

# Montgomery Village News

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## George Washington helps kick off Montgomery Village's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

by Mike Conroy

On Sunday, February 28, hundreds of Village residents came to Lake Marion Community Center to help kick off Montgomery Village's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year-long celebration. Among the celebration activities and attendees was Washington Nationals mascot George Washington, who took photos with families, raced children and entertained the audience with his antics. Towering over the crowd at a staggering 12 feet, George was hard to miss!

Representatives from the homes corporations and condominium associations in the Village gathered to form a "Living Community Timeline" that depicted the order in which and year that each association was established. This horseshoe of

25 individuals represented the residents and volunteers of the community, and really gave a sense of how long it took to totally realize the Kettler Brothers' vision for total build out in Montgomery Village.

Residents also enjoyed the cake and ice cream treats, arts and crafts area and the free photo booth. Many memories and smiles were captured with the quick snaps inside the booth, with George occasionally peeking over the top for a "photo bomb." No matter what props were used to make a special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary memory, visitors were all smiles and laughter when they came out of the booth.

Many Village youth also participated in the Montgom-

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Representatives from homes corporations and condominium associations, as well as Village residents in attendance at the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Kickoff Celebration, took part in a living community timeline, which gave a physical dimension to when each part of Montgomery Village was established over the last 50 years. See more photos from the February 28 celebration on page 9.

## Delegate Kirill Reznik talks legislative session with MVF Board

by Mike Conroy

Before the start of the February 25 Montgomery Village Foundation Board of Directors meeting, District 39 Delegate Kirill Reznik was invited to speak to discuss the current legislative session. Reznik talked briefly about capital projects and new initiatives that were going through session this year.

Reznik noted that he was no longer on the Health and Government Operations Committee, and has been reassigned this year to the Appropriations Committee. He also now chairs the Health and Human Resources Subcommittee, which is the largest single piece of the

state budget, at over \$15 billion in operating monies.

Reznik said that funding for capital projects was one of the main hurdles this year, and mentioned two projects that specifically affect Village residents. The first is the Watkins Mill Interchange, a project supported by many in the county, as well as the City of Gaithersburg. He noted that many other projects in the immediate area hinge on this interchange being implemented. However, after planning and funding had been approved, the Department of Transpor-

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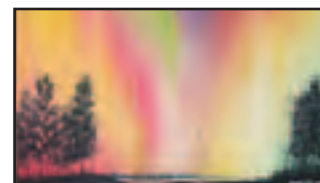


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## MVF ANNUAL MEETING

**Thursday, March 31**  
**at approximately 8 p.m.**

**NORTH CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**20125 ARROWHEAD ROAD**

Residents are encouraged to attend this meeting to welcome newly elected Board members to their positions, receive a financial update, hear the President's address and congratulate community members awarded for outstanding service.



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## MVF MEETING AGENDAS

### MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 in the North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The Annual Meeting will be held at 8 p.m., with a review of 2015 and a look ahead, with newly elected Board members and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary keychain giveaway to attendees!

### 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

### COMMERCIAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Commercial Architectural Review Committee (CARC) meeting is scheduled for 9:15 a.m. on Friday, April 1 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

### ELECTION COMMITTEE

The Election Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, March 4 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Ballot counting will take place beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 5.

### TRANSPORTATION, DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE

The Transportation, Development and Public Facilities (TD&PF) Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

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



## 42<sup>nd</sup> Art, Craft and Photography Show

**Saturday, March 12 &  
Sunday, March 13 from 1 to 5 p.m.**

**with a special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Exhibition Category**

## NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

### CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 at the Heron's Cove office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

### EAST VILLAGE

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

### EASTGATE

The Eastgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

### HORIZON RUN

The Horizon Run Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 28 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

### MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

### MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

### NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

### PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 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, March 23 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This meeting includes the reconvened Annual Meeting.

### STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16 at the Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

### THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, March 14 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

### THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

### WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 10 in the North Creek Board Room. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# Celebrating 50 years and looking to 50 more



by John Driscoll  
 MVF President

On Sunday, Feb. 28, Montgomery Village celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. It was on this day exactly 50 years ago that ground was broken for the new planned community that is our Village today. As with most birthday parties, this event was celebrated with birthday cake and ice cream. The residents who attended were treated to a performance by the Montgomery Village Blue Notes jazz band, as well as a meet and greet with George Washington, one of the Washington Nationals "racing presidents."

This event was put together by the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, which epitomizes the volunteerism that makes our Village so unique. Special thanks go to the MVF staff who put in countless hours to make this party a grand event. For more information about other 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events planned throughout the year, visit [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com).

State, county and local officials came out in force to honor the Village. Our elected officials who came to honor the Village included State Senator Nancy King, Delegate Charles

Barkley and Delegate Kirill Reznik. They presented a proclamation commemorating the occasion. Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett presented the Board of Directors with another proclamation as well. Montgomery County Council President Nancy Floreen, as well as councilmembers George Levanthal, Sidney Katz and Craig Rice, issued a proclamation making February 28, 2016 Montgomery Village Day in the county. Finally, City of Gaithersburg Councilmembers Neil Harris and Robert Wu presented a proclamation also making Sunday Montgomery Village Day in the City of Gaithersburg.

All in all, I think Clarence Kettler would be very proud of what Montgomery Village has become and what the future holds for the Village he created.

The next 50 years look bright for the continued growth of the Village now that the county council has approved the Montgomery Village Master Plan. This master plan will allow for the repurposing of many properties in the Village. The residents of the Village contributed a great deal of input into this master plan, and the plan represents a lot of what our community wants for growth in our town.

Finally, I would like to thank Scott Dyer, Laura Franke, Neville Levi and Jim Marsh for running for the MVF Board of Directors. This paper will go to print prior to the vote count on Saturday, March 5, but I greatly appreciate that these four people are willing to give their time to making the Village a better place to live.

As always, if you wish to contact me, please e-mail me at [johndriscoll235@yahoo.com](mailto:johndriscoll235@yahoo.com).

## MVF BOARD MOTIONS

### MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MOTION LIST February 25, 2016

1. Mr. Dyer moved to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Directors' meeting held January 28, 2016 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
2. Mr. Clark moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
3. Mr. Gargan moved to authorize the EVP to negotiate a new contract and lease agreement with Brickman to provide landscape services and snow removal for MVF properties. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Webb moved to approve the North Village Homes Corporation Design Study. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Mr. Webb moved to approve the proposed revisions to the North Village Homes Corporation architectural criteria. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Ms. Moore moved to approve the proposed 2016 Pool Schedule. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Mr. Dyer moved to approve the COE recommendation for planting trees in South Valley Park and Whetstone Run Stream Valley and to delay a decision to fund additional tree planting until after the spring planting by Tree Montgomery. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
8. Mr. Gargan moved to award the bid for guard stands to Recreonics Inc. in the amount of \$26,405.40. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
9. Ms. Moore moved to award the bid for the replacement of the Hurley Park filter system to Winkler Pool Management in the amount of \$41,315 and approve expenses not to exceed \$45,446. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
10. Ms. Moore moved to award the bid for the purchase of 33 underwater LED fixtures to Aquatic Technology Inc. (PoolWeb.com) for \$14,045.31. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
11. Mr. Dyer moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
12. Ms. Bort moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:33 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 (i) Discussion of matters pertaining to employees and personnel. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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# Letters to the Editor

Editor:

On Sunday, Jan. 24, after the big snow, I shoveled my front walk, as well as the sidewalk in front of our home. The following day, I went to dig out my car, only to find that half of my front walk, as well as the sidewalk that I had shoveled the previous day, was covered in another three feet of snow. I realized that the snow did not come from someone carelessly tossing shoveled snow, but from being dumped there. I spoke to the property manager. His response was that the snow had to go somewhere.

I replied that there is a "point" right next to the parking spaces cleared by the plow, along with the very wide medians across the street. The property manager told me that there would be workers, with shovels, coming through later in the week. If they did come

through, they never stopped to clear the snow that one of the contractors dumped back on our sidewalk and front walk.

Last week my neighbor mentioned that during the big snow, they had knocked on my door, to ask me to move my car, which was still covered in three feet of snow, so that the plow could clear the parking spaces. Since I did not hear the knock at the door, the plow just dumped all of the snow cleared from my neighbor's two parking spaces back onto our sidewalk and front walk.

Northgate reminds its residents to clear snow in front of their property within 24 hours of a snowfall. Shouldn't NG's contractors have done the same for the snow that they put back on the sidewalk, and my front walk, that I had cleared?

Jean McGee  
Northgate

Editor:

As follow up to the MVF Candidates Forum 2016, I would like to recognize Village residents Pam Mondell, as well as Jane and Rich Wilder. Their questions were significant to the future of the Village. I was amazed at how little knowledge the candidates offered in response. Board member diversity, wildlife habitat protection, County occupancy codes, etc. These are very important issues and we as residents would expect that you as prospective Board members be competent on these very important issues.

I would like to add one more integral problem facing the Village and that is rental properties. I was told by a current Board member this year that 25% of all homes in the Village are being rented. That equates to 3,025 homes. That is a huge number. Rental units

house renters. Renters don't care about neighborhoods. They have no vested interest, nor do they care about property upkeep. Many of these rental units house far too many people creating over crowded housing and eliminate vital parking spaces. Rentals have ruined the Village, and the people who are supposed to be enforcing the code ordinance (Montgomery County Code Enforcement) have turned their back, just as MVF has. I have personal experience. I have contacted them on six cases of extreme over-crowded housing, and each time, they claim either they were denied entry or no one was home — and close the case.

Rental properties should be number one on your list as a prospective MVF Board member.

Bob Portanova  
Stedwick

Editor:

In 1991 while serving as MVF Board President, it was my honor to present the first MVF scholarships to four outstanding seniors at Watkins Mill High School. I said then that I was never prouder of our community than that night. Working with Pam Mondell and the WMHSPTSA and other Village leaders, we were able to establish a program which demonstrated our belief in the future — the future of those students and of our community.

Over these past 25 years, hundreds of Village residents have made it possible to recognize the academic achievement and community service of more than 100 talented students from Watkins Mill and Gaithersburg high schools. These scholarships, funded entirely by donations from Village residents, have become one of the hallmarks and traditions of the Montgomery Village community.

As our community begins its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration,

I encourage you to consider making a donation to this year's scholarship fund. Perhaps \$25 in recognition of the 25th year of the scholarship program; \$50 to celebrate our 50 years as a community; \$1 for each year you have lived in Montgomery Village. Whatever the amount, your contribution will re-affirm our belief in the value of our young people and our commitment to their future and ours.

John Huber  
Patton Ridge

## MVF celebrates 25<sup>th</sup> annual scholarship fund drive for Village high school seniors

Since 1991, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF), in partnership with Gaithersburg and Watkins Mill high schools, has awarded scholarships to deserving Village high school seniors totaling more than \$47,000.

Scholarships are awarded to Watkins Mill and Gaithersburg high school students who have demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and participated in community or civic activities. Applicants are screened by a committee at each high school, with MVF's Scholarship Committee making the final selections in May. As

established by the MVF Board of Directors, all contributions are voluntary, and no assessment dollars are used to fund the program.

The scholarship fund was launched by the MVF Board of Directors to coincide with the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Montgomery Village and MVF. This year's fund totals and recipient names will be announced in late spring at school ceremonies and in the *Montgomery Village News*.

Donations by check must be made out directly to either Watkins Mill High School PTSA Scholarship Fund or to the

Gaithersburg High School PTSA Scholarship Fund. To make a tax-deductible contribution to the fund for either school, fill out the form below and return it to MVF at the address indicated.

The MVF Scholarship Fund is an excellent opportunity to bring Village residents and the WMHS and GHS school communities closer together. The impact these scholarships can make goes beyond financial assistance. They represent a commitment to our young people, a recognition of achievement and an investment in our future.

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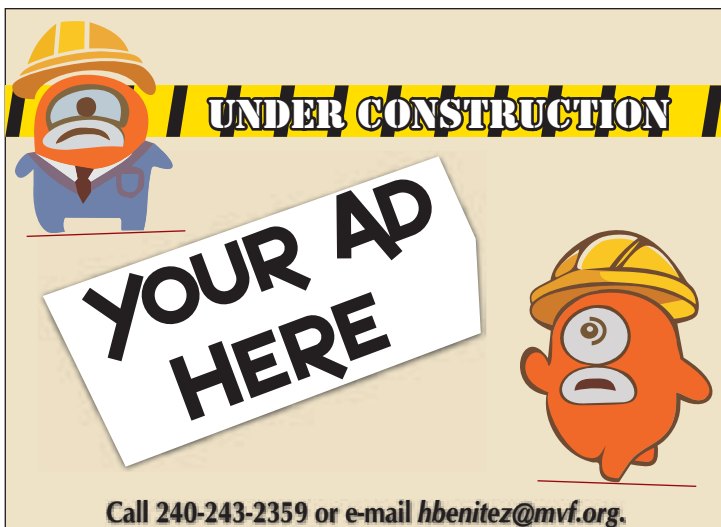
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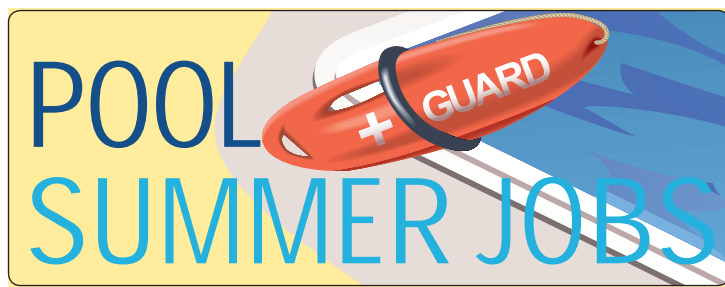
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## IN THE NEWS



## MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION

### Department of Recreation, Parks & Culture

#### Senior Pool Manager/Supervisor\*

Starting at **\$17.50/hr.\*\***

Must have at least five seasons of experience as a pool manager for MVF, or seven seasons as an operator at multi-lifeguard facility elsewhere, or minimum three years of full-time work experience requiring related skills and a current Montgomery County pool operator's license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required. Current lifeguard instructor certification is preferred.

#### Pool Manager\*

Starting at **\$14.00/hr.\*\***

Must be at least 18 years of age, have at least one season of experience in an assistant pool manager position and current Montgomery County pool operator license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

#### Lifeguard\*

Starting at **\$10.30/hr.\*\***

Must be at least 15 years of age. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

#### Assistant Pool Manager\*

Starting at **\$12.26/hr.\*\***

Must be at least 18 years of age, have at least two seasons of experience in a lifeguarding position and current Montgomery County pool operator license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

#### Senior Lifeguard\*

Starting at **\$11.26/hr.**

Must be at least 17 years of age, have at least two seasons of experience in a lifeguarding position and current Montgomery County pool operator license. **American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.**

### MVF CLASS REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) offers reimbursement for new employees who complete the full Lifeguarding Class between September 2015 and the date they are hired by MVF.

Contact Petra Padilla at 240-243-2363, or e-mail [ppadilla@mvf.org](mailto:ppadilla@mvf.org).

\* Contract completion bonus.  
\*\*Salary based on experience. EOE

#### Desk Attendant\*

Starting at **\$8.40/hr.**

Must be at least 15 years of age, be able to work independently, learn all policies associated with the position and have ability to effectively convey the information to public. Working outdoors as a pool slide attendant may be included as part of the duty.

## Staying Aware in the Village

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

#### INDECENT EXPOSURE

An indecent exposure occurred in the 19200 block of Montgomery Village Avenue on Feb. 3 at 12:40 p.m. The suspect exposed himself to the victim.  
Suspect: B/M, age unknown

#### RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential burglary occurred in the 9500 block of Fern Hollow Way on Feb. 19 between 7:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. No forced entry; property taken.

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IN THE NEWS

Pool season preparations top February Board agenda

by Mike Conroy

In preparation for the 2016 pool season, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors approved a number of agenda items that would keep MVF facilities in top shape. The 2016 Pool Schedule was approved, setting hours, openings and closings for each of MVF’s seven pools.

New portable lifeguard stands for Stedwick and Watkins Mill pools were approved, as the current equipment at each of the pools is original to the construction and is in poor condition. The new stands are the same as those replaced at Apple Ridge, Hurley Park, Lake Marion and Whetstone pools.

Additionally, the Board approved replacement of the filter system at Hurley Park Pool. This system has been in place since 1987 and has been repaired several times over the last few pool seasons. Twenty light fixtures at Hurley Park Pool will also be replaced, as well as 13 fixtures at other MVF pools. The Board approved funds for these underwater LED lights, which will be replaced during normal spring maintenance.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

Two architecture-related items were approved by the Board—the North Village Design Study and subsequent North Village criteria changes. The design study is part of an ongoing effort to identify what

features in each community define those housing styles and must remain standard. Each design study is sent to the respective homes corporation for review before going to the MVF Board. Often, after the study has been sent for approval, updating community criteria is necessary. Most updates are clerical, while others are a result of new materials available for homeowners or requests the Architectural Review Board has approved.

MVF staff has been working with Montgomery County’s Tree Montgomery program to identify areas where new trees should be planted, at no cost to MVF. The Committee on the Environment (COE) identified areas in South Valley Park and Whetstone Run Stream Valley that should be considered for new plantings. The Board passed a motion to consider these areas for planting and have the COE re-evaluate those areas to determine if future funding for more plantings would be necessary.

The Board also authorized the EVP negotiate and execute contract and lease agreement for landscaping services and snow removal for MVF properties with Brickman, MVF’s current contractor. The current five-year agreement expires at the end of the year, and after consideration of past performance and improvements, staff recommended to continue the partnership with Brickman.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

In Board President John Driscoll’s absence, Vice President Pete Young chaired the meeting. Young introduced Amy Stevens, manager for the Stormwater Facilities Maintenance Program for the Montgomery County Department of the Environment, to talk about the Lake Whetstone Dredging Project. Stevens noted that the dredging project was completed and that the contractor would soon be removing the rest of the equipment from the lake. She said that unfortunately, although it was part of the original scope work, the delta at the South Village end of the lake had material too large to remove. Further, Stevens noted that even if that material was removed, it is a natural delta and it would continue to collect. Removing the sediment there would affect the bio-habitat and have other negative environmental impacts. She reported that about 19,000 cubic yards of material were removed from the lake.

EVP REPORT

Executive Vice President Dave Humpton reported that the Montgomery Village Master Plan was adopted by the county council on February 9. He said that it was mentioned by the county council that the Vision 2030 Plan played a large part in getting the master plan done; Humpton thanked the Board and many volunteers

who worked hard to put the Vision 2030 Plan together. He also noted that the next step in the master plan is a comprehensive re-zoning of Village properties to fit what was outlined in the new master plan.

Humpton also said the South Valley Park restrooms and concession stand project was finally complete. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held later in the year to open the facilities to the public.

The EVP also gave a brief synopsis of a few pieces of proposed legislation that would affect the Village, seeking direction from the Board to offer support or non-support. HB 1061 would establish statewide registration for HOAs and COAs, similar to that required by Montgomery County; the Board was not in favor of this. HB 1080 would change requirements regarding quorum for ballots, considering non-returned ballots as an “affirmative” toward the total needed, and changing the process for amending governing documents; the Board was not in favor of this as written. Finally, the Board was also not in favor of County Bill 2-16/ ZTA 16-30 pertaining to short term rentals, specifically services like Airbnb. They believe the legislation would have poor effects for neighbors—traffic, parking and security—and think the proposal would need additional language addressing these issues, as well as ways for

the county to monitor the rental activity before they could consider supporting it.

TREASURER’S REPORT

CFO Greg Snellings gave the financial report for the month of January, noting that total Revenue was slightly unfavorable to the budget at \$660,650. However, this is balanced by Expenses, which were favorable to the budget at \$474,430. Net Income for the month was reported as \$186,220. Snellings noted that the Balance Sheet shows just under \$16 million in total assets, about double the assets MVF had 8 years ago.

Snellings also reported that due to the updates to the Collection Policy made in 2015, Receivables for January 2016 were about \$100,000 less than the previous year, showing that the collection process is working.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the MVF Board of Directors is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, also at North Creek. Residents are invited and encouraged to attend either or both meetings. The Annual Meeting will honor community volunteers and staff, as well as highlight 2015 accomplishments and financials.

MVF Financial Reports - January 2016

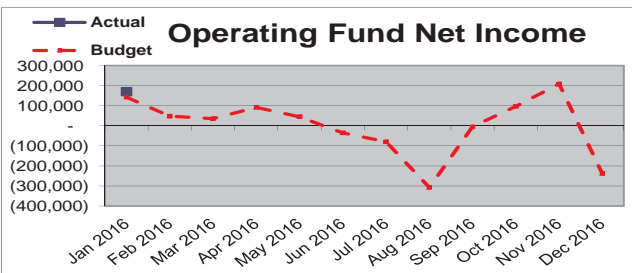
OPERATING FUND - STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE

MVF BALANCE SHEET

For the Period Ended January 31, 2016

	January 2016			YTD Jan 2016 January 2016		
	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)
<b>Revenue:</b>						
Assessments	504,214	504,176	39	504,214	504,176	39
Assessment Fees	50,832	51,463	(631)	50,832	51,463	(631)
Transfer Fees	1,875	2,343	(468)	1,875	2,343	(468)
Disclosure Fees	8,887	8,720	167	8,887	8,720	167
Advertising revenue	10,240	6,710	3,529	10,240	6,710	3,529
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	8,404	9,748	(1,344)	8,404	9,748	(1,344)
Camps & Classes	21,047	18,223	2,825	21,047	18,223	2,825
Management Fees	65,501	65,208	293	65,501	65,208	293
Capital Contribution fee	6,412	9,100	(2,688)	6,412	9,100	(2,688)
Other Income	7,286	15,781	(8,495)	7,286	15,781	(8,495)
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>684,699</b>	<b>691,472</b>	<b>(6,773)</b>	<b>684,699</b>	<b>691,472</b>	<b>(6,773)</b>
<b>Personnel Costs:</b>						
Salaries & Wages	207,061	239,101	32,040	207,061	239,101	32,040
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	76,910	76,219	(691)	76,910	76,219	(691)
<b>Personnel Costs</b>	<b>283,971</b>	<b>315,320</b>	<b>31,349</b>	<b>283,971</b>	<b>315,320</b>	<b>31,349</b>
Business Expenses	9,085	8,081	(1,004)	9,085	8,081	(1,004)
Office Supplies	1,722	5,137	3,415	1,722	5,137	3,415
Program/Maint Supplies	2,494	5,400	2,906	2,494	5,400	2,906
Occupancy	15,823	19,133	3,310	15,823	19,133	3,310
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	22,706	24,813	2,107	22,706	24,813	2,107
Equip Maintenance	-	3,700	3,700	-	3,700	3,700
Vehicle Expenses	1,182	1,998	816	1,182	1,998	816
Financial & Legal	3,676	20,017	16,341	3,676	20,017	16,341
Insurance	(15,810)	(16,651)	(841)	(15,810)	(16,651)	(841)
Printing	1,945	4,200	2,255	1,945	4,200	2,255
Landscape/Maintenance	91,983	53,715	(38,268)	91,983	53,715	(38,268)
Security	3,982	9,695	5,713	3,982	9,695	5,713
Other	(48)	-	48	(48)	-	48
<b>Operating Costs</b>	<b>138,740</b>	<b>139,239</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>138,740</b>	<b>139,239</b>	<b>499</b>
Contribution to Reserves	85,434	85,434	0	85,434	85,434	0
Contribution to CCF	6,412	9,100	2,688	6,412	9,100	2,688
Purchases of Assets	823	-	(823)	823	-	(823)
Other Equity Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Reserve/capital</b>	<b>92,670</b>	<b>94,534</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>92,670</b>	<b>94,534</b>	<b>1,865</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	<b>515,381</b>	<b>549,093</b>	<b>33,712</b>	<b>515,381</b>	<b>549,093</b>	<b>33,712</b>
<b>Excess/Deficit Revenue</b>	<b>169,317</b>	<b>142,378</b>	<b>26,939</b>	<b>169,317</b>	<b>142,378</b>	<b>26,939</b>

	Current	Prior Year
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash & Cash equiv	2,816,690	2,682,997
Investments	5,432,846	5,312,468
Due from Reserves	123	322,427
Assessment Receivables	926,736	1,035,599
Other Receivables	93,292	62,272
<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>9,269,686</b>	<b>9,415,764</b>
<b>Gross Fixed Assets</b>	<b>13,943,206</b>	<b>12,994,457</b>
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<b>(7,291,747)</b>	<b>(7,198,282)</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	<b>6,651,460</b>	<b>5,796,175</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	<b>60,705</b>	<b>50,750</b>
<b>Assets</b>	<b>15,981,851</b>	<b>15,262,689</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>		
Due to Operating	123	322,427
Payables	600,987	581,425
Deferred Revenue Liab	1,187,445	1,127,302
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>1,788,555</b>	<b>2,031,155</b>
<b>Undesignated Reserves</b>	<b>1,679,654</b>	<b>1,490,856</b>
<b>Designated Reserves</b>	<b>12,241,615</b>	<b>11,740,674</b>
<b>Equity</b>	<b>13,921,268</b>	<b>13,231,530</b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>15,981,851</b>	<b>15,262,689</b>



For complete details and explanations, please refer to the Treasurer’s Report in the MVF Board packet which can be found online at [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com).



## IN THE NEWS

## Reznik

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tation pulled the RFP for the project. After some research as to why, Reznik and Senator Brain Feldman put in cross-legislation to mandate that this project be completed.

The second project Reznik discussed was funding for construction of a new STEM education building at the Universities at Shady Grove. The project originally had called for appropriation of funds over the next several years, but had recently been redirected by the Governor. Again, after research and testimony by members of the community, this money was re-instated to the university system.

Reznik also mentioned a few initiatives being worked on during this session related to alcohol laws.

He noted many of these

changes were due to the recent tragic passing of Montgomery County Police Officer Noah Leotta, who was fatally struck by a drunk driver. Reznik said there were many needed changes to address problems with the current laws. He said proposed legislation would impose increased penalties for DUIs and the potential installation of alcohol monitoring devices in vehicles. A second piece of alcohol-related legislation aims to increase penalties on adults who host drinking parties in their homes.

Reznik thanked the Board for their time, and noted he can be contacted through his website, <http://reznikformaryland.com>, by the Board or residents for future assistance.

## Anniversary

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ery Village Memory Mural, drawing a special Village memory on the display boards. This interactive element will be on display at the Annual Art, Craft and Photography Show, scheduled from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 12 and Sunday, March 13. See this and other Village memorabilia submitted by residents.

Montgomery Village Photo Trivia, in the shape of several large "50s" were posted for visitors to reminisce and answer questions. Residents of all ages enjoyed taking a trip down memory lane or finding out about the Village's past through these photos from the last 50 years. Pictures of the old Montgomery Village movie theater and July 4<sup>th</sup> parades gone by were big hits, often sparking conversation about the early days in the Village.

State, county and local elected officials were also in attendance, lending their support and gratitude to Montgomery Village as a great neighbor for the last 50 years, and stressing the importance of the legacy of Montgomery Village. Senator Nancy King and Delegates Charles Barkley and Kirill Reznik; County Executive Isiah

Leggett; Montgomery County Council President Nancy Floreen and Councilmembers Sidney Katz, George Leventhal and Craig Rice; and City of Gaithersburg City Councilmembers Neil Harris and Robert Wu all took part in congratulating Montgomery Village through Proclamations and Resolutions.

Tom Kettler, son of the late Clarence Kettler, whose vision created Montgomery Village, and some original Village residents were also in attendance. They commented that the event was nice and was a good time to reconnect with some old friends, but also to see new families enjoying the Village as well. Kettler noted, "It's great with my office right up the road; I get to drive through the Village every day and see what my dad and uncles worked so hard to accomplish. This is still a great and special place to live."

## UPCOMING CELEBRATION EVENTS

Residents are invited to participate in 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration events all year long. The next opportunity is to enter commemorative Village items or artwork for display at the

Annual Art, Craft and Photography Show, scheduled from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 12 and Sunday, March 13 at North Creek Community Center (NCCC), 20125 Arrowhead Road. Registration for the show is scheduled from 3 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 10 also at NCCC. There is no fee to register artwork or memorabilia in the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary category; this category will not be judged.

A Montgomery Village keychain will be given away to those who attend the MVF Annual Meeting, scheduled for 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 at NCCC. At this meeting, the MVF Board President gives an account of Foundation highlights from the previous year, 2015 financials will be presented and community service awards will be given to those who have supported the community in the past year.

And in late April, an Arbor Day Celebration will be held at the North Creek Nature Center. Read upcoming issues of the *Village News* and check [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com) for details of this great family event!



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IN THE NEWS

Celebrating Montgomery Village's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



photos by Maria Pullifrone



## ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS

## Woodburning fireplace tips

Even though we've had a few recent days of warmer weather, this is the season for fireplace usage, and with the heavier demand on these wood burning fireplaces, we would like to pass on some tips and reminders for safer enjoyment.

- Always open the damper before lighting the fire and keep the damper open until the ashes have cooled.
- Never use gasoline, charcoal lighter fluid, kerosene or other fuel to light or relight a fire because the vapors can explode.
- Do not burn charcoal or trash in a fireplace because of the danger of carbon monoxide build-up or deadly fumes.
- When starting your fire, light a paper torch near the damper opening to warm the flue and ensure an upward draft. Opening a door or window near the fireplace is also another way to get a proper up draft and prevent any reverse draft.
- Always place kindling and wood on a grate and not directly on the fireplace floor.
- Use seasoned dry hardwoods to promote a more complete hot burning fire. A hot fire produces less creosote (tar) than smoldering woods. An accumulation of creosote can cause dangerous chimney fires.
- Do not overload the fireplace. Extremely large fires can promote overheating of metal chimney walls or roof materials.
- Always use a screen around the fireplace to keep sparks from igniting clothing or items near the fireplace.
- Warn children of the danger of fire and do not let them play near or with fire.
- Make sure the fire is out completely before leaving the house or going to bed for the night.
- One last major tip: Have your chimney and fireplace flue maintained and cleaned by a professional annually.



## Rental Facilities in the Village

Looking for space to hold your party, celebration or sports practice? Look no further than Lake Marion or North Creek community center. Montgomery Village residents who pay the MVF fee are able to rent these centers for their non-alcoholic private parties or functions.

**Lake Marion** has a wood-floored room that can be rented for parties with a maximum capacity of 85 people. There also is a full-size gymnasium available for rent at Lake Marion.

**North Creek** is a tile-floored L-shaped room that may be divided into two smaller rooms with a maximum capacity of 125 people.

We are currently accepting rental requests for functions to be held through April 2016. Fees for these facilities begin at \$50 per hour and require a \$250 security deposit. Requests must be submitted at least three weeks in advance. Potential renters can obtain a copy of the "Procedures on the Private Use of Facilities" and the "Private Rental Request Form" from the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road or online at [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com). Please remember that all functions must be non-alcoholic, and that the renter must be present the entire length of the rental.

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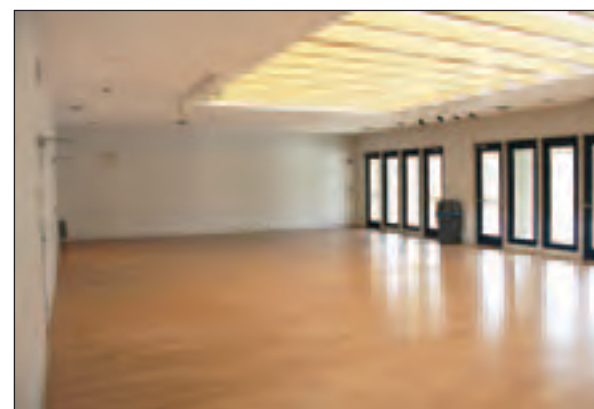
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*\*Please note: there is a maximum of 75 people allowed per rental during pool season.*



## HOMES CORPORATIONS

# HOMES CORPORATIONS & CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS

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## WHETSTONE WATCH

## Maintenance updates/Eagle Scout project

by Sharon Cranford

It's hard to believe given our recent blizzard, but warmer weather will be here before we know it. That means it will be time for maintenance work to get underway in Whetstone. Here's the rundown:

### TREE PLANTING

Whetstone Homes Corporation plants replacement street trees in March or April so that they get an early start in the growing season. Whetstone also pays to have the new trees watered during our hot, dry summers. We are having some success with this approach, as fewer new trees are dying.

### DEER GUARDS

You may have noticed that many of our newer trees are sporting deer guards. These are rigid black plastic mesh cylinders and are designed to make our trees less vulnerable to the deer that wander our community. A maple tree on the Oxcart Place island and a cherry tree on Regions Way have suffered some deer damage. We are hoping the deer guards will save these trees as well as others planted in the past couple of years.

### TREE PRUNING

In 2016 we will be pruning street trees and common area trees in the Lakeside section of Whetstone. This work takes place in the summer, after the trees have fully leafed out.

### TREE REMOVAL

We love our street and common area trees, but some are at the end of their life cycle due to limited growing space, drought, disease and road salt. We wait until the trees have

fully leafed out before marking the ones for removal. Tree removal work is usually done in late summer and early fall. The stumps are ground out and dirt, seed and straw are put down to restore the turf area.

### PATH REPAVING

Each year, Whetstone repaves bike paths in need of repair. The maintenance committee surveys the paths and identifies those most in need of repaving. This work is usually done in late summer/early fall.

### EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Robert Maxwell, a Whetstone resident and an Eagle Scout candidate, has asked if the board would allow him to refurbish the Canal Road and the Digging Way islands for his Eagle Scout project. Robert came to the January board meeting to formally make his request, and the board enthusiastically approved it by unanimous vote. Robert is now refining his proposal after having met with our community manager and our landscape contractor. Robert plans to do his project in April with the assistance of scouts from his troop.

### REMINDER

All holiday decorations must be removed within 45 days of the holiday event.

### SAFETY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Whetstone has had a Neighborhood Watch program for more than a decade. It has helped educate all of us as to what we can do to deter crime. Although this is a very safe

neighborhood, it is important to remember some common sense rules:

- Keep your doors and windows locked at all times.
- Don't leave anything of value in your car, and lock your car before entering your home.
- Don't answer your door without knowing who is on the other side. Recently, a Rockville couple suffered a home invasion and robbery because they let two men, pretending to be with a service company, into their home. If you're not expecting anyone, use the peephole to see who is there or don't answer the door.
- If you see something suspicious, call 911 and report it. Let the police decide how to handle the situation.

### ANNUAL MEETING

On Thursday, March 10, Whetstone will hold its annual meeting at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The annual meeting starts at 8 p.m. However, the board's regular March meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. We hope you will come and hear presentations by President Debby Vermillion and Treasurer Brian Clark, as well as the announcement of the results of the 2016 election. We look forward to seeing you then.

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

## PATTON RIDGE REPORT

## Patton Ridge election results

by the Patton Ridge Board of Directors

The public voting is complete, and the votes have been counted. Congratulations to Howard Cohen, Larry Nicholson and Sue Roth who were elected to new three-year terms as directors. Also elected were Bill Evans to serve a new one-year term as Representative to the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF). Sue Roth was elected to a one-year term as the Alternate Representative to the MVF.

### SECURITY SERVICES

Since December, U.S. Security Associates, Inc. (USA) has been in place for Patton Ridge as our security patrol providers. USA is a large, nationwide firm that employs state of the art communication and tracking technology to enhance their security coverage. They are on site from 6 p.m. to 3 a.m. and

7 p.m. to 3 a.m. during Daylight Saving Time.

Residents can contact USA at 301-384-7777. Residents can also contact our community management staff at [pattonridgehc@mvmf.org](mailto:pattonridgehc@mvmf.org) or 240-243-2326 with questions or concerns.

### NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Patton Ridge Homes Corporation Board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents time is from 7 to 7:30 p.m., please limit your remarks to no more than five minutes.

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

## Covenant United Methodist Preschool and Terrific Twos Program

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## HOMES CORPORATIONS

## STEDWICK SIGNALS

## The Blizzard of 2016

by Nancy Horn

By now we're all looking forward to spring — which is just around the corner — and are grateful to be through what we hope is the last of snow and ice. But the Category 4 storm we experienced in January was exceptional and required exceptional effort to deal with its effects on our community. It was ranked "up there with the great blizzards of the past 100 years in terms of amount of snowfall, size of impacted areas and population affected," said Paul Kocin, a meteorologist at NOAA's National Weather Service. The storm covered about 434,000 square miles and impacted about 102.8 million people. The blizzard was measured at 28.8 inches of snow for our area by WeatherWorks, Inc.

Here in our neighborhood, J.B. Kline Landscaping, our maintenance contractor, approaches every storm individually, as factors such as day of the week; whether the snow is wet or dry; and current and projected temperatures all play a role in how the storm will be managed. Stedwick's contract with J.B. Kline outlines the requirements for snow removal based on the number of accumulated inches. In an event such as the blizzard in January, the board of directors also had to make decisions based on budget restraints. Because the cost of snow removal for these blizzard conditions exceeded the \$50,000 budgeted

for the year by a considerable amount, we had to focus on keeping streets open for emergency traffic as the number one priority. Once the decision to cease snow removal operations was made, J.B. Kline donated about a half day of labor and materials, as well as the use of specially rented, extra-large front loaders, so that every neighborhood would have had the same level of service. Once again, we feel that J.B. Kline has gone above and beyond meeting their contractual obligations to Stedwick.

After the first plow pass through each street in every neighborhood to meet the emergency vehicle requirement, the general clearing process begins, which, depending on conditions, includes additional passes through every street, applying salt or ice melting materials where needed and opening areas around fire hydrants. Lastly, sidewalks are cleaned, and snow is removed from in front of the storm drains, where required. For the Blizzard of 2016, sidewalks were treated with ice melting materials on four days in various parts of the community on an as-needed basis.

How much ice melting material is used depends on many factors such as current and projected temperatures and whether schools are closed completely, or delayed by two hours. In a storm when cars can drive through the streets before they are plowed, the snow becomes compacted

requiring more ice melting materials than if not driven over because the product cannot penetrate to the street surface. Usually with 3 to 4 inches of snow, J.B. Kline Landscaping salts the intersections and hills throughout Stedwick. Since the federal government and county schools were closed during this blizzard, it was assumed most people were at home, so salt was not applied as liberally as it might have been during a different type of storm.

Special thanks to Community Manager Andrea Mandato for her outstanding contribution to the storm efforts, as she handled requests and complaints from residents and was the go-between for the board and J.B. Kline's management. Andrea spent her entire weekend on the phone helping to keep our snow removal proceeding as efficiently as possible. You're a star, Andrea!

## PARKING IN STEDWICK

At the November 2015 board meeting, the Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors requested a provision to the current policy for cross driveway parking. The community has received several complaints regarding unknown vehicles blocking in cars parked in their own driveways. The board has approved that any resident who is blocked in their own driveway by an unknown vehicle may contact any tow company themselves to have the car removed. The owner of the vehicle in violation will be held responsible for recouping their vehicle from the tow yard, and this matter will be solely between the owner of the vehicle and the tow company. This policy will only be enforced in the specific incident outlined above; residents may not have vehicles towed from reserved spaces.

If you have any questions or concerns about conditions in Stedwick, contact our Stedwick Homes Corporation community management team at 240-243-2326, e-mail [stedwickhmc@mof.org](mailto:stedwickhmc@mof.org) or consult your community website, [www.stedwick.org](http://www.stedwick.org). You may also share any concerns and ideas with your board at residents time at any of our meetings. The next meeting (including our annual meeting) is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

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

## NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

## North Village annual meeting

by the North Village Board of Directors

The annual meeting of the North Village Homes Corporation was held on Thursday, Feb. 18, in the North Creek Community Center. Every year at this time the board presents the yearly status of the corporation and announces the results of the board elections.

The president initiated the meeting by giving a summary of the accomplishments of the corporation for 2015. She mentioned that our biggest project of 2015 was the repaving of the streets and parking lots in Salem's Grant and McRory. Other projects included the installation of LED street lights throughout the community, the addition of pet stations in heavily traveled pet areas, the continuing maintenance of trees and the beautification of some of our entrance signs, which will continue in 2016. We ended the year with the selection of a new security company that promises to better meet our expectation of the security protection we need. The board wants all of our residents to mark down the phone number of the new security company: 301-384-7777.

The results of the board elections were announced. Incumbent Claudette Lease was re-elected to the board, and two new members, Sandy Kramer from Salem's Grant and Marjorie Lewis from Picton, were welcomed by the board. Although not on the ballot, Marjorie received a significant number of write-in votes to win her election to the board. In addition, Claudette Lease was elected as our MVF Representative and Jeanne Powell was elected as the MVF Alternate Representative.

The treasurer reviewed the financial highlights of 2015. The details of these highlights were published in the last issue of the *Village News* (February 19, page 17). The bottom line was that we ended the year in a comfortable position with over \$25,000 of net income. Of course the auditors may make some adjustments to this figure. The treasurer pointed out that we added \$160,000 to our capital reserves during 2015 so that at the end of 2015 we had

nearly \$1.4 million invested for replacement reserves. This was in spite of \$380,000 in capital projects in 2015, the road repaving being the major project.

Election of officers was the last item on the agenda. Claudette Lease was re-elected as the board president, Jeanne Powell was re-elected as treasurer and Barathwaj Bala was elected vice president.

## FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

The board held its February meeting in conjunction with the annual meeting on Thursday, Feb. 18. The major item on the agenda was the snow storm of January 22 and January 23, and the subsequent cleanup. Given the huge size of the storm and the hiring of Brickman to complete the snow removal, the cost skyrocketed and far exceeded our budget. This will greatly limit what we can do in 2016 because we will have to cut back in other areas of our operating budget to compensate for the snow removal.

One hopeful item is that the Governor declared the entire snow event a state emergency. This allows the state to apply federal funds to assist with the cleanup and damage expenses. Our community manager is working with the Maryland Emergency Management Agency and the state's Public Assistance Officer to request funds. We have been added to a list of municipalities and communities requesting relief funding, but it is a long process and we may not hear anything for a long time. The board will discuss our landscaping and snow removal contracts further in future months.

## THE NEXT MEETING

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 21 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. If you have any questions, call Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2344, or e-mail [asteward@mof.org](mailto:asteward@mof.org).

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

## MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

## Lighting outages on Ridgeline Drive

by the Middle Village Board of Directors

The contractor is continuing the lighting project that includes replacing pole lights and underground wiring throughout the community. There have been numerous complaints regarding the lighting outages on Ridgeline Drive. The outages are due to a delay by Pepco in completing the power connections. Pepco has been contacted on numerous occasions. We thank you for your continued patience, and please know that everything possible is being done to resolve this issue as soon as possible.

## ASSESSMENTS

We live in a community that requires every homeowner 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 can be paid monthly, quarterly or annually. If you are paying monthly or quarterly, your payment must be received by ComSource on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to avoid late charges. If you are paying annually, your payment is due in January, on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to avoid late charges. Your regular payments al-

low 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 Delphine Matthews at ComSource. Ms. Matthews can be reached at 301-924-7355 or [dmatthews@comsource.com](mailto:dmatthews@comsource.com).

## 2016 PARKING TAGS

Towing for expired 2015 parking tags has begun. Many residents have not picked up their 2016 parking tags. You are able to pick up parking tags from ComSource throughout the month; contact ComSource at 301-924-7355 prior to going to their office. If you have questions, e-mail Delphine Matthews at [dmatthews@comsource.com](mailto:dmatthews@comsource.com). Towing for expired parking tags has begun throughout the community. Big Tow will continue to tow vehicles for all other parking violations.

## TRASH

Trash continues to be an issue in our community. Scheduled trash removal is on Tuesday and Friday each week, and recycling collection takes place on Wednesday. It is the responsibility of each resident to place their trash can in the appropriate location for pickup and to collect their trash cans/recycling containers and place them back on your property on

the day that trash/recycling is collected.

Unmarked trash cans and recycling containers are often left in common areas all week. This attracts rodents, and has a negative impact on the appearance of our community and our property values. Any trash cans or recycling containers that are not marked with an address will be collected and disposed of. If you see a resident dumping bulk or loose trash and you know their address, you can report them to ComSource anonymously.

## 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 [dmatthews@comsource.com](mailto:dmatthews@comsource.com) or [sumali@comsource.com](mailto:sumali@comsource.com).

The next MVHC board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

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

## SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

## South Village annual meeting rescheduled for March 23

by the South Village Board of Directors

We did not reach a quorum in the South Village election to install new board members. As a result, the annual meeting did not take place last week and has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 23. For an up-to-date time and location, see the calendar on page 4 or at search South Village's meetings online at [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com).

Although winter isn't yet over, the weather has been warming. With spring comes the beginning of follow-up Private Property Maintenance inspections. Please take the time to look at your home objectively and review any maintenance notices you might have received during the fall inspection. Make requested repairs, remove all those stored

items that do not belong in yards or in front of garages and remove debris such as twigs, sticks, building materials, etc.

As every year, the South Village board would like to thank you in advance for keeping our neighborhoods clean and attractive. Criteria for each neighborhood are on the MVF website and can be accessed from your member dashboard. Please pay particular attention to the trash and recycling policies.

If you have any questions, contact the community manager at 240-243-2326 or e-mail [southvillagehc@mvf.org](mailto:southvillagehc@mvf.org).

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## MILESTONES

## Gaithersburg High School sophomore accepted into honors-only national medical program

Montgomery Village resident Uylae Kim, a sophomore at Gaithersburg High School, has been nominated to and accepted as a Delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Lowell, Mass. From Saturday, June 25 through Monday, June 27.

The Congress is an honors-only program for high school students who want to become physicians or go into medical research fields. The purpose of this event is to honor, inspire, motivate and direct the top students in the country who aspire to be physicians or medical scientists, to stay true

to their dream and, after the event, to provide a path, plan and resources to help them reach their goal.

Kim was nominated by Dr. Robert Darling, the Medical Director of the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists to represent Maryland based on his academic achievement, leadership potential and determination to serve humanity in the field of medicine. During the three-day Congress, Kim will join students from across the country and hear Nobel Laureates and National Medal of Science Winners talk about leading medical

research; be given advice from Ivy League and top medical school deans on what to expect in medical school; witness stories told by patients who are living medical miracles; be inspired by fellow teen medical science prodigies; and learn about cutting-edge advances and the future in medicine and medical technology.

"This is a crucial time in America when we need more doctors and medical scientists who are even better prepared for a future that is changing exponentially," said Richard Rossi, executive director, National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists.

"Focused, bright and determined students like Uylae Kim are our future, and he deserves all the mentoring and guidance we can give him."

The National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists was founded on the belief that prospective medical talent must be identified at the earliest possible age and helped to acquire the necessary experience and skills to take them to the doorstep of this vital career. Based in Washington, D.C. and with offices in Boston, Mass., the Academy was chartered as a nonpartisan, taxpaying

institution to help address this crisis by working to identify, encourage and mentor students who wish to devote their lives to the service of humanity as physicians, medical scientists.

In addition to Kim's academic achievements, including honor roll and the President's Education Awards Program certificate, he has participated in school sports including soccer, cross country and track. His hobbies include playing the piano, violin and guitar, playing sports, reading and hanging out with his friends.

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

Engagement Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Wedding Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Wedding Location \_\_\_\_\_

Honeymoon Location \_\_\_\_\_  
Address Where Couple Plans to Reside \_\_\_\_\_

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Child's First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_  
Length/Weight \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mother's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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Father's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Husband's First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Anniversary Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Years Married \_\_\_\_\_  
Children's Full Names (those without last names will not be printed)  
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Number of Grandchildren \_\_\_\_\_  
Description of How Anniversary Couple Met \_\_\_\_\_  
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Where Couple Was Married \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Wife's Employer/Location \_\_\_\_\_  
Husband's Employer/Location \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Plans for Celebrating the Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_  
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## How to attract birds to your garden

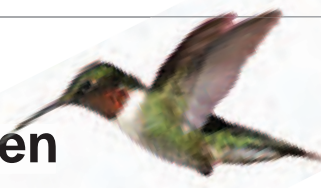
Attracting and watching birds is entertaining and educational for the whole family, while also providing an important eco-service for our environment. Learn how to create a garden that attracts our beautiful local and migratory birds (especially Ruby-throated Hummingbirds), how to create a National Wildlife Federation Certified Wildlife Habitat and how to "think globally and act

locally" as you help reestablish much needed habitat for our feathered friends.

Heather Zindash, local writer, blogger and photographer, will present a few very simple steps that can be implemented in one day, as well as an overview of how you might plan your garden and landscape to attract and support birds year-round.

The program, sponsored by the Montgomery Village Garden Club, is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. on Monday, March 14, at Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court. Refreshments will be served and guests are welcome.

For more information, contact Barbara Stellar at 301-740-8566.



## Kenwood Cherry Blossoms and Spring Flowers Walk



The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club is sponsoring a seasonal, self-guided Kenwood Cherry Blossoms and Spring Flowers Walk in Bethesda between Saturday, March 12 and Monday, May 9. The 10km walk, rated 2A, is on the Capitol Crescent Trail and on streets through the Kenwood

neighborhood with beautiful cherry blossoms/spring flowers. The trail has some hills. It is suitable for strollers but not for wheelchairs.

The 5km trail, rated 1A, requires driving 3.2 miles to a different start point; driving directions are on the walk directions. The 5km trail is on the streets through the Kenwood neighborhood with beautiful cherry blossoms/spring flowers. It is suitable for strollers and wheelchairs. After the cherry blossoms are

gone, azaleas and other spring flowers will be in bloom.

Participants must register for the walk at the "Start Box" at Starbucks Coffee, 4611-E Sangamore Road (The Shops at Sumner Place), Bethesda. Walking should be done during daylight hours only. The walk is free; Volksmarch credit is \$3. Restrooms are available in the shopping center and along the trail for the 10km trail; restrooms are available only in the shopping center for the 5km trail. Pets are allowed but must be leashed at all times and must be cleaned up after. Pets are not allowed in Sumner Place stores, but can be leashed outside.

For more information contact Maribeth Evans at 301-946-5496 or e-mail [gammie0612@verizon.net](mailto:gammie0612@verizon.net).

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Join the American Association of University Women (AAUW) at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15 for a presentation about Maryland Choices in 2016 elections.

The Gaithersburg branch of the AAUW presents Car-

la Satinsky of the League of Women Voters, introducing the League's popular Voters' Guide. A board of elections representative will demonstrate the new paper-ballot voting machine as well; attendees will have the opportunity

to practice voting on the new system.

The meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Gaithersburg Library, 18330 Montgomery Village Avenue (Meeting Room 1). For more information, call 301-840-5443.

## Keeping our senior neighbors healthy

Clients in Senior Connection's Senior Rides program rely on volunteer drivers to get them to doctor appointments to stay healthy. One 75-year old client who started getting rides in 2014 writes, "Before the gift of this service, I had to let my urgent appointments go way too long! Because I finally had a ride to my ophthalmologist, I learned I have glaucoma. Now, perhaps it can be somewhat arrested. This service may actually be life-saving to many elders with no other way

to get to doctors in time!"

Consider volunteering with the Senior Connection to drive seniors to medical and other appointments. Training and liability coverage are provided, and you can set your own volunteering schedule. New volunteer trainings take place each month. The next trainings are scheduled for 10 a.m.

on Wednesday, March 9 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, both at the Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring.

For more information, call 301-962-0820, e-mail [volunteer@seniorconnectionmc.org](mailto:volunteer@seniorconnectionmc.org) or visit [www.seniorconnectionmc.org](http://www.seniorconnectionmc.org).



## Gaithersburg HELP to host National Christian Choir

Montgomery Village residents are invited to attend The National Christian Choir Benefit Concert from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 19 at the First Baptist Church of Gaithersburg, 200 W. Diamond Avenue, Gaithersburg.

Tickets are \$15 each, and all proceeds from sales benefit Gaithersburg HELP programs, which provide basic needs assistance (food, formula, etc.) to Gaithersburg and Montgomery Village residents in need.

The choir will sing songs from their new album entitled "Faithful." In addition to the concert, a silent auction will be hosted on site. Attendees are encouraged to bid on gift baskets, spa packages, sports memorabilia and more.

Gaithersburg HELP provides basic needs assistance via a food pantry, along with formula and diapers, prescription assistance and transportation for medical and social services appointments. For more information about Gaithersburg HELP and to purchase tickets for the benefit concert, visit [www.gaithersburghelp.org](http://www.gaithersburghelp.org).

## Covenant UMC Holy Week services

Residents are invited to join the Covenant United Methodist Church (CUMC) for services during Holy Week.

- Palm/Passion Sunday, March 20, 8:30 and 10 a.m.: Palms given out at service times
- Maundy Thursday, March 24, 7:30 p.m.: Passion service remembering the Last Supper
- Good Friday, March 25, 7:30 p.m.: A powerful and meaningful service of light and darkness, an ancient rite of the church.
- Easter Sunday, March 27, 7 a.m.: Sunrise service at the cross on the hill next to lower parking lot (wooden benches provided).
- Easter Sunday, March 27: 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.: Worship inside the sanctuary with beautiful music and relevant preaching.

Covenant United Methodist Church is located at 20301 Pleasant Ridge Drive. For more information, call 301-926-8920 or visit [www.covenant-umc.org](http://www.covenant-umc.org).

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## COMMUNITY SERVICE

## High school students needed to serve as election judges during primary election

The Montgomery County Board of Elections "Future Vote" Program is seeking high school juniors and seniors to serve as paid election judges at polling places for the Presidential Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, April 26.

In accordance with the Maryland Election Code, individuals serving as election judges must be registered to vote in the State of Maryland. Students who will be 18 years old by or on November 8, 2016, are eligible to register and vote. The Maryland Election law also allows minors who are 17 years old to register and be appointed to serve as an election judge if the minor demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the State Board, that he or she meets all qualifications for registration in the State.

Because of the population diversity within Montgom-

ery County, students with bilingual language skills, particularly in Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Amharic and French, are encouraged to participate.

The application process requires both an online quiz and completion of hands-on training. All applicants who are selected for these positions will be compensated at rates that vary based on the position, as advertised at [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org). Individuals may earn 25 Student Service Learning (SSL) credits in lieu of a stipend, if they prefer.

For more information, contact Gilberto Zelaya at 240-777-8532, e-mail [gilberto.zelaya@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:gilberto.zelaya@montgomerycountymd.gov) or visit [www.777vote.org](http://www.777vote.org) (select "Election Judges" to complete an on-line application).

## Watkins Mill Mulch Madness

On Saturday, March 19, the Watkins Mill High School (WMHS) Booster Club will be selling 3 cubic-foot bags of shredded hardwood mulch at the school, 10301 Apple Ridge Road. Bags cost \$4.75, and free delivery is available with pur-

chases of 10 or more bags.

Order by Saturday, March 12 online at <http://wmhsboosters.com>. For more information, call Dick Campbell at 301-580-4932 or e-mail [WMHSMulchSale@gmail.com](mailto:WMHSMulchSale@gmail.com).

## SCHOOL NEWS

## Living Grace Christian School students compete in Regional Spelling Bee

Living Grace Christian School students Emily Parr and Nehemiah Switzer participated in the ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International) Regional Spelling Bee that included participants

from Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts and New York on February 22, in Lancaster, Penn. Congratulations to Nehemiah Switzer for placing seventh out of 48 spellers.

Living Grace Christian School is located at 20300 Pleasant Ridge Drive in Montgomery Village. For more information, call 301-840-9830, e-mail [ChurchNG@aol.com](mailto:ChurchNG@aol.com) or visit [www.lgcs.northgatecc.org](http://www.lgcs.northgatecc.org).



photo submitted by Lynda Switzer

## Village student named Maryland National Geographic State Bee Semifinalist

Montgomery Village Middle School student Mauro Gonzalez identified by the National Geographic Society as one of the semifinalists eligible to compete in the 2016 Maryland National Geographic State Bee. The contest will be held at Maryland Public Television located in Owings Mills on Friday, April 1.

This is the second level of the National Geographic Bee competition, now in its 28<sup>th</sup> year. School Bees were held in schools throughout the state to determine each school champion. School champions then took an online qualifying test. The National Geographic Society has invited up to 100 of the top-scoring students in each of the 50 states, District of Columbia, Department of Defense Dependents Schools and U.S. territories to compete in the state Bees. Each state champion will receive \$100, the National Geographic book "The National Parks: An Illustrated History", a medal, and will journey to Washington, D.C. to represent their state in the National Geographic Bee Championship at National Geographic Society headquarters, from Sunday, May 22 to Wednesday, May 25.

The national champion

will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship and lifetime membership in the National Geographic Society. The national champion will also travel (along with one parent or guardian), all expenses paid, on a Lindblad expedition to Southeast Alaska aboard National Geographic Sea Lion, including Glacier Bay National Park, in recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Park Service. Travel for the

trip is provided by Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic.

For more information on the National Geographic Bee, visit [www.natgeobee.org](http://www.natgeobee.org). The 2016 National Geographic Bee Championship final round, moderated for the first time by journalist and humorist Mo Rocca, will air on the National Geographic Channel and Nat Geo WILD on Friday, May 27, at 8 p.m.



photo submitted by Don Milner

Above l to r: Mr. Don L. Milner, Social Studies Content Specialist; Mauro Gonzalez, 6<sup>th</sup> grader, MVMS 2016 Geo Bee Winner, and National Geographic Bee Maryland State Semifinalist; Ms. Andra Flores, Mauro's 6<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies Teacher

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## MV Kids learn about Penguins

**Penguins are a group of aquatic, flightless birds living almost exclusively in the Southern Hemisphere, especially in Antarctica. Highly adapted for life in the water, penguins have countershaded dark and white feathers and their wings have evolved into flippers. Most penguins feed on krill, fish, squid and other forms of sealife caught while swimming underwater. They spend about half of their lives on land and half in the oceans.**

### Penguin Species

There are many species of penguins broken into sub-families

#### Great penguins

- King penguin
- Emperor penguin

#### Brush-tailed penguins

- Adélie penguin
- Chinstrap penguin
- Gentoo penguin

#### Little penguins

- Little blue penguin
- White-flipped penguin

#### Banded penguins

- Magellanic penguin
- Humboldt penguin
- Galapagos penguin
- African penguin

#### Diver penguins

- Yellow-eyed penguin
- Waitaha penguin (extinct)

#### Crested penguins

- Fiordland penguin
- Snares penguin
- Erect-crested penguin
- Western rockhopper penguin
- Eastern rockhopper penguin
- Northern rockhopper penguin
- Royal penguin
- Macaroni penguin
- Chatham penguin (extinct)



The largest living species is the emperor penguin. On average adults are about 3½ feet tall and weigh about 75 lbs.



The smallest penguin species is the little blue penguin, also known as the fairy penguin, which stands around 16 inches tall and weighs only 2.2 lbs.

### Penguins in Hollywood

Penguins have been the subject of many books and films, such as "Happy Feet," "Surf's Up" and "The Penguins of Madagascar," all CGI films.



"March of the Penguins," a documentary based on the migration process of the emperor penguin.



"Mr. Popper's Penguins" is a children's book written by Richard and Florence Atwater; it was named a Newbery Honor Book in 1939 and was made into a movie starring Jim Carrey in 2011.



Penguins have also found their way into a number of cartoons and television dramas like "Pingu," created by Silvio Mazzola in 1986.





## RECREATION

## Youth Leadership Workshop for ages 13 to 17

Get on the fast track to MVF's Counselor in Training program! Youth Leadership Workshop is a development program that combines interactive workshops with the fun atmosphere of a summer day camp! Those who successfully complete this workshop will be given priority during the Counselor in Training selection process in April.

The goals of this program are for youth to learn skills to effectively lead others in activities and feel confident in their program solving skills,

both independently and in a team setting. Youth Leadership Workshop participants will have the opportunity to earn up to 12 SSL hours planning activities and interacting with campers at MVF's Spring Break Camps on Friday, April 1.

The workshop is open to 13-year-olds; however, 2016 CIT/LIT candidates must be 14 before Friday, Aug. 5, 2016. The Youth Leadership Workshop is a great opportunity for 13-year-olds to earn SSL hours, and still give them priority in the CIT/LIT

selection process next year without needing to attend the workshop a second time!

Youth Leadership Workshop is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30 and Thursday, March 31 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, and at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, on Friday, April 1.

For more information or to register, contact Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338 or e-mail [mmaggi@mof.org](mailto:mmaggi@mof.org).

## POP Pilates

Join your friends and neighbors on Thursday evenings at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road, for POP Pilates workouts with instructor Alysha Cunningham. Designed for all fitness levels, this ab-chiseling, full-body-workout is designed to strengthen your muscles from head to toes.

Class begins promptly at 7 p.m. Drop-in for only \$7 per class. Please bring a mat to class; limited supply available for new participants. For more information, contact Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338.



## Lego Block Party

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 7 TO 9 P.M.  
NORTH CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER

You bring your imagination and creativity, we supply the rest! This is an event that the whole family will enjoy, with lots and lots of Legos, refreshments, photo opportunities and more! In addition to tables of Legos for free-building, Play-Well instructors will be orchestrating Battletrax competitions as well as assisting

everyone in building a giant tower.

Early registration is encouraged! Cost is \$18/Resident Pair, \$23/Non-resident Pair and \$7 for each additional family member. For more information or to register, call Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338 or visit [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com).



## American Red Cross Lifeguarding Course

The American Red Cross Lifeguard Training course will certify you in Lifeguard Training, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer, and First Aid. **Students must be 15 years old by the last day of the course** (proof of age required) and **pass a pre-screen test** (300-yard continuous swim with rhythmic breathing using front crawl or breast stroke; 10 lbs. brick retrieval within one minute forty seconds; and tread water using legs only for two minutes) on the first pool day in order to continue participation in class. If you do not pass the pre-screen, you will be issued a full refund. Space is very limited. Class sessions will be held at the **Rockville Swim & Fitness Center (355 Martins Lane, Rockville)**. A detailed course schedule/syllabus will be provided on the first day of class. **Students MUST attend all class sessions as scheduled. Class is co-taught with the City of Rockville.**

### Lifeguard Training Course (Includes CPR/AED and First Aid)

Montgomery Village Resident: \$185, Non-resident: \$195

4015.202 (Registration closes on Thursday, March 24)  
MCPS Spring Break

DATE	TIME
Monday, March 28	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Tuesday, March 29	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Wednesday, March 30	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday, March 31	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday, April 1	10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Successful class participants are encouraged to apply for lifeguard positions with the Montgomery Village Foundation. We offer competitive pay, a completion bonus and training course reimbursement opportunities—call for details.

To apply for aquatic positions, visit [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com).

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

You can register online at [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com), in person at the Montgomery Village Foundation Office (10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886), or by calling 301-948-0110.

Make checks payable to: "Montgomery Village Foundation."

Payment is due at the time of registration. If you have any questions, call 240-243-2363 during business hours or e-mail [ppadilla@mof.org](mailto:ppadilla@mof.org).



## MVF Summer Camp and Program Fair

Sunday, March 20  
2 to 4 p.m.

Lake Marion Community Center  
8821 East Village Avenue

Find out all about these MVF summer programs:

Tennis • Aquatics • Art • Nature  
Cooking • STEM

Drop-In and Activity Centers  
Opportunities for Counselors-In-Training Volunteers

- Try awesome camp crafts and games —
- Learn new twists on your favorite sports —
- Sample an exercise class —

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# Primetime Drop-In Basketball

This session runs through Wednesday, March 30, al-

lowing participants six more weeks of indoor gym time. The cost is \$30/Resident and \$40/Non-resident; participants can play on a drop-in basis for \$7 a day. Sign up today by calling 301-948-0110 or visiting [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com).



## 42<sup>nd</sup> Art, Craft and Photography Show

The cost is \$3/entry, with a limit of four entries per artist. Registration forms can be downloaded at [www.montgomeryvillage.com](http://www.montgomeryvillage.com), are available by e-mailing [mmaggi@mvf.org](mailto:mmaggi@mvf.org) or may be picked up at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

Judging categories: a) oil/acrylic; b) watercolors; c) pastels; d) crafts/textiles; e) drawing/printing/graphics; f) digital art; g) photography/black and white; h) photography/color; i) pottery/sculpture; j) mixed media/miscellaneous. Each category judged by group: 8 to 12 years old; 13 to 17 years old; 18 to 25 years old; over 25; and Professional for those artists who instruct others or sell their works.

For more information of questions, call Melanie Maggi 240-243-2338 or e-mail [mmaggi@mvf.org](mailto:mmaggi@mvf.org).



Residents are invited to enter art works illustrating "Montgomery Village" which they may have collected over time. As this is an exhibition category, the submissions do not need to be the work of the owner. Artists with Village scenes that they would like to have judged should enter them in one of the judging categories. There is no fee to enter works into this category.



Montgomery Village Foundation invites prospective students, ages 2 to 4, and their families to join us for a morning of learning in the Creative Playtime schoolroom! Long-time teacher, Kathi Hufnagel, will lead the children through a condensed version of the daily routine.

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MVF's recreational and supplemental educational program for preschool-age children, under the direction of Kathi Hufnagel. Enhance your child's social, emotional and physical development. Your child will explore reading, writing, science, math, music, drama, movement, crafts, nature and playtime.

Tuesday, March 8  
9:30 to 11 a.m.

Whetstone Community Center  
19401 Brooke Grove Court

## 30 Minute Core

Instructor Tara Smith leads participants through a speedy, high energy, muscle conditioning workout that helps strengthen and shape your hips, thighs, glutes and abdominals. Though brief, this workout has proven to be effective and can modified to benefit all fitness levels.

Classes will be held at Stedwick Community Center,

10401 Stedwick Road, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays through March 22. Pair this class with POP Pilates to round out your weekday workouts.

Residents can drop-in for only \$7 per class. For more information or to register for the remainder of the session, contact Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338.

Creative Playtime 3's	4008.410	Creative Playtime 4's	4008.412
Mondays and Wednesdays 9 a.m. to noon		Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	
Sept. 7, 2016 to May 17, 2017 (No class Oct. 3, Oct. 12, Nov. 7, Nov. 8, Nov. 23, Dec. 19 to Jan. 2, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, April 10 to April 17)		Sept. 7, 2016 to May 17, 2017 (No class Oct. 3, Oct. 12, Nov. 7, Nov. 8, Nov. 23 to Nov. 25, Dec. 16 to Jan. 2, Jan. 16, Jan. 20, Jan. 27, Feb. 20, April 7 to April 17)	
\$1,656/Residents:		\$2,457/Residents:	
\$184 due at registration		\$273 due at registration	
\$184 due on Sept. 1, Oct. 1, Nov. 1, Dec. 1, Jan. 1, Feb. 1, March 1, and April 1		\$273 due on Sept. 1, Oct. 1, Nov. 1, Dec. 1, Jan. 1, Feb. 1, March 1, and April 1	
\$1,989/Non-residents:		\$2,952/Non-residents:	
\$221 due at registration		\$328 due at registration	
\$221 due on Sept. 1, Oct. 1, Nov. 1, Dec. 1, Jan. 1, Feb. 1, March 1, and April 1		\$328 due on Sept. 1, Oct. 1, Nov. 1, Dec. 1, Jan. 1, Feb. 1, March 1, and April 1	

- Non-refundable deposit is due at registration.
- Children must be toilet-trained by the first day of class.
- Children must be three years old (for the Creative Playtime 3's) or four years old (for the Creative Playtime 4's) by Sept. 1, 2016.
- All supplies are included.

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**4007.207** Ages 9 to 14  
 Morning All-In Sports Camp, Afternoon Lego Camp  
 ½ Day Lego: **\$189/Resident, \$199/Non-resident**  
**4007.208** Ages 5 to 8 9 a.m. to noon  
**4007.209** Ages 9 to 14 1 to 4 p.m.  
 ½ Day Sports: **\$99/Resident, \$109/Non-resident**  
**4007.210** Ages 5 to 8 1 to 4 p.m.  
**4007.211** Ages 9 to 14 9 a.m. to noon

**Monday, March 28**  
through  
**Friday, April 1**  
**9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Extended-day option (7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.) available based on minimum number of participants enrolled.  
Full day: \$105/week, AM only: \$45/week, PM only: \$60/week.  
Non-residents pay an additional \$10/per camper for extended care.

**Lake Marion Community Center**  
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Pickleball

Mark your calendars! Pickleball returns to Seniors in Action starting Monday, March 21. We will return to the outdoor Pickleball courts every Monday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon. Must be a SiA member to use the courts at this time, and limited equipment is available for use.



Arts and Crafts

Sue Kay is back! Join your SiA friends on Monday, April 11 for our seasonal watercolor session during arts and crafts, from 10 a.m. to noon. All supplies are included; SiA members only.



Birthday Celebration

Join your SiA friends and celebrate those who have had birthdays in January, February and March at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 30 during our monthly potluck luncheon. Bring your favorite dish to share, and we'll provide the birthday cake!



Spring Field Trip

Our Cherry Blossom Lunch Cruise trip scheduled for Wednesday, April 6 is currently full. If interested in attending, a waitlist is currently being generated. For more details or to be put on the waitlist, contact Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2314 or e-mail [lhydorn@mvmf.org](mailto:lhydorn@mvmf.org).



Some of our SiA members got to pose with President Washington at Montgomery Village's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Kickoff Party on Sunday, Feb. 28.

All Montgomery Village Foundation Department of Recreation, Parks and Culture classes and programs, and all other activities scheduled to be held in MVF facilities, will be cancelled if Montgomery County Government is closed or in the event of sleet, ice storms or snow with an accumulation (or anticipated accumulation) of six inches or more. When the Montgomery County Government is closed, the Montgomery Village Foundation Office will be closed.

Calendar

MONDAY



Arts and Crafts  
10 a.m. to noon

Work side-by-side with other members while you each explore your creative side  
**March 7:** MV Art Show work  
**March 14:** Spring Fabric Wreaths (2 weeks)  
\*all of these crafts can be donated to those in need if you choose to keep them at SiA



Book Discussion Group  
10 to 11 a.m. - third Monday each month  
**March 21:** "The Tipping Point" by Malcolm Gladwell  
**April 18:** "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee

TUESDAY



Light Cardio Workout  
9 to 10 a.m.

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



Seated Tai Chi  
Noon to 12:45 p.m.  
Instructor Marcy takes you through the low impact movements of Tai Chi.

WEDNESDAY



SIA Games / Social Hour  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

THURSDAY



Light Cardio Workout  
9 to 10 a.m.

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



SiA Games / Social Hour Take 2  
10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Games, socializing and table tennis with your friends.

FRIDAY



Bingo & Brown Bag Lunch  
Noon to 2 p.m.  
second Friday each month

Free for SiA members, \$2/Non-member. Bring a lunch (beverages will be provided) and play bingo with friends. Members may bring friends and family to join in the fun.

REGISTRATION

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

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



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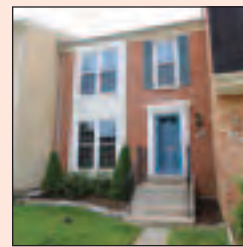
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#### PARTRIDGE PLACE \$285,900

Spectacular TH in beautiful condition! 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 finished levels – lovely neutral decor throughout – brick front, Hardie-plank siding, new windows & doors – separate LR & DR, gorgeous eat-in kitchen w/42" wood cabinets, stainless appliances, tile backsplash & designer tile floor – updated baths w/new vanities, floors, fixtures & lights – finished basement w/office area, laundry w/built in cabinets, rec. room & storage galore-fenced backyard w/patio, shed & gate – nicest TH on the market!

### For Sale



#### SHADOW OAK

\$289,000

Brick front, 3 BR, 2.5 BA 3-level TH. Completely renovated inside and out. All new siding, windows, front and storm doors, floors, baths, kitchen & lighting. Newly finished basement w/recessed lighting in FR. No-maintenance exterior w/composite trim, vinyl siding. Fenced back yard. Move-in condition!

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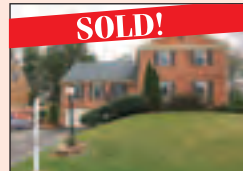


#### STEDWICK

\$290,000

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

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#### WHETSTONE

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