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ARC shares plans to revitalize Village Center

by Mike Conroy

On Thursday, April 21, representatives from Atlantic Realty Companies (ARC) met with nearly 100 residents to discuss their plans to improve their latest purchase, the Montgomery Village Center. Concept plans shown at the meeting included centralizing the retail area, a new façade, road/traffic flow improvements and adding residential units.

In December 2015, ARC purchased the Village Center property from Washington Real Estate Investment Trust (WRIT). According to ARC President David Ross, the Village Center property is very similar to other aging centers they have revitalized, including Hunter's Woods and Tall Oak (Reston, Va.) and Newark Shopping Center (Newark, Del.). Improvements made at these centers have increased traffic flow and

center use, and it is believed that the Village Center has the same potential to be a central location again in Montgomery Village. Ross stressed that ARC wants to work with residents to make the Village Center a great place once again. "We want to listen to the community and make this successful for the next 50 years," he commented.

Ross went on to say that since 1992, ARC has specialized in retro-fitting village centers in Columbia, Md., Reston, Va. and other areas. He noted that this would be a challenging project because of the amount of cooperation needed; the store owners and center tenants, as well as the community and the county, need to work together to make this a successful project.

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Members of the MVF Board of Directors, MVF staff, the Committee on the Environment, Girl Scouts and The Brickman Group planted a Yellowwood tree at North Creek Lake Park during the 50th Anniversary Arbor Day Celebration. Other activities at North Creek Community Center included Red Bud and White Oak tree sapling giveaways, seed planting and kids crafts, as well as informational display tables and representatives from Monarch Watch, the Montgomery Village Garden Club, Montgomery County Master Gardeners and Girl Scout Troop 4206.

Monument Realty presents development update to MVF Board

by Mike Conroy

Before the April 28 Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Director meeting began, Yovi Sever from Monument Realty updated the Board on development progress on the former golf course property. Sever gave an overview of the next steps with Montgomery County, some of the obstacles they are currently facing and a hopeful timeline for county processes.

Sever noted that on Tuesday, June 14, the county council will hold a public hearing to confirm the Master Plan new zoning through a Sectional Map Amendment by the Planning Board. Once this is done, Monument can submit a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision, which would establish new lots and address items like forest conservation and

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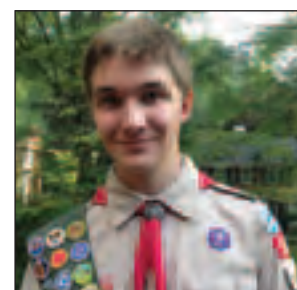


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Meet Camp Tiny Feet staff

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Troop 1988 adds to list of Eagle Scouts



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Senator Nancy King and District 39 Delegates

Legislative Update
Tuesday, May 10
7 to 9 p.m.

UpCounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Room A
Germantown

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MVF MEETING AGENDAS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The annual MVF Board Retreat is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 13 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, and 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 14 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

The monthly MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26 in the North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The 50th Anniversary Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, to review residents' requests for exterior modifications. The board requests that homeowners contact the Foundation if they plan to attend and if their contractors will accompany them.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, May 23 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.

MVF Board of Directors Retreat

Friday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m.

North Creek Board Room
20125 Arrowhead Road

and

Saturday, May 14

8 a.m. to noon

Whetstone Community Center
19140 Brooke Grove Court.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24 at the Heron's Cove office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

EASTGATE

The Eastgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

EAST VILLAGE

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court. This includes the reconvened Annual Meeting.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

PARK PLACE I

The Park Place I Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 12 at the Gaithersburg Library, 18330 Montgomery Village Avenue.

PARK PLACE II

The Park Place II Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11 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, May 25 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 at the Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, May 9 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, May 10 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 12 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

MVF SPRING/SUMMER HOURS

Beginning Thursday, May 12, the Montgomery Village Foundation Office will be open until 7 p.m. on Thursday evenings and on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., through Saturday, July 9.

Residents will be able to get Activity Cards, register for classes or programs, or make assessment payments.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bearing fruit



by Pete Young

MVF President

Since this is my inaugural column, I first want you all to know that I feel honored to serve our community as your new Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors President. John Driscoll has done a terrific job and I hope to not drop the baton he just handed me! Your support and trust is humbling, and I will do my best to continue leading our community forward into an exciting future for all of us.

This is an amazing time to be a Village resident. Not only are we celebrating our 50th Anniversary this year (and recognizing the rich history and vision the Kettlers had for us), but we are also on the cusp of a generational refresh for the community. As many of you know, we are now completing the recent Master Plan update process, and for the first time in our history, have a plan that is solely focused on Montgomery Village. As this process wraps up in the next few months, we can look forward to big changes in the years ahead.

This road has been a long and deliberate one, and I would like to remind the entire community that we have invested years in arriving at this point. From the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee, to the Vision 2030 Committee,

to the Golf Course Concept Planning efforts and final, to the Master Plan process itself, since 2009 we have been meeting, debating, planning and imagining what a refresh of the Village, and several key locations, might become. With the conclusion of the Master Plan update, we will finally have a detailed path to see our dreams and desires become reality.

I know that many of you are aware of the plans for the former golf course site, where we will see new investments in housing, community spaces, parkland and new amenities take shape in the next few years. Did you also know that the Village Center—the core commercial site in our community—was sold by WRIT last December to Atlantic Realty Companies? Did you also know that they already have an exciting vision for transforming our Village Center into a vibrant shopping, dining and residential neighborhood? We recently held a community meeting with ARC where they shared their plans with us for the center. This was an exciting and inspirational event. Stay tuned for additional meetings where their vision will be shared and the process can be explained further. I also hope to share news about the Professional Center and the “gateway” parcel (across from the library) in the near future as well.

I am gratified to see that we are on the path to renewed investment in our community, and that the years of planning we have undertaken are indeed starting to bear fruit. I hope that you will join me and the rest of the MVF Board in participating in the meetings where the renewal of our community is explained, discussed and shaped.

If you would like to contact me for comment or question, please e-mail peter@youngspa.com.

MVF BOARD MOTIONS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MOTION LIST

April 28, 2016

1. Mr. Dyer moved to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Directors' meeting held March 31, 2016 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with all in favor; Mr. Young and Ms. Bort abstained.
2. Mr. Clark moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
3. Mr. Driscoll moved to appoint Lisa Lewis as Chair and reaffirm Gary Miller as Vice Chair of the Architectural Review Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm Judi Kranz as Chair and Gary Unterberg as Vice Chair of the Commercial Architectural Review Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Mr. Clark moved to reappoint Jeanne Powell as Chair of the Audit Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Driscoll moved to reappoint Keith Silliman as Vice Chair of the Audit Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Mr. Dyer moved to appoint Claudette Lease as Chair of the Committee on the Environment. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
8. Mr. Driscoll moved to reaffirm Neville Levi as Chair of the Transportation, Development and Public Facilities Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
9. Mr. Clark moved to reaffirm the ARB members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
10. Mr. Webb moved to reaffirm the CARC members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
11. Mr. Marsh moved to reaffirm the Audit Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
12. Mr. Gargan moved to reaffirm the Communications Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
13. Mr. Driscoll moved to reaffirm the Election Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
14. Mr. Marsh moved to reaffirm the Nominating Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
15. Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm the Recreation Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
16. Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm TD&PF Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
17. Mr. Driscoll moved to reaffirm the Investment Committee members as noted. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
18. Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm the COE members as noted and consider reaffirming Rodolfo Camacho at a future MVF Board meeting after staff contacts him to ascertain his interest in remaining on the committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
19. Mr. Dyer moved to authorize the EVP to negotiate a Power Purchase Agreement with Paradise Energy Solutions/Sunstream Energy for a solar installation at the North Creek Community Center. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
20. Mr. Marsh moved to award the bid for replacement of the Stedwick Community Center kitchen to Unique Enterprises for costs up to \$13,000 and authorize 10% above cost for unforeseen items for a maximum project expense of \$14,300. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
21. Mr. Marsh moved to award the bid for resurfacing The Heights and Watkins Mill tennis courts to All Pro Recreational Services for costs up to \$20,200 and authorize 10% above cost for unforeseen items for a maximum project expense of \$22,220. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
22. Mr. Dyer moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
23. Mr. Webb moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:08 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 (iv) Consultation with staff, personnel, consultants, attorney, board members, or other persons in connection with pending or potential litigation or other legal matters. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Swim Teams online

Lake Marion Lasers

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North Creek Neptunes

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Whetstone Whales

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KEY:
LMCC Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Ave.
MVF Office..... 10120 Apple Ridge Rd.
NCBR North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.
NCCC North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.

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

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IN THE NEWS

Activity Card Update 2016



Summer is right around the corner, but before you head to the pool, make sure you have taken the necessary steps to ensure that you will receive your Activity Cards on time! You should have received an Information Letter and Rights Form (if needed) in early March. Even if there are no changes, we need a current Information Letter every year in order to process Activity Cards. If you haven't received the Information Letter/Rights Form, please notify the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) as soon as possible.

Residents of East Village and Maryland Place will be receiving new photo activity cards this year. Residents from communities that received photo activity cards in previous years, Eastgate, Northgate, Middle Village (Clubside), North Village, Patton Ridge, Poplar Spring, South Village (Dockside, Millrace, Nathan's Hill, Grover's Forge, Hamptons), Stedwick and Whetstone who do not yet have their photo activity card, will need to come to the MVF Office to get one this year.

Photos are now being taken at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Beginning Thursday, May 12, the office will remain

open until 7 p.m. on Thursday evenings through July 7 and also be open on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. beginning May 14 through July 9 (closed Saturday, July 2). Please remember to bring proof of residence, such as a driver's license, so that we may take your photo.

Please note: If an assessment account is not at a zero balance as of April 30 in any year, beginning May 1, payment of any prior balance, as well as the full assessment amount through the end of the current fiscal year, must be received as a condition for issuance of an activity card or validation sticker.

Residents will need a current validation sticker on their photo activity card for entry to all MVF, Inc. pools. Validation stickers for the residents who have received their photo activity card in previous years will be mailed in early May, to those residents who have returned their Information Letter and Rights Forms (if needed), if their assessment account is current, and there are no architectural violations on the property.

We look forward to a fun filled summer! Please call 301-948-0110 if you have any questions about the Activity Card process.

Changes in MCPS schedule to affect pools, camps

Due to the change in the Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) 2015-2016 Schedule as a result of the winter storms, Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) has had to adjust the Summer Swim Schedule and start date of Summer Camps.

The weekday summer pool schedule will begin on Tuesday, June 21; the last day of school is Monday, June 20.

As a result of the MCPS schedule extension, Camps Tiny Feet, Soaring Stars and Racing Wind will begin on Tuesday, June 21, as well as the first session of swimming lessons. The balance of the camp session schedule will remain unchanged.

For more information, call 301-948-0110.

Letters to the Editor

Editor:

For the past 8 months, the Whetstone community has struggled with the challenge of updating its bylaws, neglected now for 50 years. The process of working with the Whetstone board has been unyielding with respect to obtaining answers to residents' questions and concerns, both process and content. As a result, there were numerous surprises and even more questions and concerns when the thinking of the Whetstone board was finally revealed at the Whetstone Town Hall on April 25, 2016 in the form of a draft ballot.

This ballot has fallen victim to mechanics where nothing is simple. HOA rules require that 2/3 of all Whetstone households, 289 out of 447, must approve an amendment

in order to be adopted. It is worth pointing out that this voter participation threshold of 289 has never been achieved. Perhaps the Whetstone board has been out of touch with the residents or perhaps the residents are apathetic. As for the 130 residents in attendance at the Town Hall, these residents were anything but apathetic; instead they were highly energetic in expressing their concerns. But despite dozens of objections and many constructive suggestions, the Town Hall ended as it began with a ballot unchanged.

One ballot question deserves to see the light of day. It asks whether the recently demolished gazebo and dock should be replaced:

Survey Question - Redevelopment of North Dock

Dock only Dock and Gazebo

The overwhelming resident sentiment was to reject any proposal to rebuild whether dock or gazebo and dock. A straightforward ballot revision could have allowed for full resident expression on the issue as follows:

Survey Question - Redevelopment of North Dock

Yes No

Mark Twain's comment on voting seems to apply to Whetstone voting, "If voting made any difference, they wouldn't let us do it."

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Don O'Neill
Whetstone

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IN THE NEWS

Gearing up for the MV Farmers' Market

It's almost that time of year again—the Montgomery Village Farmers' Market is set to open at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 4. Before the opening bell, hundreds of residents will wait for the gates to open in the

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church parking lot, 9801 Centerway Road, to see what the market has to offer this year.

While many of our past vendors are returning, there are also new vendors on tap

for the 2016 season. Over the next few weeks leading up to the market, we'll be featuring information about our vendors, new and returning, in the *Village News*, as well as on the Farmers' Market face-

book page, www.facebook.com/MV.Farmers.Market. Be sure to read up on the vendors and know who you want to visit on opening day! Don't forget to come early on Saturday, June 4 for your free 50th Anniversary

Farmers' Market grocery bag!

For more information on the MV Farmers' Market, contact Market Manager Christian Hayes at 240-243-2367 or visit www.mvfarmersmarket.com.



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MULLY'S BREWERY

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Drink Local!

IN THE NEWS

ARC

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Former Village resident and ARC's Land Use Attorney Jody Kline informed residents that this project will require a number of steps before any work could begin. He mentioned that the new CRT Zone that came out of the MV Master Plan would be in place by the fall of this year. Once this happens, a Sketch Plan Application would be filed with the county, noting

tion to make it successful again. First, the center would be given a new façade, complete with a new sign package to be determined with the Commercial Architectural Review Committee. The idea for the center is not a complete tear down, but a modern, fresh face.

ARC also plans to create two new pad sites in the front of the center, moving the cur-

a central location accessible by all traffic, ARC plans to make all storefronts street-facing, and eliminate the pad in the rear of the center where Global Food currently is. This space will make room for an apartment complex (approximately 212 units) and a parking garage, which will service the apartments and employee parking for the center. The apartment

no changes to bring the center closer to Montgomery Village Avenue, though they would like to enhance pedestrian access from that entrance to the center. Current entrances to the center would remain the same, with a new entrance at Centerway and Watkins Mill roads (Centerway Road would cut all the way through the center).

Ross also mentioned the use of environmentally friendly features as part of the renovations to the center. He said that ARC would work toward some level of LEED certification, though that is undetermined at this time; they would incorporate electric vehicle charging stations at a to be determined, yet convenient, location; and based on input from the meeting, would look for the best places for bicycle traffic and parking. Ross noted that all of ARC's current projects incorporate these types of features.

DENSITY

Addressing the issue of density, especially with other new units proposed in Monument Realty's plan on the former golf course, Ross said that ARC was aligning the number of residential units with the use of the center. "The site will only sustain so much retail," he noted. His sentiments regarding the new trends toward mixed use and residential units helping to fuel center use reflect those initially expressed at the beginning of the Vision 2030 charrette process.

While the pricepoint of the units would be dictated by the housing market, residential development is crucial to the viability of the center in a few key ways. First, from a sustainability aspect, having residential units in the center breeds activity and keeps center use steady. The higher pedestrian traffic flow allows for higher-end retail, something Village residents have been seeking for some time. Secondly, Ross said that while ARC will fund the renovations to the retail portion, the residential portion will actually finance the upkeep of the center in the long term. "The retailers

need to sustain their rent dollars through consistent sales ... revenue from the residential portion will help maintain and enhance the center."

NEW RETAIL

Ross was realistic to note that while his team is working hard to attract retailers to the center based on the concept plans, there have been no commitments at this time. ARC is hopeful for a national grocer, a high-end coffee shop and other healthy and convenient establishments that would boost the center's clientele. Suggestions from the community at the meeting included a 5 Guys Burger and Fries, Starbucks and a bike shop.

TIMEFRAME

While ARC is excited to get renovations started, Ross noted the reality of the process involved to make that happen. He said they are hopeful to be done sooner, rather than later, but the overall timeframe for the project will be dictated by ARC's work with tenants, the community, the county and resources available. In closing the presentation, Ross said, "ARC saw an opportunity, similar to Hunter's Woods, to be part of change and help revitalize an aging facility—we can provide the support this center needs. The bones of the center are good, but the time is now to fix the face and move forward for the community. WRIT wanted to sell; we're not property holders, we're motivated to make this a success."

The presentation slides, featuring artist renditions of the current vision, can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. Click "Development & Projects" under the "About MV" menu.

NEXT MEETING

ARC will host a Sketch Plan Application Pre-filing Community Meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 2 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents are encouraged to attend.



an overall plan and vision for the center. Then ARC would need to work on individual Site Plan Applications for specific parcels in the Village Center. Kline said it would likely be mid 2017 before Zoning Entitlements were issued and residents saw any outward work at the center.

PROPOSED PLAN

Polleo Group Principal Tom Dinneny (ARC's Lead Architect/Master Planner) explained the proposed changes to the Village Center. He noted the center has "good bones," but needs a facelift and some reconfigura-

rent Denny's location and the Suntrust Bank drive through. They are confident about their ability to attract a national grocery store, which, along with Big Lots, would anchor the center. Centerway Road is proposed to be cut all the way through the center, eliminating the current half circle near the Village Café. This road will wrap all the way around the back, giving access for all traffic (pedestrian and vehicular), to create a constant flow of activity. Traffic calming measures like street parking would be implemented.

To consolidate the retail to

complex will also have a 3,000 sq. ft. space that can be used for community meetings and events.

Other townhouse units will be placed on top of and behind the other existing retail strip. It is proposed that Denny's would move to a corner location here, making it more accessible to foot traffic. There are approximately 130 units proposed for this area. Townhouses here are envisioned to have front porches or stoops in order to create activity and promote residents being outside their homes.

Dinneny said there would be



IN THE NEWS

Dealing with mosquitoes around your home

With spring winding down and warmer summer temperatures on the way, Village residents are spending plenty of time enjoying the parks and paths throughout the Village. One of the most annoying pests we have in this area is the mosquito, which can make an otherwise enjoyable evening relaxing on the deck or playing outside with your children a challenge. Some tips for avoiding mosquito bites can be found at the following link: www.mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/tips_for_avoiding_mosquito_bites.aspx.

The Maryland Department of Agriculture, Mosquito Control Program, is responsible for mosquito control in the state, and the Montgomery Village Foundation has signed up for this voluntary program again for 2016. The program consists of larviciding (control of immature stages of the mosquito) and public education.

Mosquitoes are insects that develop through four life stages: egg, larva, pupa and adult. Both male and female adult mosquitoes feed on plant nectar as a food source. Only female mosquitoes feed on blood as a protein source for egg development. In Maryland, there

are 62 different species of mosquitoes with around 17 of those species having the greatest abundance and/or impact on human comfort, public health and economic growth. All of these species require stagnant water for breeding and larval development.

The Montgomery Village Foundation has partnered with the Mosquito Control Program since 2003. Technicians were given a map of areas in the Village that could be potential breeding spots for mosquitoes. Every year there is monitoring of these known sites on a three week rotation, and if neces-

sary a larviciding treatment is done according to presence or absence of larvae.

Maryland Department of Agriculture Mosquito Control Offices Annapolis (Headquarters) 410-841-5870 Central & Western Maryland 301-927-8357 Eastern Maryland 410-543-6626 Southern Maryland 301-373-4263

Additional mosquito control information can be found at www.mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control.aspx.



Since this program doesn't take into account private homeowner property, here are some tips for reducing the breeding spots for mosquitoes in your own backyard.

1. Clean rain gutters to allow water to flow freely.
2. Remove old tires or drill drainage holes in tires used for playground equipment.
3. Store plastic wading pools inside or turn them upside down when not in use.
4. Turn over or remove clay pots and plastic containers.
5. Dispose of all empty beverage containers, plastic wrappers, discarded toys, etc.
6. Check for trapped water in plastic or canvas tarps used to cover boats, pools, etc. Arrange the tarp to drain the water.
7. Pump out bilges in boats. Turn canoes and small boats upside down for storage.
8. Replace water in bird baths at least twice a week.
9. Remove pet food and water dishes not being used.
10. Flush livestock water troughs twice a week.
11. Don't leave garbage can lids lying upside down. Be sure water does not collect in the bottom of garbage cans.
12. Flush water in the bottom of plant holders twice a week.
13. Fix dripping outside water faucets.
14. Turn wheelbarrows upside down when stored outside.
15. Check around construction sites or do-it-yourself improvements to ensure that proper backfilling and grading prevent drainage problems.
16. Check ornamental ponds, tree holes and water-holding low areas for mosquito larvae. Call the Mosquito Control Office (below) if mosquito larvae are present.
17. Ditches that do not flow and contain stagnant water for one week or longer can produce large numbers of mosquitoes. Report such conditions to a Mosquito Control Office. Do not attempt to clear these ditches because they may be protected by wetland regulations.

Contact local Mosquito Control Section of the Maryland Department of Agriculture for additional assistance and advice.


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IN THE NEWS

Monument

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stormwater management. Following that, the Site Plan can be established for landscaping and layout, and finally building permits can be issued for construction and engineering plans.

Monument Realty plans to submit the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision and Site Plan in November 2016, and hopes for final approval from the county in February 2017. If this schedule is followed, they expect Permit Applications to be filed in March 2017.

Sever explained that Monument is currently working with FEMA to remap the floodplain on the property, as parts were incorrectly mapped over 50 years ago. This study has led to adjusting the previous concept plan, moving proposed housing and infrastructure out of the floodplain. Coupled with difficulties in interpreting stormwater management facility usage and maintenance responsibilities, this has slowed

Monument's previous timeline down a bit.

The floodplain mapping project has led to changes in most of the six developable areas. In most cases, the changes occurred in laying out the houses, eliminating some or making new clusters; moving roads to avoid the floodplain; and ensuring that all properties have the proper setbacks from the floodplain itself. In the case of Area 6, Sever said they are doing a cost analysis to see if the amount of infrastructure that needs to be built to service those homes is viable.

Sever said that all new roads would be systemic, private streets, following the same model as the rest of the Village. Monument hopes to use some of the existing paths in connective trail systems, including linking to other county trails in the area. The type of path material, paved versus gravel, is still being discussed, since

Montgomery County would be responsible for maintenance of some portions.

Other amenities in the proposed Central Park are community gardens, large and small dog parks, a tot lot with two age appropriate structures, a small picnic pavilion, an additional shade structure, lot and street parking and greenery, including reforestation areas.

Sever said although Monument is disappointed with some of the hurdles they have faced, they are still encouraged by the community support and are looking forward to starting to "move dirt." "We're excited to be part of the next 50 years in Montgomery Village."

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.

STRONG-ARM ROBBERY

A strong-arm robbery occurred in the area of Contour Road and Horizon Run Road on April 12 at 8:20 p.m. The suspects assaulted the male victim and took his property. The suspects were arrested.

Arrested: B/Ms, ages 13, 15 and 16 of Gaithersburg
W/Ms, ages 13, 15 and 16 of Gaithersburg



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MVF Board approves committee chairs at April meeting

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The meeting begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. with Residents Time. Residents are invited and encouraged to attend. The meeting agenda and information packet will be available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com the week of the meeting.

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

IN THE NEWS

Kehilat Shalom to celebrate 45th Anniversary

In Montgomery Village, all things were considered when being developed, including sites for parks, schools, retail and religious institutions. At first, sites were sold, but then later deeded back and refunded to those who paid in. The Village is home to seven institutions of varying faiths. This year, as Montgomery Village celebrates its 50th Anniversary, one of the first congregations in the Village is also celebrating a significant anniversary. Kehilat Shalom, the synagogue on Apple Ridge Road across the street from the MVF Office, is celebrating 45 years of service to the community this year, as well.

Over the last 45 years, Kehilat Shalom has often held concerts and programs open to the community and not just its congregation. The synagogue has also been a great community partner, granting MVF use of its facilities for special events, including cooperation for the July 4th Celebration.

On Sunday, May 22, Kehilat Shalom is offering the community the chance to join in their 45th Anniversary celebration. From 4 to 5:30 p.m., residents can experience favorites from Broadway, pop, light opera and more, performed by Hazaan Kim Komrad and

Aaron Wertlieb, accompanied by pianist Kery Hummel and guitarist John Trupp. A reception with light refreshments will follow the performance.

Rabbi Charles Arian says about the event and the synagogue's history, "like many organizations, we've had our ups and downs. This celebration is the perfect time to renew our commitment to the community and be proud of what we've accomplished in the last 45 years." Arian, who has been the Rabbi for the last four years, notes that "too often, religion is stereotyped as being about guilt and focuses on suffering and sadness. We want our anniversary celebration to help change that perception—it's about having fun and being thankful!"

Arian is looking forward to the celebration and sharing this experience with the congregation and the community. He says the Kehilat Shalom congregation is like a large extended family, and he takes pride in that. Through this celebration, Kehilat Shalom is sharing those talents with the community.

Admission is \$18 per person, children 12 and under are free. Tickets are available at the door, or in advance by calling 301-284-8573 or e-mailing kehilatevents@gmail.com.

VILLAGE SPOTLIGHT

WMHS Principal Carol Goddard talks about school, education philosophy

by Mike Conroy

Ever since Watkins Mill High School (WMHS) was opened in 1989, the majority of Village students have attended high school here. During that time, the school has been an integral part of the community, and school administration and the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) have worked together to promote student and teacher accomplishments in the community. Also since 1989, WMHS has had a number of administrators who have helped that process. WMHS's newest principal, Carol Goddard is no different.

During her first year at WMHS, Goddard has been involved in many student activities, but also with the community. With the help of her students, she continued the WMHS winning streak in the Great Pumpkin Race, a tradition started by former principal Scott Murphy. Goddard, a life-long educator, draws her experience and passion for education from early experiences in her own family. Translating those experiences into teachable moments is how she aims to lift her students and staff up and push the limits of their potential.

From an early age, Goddard was learning and teaching. Her mother was a deaf teacher in a hearing world, so Carol saw how she dealt with everyday struggles. Despite those obstacles, Goddard describes her as an outstanding mother, teacher and hall of fame coach. In fact, her mother's education influence runs deep in Goddard's family; her four sisters are also in education. And so with that influence, Carol Goddard has been changing students' lives since the age of 20.

Goddard has a unique perspective in her role as WMHS Principal, in that her breadth of experience is very wide. She has been a teacher, coach and/or administrator at the elementary, middle and high school levels all across the country—12 schools in total, including a stint about 16 years ago as Student Support Specialist at WMHS. However, her last position as Gaithersburg Middle School Principal really helped her prepare for this new venture. She recalls, "In middle school, all levels, really, there's always something. You have to change with them, adapt and move forward." Of high school, though, she likes the ability to reason with students a little more, as they are more aware of what's going on around them. "They're all kids, they just get bigger."

"I like the culture here at Watkins Mill," Goddard says. "I think the diversity of the population fuels a respect among



photo by Mike Conroy

students and staff, and that's a philosophy I share and can get behind." She says her biggest goal as an educator is to have everyone doing well on all levels; Goddard doesn't like to see kids give up. The diversity of the school helps change students' perceptions about each other and the world; she likes to help students understand each other and become successful young adults. Over the years, she's learned one of the best ways to accomplish this is to listen to her students. "If you're caring, they are willing to take chances. It's an important gift to share."

Of course, with listening comes action, inspiration and encouragement. But Goddard knows it's a two-way street. On a daily basis, the most fulfilling thing she does is interact with students—and they keep her inspired as well. Carol lets a huge smile come across her face as she says students' positive attitudes—their willingness to do well and succeed—is great motivation for her to keep doing what she's doing, and to share in their greatness.

One of her proudest moments as an educator came earlier this year when students rallied around a classmate in need of a new wheelchair. "These kids took full ownership of that, and raised \$32,000 for a new wheelchair for their classmate. Ibra has so much independence now; he used to need someone to push his old chair, and now he steers the new one with head movements—he can interact by himself. So it really pulled kids together, and this is why it's

amazing...you're talking about a school that has 60% FARM, and they would give their last nickel to the GoFundMe to get that chair for Ibra. Kids are just so happy to help him get that chair. And that means they share in our philosophy to help everyone do well on all levels."

In addition to being proud of her students, Goddard is equally as proud of her staff and all that WMHS does in, and for, the community. On the school side of things, WMHS offers a full International Baccalaureate program; nursing, finance, hospitality and computer skills programs; an award-winning online student newsletter, "The Current"; and boasts a 93.7% Algebra pass rate for first semester at one of the most diverse schools in the county. "That really speaks to what our kids can do," she notes.

In the community, WMHS hosts a wildly successful farmer's market that helps feed families in need; offers services through the Wellness Center; runs a successful Identity program; partners with College Tracks and Aces to provide college support to students and families; and is a key participant in the Watkins Mill Cluster Project, which, along with about 25 other entities, identifies areas in need of support throughout the community.

"We are doing well," Carol remarks. "We are proud to be such an important part of this community and I am thankful to be part of these kids' lives."

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ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS

Is your heating oil tank leaking?

by Jan van der Veken

The good news for homeowners is that a substantial Heating Oil Tank Site Cleanup Reimbursement Program is available to you if your tank is leaking!

The State of Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) highly recommends replacing underground heating oil tanks if the age of the tank is unknown or more than 20 years old. The reason for this recommendation is that a high percentage of older tanks removed were found to have been leaking for an undetermined period of time. Specific examples of this in Montgomery Village come from JB Tank, LLC where 7 out of 10 tanks recently removed were leaking into the environment. Also, older heating oil tanks could affect the value of your home.

Additionally, nearby neighborhoods in Montgomery County have experienced serious heating oil tank leaks, not only into the environment, but also into homes. Residents of Montgomery Village have the opportunity to avoid a remedial situation by taking action to remove older tanks or to abandon them in place following Maryland regulations by a certified tank removal company.

If a tank is removed, an improved alternative method of heating oil storage is an above ground tank. Above ground tanks substantially reduce heating oil leakage because they can be visually inspected. These tanks can be installed inside or outside as preferred. Outdoor installations require Architectural Review Board approval before

work can begin. Fuel Tank Guidelines can be obtained at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/sites/default/files/guidelines/FUEL%20TANK%20GUIDELINES.pdf.

Residents should look to take advantage of the State's one time tank cleanup reimbursement program for leaking tanks. For more information about the program, visit www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Land/OilControl/OilControlProgram/Pages/ResidentialHeatingOil.aspx.

Information provided by Jan van der Veken, JB Tank, LLC. JB Tank, LLC is a MDIC Licensed contractor with over 30 years in the storage tank industry and understands commercial and

residential tank removal/installation procedures. Mr. van der Veken is a fourth generation oil industry professional. Clients include commercial companies such as Sunoco, Stanley-Black & Decker, CSX Transportation and

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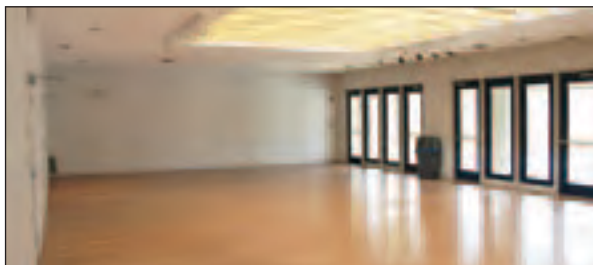
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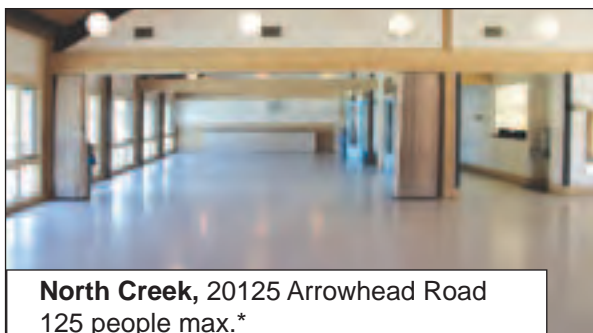
Lake Marion has a wood-floored room with a maximum capacity of 85 people, as well as a full-size gymnasium available for rent at Lake Marion.

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

We are now accepting rental requests for functions to be held through June 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.



Lake Marion, 8821 East Village Avenue
85 people max.*



North Creek, 20125 Arrowhead Road
125 people max.*

*There is a maximum of 75 people allowed per rental during pool season.

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Montgomery Village Master Plan

June 14 at 1:30 p.m.
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HOMES CORPORATIONS

HOMES CORPORATIONS & CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS

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STEDWICK SIGNALS

Coming soon to a backyard near you

by Sam Korper

With May showers and summer flowers, your backyard might be the resort of choice — and breeding ground — for mosquitoes that are both a nuisance and a possible serious threat to public health. No, I am not talking about the Zika virus...yet.

It is those greening spring and summer rains that provide the medium for mosquitoes to breed. While larger bodies of water — lakes and ponds, marshes and wetlands, as well as roadside ditches — are certainly likely places for mosquito propagation, in most of the Montgomery Village area, it is human habitat and activity that provides an incredible opportunity for mosquito multiplication.

Though Zika is much in the news of late, and while there is growing awareness and concern about the spread of the Zika virus (and the role and arrival of the specific *Aedes* mosquito in its spread), it is the already resident Asian Tiger mosquito which is the most immediate pest and potential danger.

There is ongoing concern and confirmation of virus-positive West Nile-carrying Tiger mosquitoes in Maryland. The role of the Tiger mosquito in the spread of West Nile virus involves the mosquito biting an infected (dead) bird and then transferring the virus to humans through its bite.

Several Federal agencies [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Environmental Protection (EPA)]; and Maryland State agencies

(Health and Mental Hygiene; Agriculture (MDA); Environmental Protection) have much public education and prevention information to offer on their respective websites (Don't Get Bitten: Avoid Breeding Mosquitoes in Your Backyard, a 4-minute video from MDA for information about how to avoid breeding Asian Tiger mosquitoes).

At the local level, and in the immediate Montgomery Village area, several municipalities (cities of Gaithersburg and Rockville) have designated, in coordination with State agencies and Montgomery County departments, programs for mosquito monitoring and in some cases control (spraying and draining). The Montgomery Village Foundation participates in the State of Maryland Mosquito Control Program, which begins in mid-May and runs through late September.

While we are all familiar with the buzz and bite of the common Culex mosquito, the Tiger is a very aggressive and easily identified mosquito. If it is black with white stripes, out in the daytime (not just dusk and dawn), has a short flight range (less than 200 yards) and is really following you around, it is a Tiger. Reducing exposure requires some adjustments — repairing window screens, use of repellants, wearing light colored fuller-covering clothing, etc.

The most effective strategy for reducing the Tiger mosquito is eliminating its breeding places, that is, eliminating water in the smallest amounts. Unfortunately, the Tiger re-

ally likes everything that your backyard offers. Anywhere water can remain is a good home, and all it takes is the smallest amount (yes, a full soda cap is all the Tiger needs).

Tiger mosquitoes tend to remain near ground level, under decks, shrubs, stairwells and ground covers. Amazingly, even the corrugations in the plastic downspout runoff extension pipes that many of us have in place (guilty) are more than sufficient. Common breeding spots and actions:

- Topless trash and recycle containers (must be covered by law)
- Uncovered drink cans and glasses

- Water trapped in tarps and furniture covers
- Turn over children's toys, pails and wading pools
- Clean out gutters
- Flush birdbaths at least once a week
- Empty garden pots, saucers under potted plants and rain barrels
- Fix dripping outdoor water faucets
- Throw out used tires

The potential threat of Zika virus has caused all levels of government to re-consider their mosquito programs, and local agencies are gearing up. As important as it is to maintain vigilance and control the mosquito population in

the usual open-water places, unfortunately the Tiger does not generally breed there. This species prefers being around people, in urban and suburban, outdoor, shaded locales. Therefore it is important to implement our own local Stedwick control program in the places closest to our homes, and where you will likely spend a good deal of time over the next few months — your backyard.

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

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NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

April board meeting (continued)

by the North Village Board of Directors

The April meeting of the North Village Board of Directors was held on Thursday, April 21. The last issue of the *Village News* went to press before the meeting and only discussed the items that were on the agenda. This will be a follow-up coverage of the meeting.

The treasurer gave the financial report that showed that our budget took quite a hit from the winter snow storms. We have submitted an application to the State of Maryland for public assistance to recover some of the expenses from the snow storms.

Under new business, the board approved the 2015 audit and voted to affirm all corporation policies. These policies govern everything from the use of community property to snow removal. To read all the corporation policies, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com, sign up for a free account and log into your Member Dashboard. Then click on "Policies" under the section labeled "Community Information."

In another item of new business, the board approved a proposal for spring and fall fertilizer and weed control to all common lawn areas in North Village.

The final item on the new business agenda was the approval of a contract for the striping and reserve space painting in the Picton community. Since only one bid had been submitted, our com-

munity manager was asked to try to secure more bids before the board considers the matter.

Under the maintenance report, our community manager presented ideas for the plantings around entrance signs. A proposal from Brickman for the entrance sign work was approved by the board. The board also asked our community manager to send out a request for proposals (RFP) to bidders for replacing the wood fence located at the entrance to the Picton community.

Management noted that the trash and litter problems have been getting worse in some of our communities [see trash item below]. The board approved a letter that will be sent to the residents of all of our townhouse communities outlining the problem with recommended corrective actions.

Finally, it was pointed out that our new security company has not been writing reports when they witness a situation. This needs to be changed, so we are asking residents to always request a written report whenever they call one of our security officers.

RECENT NEWS

You probably saw the Letter to the Editor in the April 22 issue of the *Village News* from Dr. Dan Berbert, veterinarian from Gaithersburg Animal Hospital. He and his wife were walking their dogs on a path near Lake Marion when one of their dogs was attacked by a large Rottweiler and killed. We all know Dr. Dan because he is the vet to many of our pets. Dr. Dan asked why this dangerous

dog was not removed from the Village. We have dangerous dogs in the Village and Animal Control cannot take the animal away unless there are written complaints filed against the dog. If you see a dog displaying aggressive behavior, or an owner showing disregard for laws concerning their pets, call Montgomery County Animal Control at 240-773-5900 and file a written complaint.

TRASH PROBLEMS

The trash in this picture was spotted over the last weekend. Recycling material was dumped next to our tot lot trash can. Material to be recycled must go into the bins for pickup at the curb in front of your residence. In another location on Jarrett Court, some residents repaired their fence and placed all the wood and paint cans next to the road. Such material should be taken to the Shady Grove transfer station. With the nicer weather people are beginning to clean house and make repairs, but discarded material must be disposed of properly.

THE NEXT MEETING

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 16 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@mvmf.org.

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

NORTHGATE NEWS

More mosquito news

by the Northgate Board of Directors

Montgomery County Council President Nancy Floreen has sent out notice that the county has a new website to educate residents about mosquitoes and the Zika virus. The information can be found at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS-Program/PHS/ZikaVirus/ZikaVirus.html.

In part, the site supports information posted in our last column, and includes:

The best way to prevent the Zika virus infection is to avoid mosquito bites. Currently, there is no vaccine to prevent Zika virus infection. According to the CDC:

Use insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin or IR3535 on exposed skin. Apply insect repellents after applying sunscreen.

Treat clothing with permethrin or purchase permethrin-treated clothing.

Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants when possible.

Use air conditioning or window/door screens to keep mosquitoes outside, or sleep under a mosquito net.

Empty standing water from containers such as buckets, bowls, flower pots, wheelbarrows and children's outdoor toys.

As warm weather approaches, we encourage residents to check yards, gutters, etc. for standing water areas. Our thanks to President Floreen for getting word out to communities.

TRASH REMINDER

If you need a bulk trash pickup, please place your items out on the following schedule:

Thursdays: Overlea and The Points

Fridays: Apple Ridge, Dorsey's Regard, McKendree I & II, Shadow Oak and Williams Range.

All bulk pickups must be placed curbside. Residents of Overlea and McKendree I & II must bring their bulk items to the curb. No recyclable items will be taken as bulk nor will construction material generated by a contractor. If a resident places a rug or carpet out for bulk pickup it is acceptable. If a homeowner has a carpet or rug contractor replacing rugs or carpet in the home, the contractor is responsible for the removal of the carpet or rugs.

If your trash pickup is missed, please call Potomac Disposal at 301-294-9700.

FIRE MARSHAL

A reminder from our last column that the Montgomery County Fire Marshal is inspecting areas throughout the community looking for violations and determining if certain unmarked curb areas need to be fire lanes. Should additional curbs be marked as such, it is due to this inspection. The Northgate board does not randomly determine fire lanes. Please remember that you can be towed immediately when parked in one.

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

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HOMES CORPORATIONS

WHETSTONE WATCH

Whetstone town hall meeting

by the Whetstone Board of Directors

A town hall meeting was held the evening of April 25 to provide Whetstone homeowners an opportunity to learn about the ballot initiative for proposed amendments to Whetstone's governing documents, and ask questions before the ballots are mailed out. More than 100 residents were in attendance. The items that will appear on the ballot are:

- Prohibiting adult medical daycare
- Reducing required quorum for changing the covenants, conditions and restrictions
- Permitting 1% annual assessment increase
- Allowing permanent removal of community assets
- Permitting noncommercial pickup trucks to be parked overnight on homeowner's driveway
- Survey question regarding the redevelopment of the North Dock

Whetstone's governing documents were developed over 40 years ago and the current Whetstone board feels changes are needed in order to make our covenants more current, removing decades-old restrictions that have been a roadblock in implementing positive change in the community. These amendments have been discussed over the past six

months at the monthly board meetings. Many residents have attended the board meetings while these amendments were being developed and have offered suggestions and comments which have helped the board draft these changes. The ballots will be mailed in the next couple of weeks along with a detailed explanation of each ballot item. Homeowners will then have 90 days to return their ballots.

More information will be provided in upcoming Whetstone Watch columns.

Vote for Whetstone!

WHETSTONE WHALES SWIM TEAM

The pools won't be open for another couple of weeks but registration for joining the Whetstone Whales swim team is now open. For more information on the team and how to register, visit www.whetstonewhales.com.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 12 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. All Whetstone homeowners and residents are welcome to attend these meetings.

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

SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

Community repairs scheduled

by the South Village Board of Directors

At the last board meeting, the South Village Homes Corporation voted to expand its community renewal program. Over the next year, we will be conducting several major projects, including street milling and resurfacing (yes, there will be some parking inconveniences), repairs to our retaining walls and major concrete work on common property (this does not apply to private residence concrete). Specific announcements of projects will appear here as we begin projects.

This represents significant investment back into our community and is just one of the ways we spend your assessment dollars.

MOTORCYCLE COURTESY

We know that technically, a motorcycle is a vehicle under Maryland law. However, it's a small vehicle, and given the shortage of parking spaces in the community at large, we ask that motorcycle owners practice some courtesy and wherever practicable, park more than one machine in a parking space normally reserved for the "cagers" (as car owners are called in the biking world). It takes a lot of pressure off a scarce resource, namely, our parking space.

In turn, we ask drivers of regular cars and trucks to give the bikers a break and be watchful for the presence of riders, as well as being gentle when parking next to a motorcycle (since they can easily be knocked over).

PET WASTE

As spring arrives (presumably warmer weather will make a steady comeback soon), we also advise residents who own pets to please pick up their pet waste. It's the civil thing to do, and it's also following the law. Be a responsible pet owner.

Pets: please make sure your human is equipped with a proper leash and a pickup bag before you leave your kennel. Our humans are busy with a lot of things, and sometimes they forget.

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

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE

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EAST VILLAGE ECHO

East Village board vacancy

by the East Village Board of Directors

East Village Homes Corporation (EVHC) has a vacancy on its Board of Directors. For those interested in serving on the board, that are residents of East Village and are in good standing with both assessments and covenants, please contact EVHC Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2344 or e-mail eastvillagehc@mof.org.

TRASH REMINDERS

EVHC reminds residents that both the county and EVHC require all trash to be placed in "vermin-proof" containers. All homeowners agreed to these rules and policies upon the purchase of their homes, and are also responsible for ensuring any renters or guests of their property are also aware and compliant. A "vermin-proof" container is a trash can with a tightly fitting lid. Loose trash bags left curb-side are not vermin-proof!

East Village trash collection days are Tuesday and Friday mornings, and recycling collection is only on Friday mornings. Trash and recycling containers should be placed out after 7 p.m. the night before collection. In addition to EVHC's frequent reminders, weekly community inspections are also underway to help identify and cite violators of the trash rules and regulations, to help improve compliance. Please report any violators to EVHC Community Manager April Steward at eastvillagehc@mof.org or 240-243-2344.

BOARD MEETING
MAY 17

The next EVHC Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17

at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

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

The EVHC Board of Directors meetings are held the third Tuesday of January, March, April, May, July, September, and November.

EAST VILLAGE
COMMUNICATIONS

Check out the EVHC Facebook page at www.facebook.com/eastvillagehc, or search "East Village Homes Corporation;" be sure to "Like" our page to receive updates. Our Community Manager April Steward and the EVHC Board always want to hear from residents. If you have questions, suggestions or just kudos, e-mail eastvillagehc@mof.org, or call 240-243-2344.

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

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Montgomery County law states that you must keep your dog on a leash and pick up and properly dispose of your dog's defecation when outside of your premises.



MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

Middle Village Annual Meeting

by the Middle Village Board of Directors

The Middle Village Homes Corporation conducted its Annual Meeting and would like welcome the returning and new members of the board of directors. The board of directors is composed of nine directors, each serving a three year term. Board membership is an important way to serve the community. The board is responsible for establishing parking, towing and other policies, setting the amount of assessments each year for everyone, ensuring the common areas of the community are properly maintained and adopting the annual budget for the association.

2016 PARKING TAGS

Towing for expired 2015 parking tags continues. If you have not picked up your 2016 parking tags, you need to do so from ComSource as soon as possible. Contact ComSource at 301-924-7355 prior to going to their office. If you have questions, please e-mail Delphine Matthews at dmattthews@comsource.com. Towing for expired parking tags has begun throughout the community. Big Tow will continue to tow vehicles for all other parking violations. Please note that homeowners/tenants will not be reimbursed for towing charges if they are parked in their reserved space but displaying an expired parking tag.

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

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. Before homeowners/tenants place bulk trash outside they must contact Potomac Disposal at 301-294-9700 to schedule a pickup. Do not place any trash, including bulk trash out prior to the pickup days of Tuesday and Friday. If you see a resident dumping bulk or loose trash and you know their address,

you can report them to ComSource anonymously.

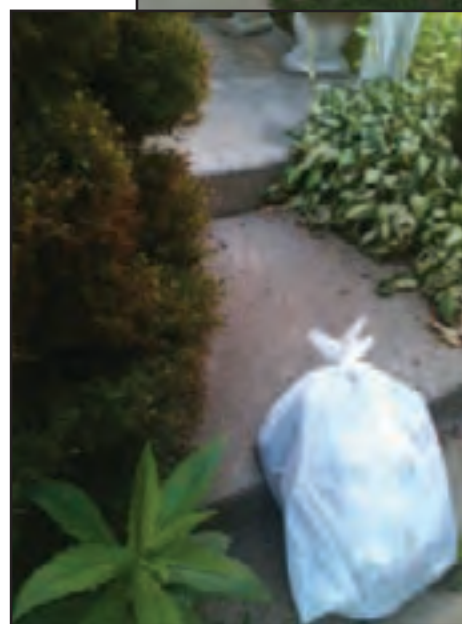
It is the responsibility of each resident to place their trash can in the appropriate location for pickup, and to collect their trash cans/recycling containers and place them back on their property on the day that trash/recycling is collected.

Unmarked trash cans and recycling containers are often left in common areas all week. This attracts rodents, and has

balances quickly and easily if you are an owner. You can view your account information 24/7, and access community documents, including parking policies and architectural guidelines. You will also be able to receive updates on any new policies quickly via e-mail. Landlords can provide online access to tenants by adding them as an additional user and setting permissions according to preference.



Illegal dumping of bulk trash



All trash must be placed in covered trash can

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 dmattthews@comsource.com or sumali@comsource.com.

The next MVHC board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24 at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

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

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Flags For Our Heroes corporate sponsorships announced

The Rotary Clubs of Montgomery Village and Gaithersburg are pleased to acknowledge several corporate sponsorships of the Flags For Our Heroes event, which oc-

The two Rotary clubs are inviting organizations and groups to sponsor flags to honor their heroes, who can be current or former members of the armed forces, fire fighters,

international humanitarian organizations and a network of community volunteers. Founded in Chicago in 1905, it now has more than 1.2 million members in some 33,000 clubs, in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Also, it has "Rotaract" clubs for men and women of college age and "Interact" clubs in high schools.

Rotary clubs and their foundations strive to build goodwill and peace. They carry out fundraising activities and conduct projects to address humanitarian challenges including illiteracy, disease, hunger, poverty, lack of clean water and environmental concerns. Also, members of each club work in their communities by providing dictionaries for young students, building playgrounds that are accessible to children with disabilities, helping with food programs and in many other ways meeting the needs of their respective local communities.

The Rotary Clubs of Montgomery Village and Gaithersburg join other Rotary clubs around the country in celebrating Memorial Day. More information is on the web at www.FlagsForOurHeroes.org and on the Facebook page, Flags For Our Heroes. Additional inquiries about the celebration and sponsorship opportunities can be sent to info@FlagsForOurHeroes.org.

curs during the Memorial Day weekend at Bohrer Park, Gaithersburg. Sponsors include: AAA Warman Home Care, Asbury Communities/Asbury Methodist Village, Becraft Realty, Broad Street Realty, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Fitzgerald's Lakeforest Toyota, KlinEdinst Management, Inc., MTG, Inc., Monument Bank, Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, Revere Bank, Shannon & Luchs Insurance Agency, TW Perry and Westat. These companies also supported the Memorial Day community spirit celebration in previous years.

police officers, or anyone else who is a hero to the sponsor. Sponsorship is an excellent way for a company to show that it is patriotic and is part of its community.

Each flag will bear a medallion with the names of the sponsor and his or her hero. Members of the Rotary Clubs will put up the flags on Thursday, May 26, and they will fly proudly until the late afternoon hours on Monday, May 30. An Opening Ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 28.

Rotary is both one of the largest and most influential



MILESTONES

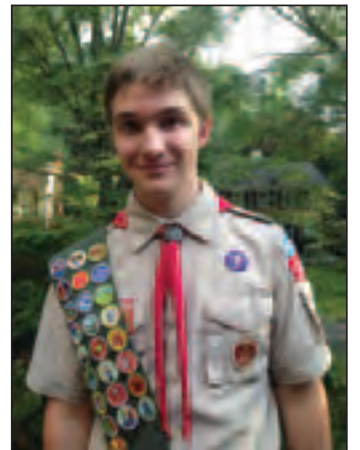
New Eagle Scout in Troop 1988

by Sam Henry, Second Class Scout

An important event in Montgomery Village Boy Scout Troop 1988 is the Court of Honor which happens a few times each year. It celebrates all the Scouts' achievements like earned merit badges for swimming, first aid or other skills. It also celebrates the time when a Boy Scout completes his requirements to rank up to First Class, Second Class, Star Scout and others. Recently, one of our Troop members became an Eagle Scout, the highest rank a Scout can achieve.

Becoming an Eagle Scout is difficult because it takes time and hard work. It often takes Boy Scouts many years to receive this honor. Hard-working scout Sam Gates achieved this incredible rank. He never stopped working and he made it to his goal. One of the biggest requirements he had to do was to complete a big service project. When he heard the Seneca Creek Trail needed a bridge built, he knew just what to do for his service project.

Sam called the president of



Eagle Scout Sam Gates

TW Perry. Michael Cassidy, and asked if him if TW Perry would be willing to donate materials so he could build a bridge for the Seneca Creek State Park Trail. Sam and 23 other volunteers carried 2,000 pounds of materials a quarter mile down the trail. Sam spent 209 hours designing and building the bridge, but he finally finished his Eagle Scout project. Sam spent many years working towards the rank of Eagle Scout, and he finally achieved it on June 22, 2015.



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Senior Connection new volunteer trainings

The Senior Connection is in great need of volunteers to drive seniors to medical appointments or to help with grocery shopping. Training and liability coverage are provided, and volunteers can set their own schedule, so volunteering is flexible. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and make a big difference in a senior's life.

New volunteer trainings take place each month. The next trainings are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Wednesday,

May 11 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25 at the Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring.

For more information, call 301-962-0820, e-mail volunteer@seniorconnectionmc.org or visit www.seniorconnectionmc.org.



Alzheimer's caregiver support group forming

The Alzheimer's Association is forming a new Caregiver Support Group at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 9801 Centerway Road. The group's first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 19 at 7 p.m.; the group will meet from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month and from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month. Residents who care for someone diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia are encouraged to attend.

The Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Groups provide emotional, educational and social support for family and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other related dementias. For more information about the Alzheimer's Association, call 800-272-3900 or visit www.alz.org.

For more information about this support group, contact Kim Painter at kim.alzassoc@gmail.com or Joan Quinlan at joan.alzassoc@gmail.com.

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AT YOUR LEISURE

CMUC Yard Sale

Covenant United Methodist Church Youth Group is sponsoring a Yard Sale on Saturday, May 14 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 20301 Pleasant Ridge Drive (corner of Wightman Road and Montgomery Village Avenue). This is a rain or shine event. All proceeds will go towards summer mission trips for the middle and high school youth.



Montgomery County Students to host Used Car and Computer Sale

Three times a year, students from the Montgomery County Students Automotive Trades Foundation (ATF) and Montgomery County Students Information Technology Foundation (ITF) programs operate sales where refurbished vehicles and computers are offered to the community at competitive prices. These sales provide ATF and ITF students with the opportunity to practice their sales skills, earn Student Service Learning hours, and develop a deeper appreciation for community involvement. By participating in the sale,

patrons will support our students and help to enhance their sales skills.

Find great deal on used cars or computers from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 14 at the Foundations Office/Thomas Edison High School of Technology, 12501 Dalewood Drive, Silver Spring.

For more information, contact Kelly Johnson at 301-929-2197, e-mail Kelly_R_Johnson@mcpsmd.org or visit www.atfcareers.org or www.cars2purchase.org or www.itfcareers.org.

Comedy, dance and jazz this month at Arts on the Green

Has too much Presidential politics got you longing for a good, hearty laugh? Arts on the Green comes to the rescue with comedy, dance for the whole family and jazzy love songs. The comedy is Larry Shue's 1984 off-Broadway hit "The Foreigner." The dance show combines artistry with the zaniness of circus, and the love songs will be provided by D.C.-based jazz vocalist Rochelle Rice in a concert titled "Summer Love Songs."

To purchase tickets, call the Arts Barn at 301-258-6394. Arts on the Green is located at 311/320 Kent Square Road, Gaithersburg. For more information, visit www.gaithersburgmd.gov.

Dance

Cirque du Dance
VF Dance Theater
Friday, May 6 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 7 at 3 and 7 p.m.
Tickets: \$22, \$12 for ages 10 and under

Take a troupe of dancers in a wide range of ages (from accomplished young students through adult professionals); start with modern dance; stir in physical comedy, juggling, acrobatics and clowning; add a dollop of strength and ingenuity; place all of it in the intimate Arts Barn and you have a remarkable entertainment for all ages. Choreographer and creative mastermind Veronika Farkas finds surprises and magical moments at every leap and turn.

On Stage

"The Foreigner" by Larry Shue
Presented by Sandy Spring Theatre Group
Friday, May 13 to Sunday, May 29
Tickets: \$20, \$12 for ages 14 and under

This sweet, daft play opened in New York in 1984 and won two Obie Awards and two Outer Critics Circle Awards, including Best New American Play and Best Off-Broadway Production. The action is set at a fishing lodge in rural Georgia where our hero, the painfully shy Charlie, goes for a much-needed holiday. However, his plan for solitude goes hilariously awry when his friend introduces him as an exotic foreigner who doesn't understand any English. New York City's *The Village Voice* called "The Foreigner" "a constant invitation to relax and laugh at the foolishness of life." Recommended for ages 12 and up.

In Concert

Rochelle Rice: Summer Love Songs
Saturday, June 4 at 8 p.m.
Tickets: \$25, \$12 age 18 and under
Arts Barn

Grab your sweetheart and enjoy a musically romantic evening at the Arts Barn. Up-and-coming vocal artist Rochelle Rice enchants her audience with her own arrangements of some of the most beautiful love songs ever written. She gets inspiration from Oscar Wilde: "Keep love in your heart. A life without it is like a sunless garden when the flowers are dead."

Rochelle has been named Best Jazz Vocalist (2013) by *Washington City Paper* and has performed at The Kennedy Center, the Mansion at Strathmore, The Fillmore and the DC Jazz Festival. Rochelle's Arts Barn gig comes just a month before the release of her debut album, "Wonder," which she describes as "a beautiful landscape of personal compositions and thrilling arrangements, featuring a vibrant jazz quartet and lush strings." For this performance, she will be accompanied on piano by Mark Meadows.

March to the Mill Summer Sports Camp now registering

The deadline to register for the March to the Mill summer sports camp is fast approaching. Campers must register by Wednesday, June 1 to receive a free, limited edition T-shirt and pinnie.

"Every year the camp gets better and better," says executive director Toni Marsh. "We get a great combination of returning campers, coaches and counselors who know the ropes, and brand new people who bring fresh ideas and are eager to make new friends. It works out well."

The camp allows elementary and middle school kids to play a variety of sports with Watkins Mill High School coaches and athletes. The campers do a different sport or activity everyday, including football, baseball, lacrosse, soccer, field hockey, basketball, cheer, wrestling, Poms, drama and drum line.

"Trying new sports and activities is great for the campers. I can't tell you how many times a camper has told me that they have discovered a new passion they never knew they had," said Camp Director Lydia

Leecost. "One camper last year had never even picked up a golf club before, and by the end of the day he had a beautiful swing."

The camp is a good way for kids to get comfortable with the high school campus and personnel.

"One of the good things for coaches is that we get the opportunity to scout the young talent. When these kids go to try out for sports in their freshman year, we already know them," said Camp Director Paul Vance. "And for the kids, they get to know so many people, by the time they start school, they feel confident."

March to the Mill runs from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 21 through Friday, July 1. The cost is \$99 per session or \$189 for both sessions.

Every camper gets a free T-shirt and pinnie and free admission to select Watkins Mill High School football games and other sporting events with a paying adult. A limited number of scholarships are available. Those interested in camp scholarships should contact their school principals.

For more information or to register, call Toni Marsh at 202-510-4163, e-mail tonimarsh101@gmail.com or visit www.MarchToTheMill.blogspot.com.



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MV Kids Learn About The Indianapolis 500

The Indianapolis 500 is a car race held each year over Memorial Day weekend at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indiana. This year marks the 100th running of the Indianapolis 500.

The Track

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway was built in 1909. It has about 235,000 permanent seats plus about 65,000 infield seats. It is the highest-capacity sports venue in the world. Considered relatively flat by American standards, the track is a two-and-a-half mile, nearly rectangular oval: four $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile turns, two $\frac{5}{8}$ -mile long straightaways and two $\frac{1}{8}$ -mile short straightaways.

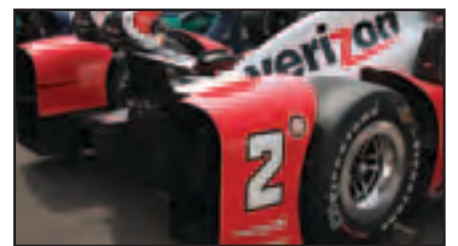


Ray Harroun, an engineer with the Marmon Motor Car Company, came out of retirement to drive, and won the first Indianapolis 500 race in 1911 with his bright yellow #32 "Wasp."



The Cars

All cars must pass a strict technical inspection including minimum weight, dimensions and approved parts, especially safety equipment before receiving a sticker making that car eligible to practice.



Juan Pablo Montoya, 2000, 2015



Hélio Castroneves, 2001, 2002, 2009



Dario Franchitti, 2007, 2010, 2012

Milk

In 1933, Louis Meyer requested a glass of buttermilk after winning his second "Indy 500." After winning his third title in 1936, he requested another glass but instead received a bottle. He was photographed swigging from the bottle while holding up three fingers (for his third win). A local dairy company began offering a bottle of milk to the winners of future races. Milk has been presented to the winner each year since then. Drivers are given a choice of whole, 2% or skim.



Dan Wheldon, 2011

What Happens at a Pit Stop?

When the car pulls into the pitstop at 60 mph, about 12 people will work together to change the tires, pump in almost 20 gallons of gas, adjust the car to improve the steering and clean debris from the car's radiator. And they do it all in 6 to 8 seconds.



RECREATION

Spring Flea Market

Mark your calendars now! Don't miss this chance to clean out and recycle the lost treasures from your basement, garage or attic. Bargain hunters will be looking for great deals at the MVF Spring Flea Market, scheduled from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 14 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

Sellers must register in advance and provide all their own display equipment. Parking spot-sized spaces are \$23/Resident and \$28/Non-resident. Spaces are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, so don't delay! Support the

Boy Scouts as they sell sweet treats and drinks. The Salvation Army donation truck will be on site. Rain date is Sunday, May 15.

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

Monday Indoor Pickleball Drop-in

Join staff and other Pickleball enthusiasts for fun on the court playing this sport that combines tennis, badminton and ping-pong. With specialized lines drawn just for Pickleball, players use a paddle and plastic ball to volley over the net. Beginners and skilled players are welcome. Limited equipment available for use.

The current session runs 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Mon-

days through June 20 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. This is separate from Seniors in Action Pickleball. The cost to drop-in and play is only \$3/Resident and \$4/Non-resident.

For more information, call Christian Hayes at 240-243-2367 or e-mail chayes@mvf.org.



Wine & Paint events

Whether it's date night, ladies night or guys night out, secure your spot at one of these events today! Back by popular demand, instructor Sue Kay will guide you step-by-step through this fun and easy painting with acrylics on a stretched canvas. Each participant will leave with their very own masterpiece, with no two looking exactly the same.

Price includes all supplies and two glasses of wine. Cost per event is \$30/Resident or \$36/Non-resident. Upcoming event dates are Saturday, May 21, Saturday, June 11 and Friday, July 15.

For event times and locations, or to register, call Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Wellness Workshops

Body certified instructor Maria Doherty teaches a variety of wellness classes. Join her for Essential Oils Workshop on Tuesday, June 12 or Yoga Nidra class on Saturday, May 21. While the classes differ in style they both focus on bringing your body to peace and harmony while relieving stress, im-

proving your mood and can be beneficial in aiding various types of pain including hypertension, migraines and insomnia.

Each class costs \$45/Resident or \$55/Non-resident. For more information or to register call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

SPRING FLEA MARKET



SATURDAY, MAY 14 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

North Creek Community Center 20125 Arrowhead Road

Sellers must register in advance and provide all their own display equipment. Spaces are filled on a first-come/first-served basis.

Cost per Space

\$23/Resident

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Register at www.montgomeryvillage.com

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The Salvation Army will provide a donation truck for clothing, linens, shoes, belts, handbags, backpacks and housewares.



Find inclement weather information by following MVF on twitter, facebook, checking www.montgomeryvillage.com or by calling 240-243-2367. Rain date is Sunday, May 15.

afternoon aqua club

Register Online
www.montgomeryvillage.com

for ages 8 to 14

1 to 4 p.m.

Hurley Park Pool
20737 Highland Hall Drive



Jump in and soak up the fun! Campers will enjoy an afternoon of working on stroke technique for freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke, as well as get a behind the scenes look into the pools operational system and pool chemistry. Other activities will include canoe safety, team raft building, raft races and more! Register today for the coolest way to heat up your summer! All campers must demonstrate the ability to swim one length of the pool in a safe manner without touching the wall or bottom of the pool.

4516.308
Monday, June 27
to Friday, July 1

4516.309
Monday, July 18
to Friday, July 22

\$99/Resident \$109/Non-resident per session



For more information or to register,
e-mail lhydarn@mvf.org or call 240-243-2314.

RECREATION

Meet the Staff

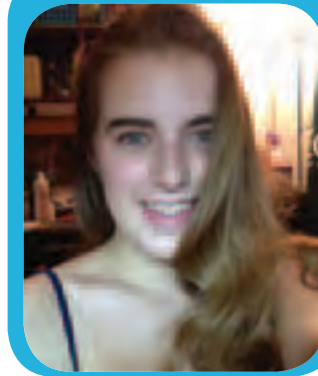


DANA HUGHES – DIRECTOR

While Dana is new to Montgomery Village summer camps, she comes to us with an abundance of knowledge and experience with kids! Dana obtained her Bachelors degree from the University of Connecticut where she also played softball. She then went on to get her Masters degree from the University of Pittsburgh. Dana is now a Speech Language Pathologist for Montgomery County Public schools.

In addition to her roles in the classroom, Ms. Hughes also referees student softball games and works closely with the Yearbook Club. An athlete at heart, Dana enjoys running, works out daily and spends as much time outdoors as she can! Dana has

already started planning all the fun activities for this year's Camp Tiny Feet and can't wait for Tuesday, June 21 to arrive!



KATIE PEPPERL – ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

As a returning staff person to Camp Tiny Feet, Katie is very familiar with the camp programs in Montgomery Village! She attended MVF Summer Camps as a child and participated in the Counselor-in-Training program before becoming a Camp Counselor in 2014.

Katie is a rising junior at SUNY Oswego where she is studying Zoology. Katie loves making up

new games to play with campers, is not afraid of bugs and is great when it comes to arts & crafts. She is excited to be back at Camp Tiny Feet this year!

END-OF-SUMMER

SPECIALTY CAMPS

Register Online
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Enroll in two camps at Lake Marion Community Center in the same session to make a full day of fun. Campers staying for the full day should bring a non-perishable lunch to eat during the supervised break between camps.



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1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
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Tiny Chef camp will help campers hone their culinary skills

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AbraKadoodle will bring out your child's inner Picasso.

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North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road

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For more information or to register,
e-mail lhydorn@mvf.org or call 240-243-2314.

North Creek Summer Drop-In

Children entering grades 1 through 8 love this flexible alternative to camp! North Creek Summer Drop-In participants delight in a variety of activities including outdoor and indoor games, arts and crafts and special events throughout the summer. Program participants receive daily bagged lunches provided by the Summer Meals program and enjoy an assortment of snacks generously donated by Giant Foods, LLC and Wegmans.

Those ages 10 and older are allowed to head down to the North Creek Pool to cool off if they have a valid MVF Activity Card. The cost of the program is a one-time fee of \$119/Resident (\$104 for each additional child in the same immediate family – residents only) or \$199/Non-resident.

North Creek Summer Drop-In is scheduled from 12:30 to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday (beginning Tuesday, June 21). For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



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WINTER/SPRING SESSION



50th Anniversary Luncheon

Join Seniors in Action as we celebrate Montgomery Villages 50th Anniversary! On Wednesday, May 11 from noon to 2 p.m., seniors will go back in time to the 1960's through games, dance and contests! A catered lunch is included for this special event. Free for current Seniors in Action Members, \$7 for resident non-members and \$10 for non-resident non-members. The last day to sign up is Monday, May 9.



BINGO!

Join your friends in Seniors in Action the second Friday of every month for Bingo and Brown Bag Lunch! Eat your lunch with friends, then try your luck with multiple rounds of Bingo! Free for members and \$2 for non-members.



Steering Committee

Steering Committee will not meet during in May due to the 50th Anniversary Luncheon. For questions or concerns, e-mail Lauren Hydorn at lhydorn@mvf.org.



Pickleball

Enjoy the warm weather by playing the fastest growing sport out there! We play every Monday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon, outside, weather depending. You must be a Seniors in Action member to play on the courts at these times. Limited equipment is available for play.



CREATIVE PLAYTIME AND SENIORS IN ACTION
On Friday, April 22, Seniors in Action were invited to Creative Playtime's presentation of Goldilocks and the Three Bears!

REGISTRATION

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

Calendar

MONDAY



Arts and Crafts
10 a.m. to noon

Work side-by-side with other members while you each explore your creative side
May 9: Flower Pot Decorating
May 16: Tie Dye - please bring a white item to dye!



Book Discussion Group
10 to 11 a.m. - third Monday each month
May 16: "My Beloved World" by Sonia Sotomayor



Pickleball
11 a.m. to noon

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

TUESDAY



Light Cardio Workout
9 to 10 a.m.

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



Seated Tai Chi
Noon to 12:45 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY



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

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

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.



Pickleball
11 a.m. to noon

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

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.

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

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Beautiful brick colonial on quiet tree-lined street – 5 BR, 2.5 BA – updated exterior w/vinyl siding and new shutters – refinished hardwood floors, renovated kitchen w/new cabinets and newer appliances – 1st level family room w/brick fireplace, 5th BR and large laundry room – clean and bright w/lots of natural light, fresh neutral decor – basement garage – finished basement w/new flooring, recreation room and bonus room. Walk-in attic and tons of storage.

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For Sale



GREAT PRICE!

PLEASANT RIDGE \$449,000

Fantastic single family home with excellent floor plan – 4 BR, 2.5 BAs, sitting room, generous closets, 1st floor laundry, FR w/fireplace, hardwood floors, large renovated kit. with stainless steel appliances, Silestone counters & center island – formal LR and DR – cul-de-sac location and private

setting – huge wood deck w/stairs to backyard – full w/o basement w/workshop, storage and lots of available space for expansion.



THE REACH \$349,900

Beautiful end unit TH in East Village – 3 BR, 2.5 BA, garage, updated windows, fenced yard w/flagstone patio, renovated kit. w/granite counters, breakfast bar, bamboo flooring, stainless steel appliances, tile backsplash & attached FR w/fireplace – huge LR w/tall windows, fireplace & sliding glass doors

to patio – DR w/wood floors – master suite has bamboo floor & double closets – master bath w/tub & separate designer shower room – lovely home!



SHADOW OAK \$289,000

Stunning 3 BR, 2.5 BA 3-level TH. Totally 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 ready!



WHETSTONE \$419,900

Amazing renovation to this lovely Goshenside brick home with greenspace out front, treed backyard & slate patio – updated kitchen with granite counters, new cabinets, double sink & porcelain tile floor – upgraded windows & doors – 4 BR, 2.5 BA, hardwood floors, porcelain tile foyer, upgraded garage door & opener, bright & neutral

decor throughout – great storage in basement.

Sold



JUST SETTLED

EAST VILLAGE \$348,000

Beautifully renovated 3-level garage TH in Ridgefield – 3 BR, 2.5 BA – new paint, carpet, tile in bathrooms & foyer, new granite in kitchen, hardwood in kitchen/family room – finished rec. room w/fireplace.



JUST SETTLED

WHETSTONE \$325,000

SHORT SALE

Woodburn model with beautiful screened porch & hwd floors, 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 1st floor FR w/wood-burning fireplace & slider to porch – formal LR & DR, big foyer.



SOLD!

THE POINTS \$405,000

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



SOLD!

WHETSTONE \$535,000

Spectacular! Renovated & reconfigured Baltimore model full of improvements – kitchen w/upgraded appliances, two ovens, cabinets & center island.



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