Racers and spectators alike enjoy an exceptional afternoon of pumpkin racing excitement!

HOW FAST IS YOUR PUMPKIN?

You can find out when you build and enter a Pumpkin Racer in the Great Pumpkin Race! Montgomery Village

Foundation will give a free pumpkin racer kit (including everything you need except the pumpkin) to the first 25 families, groups or organizations who register! Racer kits can also be purchased in advance for \$13 (pumpkin not included) and picked up at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, while supplies last.

EVENT SPONSORS WANTED!

MVF is seeking corporate and local sponsors and vendors for this zany signature fall event. Don't let your competition beat you to the finish line—be a part of the craziest fall festival in the area! Par-

ticipate in your community by racing a corporate pumpkin and sponsoring this great family event. To find out how you can be a part of the action, call Beto Benitez at 240-243-2359 or e-mail hbenitez@mvf.org.



Argentine Tango

NEW

Experienced instructors Viviana and Isidoro Levinson are excited to teach Argentine Tango here in Montgomery Village! This beginner level class is for those who have never taken Tango before or for people with little Argentine Tango experience.

Through the 10-week course, dancers will focus on open and close embrace, pivots, ochos, la cruzada, rocksteps and more. Classes are scheduled from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, Oct. 7 to Dec. 16 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

For more information or to register, contact Melanie Maggi at 301-948-0110,

ext. 2338, e-mail mmaggi@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Holiday Craft Bazaar

It's that time of year again! The annual Holiday Craft Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

Vendor registration is underway! All items to be sold must be handmade by the exhibitor, their partner, and/or immediate family member.

All crafts will be reviewed prior to registration. Spaces are 6' x 8' and include a 6' x 2 1/2' table and one chair. Fees are \$40 for residents and \$45 for non-residents with electricity available at some tables for an additional \$5. Admission for shoppers is free!

For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110.



Pumpkin Pie and Baked Goods Contest

If racing pumpkins is not your thing, try baking with them! This baker-friendly event has two rules: 1) entries must contain pumpkin in the recipe; and 2) be a baked item. Courageous participants in two age categories, 15 and under or 16 and older, will compete for the "gold" medal and recognition at the Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival.

All entries must be brought to North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, on Saturday, Oct. 10 between 10:15 and 11:30 a.m. Entries will not be accepted any other time or place.

For more information questions, contact Melanie Maggi at 301-948-0110, ext. 2338 or e-mail mmaggi@mvf.org.

HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

Celebrate Halloween and a special time to benefit a local charity (pumpkins and more!)

Friday, Oct. 30
6:30 to 8 p.m.
Lake Marion Community Center
8821 East Village Avenue

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www.montgomeryvillage.com

Wine & Paint

Friday, Nov. 6
7 to 9 p.m.

\$28/Resident
\$33/Non-resident

Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road

For more information, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com or call 301-948-0110.

Basketball Express

Sharpen your basketball skills with Coach Charlie! Basketball Express will provide quality basketball training for children, ages 4 to 12, who desire to learn the fundamentals of basketball while enjoying a fun and energetic atmosphere. This class is taught by experienced instructor and referee, Charlie Williams, and will be held at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

This season is underway, however, it isn't too late

to join the fun! Sunday classes are run through Nov/ 8 (no class Oct. 25). Ages 4 and 5 meet from 10 to 10:50 a.m.; ages 6 to 8 from 11 to 11:50 a.m.; and ages 9 to 12 from noon to 12:50 p.m. Monday classes run through Nov. 2 from 6 to 6:50 p.m. with ages 6 to 8 on court #1 and ages 9 to 12 on court #2.

Fees are \$115/Resident and \$125/Non-resident. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Drop-in Primetime Basketball

The weather may be cooling down, but that's no reason to drop your love for playing basketball. Maintain your basketball skills and stay fit by registering yourself and the family in our 9-week open gym basketball programs at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Drop-in basketball opportunities are available for children ages 7 to 18, and adults 18 and older every Wednesday night;

ages 7 to 18 from 4 to 7 p.m. and ages 18 and older from 7:30 to 10 p.m.

The next session is scheduled to run from Wednesday, Nov. 4 through Wednesday, Dec. 30 and costs \$40/resident and \$50/Non-resident, or drop-in each time for \$6 a day. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

MV SENIORS

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*Seniors in Action
Fall Session*

through Friday, Dec. 18
No meetings: Nov. 26 or Nov. 27

REGISTRATION

Not a member of Seniors in Action? Sign up today at any SiA program, the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com today!



Fall Trip

A friendly reminder to those that have signed up for the fall trip to Toby's Dinner Theater: we will be departing from Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road, on Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 9:30 a.m. The center will be open for games and social hour for those not attending the trip.



Caring Hands Fall Food Drive

Seniors in Action will begin to collect canned food for the Food for Schools program on Monday, Oct. 5 and continue through the month of October. Please donate any canned food that is not expired. Collection boxes will be available at every SiA program.



Steering Committee

The next steering committee meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at Stedwick Community Center. Come out and bring your ideas! Topics of discussion will be the winter social, spring field trip ideas and other special events. All ideas and suggestions are welcome!



Blood Pressure Screenings

Holy Cross Hospital will be conducting blood pressure screenings on the third Wednesday of every Month!



Pickleball

Join Seniors in Action members every Monday and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to noon to try your hand at a friendly game of Pickleball. All levels are welcome! A staff member will be on site to assist with learning to play!

The Seniors in Action program offers convenient and affordable activities to seniors 55 years and older, Monday through Friday. For more details on any Seniors in Action activity, contact Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2314 or e-mail lhydorn@mvf.org.

Calendar

MONDAY



Arts and Crafts

10 a.m. to noon

Work side-by-side with other members while you each explore your creative side

Oct. 5: Pumpkin Racer for Fall Festival

Oct. 12: Floral Pens & Card Making



Book Discussion Group

10 to 11 a.m. - third Monday each month

Oct. 19: "Red Square" by Martin Cruz Smith

Nov. 16: "Those Angry Days" by Lynne Olson

Dec. 21: "Galileo's Daughter" by Dava Sobel



Pickleball

11 a.m. to noon

Pickleball is a racquet sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis. Join the game every Monday!

TUESDAY



Light Cardio Workout

9 to 10 a.m.

Work out with exercise videos, light weights and resistance bands.



Seated Tai Chi

Noon to 12:45 p.m.

Instructor Marcy takes you through the low impact movements of Tai Chi.

WEDNESDAY



SIA Games / Social Hour

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Enjoy a variety of card and board games, conversation and refreshments.

Oct. 7: Games & Social Hour

Oct. 14: Games & Social Hour



Pickleball

11 a.m. to noon

One day isn't enough! Join your SiA members for another round of the friendly game!

THURSDAY



Light Cardio Workout

10:15 a.m. to noon

Work out with exercise videos, light weights and resistance bands.



SIA Games / Social Hour Take 2

10:15 a.m. to noon

Games, socializing and table tennis with your friends.

FRIDAY



Caring Hands Community Outreach

11 a.m. to noon

second Friday each month

Help plan a variety of projects to benefit individuals and families in the community



Brown Bag Lunch & Bingo

Noon to 2 p.m.

second Friday each month

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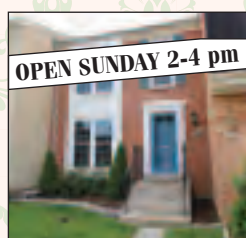
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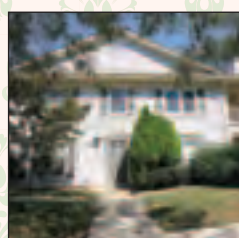
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Just Listed



GERMANTOWN \$209,900
Renovated 2 BR, 2 BA 2-level condo – new carpet, fresh paint, updated baths w/new ceramic tile, designer tile in kitchen & entry, new lighting, upgraded cabinets – loft w/skylight & closet is perfect for office/guest room – fireplace w/built-in cabinets & shelves – extra long balcony w/access from LR & MBR, 2 walk-in closets – great 1st time home in convenient location.

For Sale



WHETSTONE \$340,000
SHORT SALE
Woodburn model with beautiful screened porch & hwd floors, 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 1st floor FR w/wood-burning fireplace & slider to porch – table-space kit., formal LR & DR, big foyer – full basement w/tons of storage.



ALEXANDRIA, VA \$605,000
Stunning end unit townhome w/garage, 3 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 fireplaces. Finished basement walks out to flagstone patio – main level deck – BR-level laundry. Many upgrades including granite, hardwood and stainless. Excellent commuting location for DC.

Under Contract



WASHINGTONIAN TOWER \$155,000
Perfect location smack dab between Downtown Crown and Rio Washingtonian Center – 1 BR, 1 BA condo with excellent amenities and all utilities included – walk out the door to excellent new restaurants, movie theatres, Kohls, Target, Pier 1 – ideal for someone who wants a small local place with great commuting choices – tons of parking – priced to sell!

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Sold



THE POINTS \$405,000
Upgraded w/new hardwood floors – granite counters, stainless appliances, sink, fixtures, lighting & flooring in kitchen – new carpet – newer windows & sliding glass doors – updated basement w/new flooring!



STEDWICK \$290,000
Updated brick end unit in Clusters II in Stedwick – 4 BR, 2 full baths, 2 half baths with renovated kitchen including stainless steel appliances, new counters & fixtures – new carpet & fresh paint – huge basement!



WHETSTONE \$395,000
Renovated 4 BR, 2.5 BA Goshenside home. Granite counters & cherrywood cabinets in kitchen, refinished hardwood floors, new lighting, fresh neutral décor.



COURTS OF WHETSTONE \$420,000
4 BR, 2.5 BA Montreal model with upgrades throughout! Solar panels – , 1st fl. FR w/fireplace & new carpet – kitchen has center island & custom cabinets, fin. basement w/wine cellar & craft room – wood floors.



WHETSTONE \$412,500
Wonderful 5 BR, 3 full BA, upgrades include granite counters and stainless appliances. New carpet, hardwood floors, updated windows, 1st floor BR, full BA.



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