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The Reilly Family took the trophy this year with "Doug the Bug." More than 110 participants raced their pumpkins and hundreds of visitors enjoyed the 2019 Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival on October 12. See the full event details on page 8 and other decorated pumpkin medal winners and additional photos on pages 14 and 15.

# Board approves 2020 budget, sets assessment rates

by Mike Conroy

At its October 24 meeting, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors approved the 2020 Operating Budget, which includes an increase of \$.49/month in the MVF Fund and \$.80/month increase in the Designated User (DU) assessment. 2020 rates are \$21.52/month for the MVF assessment and \$38.42/month for the DU assessment.

The MVF Fund was proposed to increase \$.83/month; however, personnel changes, renegotiating contracts and other cost reductions for 2020 have contributed to the final assessment rates, which are much lower than originally proposed. After review of year-to-date (YTD) financials and careful consideration of risks for the remainder of the vear, Executive Vice President (EVP) Dave Humpton and CFO Daniel Salazar believe that 2019 will end using about \$350,000 from subsidy from Undesignated Reserves. A planned subsidy of \$270,000, which includes additional legal costs, is also assumed in the 2020 budget.

Contributions to Reserves will be made in accordance with the budget. Major projects included in the 2020 budget are the North Creek Pool and Bathhouse renovation, the repurposing of the Watkins Mill Pool

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# **Montgomery Village** commercial property development updates

Three major commercial development projects are in different stages of either the Montgomery County planning process or under construction. MVF continues to work with the developers/owners and the county Planning Department and has facilitated community meetings over the years to ensure that Montgomery Village residents could have input into the plans. We will continue to provide updates to the community as things progress.

# **MONTGOMERY VILLAGE CENTER**

Demolition of the pad sites along Montgomery Village Avenue has begun. Demolition of the old Village Café, dry cleaners and small plaza area will allow for the extension of Centerway Road to be extended through to the rear of the Village Center. The schedule shows much site redevelopment work, including the extension of Centerway Road, façade enhancements and creation of the park through 2020. The construction of the pad sites and major retail tenants will continue through the same period. Existing retail stores will remain open during construction/demolition.

The storefront where Aldi will eventually go is being updated, as well as subsequent changes to the Big Lots storefront to accommodate both of these anchor stores. Thirtyeight rental apartments will be built over the current retail where the condo offices are currently located. The developer of the Village Center has yet to receive Site Plan approval to build Phase 2 of the project in the rear of the property, which will include approximately 49 town houses and 34 two-overtwo condominium units.

# **BLOOM MV PLAN** (GOLF COURSE REDEVELOPMENT)

The Montgomery County Planning Board recently voted to approve the Site Plan Amendment that includes an increase in the number of moderately priced dwelling units from approximately 14% to 25% of the overall plan of approximately 500 units. In addition, minor revisions to the plan include conservation easement updates for afforestation, landscaping and storm water management. This action by the planning board

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# **LOOK INSIDE**

**2019 White House Christmas Ornaments now** available



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**MVF Board Student** Rep position open for high school juniors

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**Community forums** for Watkins Mill Pool site and pickleball courts—your input needed!



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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, Dec. 5 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

#### ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, to review residents' requests for exterior modifications. The board requests that homeowners contact MVF if they plan to attend and if their contractors will accompany them.

# **COMMERCIAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The Commercial Architectural Review Committee (CARC) meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 6 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

#### PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. The agenda includes discussion of anticipated benefit costs for 2020 and other personnel issues.

#### **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

The Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 2 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Discussion to include pool policies, schedules, etc.

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.



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#### NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

#### **CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM**

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 26 at the Heron's Cove Office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

#### **EASTGATE**

The Eastgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

#### **EAST VILLAGE**

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

## **HORIZON RUN CONDOMINIUM**

The Horizon Run Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 18 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The includes the reconvened Annual Meeting.

## MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

# **NORTHGATE**

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12 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, Nov. 21 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

# PARK PLACE I CONDOMINIUM

The Park Place I Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at the Gaithersburg Library, 18330 Montgomery Village Avenue. The includes the reconvened Annual Meeting.

# PARK PLACE II CONDOMINIUM

The Park Place II Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 13 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The includes the reconvened Annual Meeting.

# **PATTON RIDGE**

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19 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, Nov. 20 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

# **STEDWICK**

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Stedwick Community Center 10401 Stedwick Road.

# THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

## WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 14 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.



# Village News

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# A fun start to the holiday season



by Glenn Gargan MVF President

What a month! Lynda and I are blessed to have two sons; one resides in DC, the other in Houston. All being ardent baseball fans, and with both boys in town for the Marine Corps Marathon on the same week as the World Series, there was great excitement (with little sleep, and some goodnatured banter). We all had a lot of fun as things "played out," and it was a great way for us to start the holiday season.

Speaking of which, we have a robust schedule of activities leading us towards the holiday season. This is my favorite time of the year in Montgomery Village, and I strongly encourage all to participate in whatever activities they can. From the Christmas Tree Lighting, to the Toys for Tots Concert, to Breakfast with Santa, there are multiple options for all residents to get into the holiday spirit.

It's getting darker out earlier, so please continue to keep an eye out for our children as you drive through our neighborhoods; we need to continue our vigilance for their safety.

# UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 14: New Residents Welcome Reception, North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, 7 p.m. If you're new to the community, come meet some neighbors and find out about the Village.

Saturday, Nov. 16: Holiday Craft Bazaar, Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shop for holiday gifts for those on your list!

**Saturday, Nov. 23:** MV Farmers' Market Special Holiday Market Day, Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 9801 Centerway Road, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Get all the local goods

to make your Thanksgiving meal a real treat. Pre-order your turkey online at www. ourspringfieldfarm.com.

Thursday, Nov. 28: Annual Thanksgiving Day Workout, Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, 9 to 10:30 a.m. Start your holiday off with a great workout!

Wednesday, Dec. 4: Community Christmas Tree Lighting, Next to CVS in the Montgomery Village Center, 6 to 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 6: Do-it-Yourself Wood Sign Workshop, Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, 7 to 9 p.m. Make this great holiday gift for someone special!

Sunday, Dec. 8: Cocoa & Crafts, Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Finish off the evening with some great jazz holiday tunes from the Montgomery Village Blue Notes. This free concert is at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road at 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 14: Breakfast with Santa, North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, 8:30 to noon—we've expanded the event this year to include two time slots! And from 1 to 2:30 p.m. your furry friends can get a photo with Santa as well—register online at www.montgomery village.com.

Sunday, Dec. 15: Holiday Toys for Tots Concert, Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, 3 p.m. Please bring a new unwrapped toy to donate and enjoy the holiday music from the Montgomery Village Community Band.

Lastly, please remember that the *Montgomery Village News* print editions are now distributed monthly. The Montgomery Village Foundation includes pertinent information published online in the following print edition as well.

As is tradition, I invite you to get involved. Volunteerism is the secret ingredient in Montgomery Village, and the mix of skills, talents, and knowledge present in our community can only ensure our continued improvement if you and your neighbors volunteer.

Your input and feedback to me at *garganmof@gmail.com* is welcome.

Best regards, Glenn

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#### **MVF BOARD MOTIONS**

#### MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MOTION LIST October 24, 2019

- 1. Mr. Dyer moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 26, 2019 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed (3-0-3); Mr. Bird, Mr. Davis and Mr. Young abstained.
- 2. Mr. Dyer moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 3. Mr. Dyer moved to adopt the revised 2020 MVF Budget. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 4. Mr. Dyer moved that the annual assessment rates for private dwelling units for calendar year 2020 be established per private dwelling unit, as \$258.24 for the MVF Fund, and \$461.04 for Designated Users, according to the approved 2020 MVF Budget and the assessment shall be paid and collected in accordance with the terms of the Collection Policy of Montgomery Village Foundation and the Homes Corporations managed by Montgomery Village Foundation, adopted by the MVF Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 5. Mr. Young moved that the annual assessment rate for condominium units for calendar year 2020 be established per private dwelling unit, as \$258.24 according to the approved 2020 MVF Budget and that said assessment shall be paid and collected in accordance with the terms of the Montgomery Village Foundation Collection Policy for Condominium Associations and Multi-Family Properties, adopted by the MVF Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 6. Mr. Dyer moved that the annual assessment rates for multifamily rental units for calendar year 2020 be established per private dwelling unit, as \$129.12 according to the approved 2020 MVF Budget, and that said assessment shall be paid and collected in accordance with the terms of the Montgomery Village Foundation Collection Policy for Condominium Associations and Multi-Family Properties, adopted by the MVF Board of VF Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 7. Mr. Dyer moved that the annual assessment rates for Poplar Spring for calendar year 2020 be established per private dwelling unit, as \$258.24 for the MVF Fund, \$461.04 for Designated Users and \$136.92 for Poplar Spring, according to the approved 2020 MVF Budget and the assessment shall be paid and collected in accordance with the terms of the Collection Policy of Montgomery Village Foundation and the Homes Corporations managed by Montgomery Village Foundation, adopted by the MVF Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 8. Mr. Dyer moved to authorize the purchase of the 2020 assessment coupons, return envelopes, and postage with Bank-A-Count Corp. for a total cost of \$12,628.98 plus an additional 10% for any changes in direct debit enrollments or any other unforeseen costs. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- 9. Mr. Dyer moved to approve Richard Hyde for membership on the Recreation Committee. The motion was seconded and failed (2-3-1). Mr. Webb, Mr. Davis and Mr. Young were opposed; Mr. Bird abstained.
- 10. Mr. Young moved to hold a discussion about committee caps at a future meeting. The motion was seconded and passed (5-1). Mr. Dyer was opposed.
- 11. Mr. Young moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously
- 12. Mr. Bird moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:15 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 and (iii) Consultation with legal counsel on legal matters per the amended agenda as approved by the Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

# MONTGOMERY VILLAGE





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17	Horizon Run Condo 7:30 pm – NCBR (Ann. Mtg. Reconvened)	Thomas Choice Gardens 6:30 pm – TCPR East Village HC 7:30 pm – LMCC Patton Ridge HC 7 pm – NCBR	Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm – SCC  Maryland Place HC 7:30 pm – WCC  MV Community Band 7 pm – WMHS  South Village HC 7 pm – NCBR  Stedwick F 7:30 pm –	North Village HC 7 pm – NCBR	22	Holiday Market Day Farmers' Market 9 am to 1 pm – CTS
24	25	26 Center Court Condominium 7 pm – Heron's Cove Office	Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm – SCC	Thanksgiving Day  MVF Office Closed  Thanksgiving Day Workout 9 to 10:30 am – LMCC \$8 Drop-in or \$5 w/2 non- perishable food items	MVF Office Closed	30
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SVP ...... South Valley Park, 19003 Watkins Mill Rd.

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#### IN THE NEWS

# Park of the Month: Picton Playground

by Amy Roswurm

Nestled between East Village Avenue and Snouffer School Road on Welbeck Way is the small .12-acre Picton Playground. It is located between the communities of Picton and Essex Place. This small park features a playground and a grassy area that is great for playing catch or having a picnic. The playground at this park was built in 2015. It features multiple slides, swings, spring rockers, climbers and a ton of ways to have fun!









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# **Development**

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will allow the developer to move forward with obtaining permits.

Site work on Areas 4 and 5 (property between Arrowhead Road and Montgomery Village Avenue) is now expected to begin by the second quarter of 2020, with the first model home to be delivered by Ryan Homes shortly thereafter.

Monument Realty will build a new park for MVF which will include a large playground, community gardens and a dog park. New natural paths will be built in many areas of the property.

# LIDL GROCERY STORE (FORMER PROFESSIONAL CENTER)

As of September 10, Lidl has submitted to the Planning Department of the Maryland-National Capital Planning Commission (Planning Board) a Preliminary Plan and Site Plan to develop two lots on 6.52 acres of land at the old Professional Center site. The

first lot will be a grocery store of not more than 30,000 square feet owned by Lidl.

The second lot, although having a conceptual building layout on the Site Plan, has no use identified as yet, but will probably be retail. The plan will likely be on the Planning Board agenda in January 2020. The plan must also receive final approval from MVF's Commercial Architectural Review Committee (CARC). It will take approximately 18 months to build the Lidl store.





# Staying Aware in the Village

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

#### AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

An aggravated assault occurred in the 18300 block of Lost Knife Circle in the early morning hours of October 26. The suspect displayed a weapon and assaulted the adult male victim. Victim/Witness described suspect as: W/M, age unknown.

## **HOMICIDE**

A homicide occurred in the 10200 block of Wild Apple Circle at approximately 9:58 p.m. on October 24. The suspect was arrested.

#### RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential shed burglary occurred in the unit block of Wayridge Court in the early morning hours of October 20. No signs of forced entry, the shed was reported to have been left unlocked; property was taken. No suspect(s) information available.

An attempted residential garage burglary occurred in the 9800 block of Dellcastle Road in the early morning hours of October 26. Victim/Witness described suspect as: B/M, approximately age 19.

#### STRONG-ARM ROBBERY

A strong-arm robbery occurred in the 9500 block of Horizon Run Road at approximately 9:34 p.m. on October 15. The suspects assaulted the adult female victim and took her money. Victim/Witness described suspect as: 2 H/Ms, ages unknown.

# THEFTS FROM VEHICLES

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between September 28 and October 5. Affected streets included Dellcastle Court, Gravier Court, Watkins Mill Road and Pruitt Court. Money and property were taken.

A suspect was arrested for the Watkins Mill Road theft: Juvenile male, age 17; of Poolesville.

Two suspects were arrested for the Pruitt Court thefts: Briana Gomez, age 18 of Gaithersburg; Juvenile female, age 17 of Gaithersburg.

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between October 4 and October 9. Affected streets included Royal Bonnet Terrace and Copps Hill Place. Money and property were taken. Description of suspect seen at the Copps Hill Place theft: described suspect as B/M, age unknown.

A theft from vehicle occurred in the 9400 block of Quill Place between approximately 8 p.m. on October 15 and 4:50 a.m. on October 16. No force; property was taken. No suspect(s) information available.

Two thefts from vehicles occurred between approximately 9 p.m. on October 18 and 3:15 p.m. on October 19. One theft occurred in the 20000 block of Canebrake Court and one theft occurred in the 8700 block of Vanillaleaf Court. No force; property was taken. No suspect(s) information available.

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between October 19 and October 26. Affected streets included Wayridge Drive, Wayridge Court, Brassie Place and Dellcastle Road. Force was reported in one event; money and property were taken. No suspect(s) information available.

An attempted theft from vehicle occurred in the 8500 block of Silverfield Circle at approximately 5:30 a.m. on October 20. No suspect(s) information available.

## **VEHICLE THEFT**

A vehicle theft occurred in the area of Watkins Mill Road and Stedwick Road between approximately noon and 11:09 p.m. on October 6. Unknown entry. The vehicle was recovered on October 6. No suspect(s) information available.

IN THE NEWS

# MVF 2020 Budget tops agenda at October Board meeting

by Mike Conroy

The MVF Board of Directors approved the 2020 Operating Budget and other items related to the budget at its meeting on October 24. The Board adopted the 2020 Budget, set the 2020 MVF and Designated User (DU) assessment rates and authorized the Executive Vice President (EVP) to purchase assessment coupons. Due to cost savings identified through personnel changes and contract negotiation, the original proposed assessment increases for both the MVF and DU funds were able to be reduced; the MVF fee will increase \$.49/month and the DU fee will increase \$.80/month. The full adopted budget can be found online at www.mont gomeryvillage.com.

# OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

Also on the agenda were informational updates on the repurposing of the Watkins Mill Pool site and potential Pickleball Court locations. Director of Recreation and Parks Duncan Mullis reported that the Recreation Committee recently reviewed several op-

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tions for a year-round facility on the pool site. From those options and resident feedback, they recommended that a fitness playground, outdoor fitness center, skate park or sports court facility be considered for the site. The committee plans to hold a community forum and use a digital survey to gain feedback on the options before returning to the Board with a final recommendation.

Mullis also said the Recreation Committee discussed community feedback regarding the location of dedicated Pickleball Courts. The original proposal was to place several courts at the Apple Ridge Recreation Area, but given opposition to this location, staff will be studying other locations. Once the Recreation Committee reviews other potential locations, they will send a recommendation to the MVF Board of Directors.

Additionally, the Board decided to look at committee size in the future and determine if a cap on membership would be beneficial to fulfilling each committee's mission. This stemmed from discussion about an application for

membership on the Recreation Committee, which currently has the one of the largest rosters of volunteers.

# PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Board Vice President Pete Webb presided over the meeting in the absence of President Glenn Gargan. Webb noted several upcoming events, including the New Residents Welcome Reception (Thursday, Nov. 14); the community Christmas Tree Lighting (Wednesday, Dec. 4); and the December MVF Board meeting (Thursday, Dec. 5). He also extended his gratitude to all staff for the excellent job putting together the Great Pumpkin Race, one of the Village's premier family events.

#### **EVP REPORT**

Executive Vice President Dave Humpton said that staff had recently met with state and local representatives for the 2020 Census. He mentioned that due to low response in the 2010 Census, Montgomery Village and other parts of the county were the focus for the impending count. MVF will be helping market the need

for residents to complete the census in the coming months.

Humpton also reported that Monument Realty recently received approval for the Site Plan Amendment, which increases the number of MPDUs from 14% to 25% of the units to be built on the former golf course. This approval by the Planning Board will allow them to obtain other permits and move forward with the development.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

MVF CFO Daniel Salazar gave the monthly financial report in the treasurer's absence. He noted that overall through September, MVF remains in good standing, tracking many areas favorable to the budget. He said Investment Returns were up \$441,000 but *Village News* advertising continues to remain below budget.

Net Income for the month was reported at \$44,600, which is favorable, and year-to-date (YTD), Net Income is \$117,000 ahead of the budget. YTD Revenue is also favorable at \$7,000,029. In the Operating Fund, Legal Expenses were

slightly more than expected; however, Personnel Expenses were \$84,000 below the budget. Contributions to Reserves were made as prescribed in the budget, totaling \$983,000 YTD.

Salazar also said the Investment Committee reported that MVF has fully transitioned into its new dividend strategy with large cap equity growth. YTD returns were \$520,000 (8.34%). He noted a slight increase in the Delinquency Rate, up 0.7% from last year at this time. The Assessment Accounts Receivable were reported higher than usual, due mostly to the outstanding balance from some of the condominiums.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 5 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The meeting begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. with Residents Time. Residents are invited and encouraged to attend. The meeting agenda and information packet will be available online at www.montgomery village.com the week of the meeting.

# **MVF Financial Reports - September 2019**

YTD Sep 2019

# **OPERATING FUND - STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE**

September 2019

	September 2019		11D Sep 2019			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance
			(Unfav)			(Unfav)
Revenue:						
Assessments	544,194	544,156	38	4,897,745	4,897,403	341
Assessment Fees	4,256	1,011	3,246	138,856	136,925	1,932
Transfer Fees	2,475	3,387	(912)	26,099	28,176	(2,077)
Disclosure Fees	12,082	12,343	(261)	115,837	104,737	11,100
Advertising revenue	3,607	4,606	(999)	61,429	83,405	(21,976)
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	7,030	3,271	3,758	136,248	94,760	41,488
Camps & Classes	7,503	18,944	(11,441)	218,934	239,308	(20,375)
Management Fees	67,879	65,963	1,916	606,100	593,666	12,434
Capital Contribution fee	10,158	16,651	(6,493)	124,682	110,072	14,610
Other Income	10,323	20,394	(10,071)	148,853	160,131	(11,278)
Total Revenue	669,507	690,725	(21,219)	6,474,784	6,448,584	26,200
Personnel Costs:						
Salaries & Wages	320,213	323,331	3,118	2,964,565	3,033,130	68,565
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	90,353	91,554	1,202	849,734	865,217	15,483
Personnel Costs	410,566	414,885	4,320	3,814,299	3,898,347	84,047
Business Expenses	18,907	12,275	(6,632)	142,516	158,305	15,789
Office Supplies	1,975	3,263	1,288	31,017	32,854	1,837
Program/Maint Supplies	6,137	8,834	2,697	129,271	133,071	3,799
Occupancy	34,549	47,200	12,651	255,164	268,426	13,262
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	18,338	18,775	437	238,691	254,052	15,361
Equip Maintenance	183	1,710	1,527	27,963	41,060	13,097
Vehicle Expenses	1,215	2,413	1,198	18,999	22,015	3,017
Financial & Legal	3,426	19,248	15,822	179,452	109,448	(70,003)
Insurance	12.321	12.278	(42)	86,945	86,436	(509)
Printing	2,168	1,850	(318)	36,935	35,685	(1,250)
Landscape/Maintenance	57,186	47,239	(9,947)	579,334	616,889	37,555
Security	106	208	102	4,850	4,300	(550)
Other	(11)	-	11	498	-	(498)
Operating Costs	156,500	175,292	18,793	1,731,635	1,762,540	30,905
Contribution to Reserves	109,302	109,302	_	983,714	983,714	_
Contribution to CCF	10,158	16,651	6,493	124,682	110,072	(14,610)
Purchases of Assets	433	0	(433)	,	0	(3,896)
Restricted Expenses	-	0	-	5,394	0	(5,394)
Other Equity Transfers	_	0	_	_	0	-
Reserve/capital	119,892	125,952	6,060	1,117,686	1,093,785	(23,901)
Operating Expenses	686,958	716,130	29,172	6,663,621	6,754,672	91,052

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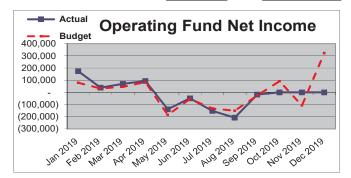
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# **MVF BALANCE SHEET**

# For the Period Ended September 30, 2019

	Current	Prior Year
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash equiv	2,329,882	1,873,670
Investments	6,359,442	6,230,943
Due from Reserves	285,450	816,414
Assessment Receivables	547,155	487,135
Other Receivables	89,873	103,751
Current Assets	9,611,802	9,511,912
Gross Fixed Assets	16,127,241	15,513,612
Accumulated Depreciation	(7,411,021)	(6,941,521)
Fixed Assets	8,716,219	8,572,091
Other Assets	72,170	68,259
Assets	18,400,191	18,152,262
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Due to Operating	285,450	816,414
Payables	371,385	340,358
Sunstream Cap Lease	107,801	112,997
Deferred Revenue Liab	531,803	475,949
Liabilities	1,296,438	1,745,717
Undesignated Reserves	2,510,282	2,402,057
Designated Reserves	14,593,467	14,004,483
Equity	17,103,748	16,406,540
Liabilities & Equity	18,400,191	18,152,262



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.

(306,089)

117,251

(188,837)

IN THE NEWS

# "Doug the Bug" claims Pumpkin Race victory

by Mike Conroy

It wouldn't be October without the Montgomery Village Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival. On Saturday, Oct. 12, pumpkins and people once again descended on North Creek Community Center to participate in the area's most creative fall festival. Colorful decoration, tense racing action, plenty of family fun and pumpkin-themed everything, with the backdrop of music by local DJ Baspy, set the mood again this year for the 10th Annual Fall Festival. Families gathered with pumpkin racers in hand to enjoy the festivities and try their luck at racing away with the coveted Pumpkin Racer Trophy.

The semi-final heats saw several past champions, including several entries from the Ahlman family and last year's winner, PJ Maneval, along with several newcomers like "Forky," "Rainbow Dash" and "Jack Skellington" to name a few. In the three semi final heats, almost every pumpkin went straight for the finish line, making it all about speed this year.

In the final heat, the Ahlman's "Backerdz" and "Rhino" faced off against Holisoa Reilly's "Doug the Bug." All three took off for the finish line with a clean, no bumping, crashing or pushing heat. "Doug the Bug's" larger wheels made the difference, barely edging out the other racers for the win. This was sweet redemption, as "Doug's" predecessor, the 2018 "Super Bug" took second place last year.

The Reilly family has participated in the event for several years, each year getting closer to the prized trophy. Sisters Diamondra and Holisoa were the inspiration and imagination behind this year's entry, and their persistence paid off in a big way! Each heat they raced in "Doug" was fast enough to get away from other racers who strayed off course, and in true competitive fashion, they congratulated the Ahlmans on a great race when it was all over.

For the rest of the festival, though, hundreds of residents and community neighbors enjoyed the rides, games and food. It was clear from the number of test runs, pumpkin garage visits and fantastically decorated pumpkins, that competition for this year's medals and trophy was going to be stiff. There were over 100 pumpkins entered into the race this year, as well as a full slate of VIP racers.

Before the races started, festival goers had an opportunity to visit with local businesses and organizations, play carnival games, ride the rides, taste the festival food and participate in pumpkin-themed crafts. The test track and racer garage were encompassed in a flurry of activity up to the last minute, with all racers trying to gain the competitive edge—or at least figure out how to roll straight enough to cross the finish line! The last-minute tinkering paid off, as a large number of race heats came down to the wire.

The beer and wine garden was a new addition this year, giving adults a place to taste a beverage or two while children were nearby on rides or playing games. Making another appearance by popular demand were the balloon launch, with an adjusted target, and the petting zoo, which kept visitors busy before and after their racers were eliminated.

With a full field of racers clamoring for position in the VIP exhibition, Montgomery County Councilmember Sydney Katz's pumpkin rolled straight for the finish line. MVF Board of Directors President Glenn Gargan's "MV Pumpkin" made a hard right and hit the hay bales; Senator Nancy King's "Everest" tried to catch the 6th District Police's "Rainbow Fish," but came up short; EVP Dave Humpton's "Blue Toad" slipped on a banana peel; and the other racers got caught in the middle of it all.

Following the opening races, resident racers lined up for elimination heat after heat for the next hour and a half, pitting

siblings, friends, neighbors and strangers against each other. Amid a plethora of finely decorated, rule-abiding pumpkins lurked a fair number of cheaters, who, once identified, were at the mercy of the crowd and the referee. It didn't take much crowd convincing to have those whose pumpkins bent the rules eliminated from competition via the referee's mallet. Several chants of "Smash it! Smash it!" were heard before the final thud of the mallet sent pumpkin seeds flying across the race track to loud cheers from the crowd. Among the cheaters was a surprise candy-filled pumpkin which drew kids of all ages onto the race course.

MVF would like to thank our generous sponsors and participants in the event, including: DJ Baspy; Montgomery County 6th District Police; Asbury Methodist Village; Barley Field Orchard; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Chesapeake Area Alaskan Malamute Protection; D's Smokehouse BBQ; DMV Empanadas; Elk Run Winery; Fatherhood Initiative; Falun Dafa Association of D.C.; Forbes Design Center; the Frederick Keys; Georgetown Hill Early School; Goldfish Swim School; Harvest Plates & Pints; Kicks Karate; Kitchen Saver; Ledo Pizza; Mesisam Ethiopian Eatery; Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services; Montgomery Village Animal Hospital; Mully's Brewery; NovaCare Rehabilitation - Gaithersburg; Pella Mid-Atlantic; Squeals on Wheels Petting Zoo; The Sandy Spring African Art Gallery and Museum; True Respite Brewing Company; TW Perry; and Village Montessori School for supporting the event through attendance and volunteerism.

Next year's Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival is sure to bring even more competition and excitement—keep your wheels, or find new ones, and start planning your racer now! The 2020 Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 10—see you then!

# New residents invited to welcome reception

New residents are invited to attend an MVF-sponsored New Residents Welcome Reception from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 14, 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 and provide information about living in a planned community.

Area services, businesses and schools will also be represented, and free refreshments will be served. For more information, call 240-243-2331.



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IN THE NEWS

# 2020 MVF Election: Call for Candidates

Do you have an interest in community affairs? Would you like to help your hometown flourish or help shape the future of our community? Then consider service to the community on the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors!

In March, three candidates will be elected by the members (homeowners) of MVF to serve three-year terms on the ninemember Board of Directors. The Board meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at the North Creek Community Center. These meetings are open to all residents for their ideas, input and support.

The Montgomery Village Foundation provides overall governance to the Village. It interacts with government agencies and oversees proposals for development or legislation affecting the Village. MVF has two major responsibilities as outlined in its legal documents. First, MVF has responsibility for management and maintenance of MVF owned properties. These include MVF's recreational areas and facilities such as parks, lakes, ponds, tennis courts and community

Second, MVF, through the Architectural Review Board, provides guidelines and restrictions on architectural changes with the objective of helping to maintain Village property values.

# WHO CAN RUN FOR THE BOARD?

All interested applicants who are owners or residents of residential property in Montgomery Village are welcome to apply. MVF urges residents to share their skills, views and energies by participating in Village governance. The Nominating Committee reviews all applications for nomination and considers applicants based on a number of factors including, but not limited to the following:

- Status as residential property owner or resident
- Length of residency in Montgomery Village
- Previous participation in community affairs
- Academic, professional, or practical experience in such areas as finance, engineering, administration or law, which would assist in the management of a community association
- Must be in good standing with MVF and not in sustained violation of any MVF architectural standard or rule, and current in assessments.
- 18 years of age or above

# HOW DO I RUN FOR THE MVF BOARD?

It's easy. Candidates do not need to run an expensive political campaign to serve the community. Space is set aside in the Village News for candidate statements, along with photos, so Villagers can get to know the candidates and their views. Also, the MVF Election Committee sponsors a candidate video interview and two "Meet the Candidates" events where candidates can talk with Villagers one-on-one about issues of importance. Applicants are provided equal opportunities through the Village *News*, the Meet the Candidates events, and specially prepared Candidate Statements which are forwarded to all Village homeowners with their ballots.

That's all there is to it! Let's hear from you!

You can find the application online at www.montgomery village.com, or drop by the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, and pick up an application form and instructions. You can return your application online, by mail, fax or e-mail, or bring it back to the MVF Office for forwarding to the MVF Nominating Committee. Nominations close at 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 10, 2020.

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# **2019 White House Christmas Ornaments now available**

Once again, the Lake Marion Lasers swim team will be selling the White House Christmas Ornament as its annual fundraiser. For the past 20 years, Lake Marion has used this fundraiser to support the team's coaching staff and operational needs. Again, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) has agreed to have the ornaments available for purchase at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Payment may be made by cash or check made out to the "Lake Marion Swim Team;" cost per ornament is \$22.

The Lasers are pleased that both the MVF and East Village Homes Corporation continue to jointly sponsor the sale of these collectible ornaments. Limited ornaments from past years will also be for sale.

# A LITTLE HISTORY ABOUT THIS YEAR'S ORNAMENT

The White House Historical Association's Official 2019 White House Christmas Ornament honors Dwight D. Eisenhower, the 34<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. This ornament symbolizes President Eisenhower's commitment to innovation. Eisenhower was the first president to fly in a helicopter while in office in July 1957, and thereafter the helicopter became a feature of White House life. It was often used by the president to commute short distances, demonstrating its safety to the public.

As the first president to regularly use a helicopter, he had two Executive Flight Detachments for his transport. These were provided by flight crews of the United States Army and the United States Marine Corps. To demonstrate his impartiality, the president alternated between these helicopters and their respective military personnel. Likewise, the Official 2019

White House Christmas Ornament does not represent a single helicopter. One side features the Presidential Seal, representing Eisenhower's two terms as commander in chief of the Armed Forces; the other side displays his five-star rank, honoring his military service as a general in the United States Army.

Since 1957, Sikorsky, a Lockheed Martin Company, has proudly built the presidential helicopter. The men and women of Lockheed Martin are honored to have flown every commander in chief since President Eisenhower. The Official 2019 White House Christmas Ornament honors that legacy and is proudly supported by Lockheed Martin.



# **County schedule for Veterans Day**

Montgomery County government will observe the following holiday schedule for Veterans Day, Monday, Nov. 11:

County Offices - Closed

Libraries - Closed

Alcohol Beverage Services (ABS) - Retail stores will operate on regular schedules.

**Recreation** – Aquatic centers are open. Recreation, and senior centers and administrative offices are closed.

Montgomery Parks - Visit www.MontgomeryParks.org

Ride On and Ride On Flex - Operates on the holiday schedule

Metrorail and Metrobus - Visit www.wmata.com

TRiPS Commuter Store (Silver Spring) - Open

TRiPS Mobile Commuter Store - Closed

**County-provided recycling pickup** – No county-provided recycling collection services will occur on this day. After the holiday, all county-provided recycling collections will slide and be one day later than normal, with the last pickup on Saturday, Nov. 16.

Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station - Open normal hours

Parking at Public Garages, Lots and Curbside Meters - Free

State Offices and Courts - Closed

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### IN THE NEWS

# North Creek Stream Valley restoration to begin soon

The North Creek Stream Valley Restoration Project will take place along North Creek between Wightman Road and Montgomery Village Avenue. This section of North Creek receives high volumes of water during rain events coming from roads and parking lots, which creates detrimental effects to the stream and leads to erosion in the stream channel. The contractor for the project

is Ecotone, Inc., an ecological restoration design/build firm.

The existing stream contains steep eroding banks that are undercut and collapsing into the stream, which threatens the underground utilities and infrastructure. This project will entail some realignment of the existing stream channel and grading the streambanks to a gentle slope. Construction of approximately 2,808 linear feet

of restored stream will begin in late November 2019 and continue through Spring 2020.

The proposed restoration plans do not impact the utilities and will stabilize the surrounding streambanks and floodplain. Specifically, the proposed design applies bank protection practices using woody material and rock to stabilize the stream, provide aquatic habitat and reduce

bank erosion. Most of the existing trees in the stream valley will remain; however, some along the stream banks will have to be removed.

After construction is complete, additional trees and shrubs will be planted to support the restoration efforts. Twenty years from now, planted trees and live stakes (dormant, live woody cuttings

of a species with the branches trimmed off) will be fully matured to shade out the stream and create great in-stream habitat features.

The stream will remain stable with improved floodplain connection and bank protection. The project is being fully funded by the Maryland State Highway Administration.

# **MVF Audit Committee seeks new members**

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Audit Committee is seeking new members. This important committee is chartered by the MVF Bylaws. The primary role of the committee is to review MVF's annual budget and year ending auditors' report and accompanying financial statements. The committee also has the responsibility of reviewing MVF's financial policies and making recommendations for changes to the annual budget format or to the audited financial statements.

When necessary, the committee also holds interviews of perspective auditors. The committee meets three times a year on Tuesdays, at 7 p.m. in

the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

Applicants should have a recent background, education or professional experience that includes accounting, auditing, finance, business and/or management.

A Committee Membership Application can be found on-

line at www.montgomeryvillage. com under "MVF," "Committees," or you can obtain a hard copy at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

For questions or more information, contact CFO Daniel Salazar at 240-243-2332, or e-mail *dsalazar@mvf.org*.





# MVF Board Student Rep position open for high school juniors

Calling all high school juniors who have an interest in serving their community and school and representing the youth in Montgomery Village! The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors invites you to apply for the position of Student Representative. This collaborative program is intended to encourage more youth involvement and input into Montgomery Village activities and the community as a whole; to help bring a new perspective to Board decisions affecting the community; and to help build on the MVF Board's Strategic Goal of continuing partnership opportunities with Village schools.

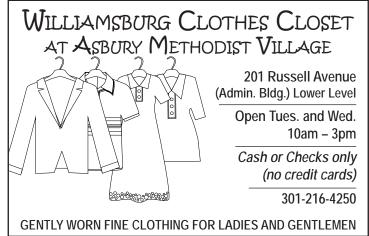
All high school juniors who live in Montgomery Village are eligible to apply. Selection will be made based on applicants' GPA, interest in government/political science/organization management/business, extracurricular activities, a letter of recommendation and availability for scheduled Board meetings. The position will also include a paid summer internship (June to August) in the MVF Office.

The MVF Nominating Committee will review the submitted applications in early

February and recommend no more than three candidates to the Board for final selection. The selected candidate will be installed as a non-voting member at the Board's Annual Meeting in March. The chosen candidate will participate in Board discussions and initiatives; work with staff on projects; and gain a clearer understanding of policy decisions in the community.

Applications and full program details can be found online at www.montgomery village.com, or with the Gaithersburg High School Internship Coordinator and Watkins Mill High School College/ Career Coordinator. Applications may be returned to MVF via hand-delivery; mailed to MVF Nominating Committee, c/o Montgomery Village Foundation, Inc., 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886; or e-mailed to mconroy@mvf.org. Completed and signed applications must be received at the MVF Office by 5 p.m. sharp, February 7, 2020.

For more information or questions, call Assistant Executive Vice President Mike Conroy at 240-243-2331 or e-mail *mconroy@mvf.org*.



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IN THE NEWS

# **Assessments**

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site and the replacement of the Martin P. Roy Park tot lot.

Assessment rate notices will be mailed in November, and coupon books will be mailed to residents in December. Property owners who do not receive coupon books by Monday, Dec. 31 should call 301-948-0110 for replacement coupons.

# North Creek Lake Park playground update

The playground replacement project at North Creek Lake Park has been awarded to Metro Recreation, Inc., and it is expected for construction to begin on this project in November. Staff is still waiting to confirm the exact dates; please be sure to check our online resources for the most up to date project information.

Once construction begins, it is expected for the project to take around two weeks until it is completed. The playground area will be closed during construction. If there is orange construction fencing up at the site, the playground will be closed for use. Please keep in mind that even if the playground looks ready and the fencing is up, there may still be concrete behind the surface that needs time to completely dry.

For more information or questions about this project, contact Amy Roswurm at 240-243-2303 or e-mail aroswurm@mvf.org.

# Pickleball Forum to be held in December

As part of the Montgomery Village Recreation and Parks Strategic Plan, staff has been researching ways to repurpose underutilized tennis courts. Pickleball is a sport that is growing in popularity and demand, but lacks infrastructure in the area. Pickleball is a paddle sport that combines many of the elements of tennis, badminton and table tennis. In 2018 pickleball was the fastest-growing sport in the USA. Multiple residents have asked for MVF to create purpose-built pickleball courts within Montgomery Village.

Recreation and Parks staff has been looking at various tennis court locations to identify a venue for the installation of purpose-built pickleball courts. Staff had initially focused on Apple Ridge Recreation Area, as these courts were due to be resurfaced in 2019. In addition, the data collected from the Apple Ridge Recreation Area site showed that the courts are generally underused, it is a four-court venue, with ample parking.

However, after consulting with residents through a community forum, the Recreation Committee and the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors, staff is broadening the number of venues being considered for dedicated

pickleball courts. The additional areas under consideration are Edward DeSimon Recreation Area, North Creek Community Center and Watkins Mill Recreation Area.

MVF Recreation and Parks Department will be both hosting a community forum and posting a survey to gain community feedback on these proposed locations. The community forum is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 12 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. At the forum, staff will present information about each location and the project, and after the presentation, residents will be given an opportunity to share their thoughts and opinions on the locations.

The survey is available online at https://bit.ly/2JM1Rq4 and will be open until Friday, Dec. 13. Residents may also request a paper copy of the survey at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Community feedback and recommendations will be presented to the Recreation Committee and MVF Board of Directors in January.

For more information, questions or comments about this project, contact Director of Recreation and Parks Duncan Mullis at 240-243-2337 or e-mail dmullis@mvf.org.

# New year-round amenity to replace Watkins Mill Pool

by Amy Roswurm

A major discussion point for the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors in 2019 has been the repurposing of the Watkins Mill Pool site. By repurposing the site, it will allow for the creation of a new amenity for better utilization of the recreation area.

Each year, the aquatics staff provides detailed statistics on utilization of all MVF pools. including the Watkins Mill Pool, which is MVF's smallest and least used pool. This location has always been a challenge due to the proximity of the busy Watkins Mill Road, which fronts the pool site. MVF has six additional pools with capacity.

The reality is that as MVF renovates facilities, operating and reserve expenses increase. For these reasons, the Board of Directors has decided to move in a different direction with the Watkins Mill Pool location and develop a plan to repurpose

this site. As such, the MVF Board of Directors approved the 2020 Budget in October without funds to operate the Watkins Mill Pool in 2020 and beyond. In addition, the Board approved funds for the demolition of the pool and the installation of a new, year-round amenity (to be determined).

Recreation and Parks staff researched various options for the repurpose of the Watkins Mill site. Some of the criteria staff considered were: low operation cost, low reserve cost, year-round usage, unique to Montgomery Village, support of Long Range Facility Plan, support of community needs and fit within the given budget parameters.

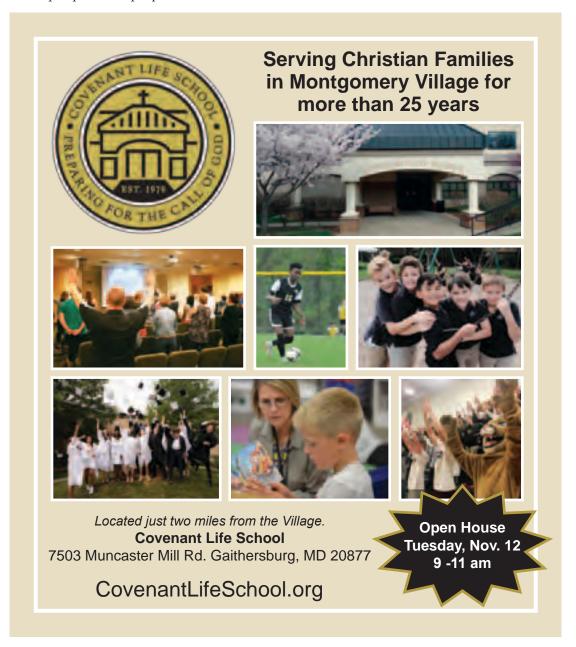
Staff presented different amenity options to the Recreation Committee in October. The committee narrowed down the selection to four amenities that they believe could be a good fit for the location. Those amenities include: outdoor fitness space with

playground; outdoor fitness space; skate park; or multiple sports courts (futsal, basketball and pickleball).

The committee recommended hosting both a community forum and survey to gain community feedback on these proposed concepts. The community forum is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

The survey is available online at https://bit.ly/2JNBpwc and will be open until Friday, Dec. 13. Residents may also request a paper copy of the survey at the Montgomery Village Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Community feedback and recommendations will be presented to the Recreation Committee and MVF Board of Directors in January.

For more information, questions or comments about this project, contact Director of Recreation and Parks Duncan Mullis at 240-243-2337 or e-mail *dmullis@mvf.org*.



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**COMMUNITY SERVICE** 

# Mercy Seat Chapel Turkey giveaway

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, Mercy Seat Chapel (MSC) is giving away 500 free turkeys. Over the last several years, the Thanksgiving Turkey Drive, through individual donations from church members, have provided 1,400 turkeys to families in need. Recipients were from the local community and included people from different races, ethnicities and vocations. The giveaway helps spread the message that reminds recipients that difficult times do not last forever, but are only for a season.

MSC's Head Pastor Ola Olarinde announced that this year, 500 families will be receiving one turkey each, to match last year's efforts. He believes that we need to support each other in difficult and trying times. In his own words, "Just the way MSC families will be celebrating Thanksgiving with a turkey, we want parents that may be struggling right now to do the same with their families, regardless of their financial situation." Organizers are gearing up for a successful 2019 Thanksgiving

Turkey Drive and they are hoping for a great turnout.

Area residents in need of a turkey should visit 17604 Washington Grove Lane, Gaithersburg, on Tuesday, Nov. 19 or Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m.

MSC's annual turkey giveaway is only one of the numerous programs this family church offers to assist members of their neighboring communities. For more information about Mercy Seat Chapel and weekly activities, visit www. mercyseatchapel.org.

# Christ the Servant **Lutheran Church** 9801 Centerway Road Montgomery Village,

The first 25 visitors will receive a FREE re-useable Farmers' Market Grocery Bag.

# **Fall Holiday** Farmers' Market Event

Saturday, Nov. 23 | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Turkeys are available from Springfield Farm!

Customers need to pre-order turkeys from www.ourspringfieldfarm.com by Sunday, Nov. 10.

Orders will be available for pickup at the market.



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Linkages to Learning is a collaboration among Montgomery County Public Schools, the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services, and non-profit service providers, bringing health, mental health and social services, as well as educational support, to thousands of children and their families in 29 elementary and middle school communities.

Linkages' goal is to provide gift cards for Thanksgiving and the December holi-

days to over 5,000 children in Montgomery County. These gift cards can be of any denomination and preferably at stores such as Giant Food, Safeway, Target, Wal-Mart, local movie theaters or restaurants such as Chipotle. All gifts and donations are greatly appreciated.

Those inclined to help can mail gift cards to: Linkages to Learning, 1401 Rockville Pike Suite

3100, Rockville, MD 20852. If you prefer to write a check, it can be made payable to: Linkages To Learning.

For more information or questions, contact Haifa Krakaur at 240-777-1291 or e-mail Haifa.krakaur@mont gomerycountymd.gov.

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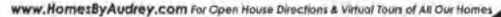


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# **Architectural Standards**

The Architectural Standards Department is here to answer your questions about making changes to the exterior of your property. Architectural Standards is responsible for approving exterior changes—anything from replacing a door to building a deck or shed, to additions on your home. Call Martha Cruz at 240-243-2306 or e-mail *mcruz@mvf.org* or Erika Hottinger at 240-243-2351 or e-mail *ehottinger@mvf.org*. Questions may also be mailed to Montgomery Village Foundation, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886, or faxed to 301-990-7071. Specific architectural standards criteria for each community in Montgomery Village are available at *www.montgomeryvillage.com*.

A .....Approved

D ......Denied PEND.....Pending

AWM ......Approved w/modifications

# MVF REVIEW OF REQUESTS ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

# November 6, 2019

#### **EASTGATE**

8016 HARBOR TREE WAY
- Roof, A

8016 HARBOR TREE WAY - Vent, A

7925 OTTER COVE CT -Front Door Replacement, A 7925 OTTER COVE CT -Storm Door, AWM

7925 OTTER COVE CT -Sidelight, A

7703 HERITAGE FARM DR - Exterior Paint, AWM

9 BATTERY BEND CT - Garage Door, A

20314 SEABROOK DR -Roof, AWM

7519 OYSTER BAY WAY -Front Door Replacement, A 7519 OYSTER BAY WAY -Sidelight, A

7519 OYSTER BAY WAY -Storm Door, A

#### **EAST VILLAGE**

20124 HARRON VALLEY WAY - Replacement Windows, AWM

8200 GALLERY CT -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

19918 HAMIL CIR - Roof, A 19918 HAMIL CIR -Downspout/Gutter, A

8105 DRY RIDGE RD -Trim, AWM

8105 DRY RIDGE RD -Downspout/Gutter, AWM 19812 HELMOND WAY -Patio, A

8213 COLLINGDALE WAY - Vinyl Siding, A

8704 WILD GINGER WAY -Security Camera, AWM

20310 STRINGFELLOW CT - Storm Door, AWM 8701 RAVENGLASS WAY

- Front Door Replacement, D 8754 RAVENGLASS WAY -

Fence and Gate, AWM 8754 RAVENGLASS WAY

20 HAWK RUN CT -Replacement Windows, AWM 20 HAWK RUN CT -Replacement Patio Door, AWM 20 HAWK RUN CT -

Trim, AWM 8707 DELCRIS DR -Replacement Windows with

Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, D 20404 IVYBRIDGE CT -

Exterior Paint, D 20424 DAVENCROFT CT -

20424 DAVENCROFT CT -Stones, A 8616 DELCRIS DR - Roof, A

20412 REMSBURY PL -Exterior Paint, AWM

20413 REMSBURY PL -Garage Door, A 9 DREXEL HILL CT -Storm Door, AWM 20315 MARKETREE PL -Fence and Gate, AWM 20315 MARKETREE PL -Patio, AWM

20315 MARKETREE PL - Walkway, A

MARYLAND PLACE

19305 KEYMAR WAY -Walkway, A

19393 KEYMAR WAY - Deck, A

19393 KEYMAR WAY -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 19433 TRANSHIRE RD -Patio, A

19433 TRANSHIRE RD - Walkway, A

# MIDDLE VILLAGE

9933 RIDGELINE DR -Front Door Replacement, AWM 9933 RIDGELINE DR -Sidelight, AWM

9933 RIDGELINE DR -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 9933 RIDGELINE DR -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

9933 RIDGELINE DR -Replacement Patio Door, AWM 9933 RIDGELINE DR -Exterior Light, A

9933 RIDGELINE DR - Railing, A

9933 RIDGELINE DR -Trim, AWM

10012 RIDGELINE DR - Storm Door, D

10012 RIDGELINE DR Replacement Patio Door, D
19478 BRASSIE PL Front Door Replacement A

Front Door Replacement, A 19478 BRASSIE PL -Sidelight, AWM

19478 BRASSIE PL -Mailbox, A

9849 BRASSIE WAY -Roof, AWM

# NORTHGATE

18 LEA POND CT Fence, AWM
20416 ASPENWOOD LN Garage Door, A
20448 ASPENWOOD LN Replacement Patio Door, A
20448 ASPENWOOD LN Replacement Windows, A
9541 ASH HOLLOW PL Exterior Paint, A

20401 CHERRYSTONE CT - Roof, AWM

20400 CHERRYSTONE CT - Replacement Patio Door, A 20400 CHERRYSTONE CT - Replacement Windows A

Replacement Windows, A 20400 CHERRYSTONE CT -Air Conditioning Unit, A 9413 BETHANY PL -Walkway, A

9404 BETHANY PL -Solar Systems, AWM

20229 DARLINGTON DR - Roof, A

9834 MAPLE LEAF DR -Roof, AWM

9834 MAPLE LEAF DR -Downspout/Gutter, A

9919 TAMBAY CT - Roof, A 9918 TAMBAY CT -Front Door Replacement, AWM 10066 MAPLE LEAF DR -Replacement Patio Door, A

#### **NORTH VILLAGE**

9000 SNOWFORD CT - Roof, A

9363 CHADBURN PL -Exterior Paint, AWM 9363 CHADBURN PL -

Replacement Patio Door, AWM 20116 WELBECK TER -Replacement Patio Door, AWM

8804 WELBECK WAY -Downspout, A 9508 BELL VERNON PL -

Fence and Gate, AWM
9300 VINEYARD HAVEN
DR. Roof, A

9300 VINEYARD HAVEN DR - Exterior Paint, A

## **PATTON RIDGE**

9916 SHREWSBURY CT -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

18 DELLCASTLE CT Garage Door, AWM

9941 DELLCASTLE RD -Roof, A

9925 DELLCASTLE RD -Roof, A

9861 DELLCASTLE RD -Roof, D

9861 DELLCASTLE RD -Vinyl Siding, AWM

9861 DELLCASTLE RD -Roof, AWM

19912 MASTENBROOK PL - Roof, AWM

20016 OCTAVIA CT -Garage Door, AWM

19806 BILLINGS CT -Roof, A

20009 HOFFSTEAD LN -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 20009 HOFFSTEAD LN -

Replacement Windows, AWM 9348 BREMERTON WAY -Solar Systems, AWM

9584 FERN HOLLOW WAY
- Exterior Paint, AWM
9584 FERN HOLLOW WAY

9584 FERN HOLLOW WAY - Sidelight, AWM

9558 FERN HOLLOW WAY
- Security Light, D
9558 FERN HOLLOW WAY

- Gazebo, D

PL - 20159 HOB HILL WAY -Fence, Withdrawn

> 20128 WARINGWOOD WAY - Solar Systems, AWM 9417 EAGLETON LN -

> Miscellaneous, A
> 9415 EAGLETON LN Garage Door, AWM
> 9638 DUFFER WAY -

Fence and Gate, AWM 19811 GREENSIDE TER -

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18635 NATHANS PL -Gate, A

18163 TUNSTALL DR -Front Door Replacement, A 18163 TUNSTALL DR -

Storm Door, A

1 FIFESHIRE CT Storm Door, A

9402 COLLETTE WAY -Downspout/Gutter, AWM 9964 LAKE LANDING RD

- Radon System, AWM 9964 LAKE LANDING RD -Replacement Windows, A 9417 ROYAL BONNET TER

- Roof, A

# STEDWICK

10326 WATKINS MILL DR - Front Door Replacement,

10517 CAMBRIDGE CT -Fence and Gate, AWM 10567 CAMBRIDGE CT -Shed, D

10554 CAMBRIDGE CT -Fence and Gate, AWM 19117 CAPEHART DR -Heat Pump, A

10022 BATTLERIDGE PL -Roof, A 10022 BATTLERIDGE PL -

Replacement Siding, AWM 19205 SENECA RIDGE CT -Exterior Paint, AWM

10617 SENECA SPRING WAY - Roof, A 19207 DUNBRIDGE WAY -Garage Door, A

19309 DUNBRIDGE WAY - Trim, A

19309 DUNBRIDGE WAY -Downspout/Gutter, A 19345 DUNBRIDGE WAY -

Shed, AWM 19304 DUNBRIDGE WAY -Roof, AWM

19306 DUNBRIDGE WAY -Vinyl Siding, AWM 19307 FRENCHTON PL -

19233 DUNBRIDGE WAY - Roof, A

10512 WAYRIDGE DR -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 10612 WAYRIDGE DR -Front Door Replacement, AWM

19404 FABER CT -

Front Door Replacement, AWM 10701 WAYRIDGE DR -Trellis, AWM

10653 WAYRIDGE DR - Roof, A

10524 MERCADO WAY -Roof, A 10524 MERCADO WAY -

Exterior Paint, A 19532 GALLATIN CT -

Mailbox, A 19612 CLUB LAKE RD -Exterior Paint, AWM

19661 CLUB LAKE RD -Roof, AWM 10003 WEDGE WAY -

Solar Systems, AWM 10010 WEDGE WAY -

Roof, A 10309 ROYAL WOODS CT-Security Camera, AWM

19720 CRESTED IRIS WAY
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19720 CRESTED IRIS WAY
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# WHETSTONE

9716 DIGGING RD - Roof, A 9736 WHETSTONE DR -Patio, A

9736 WHETSTONE DR -Retaining Wall, A 9736 WHETSTONE DR -

Walkway, A 9736 WHETSTONE DR -

Deck Removal, A 18812 S MEADOW FENCE RD - Security Light, A

18812 S MEADOW FENCE RD - Railing, AWM 19163 ROMAN WAY -

Exterior Paint, A 19112 BROOKE GROVE

CT - Replacement Windows, A 19120 RHODES WAY -Front Door Replacement, AWM 19120 RHODES WAY -

Storm Door, AWM 19120 RHODES WAY -Trellis, AWM

9504 WHETSTONE DR - Window Modification, A

9504 WHETSTONE DR -Replacement Windows, AWM 9424 WHETSTONE DR -

Roof, A 9505 WHETSTONE DR -

Security Light, A 9505 WHETSTONE DR -

Vent, AWM 19041 WHETSTONE CIR -

Fence and Gate, AWM 19041 WHETSTONE CIR -

Miscellaneous, AWM

# Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival

# RACE RESULTS

# GREAT PUMPKIN RACE AND FALL FESTIVAL WINNERS

#### **VIP Race Winner**

Montgomery County Councilmember Sydney Katz – "County Cruiser"

### **Championship Race Winner**

The Reilly Family - "Doug the Bug"

# **PUMPKIN DECORATION**

#### **Prettiest**

Montgomery County 6th District Police, "Rainbow Fish"

#### **Most Innovative Design**

Anais Raymond, "Pretty Day of the Dead"

#### Funnies

Jack Cotton, "Jaws"

# Scariest

Aisha Badjan, "Pennywise"

# **Best Decoration**

Gordon Robinson, " Angry Spider"

## Best Animal Look-a-Like

Joey Taylor, "Jaws 2019"

# Best Cartoon Character

Alexis Lopez, "G-Minion"

# Best Themed Racer Duo

Gregory Lyons, "Wrecking Crew"

































# SPECIAL THANKS

**DJ Baspy** Montgomery County 6th District Police **Asbury Methodist Village Barley Field Orchard Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints** Chesapeake Area Alaskan **Malamute Protection** D's Smokehouse BBQ **DMV Empanadas Elk Run Winery Fatherhood Initiative** Falun Dafa Association of D.C. **Forbes Design Center** The Frederick Keys **Georgetown Hill Early School Goldfish Swim School** 

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NovaCare Rehabilitation – Gaithersburg
Pella Mid-Atlantic
Squeals on Wheels Petting Zoo
The Sandy Spring
African Art Gallery and Museum

Harvest Plates & Pints Kicks Karate

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**HOMES CORPORATIONS** 

# HOMES CORPORATIONS & CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS

Homes corporation and condominium association articles are provided by representatives or board members from the corporations and associations. The information and opinions provided within these articles do not necessarily reflect the views of the Montgomery Village Foundation, its Board of Directors, representatives or staff. Residents with specific questions or concerns about the information contained in these articles should contact their community manager or the author of the article.

SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

# Parking in South Village

by the South Village Board of Directors

The South Village Board of Directors has heard everyone's comments and concerns regarding parking, and has been working hard to find the most equitable solution for overcrowded parking in the community. Effective 2020, there will be a roll out of parking permits that will require residents and guests parking in South Village to have a valid assigned permit in their vehicle, otherwise they will be towed according to the approved towing policy. You can find the policy on your Resident Dashboard at www. montgomeryvillage.com; if you don't have access yet, sign up for your free account today.

Residents/owners are asked to pay close attention to documents arriving in the mail that will outline the process and specific timeline for the roll out. Signs will also be placed at the entrance to each community with reminders and notifications.

# TRASH REMINDERS

Please mind these reminders regarding trash and trash disposal in the community. Residents continue to violate the trash policy and are urged to read the information below, because if identified, fines may be imposed. The full policy can be found online through your Resident Dashboard, and should be reviewed periodically to assure compliance.

- Household trash shall be stored in a closed, waterproof container that is vermin-proof and meets Montgomery County standards.
- All bags should be tied and placed in the trash can to prevent animals from tearing into them.
- If your trash bags are torn open, it is your responsibility to clean up.
- All trash and recycling containers should be marked with your house number.

**Deposit for collection:** Residents shall place household trash and recycling for collection no earlier than 7 p.m.

of the day prior to the regularly scheduled pickup day. Empty containers should be retrieved the same day of the scheduled pickup and properly stored out of sight until the next scheduled collection time. Residents whose trash or recycling is placed for collection in advance of this time will be notified to bring their actions into compliance. Do not leave items on the curb. Items left after 24 hours may be removed by the association at the owner's expense.

Disposal on community property: No person is permitted to store or deposit trash on community property. Persons doing so will be subject to charges being filed with the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection and/or to penalties levied by the board.

**Penalties:** Violators of these rules may be subject to Montgomery County enforcement or homes corporation charges. Such costs will be charged to the owner of the unit. Failure of the owner to pay such charges or to correct such a violation may result in loss of good standing with the homes corporation, and loss of homes corporation rights and privileges. Any alleged offender shall be entitled to a hearing before the South Village Board of Directors before any right or privilege is withdrawn.

The trash contractor is J & J Trash Service. If there is an issue with service, items are not picked up or to arrange for a free bulk pickup, it is the homeowner's responsibility to contract J & J Trash Service at 1-800-465-2350 to address the issue.

Please do not litter! Do not empty trash or cigarette butts from your vehicle into the parking lot and do not leave trash in your driveway after cleaning your car.

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

PATTON RIDGE REPORT

# Parking lot maintenance

by the Patton Ridge Board of Directors

The Patton Ridge Board of Directors has selected two communities for parking lot repair. We will patch and crack seal Partridge Place I using 2019 funds. We will do a full mill and overlay of Greentee II in 2020. Partridge Place I will then receive a full mill and overlay in 2022. The need to repair Greentee II and Partridge Place I must be looked at in terms of their condition relative to other Patton Ridge communities. It's not that these two communities are in bad condition, but that they are in worse condition than the others. The idea is to get started on street repair before we have a sudden need to resurface several at the same time and would be unable to cover the expense. Obviously if something changes, we can always switch our priorities as 2022 approaches.

# PARTRIDGE PLACE II PARKING

Last month we reported that we were going to assign two parking places to three streets in Partridge Place II. Unfortunately, we are unable to complete this project because we would have needed to assign some spaces that would be too far from some homes. Also, our plan to assign space along the islands would have violated county safety requirements. We thank those residents who took the time to express their opinion regarding this change.

## TRASH PICKUP

We have spent \$6,619 through the end of September to pick up trash that residents have abandoned on community property. This is an unnecessary expense that only

residents can eliminate. Large pickups can be scheduled once per quarter by calling J&J Trash Services at 800-465-2350. Residents can call the county at 311 to schedule pickup of appliances and metal items. Shopping carts comprise a large portion of our pickup expenses. Please return them to the store where you obtained them. Residents should call our community manager at 240-243-2326 to identify neighbors who are leaving items for our pickup. All reports will be held in confidence.

#### **PEST CONTROL**

We are experiencing a rapid increase in pest infestation. Part of this is due to the current overgrowth of the Monument Realty property. We have spent \$5,852 through the end of September on pest control. Residents can help eliminate this problem by not putting out food for feral animals and birds. You should also put trash out in covered containers. Putting out trash in plastic bags attracts crows that tear open the bags. In turn, the rats and mice then have a source of food. Residents can notify community management if you see neighbors violating the county law regarding trash disposal. As always, reports will be held in confidence.

## **ANIMAL NOISE**

According to Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-203(a) (6), an owner must not allow an animal to cause noise that is loud enough and persistent enough to disturb another person's quiet enjoyment. (\$100 fine). Enough said.

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



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#### **HOMES CORPORATIONS**

STEDWICK SIGNALS

# Autumn has arrived

by Keith Silliman

Autumn has arrived with cold and rainy weather. The furnaces seem to be running overtime. Halloween has come and gone, and Thanksgiving will be here before long, followed by the Christmas and New Year holidays and the arrival of 2020.

Lauren Zach, one of the members of the Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors, has resigned from the board following her move out of the community. She helped implement the new Stedwick website and served as treasurer. We appreciate her efforts and support. Her board position is now vacant, and volunteers are solicited to fill the position that ends in March 2022. Prospective candidates with a financial background are especially encouraged.

The Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors welcomes Meredith Kraft as our new ommunity manager. Ms. Kraft is a Certified Manager of Community Associations (CMCA) and brings a wealth of experience to the position.

Asphalt paths in the Club Hill and Clusters III communities have been replaced. That work is another example of how Stedwick Homes Corporation is maintaining our infrastructure.

There have been a series of thefts from cars during the past few weeks on Wayridge Drive and Wayridge Court. Most of the cars that were entered were not locked. Remember to remove valuables from your cars and lock them to prevent thefts. If you see suspicious activity, call the police non-emergency number at 301-279-8000 or 911 for emergencies.

The first leaf pickup is scheduled for the week of November 18, and the second pickup is scheduled for the week of December 16. Please rake leaves to the curb prior to those dates to facilitate pickup. Signs will be posted at the entryways prior to each pickup.

The American Chestnut Society and the Stedwick Homes Corporation have completed the paperwork associated with the acceptance and planting of hybrid American Chestnut seedlings in the Stedwick community. The planting should occur in the next several weeks.

The annual election for three positions on the Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors will occur in January 2020. Volunteers for those positions are being solicited. Each position is for a three-year term beginning with the Annual Meeting in March 2020. No experience is required, but candidates should have an interest in the welfare and continued success of our community and a willingness to contribute a few hours each month to oversee and manage the affairs of the Stedwick community. Nominations for those positions close at 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 3, 2020.

The next maintenance

inspection is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 12. The inspection routinely includes a drive through the entire Stedwick community by the maintenance committee, our community manager and our landscape contractor. It allows us to follow up on any pending items from previous inspections, to assess any items recently brought to our attention and to identify needs that might be seen during the drive. If you know of any items, situations or conditions that need the maintenance committee's attention, please let us know prior to that date.

The next Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. Come join us for that meeting. The first item on the agenda of the regular meeting is residents time, which provides an opportunity for you to ask questions or express concerns and opinions. In the meantime, if you have an issue, contact our Stedwick Homes Corporation community manager at 240-243-2326, e-mail stedwickhc@mvf.org or communicate via regular mail to the Stedwick Homes Corporation at 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

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

Northgate News

# Remembering Robert "Bob" Moore

by Jane L. Hatch

With great sadness, I learned from Bob's wife that he passed away on October 29 after a short illness. Robert Moore was the former president of the Patton Ridge Homes Corporation and a tremendous ally and friend of Northgate's, especially during the effort to curb over-development on the Apple Ridge site.

Early on, Bob recognized that the original proposal to blanket the site with office and residential townhouses would also negatively impact residents of Patton Ridge. Along with the loss of open space, it was successfully argued that the traffic analysis was flawed, as it did not include the soonto-be-opened Watkins Mill High School, or the effect on the intersection of Montgomery Village Avenue and Hob Hill Way. Other accepted arguments included the fact that the Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission simply accepted the developer's population counts, rather than keeping an independent, accurate tally.

The plan was so charged, and the opposition so stiff, it ended up at the county council to resolve. Moments before the hearing, both sides worked out a compromise that saved the ballfield area (now the cricket field) and limited development to the single-family homes present today. Every accomplishment was aided by Bob.

Bob was a North Carolinian by birth, and moved to the Washington area to attend law school at American University. He practiced for over 45 years, both with the federal government and in private practice.



Bob Moore and his wife,

He moved to Old Town Gaithersburg when he left Montgomery Village, before retiring to Mars Hill, North Carolina. Bob was on the board of trustees for his church, volunteered with the local food pantry and the Mars Hill Friends of the Library. Those who remember him know of his love of Golden Retrievers. While here, he was active in GRREAT, a rescue organization for Goldens.

We send our sympathy to his wife Lucy, his daughters Alice and Angela, his six grandchildren and his beloved Goldens, Eli and Marlowe.

Northgate News: for residents of Apple Ridge, Dorsey's Regard, McKendree I & II, Overlea, The Points, Shadow Oak and Williams Range.







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#### **HOMES CORPORATIONS**

NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

# Mow'em, bag'em, curb'em

by the North Village Board of Directors

Here are the dates for curbside leaf pickup. Be ready to take action!

Monday, Nov. 18 to Thursday, Nov. 21

Monday, Dec. 16 to Saturday, Dec. 21

Please do not rake leaves into the streets at any time. Wait until the BrightView Landscaping signs have been posted before raking leaves to the curb. At all other times, homeowners are responsible for leaf removal either by bagging and recycling or mulching them. Leave them out on the curb for the county recycling on their regular service days. The county will take them at no cost. Branches should be trimmed to a 4-foot width and tied in bundles for county pickup.

As the leaves have started falling, please keep in mind that storm drains and gutters should be kept clear to avoid expensive maintenance and clean up.

# 2020 BUDGET APPROVAL

The board approved our 2020 budget at the last meet-

ing. The treasurer provided a summary of our year-to-date financials through September. Our net income is down \$50,726 through September. The main cause of that deficit is in the maintenance portion of the budget and tree removal category, more specifically. Our tree removal budget for 2019 was \$45,000 but through September we have already spent \$61,470 with more tree removal planned for the last 3 months. The board will review those outstanding removals to see if any can be delayed to 2020. We have also spent \$12,000 between storm damage and greenspace repair on a 2019 budget of \$5,000. Site maintenance is also over budget approximately \$5,700.

To put this in perspective, we had incurred \$159,591 in maintenance through September 2018 and \$211,142 in 2019. This translates into 32% more over last year's expenditures. Coincidentally this means our maintenance costs are 30% higher than we would expect to be if costs were equally incurred monthly through September. We have been able to manage this based on our cash position at the end of the 2018,

but it does stress the importance that everyone pay their dues so we are able to manage the cash flow accordingly.

# COMING SOON: NORTH VILLAGE PATHS BURN BRIGHTER

We have signed a contract with Elysian Energy LLC to replace our old "globe" path lights in the North Village town home communities with 54 new LED light fixtures.

The new fixtures will look much like our street lights.



## **BEING TREE-WISE**

The board approved removing 27 tall and thin trees that were dead or dying. We received an excellent package price to do the work from BrightView. We're hoping this preventive maintenance will save North Village money in the long run if we have a big noreaster or heavy winter whose damage would rquire emergency funding.

# **SAY IF YOU SEE**

"If you see something, say something." In other words, if you see suspicious activity anywhere in Montgomery Village please call the police at 301-279-8000. Of course, if it is an emergency dial 911.

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KEEP

Security APS: 240-631-2399 Potomac Disposal: 301-294-9700 MC Recycling - New Blue Bins/Scrap Metal: 311 Pepco: 877-737-2662 WSSC: 301-206-4001

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next North Village board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 21 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 240-243-2327 or e-mail asteward@mvf.org.

Congrats to our Nats for bringing a World Series crown to our town!

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

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HOMES CORPORATIONS 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 policies and must be current in all assessment payments. In several cases, the Nominating Committee is

given the authority to determine which of the nominees will be on the final slate of candidates.

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, depending 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.

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.montgomery village.com, select Press Room, select Village News, then Village News Editorial and Submissions Policy (see #4 under Homes Corporations/Condominium Associations).

# **EASTGATE**

Nominating Deadline: Friday, Dec. 20 Nominating Committee: Whole Board

## **EAST VILLAGE:**

Nominations Close: Friday, Jan. 10, 2020 Nominating Committee: D. Cline, S. Jubert, A. Shura

## MARYLAND PLACE

Nominations Close: Friday, Jan. 3, 2020 Nominating Committee: S. Kimball, J. Kozo, A. Summers

# **PATTON RIDGE**

Nominating Deadline: Tuesday, Nov. 19 Nominating Committee: L. Hydorn, A. Kuzminsky, L. Nicholson

# **SOUTH VILLAGE**

Nominations Close: Wednesday, Nov. 27 Nominating Committee: Whole Board

# **STEDWICK**

Nominations Close: Friday, Jan. 3, 2020 Nominating Committee: Whole Board

## **WHETSTONE**

Nominations Close: Thursday, Jan. 9, 2020 Nominating Committee: D. Barnes, B. Ott, D. Vermillion MONTGOMERY VILLAGE NEWS Friday, November 8, 2019

#### **HOMES CORPORATIONS**

#### MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

# 2020 parking tag distribution dates

by the Middle Village Board of Directors

The 2019 parking tags will expire on Tuesday, Dec. 31. The 2020 parking tag distribution will take place at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place, on the following dates/times:

Saturday, Dec. 7, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 8, 2 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, 7 to 9 p.m.

Residents must have a photo ID to receive 2020 parking

Homeowners/landlords are responsible for contacting ComSource if they do not want their tenants to obtain parking tags. If you are a renter, you must verify with the property owner that you are authorized to pick up the parking tags. Parking tags will not be given to renters if the homeowner/ landlord has requested that parking tags only be given to the owner.

If a homeowner is delinquent on their assessment account, they will not receive a third parking tag/permit until they have paid the past due assessment balance, including all outstanding administrative fees, legal fees, fines and inter-

Please note, after Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020, all cars displaying an expired parking tag anytime of the day or night will be towed, even if they are parked in their reserved space or an open space.

If you are a new resident and do not know your assigned parking space number or have not picked up your parking tag, contact Shirley Umali at ComSource at 301-924-7355 or e-mail *sumali*@ comsource.com.

## **TOWING**

The current Middle Village Parking policy states:

"All vehicles parked overnight in the community are required to display a MVHC parking tag/permit or they are subject to immediate towing. For purposes of these Rules, overnight is defined as parking a vehicle in MV anytime between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m."

"Parking tag/permit must be clearly/properly displayed, on the driver's side, facing the front windshield, on vehicles parked in a reserved parking space, or parked in the commu nity overnight. Tags/permits can be hung from the rearview mirror or taped to the driver's side dashboard or front windshield, front side facing toward the windshield."

"Failure to properly display the current year's parking tag/ permit will lead to immediate towing - even if vehicle

is parked in the appropriate reserved parking space. No warnings or notifications will be issued."

"No commercial vehicles or trailers of any type, campers, or recreational vehicles shall be permitted to remain overnight on either the property of a private dwelling unit or on the community-owned property within Middle Village. For purposes of these rules, overnight is defined as parking a vehicle between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m."

"Commercial vehicles include vehicles with any type of writing or printing (letters, words, pictures, insignia, etc.) identifying a firm, organization, service, product, etc., of any kind, type or description. All vehicles carrying ladders, pipes, ladder racks, truck-loaded tools or truckloaded tool boxes, etc., will be considered commercial. Vans used for delivering, storing or transporting goods or cargo are also considered to be commercial vehicles and are prohibited from remaining overnight in the community. Police vehicles are exempted."

"No commercial vehicles (including commercial pickup trucks) shall be permitted to remain overnight in the community. Pickup trucks must not have ladder racks, truckloaded tools or truck-loaded toolboxes. Further, pickup trucks may not park overnight in the community with any cargo, items or material of any kind in the truck bed (landscaping debris, tools, boxes, trash, equipment, etc.) that exceeds the height of the truck bed sides or that extends beyond the tailgate. Pickup trucks with cargo that meet this description will be considered commercial vehicles and are not permitted to park in the community overnight. Violations are subject to immediate towing."

## DID YOU KNOW...

All vehicles parked in unreserved parking spaces, whether covered or uncovered, must be moved at least every 30 days. If the vehicle is not relocated, a violation sticker/tag will be attached to the vehicle and the vehicle will be subject to towing 48 to 72 hours after the sticker is attached at the vehicle owner's expense.

# **ASSESSMENTS**

We live in a community that requires every homeowner to pay assessment fees. Assessments are used to pay contractors for landscaping, snow removal, trash collection, collection of illegally dumped trash, lighting, repairs on community property, etc. If you are a homeowner, you were provided with this information during closing.

Reminder: Assessments are due to be paid monthly. Your payment must be received by ComSource on or before the 15th of the month to avoid late charges. Your regular payments allow us to continue providing services to our community.

Homeowners who are delinquent with their assessment payments must pay their past due balance in full or make arrangements to pay them. The first step to making payment arrangements is contacting Edna Kweti at 301-924-7355 or e-mail ekweti@comsource.com.

# **IMPORTANT CONTACT** PHONE NUMBERS

Security on Demand: 877-241-1265 Big Tow: 301-424-4869 Potomac Disposal: 301-294-9700 Montgomery County Police Non-emergency: 301-279-8000 Emergency: 911 Comsource: 301-924-7355

#### CONTACTING COMSOURCE

ComSource is our management company. If you have a comment or complaint, please include your name, address, phone number, location of issue/problem and specific details in your correspondence or when you are leaving a phone message for the property manager.

Contact ComSource at 301-924-7355 or e-mail ekweti@ comsource.com or sumali@com

# **BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE**

The next Middle Village Homes Corporation board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020 in the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

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

#### EAST VILLAGE ECHO

# Autumn's arrival, leaves fall

by the East Village Board of Directors

As cooler air moves into the mid-Atlantic region, the leaves begin to show off their true colors. After mildly bracing air settles into Montgomery Village, the leaves begin their annual cycle of falling to the ground. This past week, Brightview started removing the leaves from curbsides throughout East Village.

To facilitate the leaf removal process, homeowners have to rake the leaves from their yards to the curbside. Trucks will come by once in November and then make another sweep in early December when, hopefully, all leaves have fallen.

# **TIME CHANGE MEANS FALL MAINTENANCE**

As winter approaches, it's a good time to have your home inspected to make sure all HVAC systems are in working order. Many homeowners are smart to have a professional inspect the heaters in their homes before winter really settles in with cold weather.

While some items can be carried out by homeowners, always have a professional check for possible air leaks if they need to climb a ladder onto your roof. Your life and safety are put at risk when you choose to perform home maintenance off the ground. Have someone who does it for a living and knows how to be safe at all times check for you.

Carbon monoxide detectors need their batteries to be changed regularly, and every time we change our clocks - fall back and spring forward—is a good time to make those changes.

Additionally, smoke and carbon monoxide alarm units should be replaced based on the manufacturer's recommendation. Some units last 10 or 12 years and need to be updated with newer alarms. Some alarms are now capable of being connected to your smart phones so you can be alerted to alerts from anywhere in the world.

## STREET **ENTRANCE SIGNS**

After a recent maintenance inspection, the Wethersfield entrance was updated with new plantings. Residents should immediately see the improvements. Ashford's entrance sign received significant improvements, also, after several trees fell from summer storms.

# **DISPOSE OF** TRASH PROPERLY

Residents are reminded to dispose their trash in sealed containers and place them in front of their homes; do not place them anywhere else. Placing trash outside in plastic bags invites rodents and birds to open the bags and search for food waste. It's unsightly, unhealthy and unlawful.

Please be kind to your neighbors and do the right thing.

For any matters in the neighborhood that require attention from our management team, report them to Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2327 or e-mail asteward@ mvf.org.

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.



# Apply before you buy!

Every exterior modification must meet established ARB application and approval requirements regardless of whether modification or replacement material has been approved in concept in the past.



#### **HOMES CORPORATIONS**

WHETSTONE WATCH

# Whetstone leaf removal

by the Whetstone Board of Directors

It has been a very dry fall and much, but not all, of the leaf canopy has fallen early this year. As in the past, there will be one leaf removal this year in mid-December. Why is the leaf collection so late? The date is set in mid-December to allow for the remaining leaves to fall. This prohibits the clogging of the storm drain system and the ensuing costly repairs.

Signs will be posted at community entrances when the date is finalized. It is suggested that you take advantage of the weekly recycling collection of leaves (brown yard bags or refuse containers) as a "Good Neighbor" issue. Your neighbor who clears the leaves as they fall does not appreciate the leaves from your yard blowing into their yard and under their cars. It is recommended that you place your leaves at the curb only when it is time for the scheduled pickup.

## **MAINTENANCE**

Except for a few random tree limbs, all tree removals and paving/patching approved at the September meeting have been completed.

## **NORTH DOCK**

The dock rebuild has been

completed. The total cost for the project was \$61,477.40. There were some unanticipated overages in the amount of \$2,542 for concrete encountered underground that required removal in order to complete the pile foundation, and an additional support truss under the decking was needed for correct support and rebuild of the outflow drainpipe underneath.

#### **VEHICLES**

We have already noticed an increase in the number of break-ins in our community. We are probably more aware of this due to the popularity of video doorbells. Many of these are crimes of opportunity and usually involve unlocked vehicles and homes. Please keep the doors of your house and cars locked, and your garage doors closed to prevent theft. If you do notice suspicious activity on your street, please call the police non-emergency number, 301-279-8000; dial 911 for emergencies.

# **LIGHTS OUT**

To report a post lamp not working (globe light in front of homes or along paths), contact the Montgomery Village Community Management Department; e-mail Jo Banky at jbanky@mvf.org. You can also

go directly to the Whetstone web page at www.montgomery village.com; click on "Communities," "Village Communities," "Whetstone Homes Corporation" and "Member Dashboard." If you are not already a member you will be directed to sign up. On the Member Dashboard you will find a form for "Street Light Outage" where you can pin the outage directly on the map,

enter name, address and any additional information. Once submitted, the report will be routed directly to management who will forward the outage to the necessary party.

#### COMMUNICATION

In an effort to stay in touch with our residents, the WHC board is constantly updating the board e-mail list. This allows you to receive meeting notices, agendas, emergency information, etc. This is not a neighborhood discussion forum. If you are not on the current list or have changed your provider, just send an e-mail to <code>vermillion.whc@gmail.com</code>.

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

# **Leaf Removal Schedule**

Below is the anticipated leaf removal schedule for most of the homes corporations and condominium associations in Montgomery Village. Crews are expected to be in the community listed on the weeks listed (weather permitting). Please be sure that your leaves are raked to the curb (where applicable) in time for removal on the scheduled week. In the event of a rain delay, the calendar will shift to the next calendar day; therefore, the entire schedule will shift for each community as well. We will update the website each Friday with any weather related changes to the schedule.

### CHRISTOPHER COURT LAND ASSOCIATION

The week of November 18
The week of December 9

## **EASTGATE**

The week of December 2

# **EAST VILLAGE**

The week of December 2

## MARYLAND PLACE

The week of November 25 The week of December 16

# NORTH VILLAGE

The week of November 18 The week of December 16

## **PATTON RIDGE**

The week of November 11
The week of December 9

# SOUTH VILLAGE

Leaf removal is ongoing throughout the season beginning early November.

# THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The week of November 18 The week of December 16

# STEDWICK

The week of November 18 The week of December 16

## WHETSTONE

The week of December 9

Note: 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 by the county on your recycling day. Do not place leaves in plastic bags, as they will not be removed by either the county recycling or your trash contractor. If you have any questions regarding leaf removal, please contact your community manager.



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AT YOUR LEISURE

# Holiday gifts from the MV Garden Club

In the spirit of the season, the MV Garden Club is reaching out to share with the community what we do best. Join us from 7:15 to 9:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 11 at Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court for our next meeting featuring a Holiday/Seasonal Fresh Floral Workshop.

Our pros will guide you, step-by-step, with instructions to create beautiful holiday table displays or outdoor swags. We'll provide a green design bowl, complete with oasis for tabletops, or the wires and hooks needed to hang your swag. And even more, ribbons and bows, pine cones, berries, balls and beads await your creative choices!

Attendees should bring freshly cut greens or branches up to 30 inches long from their favorite evergreen tree or bush. You might have pine, Leland cypress, Japanese and/

or American holly, or maybe you'll supply some Magnolia or Yew, Juniper or Spruce. The berries on Nandina make a lovely display. But hold off on cutting your branches just yet; decide but don't cut too soon. Harvest your branches no more than 36 hours before the meeting and keep their little stems damp.

Those who are not members of the MVGC should let us know you are coming so there will be enough supplies; call Vice President Geri Matise at 301-330-3891 between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. to RSVP. This workshop is part of a community outreach program at MVGC and is open to all. Non-members might consider a \$5 donation.

For more information, e-mail Geri Matise at *GAMatise* @netscape.net or Paula Brooks at pcbrooks44@yahoo.com.

# **Moonlight Walk**

The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club is sponsoring the Bill Larson Memorial Moonlight Walk in Seneca Creek State Park on Saturday, Nov. 16. The 10km walk (with a 6km option) is on park roads with the moon shining. The trail is rated 2A. This is a chance to experience beautiful Seneca Creek State Park in the moonlight, for a different view of the world around us. Both trails are suitable for strollers.

The Start/Finish point is the Seneca Creek State Park Offices, 11950 Clopper Road, Gaithersburg. Registration is between 6:30 and 7 p.m. and walkers must finish by 10 p.m. The park will be open after hours for volksmarchers only and will close promptly at 10:30 p.m.

All walkers 12 and older must pay \$3 – this includes the \$2 park fee! Walkers 12 and under are free.

Restrooms are available

at the Start/Finish point and on the trail. It is strongly suggested that all walkers carry flashlights; no pets are allowed on the trails at night.

For more information, contact Tony Laing at 301-980-8932 or e-mail laingat@gmail.com, or Jone Parr at 301-385-0054 or e-mail jone.p@comcast.net.

# **AAUW November meeting**

of pop, folk, show tunes and

old favorite Yiddish tunes!

Patricia Maclay, MD, will speak on the connection between Chronic Stress and Disease at the Tuesday, Nov. 19 meeting of Gaithersburg AAUW (American Association of University Women). Dr. Maclay, a Gaithersburg resident and member of the Montgomery County Commission for Women, will discuss the effects of stress and share ways individuals can take control of their own health.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. with social time and light refreshments, continuing with the speaker at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meeting room of Gaithersburg Library, 18330 Montgomery Village Avenue. All are welcome.

For more information, call 301-840-5443.

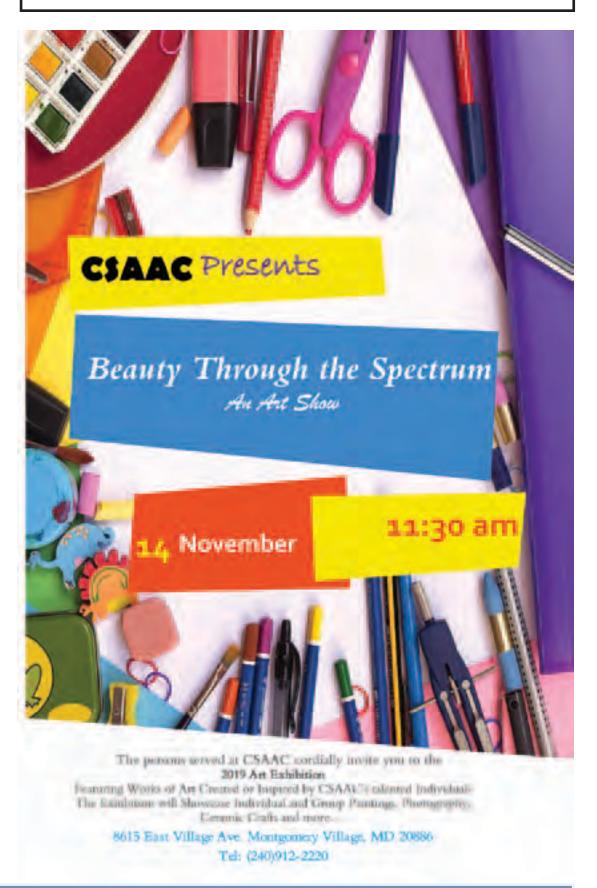
# ways individuals can take control of their own health. Enjoy a musical celebration

Kehilat Shalom presents a night of fabulous music with acclaimed musicians Hazzan Kim Komrad of Kehilat Shalom and Cantor Josh Perlman of B'nai Israel, with distinguished pianist George Peachey at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 10 at Kehilat Shalom, 9915 Apple Ridge Road. After the concert there will be a delicious reception.

Admission is \$18 per adult, with children under 12 free. RSVP for this evening of music

and fun by calling 301-869-7699 or visiting the Kehilat Shalom Office during office hours, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. For more information, e-mail secretary@kehilatshalom.org.

Sponsorships for reserved seating and business ads in the concert program are most appreciated and available to purchase. For more information on sponsorships, e-mail Dee Jolles at deejolles@gmail.com.













**SCHOOL NEWS** 

# Cluster coordinator presents school needs to Board of Education

On Tuesday, Nov. 5, MC-CPTA Cluster Coordinator for the Watkins Mill Cluster Chris Bowerman testified before the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Board of Education (BOE) presenting cluster needs for the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). As cluster coordinator, Bowerman works with Watkins Mill High School; Montgomery Village and Neelsville Middle schools; and South Lake, Stedwick, Watkins Mill and Whetstone elementary schools to advocate for needs within the community.

Bowerman noted that renovation or new buildings were listed as priorities in the CIP for South Lake Elementary School and Neelsville Middle School, and asked the BOE to keep these projects on schedule for the benefit of students and faculty alike. He said the much-needed improvements will help restore these facilities to an acceptable capacity.

Bowerman went on to say that other schools in the cluster also need attention and should be a focus of MCPS. The Watkins Mill Cluster has the highest FARMS, ESOL and Mobility rates in the county. He advocated for secured entrances at several schools, and new entrance and overhead lighting, a new telephone system, updated electrical work, painting and other maintenance needs, water fountains and HVAC systems at some or all of the cluster schools.

He ended by saying, "...the past ten years have seen the areas surrounding Montgomery Village heavily developed and their clusters the primary focus of the region. Now, the Watkins Mill Cluster needs and asks for that focus. A school is not just a building but a place fundamentally founded on the idea of community. Our schools are ailing and our surrounding community is in need of assistance. It is my wish and hope that you and MCPS will pay attention to our plea and help us create and feed a positive cycle. By improving our schools you will help heal the community, which will in turn be beneficial to those schools."

# **BUSINESS IN THE VILLAGE**

# Magic Nails under new management

Magic Nails in Goshen Plaza will soon be rebranded as GEM Nails and Spa. The shop was recently purchased by Village residents, Annie and Pat, who also recently welcomed a new baby girl to their family.

Says Annie, "This is a family-owned business with the intention of building deep roots

and strong ties to our community. We would certainly love to have your support for our business. Whenever you have the need for nail care products and services, we will be happy to serve you with the utmost care and respect."

Magic Nails offers customers free soft drinks and Wifi

while they wait. Annie boasts that every day is a good day for manicure or pedicure services, so stop by and schedule an appointment today!

Magic Nails is located at 9114 Rothbury Drive, in the Goshen Plaza Shopping Center. Call 301-926-4355 today, or walk in!

# Under New Management

# MAGIC NAILS & SPA

(soon to become GEM Nails & Spa)

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### RECREATION

# MV3 Basketball Tournament champs crowned

Congratulations to the 1st MV3 Basketball Tournament winners, Team Kaos! Team Kaos swept through the tournament with a 4-0 record to take home the champion trophy and bragging rights!

Want to join in on the fun? On Saturday, Feb. 22, 2020, MVF is hosting another double-elimination 3v3 tournament at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, beginning at 10 a.m. Gather your team and show us what you've got! Registration opens Friday, Dec. 6.

For questions or more information, please contact Kendall Thomas at kthomas@mvf.org or call 240-243-2338.



# **MV Dance**

Want to introduce your child to Ballet, Tap or Jazz? MV Dance is perfect for you! Montgomery Village has partnered with D'Amour Dance to bring you excellent dance programs for ages 2 to 16.

Times, locations and prices vary per session. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www. montgomeryvillage.com.



# Youth Basketball League

Get ready to dribble, pass and shoot-sign your basketball player up for league play! Practices are scheduled from 5 to 6 p.m. on Wednesdays (Grades K to 1) and Thursdays (Grades 2 and 3) beginning Wednesday, Nov. 20 through the end of February at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

Games will be played December through February on Saturdays at Bohrer Park in Gaithersburg. This league has opportunities for both boys and girls to play. Montgomery Village teams will play in the Gaithersburg league.

Registration costs only \$62/Resident or \$72/Nonresident; participants must be registered by Wednesday, Nov. 13. For more information, or if you are interested in registering or coaching, contact Christian Hayes at 240-243-2367 or e-mail *chayes@mvf.org*.





# **MV Blue Notes jazz concert**

The MV Blue Notes Jazz Band is hosting a festive Holiday Concert at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Get into the holiday groove with musical selections for the season. This

is a free performance you don't want to miss!

For more information, contact Tara O'Shea at 240-243-2361, e-mail toshea @mvf.org or visit www. montgomeryvillage.com.



Sunday, Dec. 8 2 to 3:30 p.m.



Bring the whole family and enjoy a cup of hot cocoa and some winter crafting. You can even make your own Gingerbread House!

## \$12/Resident Family; \$17/Non-resident Family

The pricing will include a gingerbread house kit, refreshments and crafts. Additional gingerbread houses may be purchased for \$7 each.

Pre-registration is required.

Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue











For more information, call Kendall Thomas at 240-243-2338, e-mail kthomas @mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Work up a hunger & help the hungry!

All proceeds will be donated to Gaithersburg HELP.

Thursday, Nov. 28, 9 to 10:30 a.m. Lake Marion Community Center • 8821 East Village Avenue

Begin your Thanksgiving morning with a 90-minute sampling of Jacki Sorensen's **Aerobic Workout and Aerobic Dancing** led by fitness instructor Karin Baker at Lake Marion Community Center.

Cost at the door \$8/person OR \$5 w/two nonperishable food donations





For more information or to register, call Christian Hayes at 240-243-2367, e-mail chayes@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com

**RECREATION** 

# **Holiday Craft Bazaar**

Looking for that unique gift for someone special? Come to Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, on Saturday Nov. 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and find unique, one-of-a-kind, handmade items.

Free admission for shop-

pers! Parking is available on site at Lake Marion Community Center. Refreshments are available for purchase, supplied by a local Girl Scout Troop.

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

# Holiday pet photos with "Santa Paws"

Bring your furry pal and enjoy this opportunity for your cat or dog to visit with Santa. Have your pet sit on Santa's lap for holiday photos and share what's on their wish list from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 14. at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Keepsake photos will be available for digital download.

All pets must have original Montgomery County license and vaccinations. All pets must be leashed or in carriers when not being photographed. This holiday photo session costs \$10/Resident pet and \$15/Non-resident pet.

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

# Santa Claus is coming to town!

Each December, Santa Claus makes a special trip to visit with the good little boys and girls in the area. This year, Santa has scheduled his visit for Saturday, Dec. 14, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. to noon at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Children ages 1 to 8, accompanied by a parent/ guardian, will enjoy a magical morning with a continental breakfast, holiday crafts and of course, a visit with the jolly fellow himself! Each child will leave with a keepsake craft, as

well as spend time with and take a photo to remember their morning with Santa. Photos will be available for digital download.

Space is limited, so be sure to register early for this popular MVF holiday event! The cost of this program is \$12 per child for Village residents, \$17 per child for nonresidents and \$6 per accompanying adult.

For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit *www.montgomeryvillage.com* today!



# **Drop-in Family Basketball**

Come play basketball this winter break as a family. Participants must be at least 8 years old, and children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a person over the age of 16 at all times.

Families are encouraged to play together on Monday, Dec. 23, Thursday, Dec. 26 or Monday, Dec. 30 from 5 to 9 p.m. at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Use the indoor courts

for only \$3/Resident or \$5/ Non-resident (prices are per person, per day).

For more information or to register, call Tara O'Shea at 240-243-2361 or e-mail *toshea@mvf.org*.

# Cocoa & Crafts

On Sunday, Dec. 8, get in the holiday spirit and enjoy making crafts and sipping cocoa with friends and family. Join art instructor Tammy MacLaren from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, to create gingerbread

house masterpieces and fun, holiday crafts.

This activity is great for children and families of all ages. Pre-registration is required — make sure to reserve your spot early! Cost for Cocoa & Crafts is \$12/Resident family, \$17/Non-resident family; addi-

tional gingerbread house kits can be purchased for \$7 each.

For questions or more information, call Kendall Thomas at 240-243-2338 or e-mail kthomas@mvf.org. Register online at www.montgomery village.com.







#### **RECREATION**

# **Tiny Tots Playtime**

Looking for a daytime activity during for your children 5 and younger? Come play at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, for playtime with balls, hulahoops and scooters, or bring your own riding toys (parents must supervise children at all times).

Fall session meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, through Dec. 20 and costs \$4/child per visit. For more information, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomery village.com.



# Montgomery Village Community Band Toys for Tots Concert

Join the Montgomery Village Community Band at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, for the Annual Toys for Tots Concert on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 3 p.m.

The band, under the direction of Steve Wampler, will play festive holiday tunes to keep your holiday spirit going! Attendees are asked to

bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves Toys for Tots Program. Toys for Tots helps underserved children throughout the Unites States experience the joy of Christmas.

Join the band afterwards for refreshments and holiday cheer. Admission is free for all! Happy Holidays!

# **Drop-in Family Gym time**

Looking for something to do as a family this winter break? Come as a family and play at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, on Monday, Dec. 23 and Friday, Dec. 27 from 9 a.m. to noon. The gym will be open

to all ages, however, children under 10 must be supervised by a person over the age of 16 at all times.

Pre-register by Monday, Dec. 16 for only \$3/Resident family per day or \$4/Nonresident family per day. Pay the day of for \$4/Resident family per day or \$5/Non-resident family per day.

For more information or questions, call Tara O'Shea at 240-243-2361 or e-mail toshea@ mvf.org.

# **D.I.Y. Wood Sign Workshop**

Customize and create your very own pallet wood signs to decorate your home or to give as a gift this holiday season! Led by Urban Pallet Company Owner Angela Bell, you'll be guided step-by-step to create your masterpiece! Choose from over 30 colors, stains and designs to make something YOUnique!

Class is scheduled for 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. This special opportunity costs \$55/ Resident or \$65/Non-resident and includes all materials and two glasses of wine (must be 21 or older; valid ID required).

For questions or more information, call Kendall Thomas at 240-243-2338 or e-mail kthomas@mvf.org. Register online at www.montgomeryvillage.







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**MV SENIORS** 

# seniors action A look back...

Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road

\$20/Resident, \$40/Non-resident

Your first visit to one of our programs is free!

# FALL Session through Dec. 13

No SiA programs on Thursday, Nov. 28 and Friday, Nov. 29

# MONDAY

SiA Games and Social Hour 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

**Arts and Crafts** 

10 a.m. to noon

Artists of all skill levels will enjoy the wide variety of projects this workshop has to offer.

**Book Discussion Group** 10 to 11 a.m.

Meets one Monday per month

Discuss your thoughts and opinions on books selected by the SiA Book Discussion Group.

Nov. 18 – "This is the story of a Happy Marriage" by Ann Patchett

Dec. 16 - "Spies in Warsaw" by Alan Furst

# **TUESDAY**

## **Light Cardio Workout**

9 to 10 a.m.

Work out with other SiA members using light weights and resistance bands. Guided by an interactive video.

Flow-Motion

11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Work the mind/body with controlled, flowing motions, range of motion improvement, balance and muscular strength. Moves are performed seated and/or standing.

SiA Member Meeting

10:15 to 10:45 a.m.

Last Tuesday of each month

Join MVF staff to discuss new ideas, suggestions or questions.

# WEDNESDAY

**SiA Games and Social Hour** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Potluck lunch on last Wednesday each month

Enjoy a variety of card and board games, conversation and refreshments. Check our monthly calendar for additional information about potlucks and guest speakers.

# **THURSDAY**

**Light Cardio Workout** 

9 to 10 a.m.

Noon to 2 p.m.

Work out with other SiA members using light weights and resistance bands. Guided by an interactive video.

11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. **Total Body Tune-up** 

Fun and easy to follow seated and standing movements to tone and stretch gently and comfortably to lively music.

# FRIDAY

Bingo and Brown Bag Lunch

second Friday each month

Bring a lunch and play bingo with your SiA friends. Members are welcome to bring guests. Members/Free, \$2/Non-member



MVF's Seniors in Action members made two pumpkins for the Great Pumpkin Race. One met the flat end of the judgement hammer to chants of "Smash it! Smash it!" from the crowd.

# Up next...

Take ACTION and sign-up to become part of the most distinct & diverse groups in Montgomery Village!



# **SIA E-MAIL LIST**

Take action and sign up to become part of the most distinct and diverse group in Montgomery Village!

Not receiving the weekly SiA e-mails? Ask to be added to the list for updates and changes related to Seniors in Action.

# REGISTRATION

Sign up today at any SiA program, the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, or online at www.montgomervvillage.com!

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

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### **HELP WANTED**

#### MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION IS SEEKING:

#### **PROPERTY INSPECTOR**

Salary range: \$30-\$37K.

Perform property and maintenance inspections for homes corporations and condominium associations under Montgomery Village Foundation management. Work with homeowners, board members and community managers to ensure compliance and enforcement of covenant codes.

Respond to vehicle complaints, maintain vehicle logs and update the database system. Prepare monthly reports for HOA boards of directors.

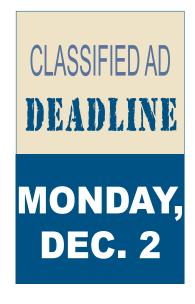
Must have your own vehicle, valid driver's license and ability to walk around communities to complete the inspections.

For more information, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/job-volunteer-opportunities/property-inspector.

Send resume to hr@mvf.org.

Applications can be submitted online at <a href="https://www.montgomeryvillage.com">www.montgomeryvillage.com</a> or at the MVF Office at 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886. Montgomery Village Foundation is an EOE. M/F/D/V

# **Classified Advertising Order Form** Issue date(s) this ad is to run: Please check the appropriate Section for your ad: For Sale □ Garage Sale □ Child Care House for Sale House for Rent □ Lost & Found (FREE to Village Residents) Help Wanted ☐ Giveaway (FREE to Village Residents) Other \_\_\_ Services Submit a photo of your lost pet at no additional charge. Title: Body: Classified Rates: \$12 for 20 words or less and 40 cents for each additional word. Phone numbers count as one word. **Deadline:** 5 p.m. Monday prior to issue date Payment Due: \$\_\_\_\_ Payment MUST accompany Classified Advertising Order Form. Remit by charge card, cash or check made payable to the Montgomery Village Foundation. Credit Card Number: Exp. Date: \_ ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover 3-digit V-code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_)\_\_







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Submit your classified ad to classifieds @mvf.org or call 240-243-2359.







# WHETSTONE

\$520,000

Big beautiful brick SFH full of gorgeous upgrades! 5 BR, 3 Full Baths, hardwood floors, updated kitchen with stainless steel appliances, cherry cabinets and wall removed between FR and kitchen – main level office (or bedroom) with full bath plus laundry room – HVAC updated with new 2 zone

system – stunning master bath renovation – impressive hardscape front walk & stairs – beautiful fenced backyard and patio—sure to please!



# FOREST BROOKE \$285,000

Just listed and already under contract! 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 level, garage townhome with wood floors, new appliances, gas fireplace in living room, tablespace kitchen, fresh paint, new light fixtures, excellent condition – garage enters into house – priced well and below recent sales.

# For Sale



#### 3-LEVEL TOWNHOME

\$224,500

\$479,500

3 BR, 2.5 BA townhome with wood floors, new carpet, fresh paint – perfect for 1st time homebuyers! Fenced patio in front with sliding glass doors from living room – huge master bedroom suite with master bath and ceiling fan – generous sized bedrooms – new dishwasher – assigned parking right out front – fresh neutral decor.



# WHETSTONE

Whetstone single family home with new price! Big kitchen/breakfast room addition with skylights, deck access, added cabinets and granite counter & wood floors – 4BR, 2 FB, 2HB, family room fireplace, hardwood floors, walkout basement with half bath, rec room, den & extra workroom – wood deck with stairs to fenced backyard – beautifully improved home!

# Sold

WILLIAMS RANGE \$479,900



OATLAND MODEL

COURTS OF WHETSTONE \$450,000



**MOST POPULAR MODEL!** 

THE DOWNS \$525,000



**BIG ADDITION!** 

**GREENTEE** \$365,000



BRICK END UNIT

FRENCHTON PLACE \$355,000



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