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Senator King secures \$2.5 million in bond funds for Montgomery Village

by Mike Conroy

Before the April 28 Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors meeting, District 39 Senator Nancy King provided an update on the recently finished Legislative Session, and her success in securing bond funds for the community. Senator King, who is also a long-time Village resident, noted she was grateful for the partnership she has with MVF staff and was thrilled to bring the funds to Montgomery Village.

Senator King said after the Federal stimulus and a new tax on online purchases, the state was able to extend significantly more bond funds than in previous years. As such, she was able to secure \$2.5 million in state bond monies for projects in Montgomery Village.

Bond funds will be used for solar projects at MVF facilities (\$800,000); improvements to South Valley Park (\$1,000,000); and for the Watkins Mill Recreation Area renovation.

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MVF Board members, staff, Brightview and Sen. Nancy King join in planting a tree at Lake Whetstone Park in honor of Past President Pete Webb's service to the community and for Arbor Day. MVF has been designated A Tree City for 34 consecutive years. This national recognition is awarded by the National Arbor Day Foundation to honor commitment to forestry.

Committee members, chairs reaffirmed at April MVF Board meeting

by Mike Conroy

With newly installed directors on the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board, the sentiment of volunteerism was top of mind for the April 28 Board meeting. During the meeting, volunteer committee members were reaffirmed for all MVF committees, per attendance and eligibility requirements. Additionally, those who were recommended by their respective committees to maintain leadership roles were reaffirmed as committee chairs. The full list of committees, chairs, members and Board

and staff liaisons can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/committees.

MVF Board President Scott Dyer thanked the members of the community who continue to use their time and talents for the betterment of the community, in this volunteer capacity.

In other committee-related items, the Board appointed director Brandon Coffee-Borden as the third Board member of the Investment Committee, per the committee guidelines.

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MVF SPRING FLEA MARKET

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

Rain Date: Sunday, May 15
North Community Center
20125 Arrowhead Road

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at Ed DeSimon Park
8600 East Village Avenue

Saturday, June 18
9 to 11 a.m.

for Children ages 3 to 15

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SATURDAY, AUG. 6
9 A.M. TO 1 P.M.
RAIN OR SHINE

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North Creek Board Room
20125 Arrowhead Road

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MVF MEETING AGENDAS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26, June 23 and July 28. A Board retreat is scheduled for 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 7 in the North Creek Board Room, 20215 Arrowhead Road.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, July 6 and Aug. 3 to review residents' requests for exterior modifications. The board requests that homeowners contact MVF if they plan to attend and if their contractors will accompany them.

COMMERCIAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Commercial Architectural Review Committee (CARC) meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Friday, June 3.

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Committee on the Environment meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Communications Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 3.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, July 11. The agenda includes review of the 2022 Second Quarter MVF Investment Portfolio.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 6.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee meeting is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11.

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.



NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, June 28 and July 26.

CHRISTOPHER COURT LAND ASSOCIATION

The Christopher Court Land Association (CCLA) meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27.

EASTGATE

The Eastgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10 and July 12.

EAST VILLAGE

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17 and July 19.

HORIZON RUN CONDOMINIUM

The Horizon Run Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 27.

MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 and July 20.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28.

NORMANDIE-ON-THE-LAKE I CONDOMINIUM

The Normandie-on-the-Lake I (NOLI) Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 16.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, and June 14.

NORTH VILLAGE

The North Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 16 in the North Creek Board Room, 20215 Arrowhead Road.

PARK PLACE I CONDOMINIUM

The Park Place I Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10.

PARK PLACE II CONDOMINIUM

The Park Place II Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, and July 26.

SOUTH VILLAGE

The South Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, June 22 and July 27.

STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 and June 15.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, May 9, and June 13.

THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, June 21 and July 19.

WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, June 9 and July 14.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Green in MV



by **Scott R. Dyer**
MVF President

The month of April marked my official first meeting serving as the new President of the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors. Having served as Board Liaison to MVF's Committee on the Environment (COE) for a number of years, the month of April carries special significance with environmental awareness observances, including Walk to Work Day (April 1); National Gardening and Look Up at the Sky days (April 14); Earth Day (April 22); Celebrate Trails Day (April 23); Audubon Day (April 26); and Arbor Day (April 29); as well as National Wildlife Week (week of April 5); Keep America Beautiful Month (including the April 24 annual Great American Clean-up); Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month; World Landscape Architecture Month; and National Garden Month.

These observances help bring awareness, but the challenge is how to make those observances into a difference every day in our community and beyond. Noteworthy, community volunteers in Montgomery Village, led by MVF staff and Friends of Whetstone Lake (F.O.W.L.), held a "Rake the Lake" event on April 23 (three total held annually) to help keep one of the Village's beautiful recreation areas clean and safe for wildlife and the many residents and visitors (and their pets) who visit the lake and surrounding recreation area.

The MVF Board celebrated Arbor Day with a special tree planting on April 28 at Lake Whetstone, in honor of immediate Past President Pete Webb, for his leadership over the past two years as President; it also was a celebration of the 34th consecutive year Montgomery

Village has been recognized as Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation, which is particularly significant as 56 years ago, the Village's founders, the Kettler Brothers' vision for the farmland that became Montgomery Village was to bring in fully grown trees and ensured throughout the Village that trees were prominent. MVF continues that commitment today through its annual tree plantings.

At the January 2022 Board meeting, MVF also strengthened its commitment to the environment by approving an Organizational Green Plan, with the goal of further reducing the organization's environmental impacts with five key focus areas: Resource Efficiencies; Air Quality and Transportation; Land Management; Waste Reduction; and Public Engagement and Programming. Maryland District 39 Senator Nancy King also brought the Village great news at the April meeting that the District 39 delegation was successful on securing state bond bills totaling \$2.5 million in grant funding. Monies secured include \$1,000,000 for South Valley Park improvements (including stormwater management); \$800,000 to install solar panels at MVF facilities; and \$700,000 for the Watkins Mills Recreation Area Outdoor Fitness Park.

If you're interested in helping maintain the environment, the COE meets quarterly (at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of January, April, July, and October) and makes recommendations to the MVF Board concerning the environmental quality of water areas, wildlife and forested regions in and around Montgomery Village. All committees could benefit from volunteer expertise—to learn more about all MVF committees, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com and use the Committee Membership Form to apply online.

MVF BOARD MOTIONS

Montgomery Village Foundation Board of Directors Motion List April 28, 2022

1. Mr. Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 24, 2022 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
2. Mr. Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting held March 24, 2022 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
3. Ms. Prince moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Webb moved to accept the Committee Chairs as a whole, as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Mr. Webb moved to accept the Reaffirmation of Committee Members as a whole, as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Anderson moved to approve the proposed changes to the Park Use Policy, Rules and Regulations. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Mr. Coffee-Borden moved to award the contract for an updated dam breach study of Lake Whetstone to Charles P. Johnson & Associates for a total cost of \$26,190 and authorize an additional 10% (\$2,619) for any unforeseen expenses for a total not to exceed \$28,809. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
8. Mr. Webb moved to approve the proposed changes to the Vehicular Parking Rules and Regulations for MVF-Owned Lots. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
9. Mr. Webb moved to approve the appointment of Mr. Coffee-Borden to the Investment Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
10. Mr. Anderson moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
11. Mr. Webb moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:27 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.



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 Scott Dyer

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July

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| <p>6 Village News
Summer Rec Guide</p> <p>7 MVF Board Retreat
8 am – NCBR</p> <p>9 Thomas Choice Condo
7 pm</p> <p>10 Northgate HC
7 pm</p> <p>Park Place I Condo
7 pm</p> <p>Eastgate HC
7:30 pm</p> <p>11 Scholarship Committee
3 pm</p> <p>Park Place II Condo
7 pm</p> <p>12 Whetstone HC
7:30 pm</p> <p>14 Spring Flea Market
8 am – NCCC</p> <p>16 Personnel Committee
7:30 pm</p> <p>17 TC Gardens Condo
6:30 pm</p> <p>East Village HC
7:30 pm</p> | <p>18 MD Place HC
7 pm</p> <p>Stedwick HC
7:30 pm</p> <p>20 Wine & Paint
7 pm – LMCC</p> <p>21 Stedwick Pool opens
for the season
Noon</p> <p>Community Concert
MV Community Band
7 pm – SVP</p> <p>24 Center Court Condo
7 pm</p> <p>25 Summer Camp Open House
6 pm – Virtual</p> <p>South Village HC
7 pm</p> <p>26 MVF Board of Directors
7:30 pm</p> <p>28 Lake Marion, North Creek.
Peggy Mark and Whetstone
pools open for season –
Noon</p> <p>30 Memorial Day
MVF Office Closed</p> | <p>1 ARB
7 pm</p> <p>3 CARC
9 am</p> <p>4 Farmers' Market opens
for the season
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>Community Concert
Blue Notes Jazz Band
5 pm – SVP</p> <p>6 Recreation Committee
7:30 pm</p> <p>9 Whetstone HC
7:30 pm</p> <p>11 All-Comers Swim Meet
7:30 am – NCCC</p> <p>Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>Community Concert
Ocho de Bastos
7 pm – SVP</p> <p>13 Thomas Choice Condo
7 pm</p> <p>14 Northgate HC
7 pm</p> <p>15 Stedwick HC
7 pm</p> <p>16 North Creek Pool
Ribbon Cutting
6 pm</p> <p>NOL I Condo
7 pm</p> <p>North Village HC
7 pm – NCBR</p> | <p>17 Wine & Paint
7 pm – SCC</p> <p>18 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>Fishing Rodeo
9 am – Ed DeSimon
Recreation Area</p> <p>21 TC Gardens Condo
6:30 pm</p> <p>22 South Village HC
7 pm</p> <p>23 MVF Board of Directors
7:30 pm</p> <p>24 Dive-In Movie "Encanto"
7:30 pm – SCC</p> <p>25 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>Rake the Lake
9 am – Lake Whetstone</p> <p>Boating Safety Day
11 am – Lake Whetstone</p> <p>Signature Concert
The Mahoney Brothers
7 pm – SVP</p> <p>27 Horizon Run Condo
7:30 pm</p> <p>28 Center Court Condo
7 pm</p> <p>Middle Village HC
7 pm</p> <p>Patton Ridge HC
7 pm</p> | <p>2 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>July 4 5K Race
7 am – LMCC</p> <p>4 Independence Day
MVF Office Closed</p> <p>July 4 Celebration
10 am – Apple Ridge
Recreation Area</p> <p>6 Kidjam – Mike Perrello Magic
10 am – Apple Ridge
Recreation Area</p> <p>ARB
7 pm</p> <p>9 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>Community Concert
The Back Pages Band
7 pm – SVP</p> <p>11 Investment Committee
7:30 pm</p> <p>12 Eastgate HC
7:30 pm</p> <p>13 Kidjam
Pam the Kindersinger
10 am – Apple Ridge
Recreation Area</p> <p>Committee on the
Environment
7:30 pm</p> <p>14 Whetstone HC
7:30 pm</p> <p>16 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>19 TC Gardens Condo
6:30 pm</p> <p>East Village HC
7:30 pm</p> | <p>20 Kidjam – Squeals on Wheels
10 am – Apple Ridge
Recreation Area</p> <p>MD Place HC
7 pm</p> <p>22 Wine & Paint
7 pm – SCC</p> <p>23 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> <p>Signature Concert
The Reagan Years
7 pm – SVP</p> <p>26 Center Court Condo
7 pm</p> <p>Patton Ridge HC
7 pm</p> <p>27 Kidjam –Kindersinger Jim
10 am – Apple Ridge
Recreation Area</p> <p>CCLA
4:30 pm</p> <p>South Village HC
7 pm</p> <p>28 MVF Board of Directors
7:30 pm</p> <p>30 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS</p> |
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- August**

3 ARB
7 pm

Communications Committee
7 p.m.

6 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS

Touch-A-Truck
9 am – NCCC
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August

BMP	Bowie Music Pavilion (See South Valley Park)	MVF Office.....	10120 Apple Ridge Rd.	SVP	South Valley Park, 19003 Watkins Mill Rd.
BV	Bloom Village	NCBR	North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.	TCPR.....	Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Pl.
CTS	Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 9801 Centerway Rd.	NCCC	North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.	WCC	Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Ct.
LMCC	Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Ave.	SCC	Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Rd.	WHPR.....	Walker House Party Room, 18700 Walkers Choice Rd.

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IN THE NEWS

Ayres, Dyer and Rabil elected to 2022 MVF Board of Directors

Three candidates for the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors were elected to fill the three ending term seats on the Board. After about eight weeks of campaigning, meet and greet events and online candidate interviews, the results have been tallied.

On Saturday, March 19, the Election Committee and MVF staff counted ballots (via teleconference) received in the weeks prior to the deadline. Counting began around 9 a.m. and was completed by noon. Of the six candidates in the election, Dick Rabil, Doniele Ayres and Scott Dyer received the most votes, respectively.

Rabil replaced outgoing Board member Andrew Bird (who opted not to seek re-election after his first term on the MVF Board). Ayres and Dyer were re-elected to another three-year term each, continuing their years of service on the MVF Board.

The newly elected were officially installed as Board members on Thursday, March 24 during the MVF Annual Meeting. Each will serve a three-year term.

2022 MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

Rabil, Dick	2,418
Ayres, Doniele	2,082
Dyer, Scott	1,840
Tutse-Tonwe, Tosan	1,772
Della Rocca, Brian R.	1,666
Bennetts, Albert	288



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Something for everyone at MVF Summer Camps

by Mike Conroy

As the temperatures start to rise, flowers start to bloom and the sky has that great shade of blue, we can't help but know summer is right around the corner. Before you know it, school will be out, summer will take hold and you'll need somewhere productive for your children to go during the day. Now is the time to think, and register for, MVF Summer Camps. This summer, give your child(ren) a great opportunity to learn, interact and make new friends, right here in your backyard!

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Department of Recreation and Parks offers fantastic opportunities at established camps for youth ages 4 to 13. Each week, campers will make friends, enjoy live performances, participate in active games, go swimming, create arts and crafts projects, participate in science experiments and of course, have fun!

New for 2022 is our Sport and Splash Camp! This fun-filled program offers campers the opportunity to participate in various sports-related programming (games, tournaments, drills, etc.) throughout the morning, then head to the pool for the afternoon! Pool games, activities and instruction (swim lessons) will be provided at the newly renovated North Creek Pool.

And for teen ages 13 to 16, we are bringing back our popular Counselor in Training (C.I.T.) program. Volunteering as a C.I.T. is a great way for adolescents and young adults to develop new skills, make

new friends, fulfill the Student Service Learning (SSL) requirement and even help shape their ideas about goals for the future. To be considered for a C.I.T. position, candidates must fill out an application by Friday, May 13. Applications can be obtained from the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, or found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

MVF Summer Camps are convenient for parents, too! Besides being so close to home, affording you the ease of drop-off and pickup before and after work, Lake Marion Camp offers an extended-day option from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. to make sure you get to work on time. MVF Camps span the entire summer from Tuesday, June 21 through Friday, Aug. 26 – we've got you covered all summer long!

Need to schedule around other summer plans? No problem – our flexible, one and two-week sessions make it possible to maximize your child's camp experience and minimize overpaying for a camp they can't attend all of.

MVF camps provide peace of mind with top-notch staff. Many of our camp staff and directors have years of experience with Village youth, or even attended these camps themselves! And our manageable staff-to-camper ratio makes sure that your child receives care and attention, instead of just being another face in the crowd.

MVF camps are state-licensed and follow all state and/or county guidelines. MVF's number one priority is

safety, which is why we have taken many measures to ensure the safety of your child while at camp.

Join the Virtual Camp Open House via Zoom at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25 to meet staff and have any camp-related questions answered. Meeting connection instructions can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Best of all, Montgomery Village camps won't break the bank! The weekly/bi-weekly sessions are broken down to affordable rates. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com/recreation/camps. See you this summer!

Building Change energy efficiency upgrade grants now available

Are your electric bills high? Apply now to upgrade your home for free! Home efficiency upgrade grants, funded by MEA in partnership with Building Change (BFCC), help homeowners make free upgrades to increase energy efficiency, make homes more comfortable and lower energy bills.

Over \$850,000 in grant funding is ready to be released for 2022, so residents are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity. Over 20 projects were completed in Montgomery Village last year; you don't want to miss the opportunity this year!

Applications are being taken in advance on a first-come,

first-serve basis. The process is easy – fill out the one-page application along with proof of income and a utility bill.

For more information or to apply online, visit www.edge-go-green.com/grants or <https://form.jotform.com/212318598091056>.

All homeowners must meet income criteria and be willing to provide documentation of income. Page 1 and Page 2 of Federal Income Tax Return form 1040 or SS Benefit Statement Gas (if applicable)and Electric Utility Bill

Number of People Living in House	Owner(s) Only Annual Income Must Be Less than	Number of People Living in House	Owner(s) Only Annual Income Must Be Less than
1 ➡	\$59,234.00	2 ➡	\$67,681.00
3 ➡	\$76,128.00	4 ➡	\$84,575.00
5 ➡	\$91,375.00	6 ➡	\$98,122.00
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OTHER
AGENDA ITEMS

The remaining agenda items centered on Recreation issues, mostly related to the forthcoming addition of Central Park in the fast-growing Bloom Village. Updates to the Park Use Policy, Rules and Regulations and the Vehicular Parking Rules and Regulations were made to include the park, which will be built and turned over to MVF as housing continues to be built on the former golf course property. Director of Recreation and Parks Duncan Mullis said Central Park will include a dog park (for large and small dogs); a playground; walking trails; and eventually, community gardens.

Additionally, the Board awarded a contract to Charles P. Johnson & Associates (CPJ) for \$26,190 to perform a Dam Breach Analysis on the Lake Whetstone Dam. In November 2021, Montgomery County Department of the Environment requested a new study be completed, as the current

study was over 30 years old. The county is checking to make sure the classifications of area dams are correct since significant technological advancements in hydraulic dam breach modeling have occurred since the original study was completed. CPJ is the current Dam Operator Engineer, and has recently completed another dam breach study upstream in Gaithersburg.

PRESIDENT'S
REMARKS

Board President Dyer thanked those in attendance at the tree planting that occurred before the meeting. A Red Maple was planted at Lake Whetstone Park for Arbor Day, in honor of Past President Pete Webb's service and leadership on the Board.

Dyer also noted that due to timing issues with the Montgomery County RFP, the proposed North Creek Stream Valley Restoration Project would not be moving forward. Staff was reviewing an Option Agreement submitted

by GreenVest, however the deadline for submittal to the county did not leave adequate time for review and comment by the Northgate Homes Corporation and/or the Committee on the Environment, as requested. Dyer said the pause on this project would allow time to evaluate the condition of the stream valley, as well as afford the opportunity to further educate the Board and community on similar projects for consideration in the future. Montgomery County indicated that other funding opportunities would become available in the future.

EVP REPORT

Executive vice President (EVP) Dave Humpton said he recently attended a meeting with key stakeholders surrounding the Lakeforest Mall. WRS, the mall property owner, recently purchased the remaining anchor stores to gain control of the entire property. Humpton said the owner will be working on a site plan and a sketch plan to present to

the City of Gaithersburg, and he would keep the Board up to date as the project moves along.

TREASURER'S
REPORT

MVF Treasurer Stephen Taylor presented the Treasurer's Report for the year-to-date (YTD) and the month ending March 31, 2022. Taylor reported that all funds' Total Revenue of \$1.77 million was unfavorable to the budget by about \$545,000, mainly due to Investment Income. He said the Investment Portfolio was showing a 6% loss through March, mainly due to inflation, the war in Ukraine and unstable interest rates. MVF's Investment Advisors noted these trends are expected to continue, but should be made up by the end of the year.

Taylor noted that the Capital Contribution Fees collected YTD totaled \$88,000, a significant increase over the \$24,000 expected in the budget through the first quarter. He reported that overall, Operation Ex-

penses were on target to the budget as well.

He commented that the Balance Sheet continues to reflect MVF's strong financial position, with over 45% of assets held in Cash and Investments. Assessment Receivables were reported with an overall decrease of \$411,000, showing that the collection process was effective, and residents continue to make assessment payments on time.

Finally, Taylor said the Delinquency Rate for March was 8.4%, which is slightly higher (13 units) than the 5-year average, but still on trend with the past several years.

NEXT MEETING

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26, as a conference call/Zoom meeting. Residents are invited to join the call; full meeting details, the meeting packet and/or participation instructions will be posted online at www.montgomeryvillage.com the week before the meeting.

MVF Financial Reports - March 2022

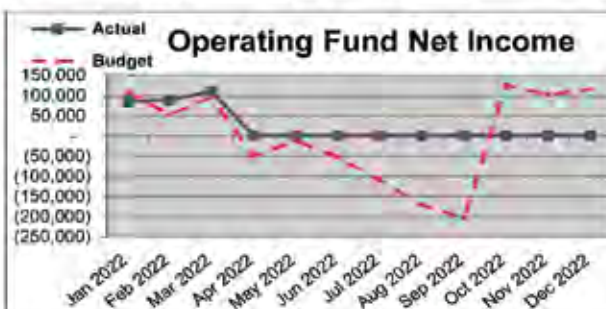
OPERATING FUND - STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE

	March 2022			YTD Mar 2022		
	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Assessments	570,072	568,476	1,596	1,707,629	1,705,429	2,200
Assessment Fees	1,944	1,026	918	48,821	51,942	(5,321)
Transfer Fees	2,850	2,895	165	7,650	6,321	1,329
Disclosure Fees	13,732	11,955	1,777	31,880	23,648	8,232
Advertising revenue	323	2,000	(1,677)	6,139	8,000	(1,861)
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	10,037	6,876	3,161	25,497	18,620	6,877
Camps & Classes	23,752	19,423	4,329	57,311	48,215	9,096
Management Fees	74,437	71,968	2,449	220,082	215,991	4,091
Capital Contribution fee	29,776	10,193	19,584	67,944	24,310	63,834
Other Income	25,447	13,405	12,042	48,449	33,073	15,376
Total Revenue	752,371	708,027	44,345	2,239,181	2,135,549	103,632
Personnel Costs:						
Salaries & Wages	248,825	259,121	12,295	738,781	766,126	27,345
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	82,548	84,449	1,901	258,699	253,348	(5,351)
Personnel Costs	329,373	343,570	14,197	997,481	1,019,474	21,994
Business Expenses	11,764	17,027	5,263	30,147	42,874	12,728
Office Supplies	3,889	2,835	(1,364)	14,861	12,043	(2,818)
Program/Maint Supplies	12,611	4,371	(8,240)	30,193	14,570	(15,623)
Occupancy	15,656	20,029	4,373	50,882	56,693	5,811
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	28,786	28,645	(140)	80,070	83,056	2,985
Equip Maintenance	921	2,036	1,116	8,632	8,685	52
Vehicle Expenses	2,849	1,878	(971)	5,612	5,427	(184)
Financial & Legal	5,785	5,806	21	37,586	55,588	18,003
Insurance	12,393	11,362	(1,031)	37,180	34,087	(3,093)
Printing	-	1,865	1,865	8,877	8,945	68
Landscape/Maintenance	70,855	52,778	(18,077)	211,287	181,782	(29,505)
Security	4,589	107	(4,482)	15,285	321	(14,964)
Other	(0)	-	0	0	-	(0)
Operating Costs	170,188	148,340	(21,848)	530,421	504,071	(26,350)
Contribution to Reserves	110,207	110,207	0	330,622	330,622	0
Contribution to CCF	29,776	10,193	(19,584)	65,944	24,310	(61,634)
Purchases of Assets	433	0	(433)	8,299	0	(8,299)
Restricted Expenses	2,698	0	(2,698)	2,698	0	(2,698)
Other Equity Transfers	-	0	-	-	0	-
Reserve/capital	143,115	120,400	(22,715)	427,563	354,932	(72,630)
Operating Expenses	642,676	612,310	(30,366)	1,955,465	1,878,478	(76,987)
Excess/Deficit Revenue	109,695	95,716	13,979	283,716	257,071	26,645

MVF BALANCE SHEET

For the Period Ended March 31, 2022

	Current	Prior Year
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash equiv	3,347,035	4,414,447
Investments	7,230,956	6,899,402
Due from Reserves	2,047,058	1,133,701
Assessment Receivables	374,186	811,124
Other Receivables	106,307	80,853
Current Assets	13,105,494	13,339,527
Gross Fixed Assets	20,242,190	18,089,839
Accumulated Depreciation	(8,021,475)	(7,612,328)
Fixed Assets	12,220,715	10,487,511
Other Assets	80,471	73,837
Assets	25,416,680	23,900,876
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Due to Operating	2,047,058	1,133,701
Payables	585,722	1,385,155
Sunstream Cap Lease	94,813	100,008
Deferred Revenue Liab	879,044	847,973
Liabilities	3,606,637	3,466,838
Undesignated Reserves	2,860,028	2,910,988
Designated Reserves	18,950,011	17,523,044
Equity	21,810,039	20,434,033
Liabilities & Equity	25,416,680	23,900,876



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

Montgomery Village Farmers' Market to open June 4

Fresh quality produce is available again in Montgomery Village! In less than a month, the Montgomery Village Farmers' Market, located at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 9801 Centerway Road, will be open for the season! On Saturday, June 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., come enjoy this unique market feel while supporting our local vendors, some new and some returning favorites!

Make an early appearance for the opening announcement and claim a free Farmers' Market grocery bag (limited quantities available).

For the 12th season, the Montgomery Village Farmers' Market will feature local vendors with products ranging from produce to sweet treats

and everything in between, as well as a variety of local breweries and wineries each week. Make a plan to visit your favorite vendors: Valencia's Produce, Pleitez Produce, Springfield Farm, Killdeer Valley Cookies, Mom's Sweet Creations, Stone Hearth Bakery, The Crêpe Shoppe, D's Smokehouse BBQ, DMV Empanadas, Nativo Condiments and Seasonings, Just Pralines, Elk Run Vineyards, Urban Winery, Mully's Brewery, 7 Locks Brewing, Baltimore Spirits Co. and Twin Valley Distillery. Check out the latest additions to the MV Farmers' Market as well: Sharrah Orchards, Springfield Farm, Honey Bunny Bakery, Origo Coffee and Doggy Donuts.

New for 2022 is our Farmers' Market Composting Service. This free service is offered to all market goers from the Compost Crew! Simply bring your container of food scraps to the market each week to recycle into organic compost material. Please note this service will only be available during market hours (there will not be a permanent container on the church property).

So, come out on Saturday, June 4, and support the community and our local economy, as you enjoy one of many sights and sounds unique to Montgomery Village. For more information, visit www.mvfarmersmarket.com.



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Visiting: June 11, June 25, July 9, July 23,
Aug. 13, Aug. 27, Sept. 10, Sept. 24, Oct. 8 and
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grapes from around the world.
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Mully's Brewery
Local, fresh hand-crafted beers
Visiting: June 11, June 25, July 9, July 23,
Aug. 6, Aug. 20, Sept. 3, Sept. 17, Oct. 1,
Oct. 15 and Oct. 29

7 Locks Brewing
Craft Beer. Simplified.
Visiting: June 4, June 18, July 2, July 16,
July 30, Aug. 13, Aug. 27, Sept. 10, Sept. 24,
Oct. 8 and Oct. 22

DISTILLERIES

Baltimore Spirits Co.
Designer spirits from the heart of Baltimore.
Visiting: June 11, June 25, July 9, July 23,
Aug. 6, Aug. 20, Sept. 3, Sept. 17, Oct. 1,
Oct. 15 and Oct. 29

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Maryland's first urban distillery featuring bour-
bon, whiskey, rum, vodka, gin, seasonal spirits
Visiting: June 4, June 18, July 2, July 16,
July 30, Aug. 13, Aug. 27, Sept. 10, Sept. 24,
Oct. 8 and Oct. 22

The perfect summer gig: Lake Whetstone Dock positions available



Lake Whetstone is one of the most cherished areas of the Montgomery Village community. The boat rental program helps people explore this local gem from a new perspective — out on the water! Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) is on the lookout for a few dedicated workers who want to help others enjoy their summer by the lake.

Lake Whetstone is a beautiful 27-acre lake, part of the Great Seneca Creek Watershed, fed by Whetstone Run on the lake's southern end. The park is a popular summer outing to spend some time enjoying the water, the natural surroundings, observing wildlife or just a nice place to enjoy lunch. From the dock, you can spot an abundance of wildlife: blue herons nesting on the island; waterfowl dabbling and diving; turtles basking in the sun; a wide array of butterflies, green herons, egrets, and kingfishers competing with anglers for fish; and even the occasional bald eagle.

If you enjoy the sights and sounds of being near the lake, a job working at the Lake Whetstone Boathouse might be the right fit for you! This position

would be a great learning opportunity for someone studying outdoor recreation or related fields, or simply looking for an enjoyable way to earn some extra summer money.

MVF rents paddle boats, kayaks, canoes and rowboats on Saturdays throughout the summer. The typical work hours are 10:45 a.m. to 7:15 p.m. on Saturdays from May 28 through Sept. 3, on a rotating basis. The dock manager and assistant dock manager oversee the rental program; provide customer service to park patrons; explain and enforce park rules; maintain the dock area and surrounding grounds; and monitor the maintenance of rental boats. Work is performed outside in various weather conditions. Maryland Boater Safety Certification is required prior to employment but can be taken online for free. CPR and First Aid certification are also required.

To apply, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/job-volunteer-opportunities. For more information or questions, contact Lauren Tuori at 240-243-2336 or e-mail ltuori@mvf.org. See you on the dock!



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IN THE NEWS

New members installed, service awards given at MVF Annual Meeting

by Mike Conroy

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors held its annual meeting on Thursday, March 24 via Zoom. During the meeting, newly elected members to the Board, Dick Rabil and incumbents Doniele Ayres and Scott Dyer, were installed for their 2022-2025 term. Outgoing director Andrew Bird was thanked for his service to the Board and the community. Ayres, Dyer and Rabil were announced as the winning candidates after the March 19 ballot counting.

Board President Pete Webb opened the meeting with an address to the Village, reflecting on the highlights of 2021, noting that there was much to celebrate, as the year was one of continued change, growth and adaptation. He said despite any challenges presented, the MVF Board and staff were able to rise to the occasion, and do so on a budget that presented no increases in assessment fees.

Webb was impressed with participation from the community, whether virtually or in person, and was happy to offer community events like the July 4th Celebration and Great Pumpkin Race again.

He noted the development projects in the Village – Bloom Village houses built, sold and lived in; the Starbucks construction at the Village Center; Lidl construction finished and open for business; South Lake Elementary School renovation underway; and the Lake Whetstone Toe Drain replacement project. Webb highlighted MVF projects including the completion of the North Creek Pool and Bathhouse renovation; the new scoreboard at South Valley Park; continued work on the plans to repurpose the Watkins Mill Pool;

LED lighting upgrades at MVF facilities; interior renovations to North Creek Community Center; and the development of the MVF Organizational Green Plan.

Before closing and thanking the Board, staff and residents for their commitment to Montgomery Village, Webb noted the condominium lawsuit had concluded with MVF's position upheld and all unpaid assessments having been received.

MVF Chief Financial Officer Daniel Salazar reviewed the 2021 financials, following an unmodified opinion given in the 2021 MVF Audit by the new audit firm Lydon Fetterolf Corydon. Salazar noted that in addition to the unmodified opinion, the auditors gave favorable review of MVF's internal control procedures and found no difficulties or material weaknesses.

Salazar reported MVF's Net Income was \$1.9 million compared to a budget of \$324K. He noted the main drivers as Revenue favorable to the budget by \$871K and lower-than expected Personnel Costs (\$289K) and Operating Costs (\$342K). Revenue was reported at \$9.5 million compared to a budget of \$8.6 million due mainly to Investment Income returning 8%; Pool Memberships and Rentals being up 65%; the Capital Contribution Fees and Disclosure Fees returning significantly higher yields from the booming real estate market; and Miscellaneous Revenues increasing from the settlement of the condominium lawsuit.

Salazar said expenses were all favorable to the budget totaling, \$7.6 million versus a budget of \$8.3 million. Personnel benefitted from open positions and fewer temporary staff from the closure of North

Creek Pool for renovation in 2021. Legal and Financial Fees, Landscape and Maintenance and Utilities were also lower due to COVID-19 restrictions and the inability to hold programs and events.

Contributions to Reserves in the amount of \$1.35 million were made as prescribed by the budget. Salazar added that over \$3 million was invested in MVF assets, including the North Creek Pool renovation, Hurley Park Playground, pool resurfacings and the Watkins Mill Pool repurposing project.

The Reserve Investment portfolio increased \$589,000, the third highest return since its inception; with a total Net Investment Change over the life of the portfolio of \$2.4 million. Assessment Delinquencies were reported at 7.2%, the lowest since 2018; the assessment receivables balance had decreased considerably mostly due to the finality of the condominium lawsuit.

The Balance Sheet continues to show the organization's strong financial position, with MVF holding \$23 million in assets. Total Liabilities were reported at \$1.6 million. Finally, Salazar reported on MVF's Current Ratio (assets over liabilities) as 2.65 vs a

benchmark of 2.0 (over 2.0 is considered excellent), and the General Administrative Cost Ratio as 14%, also in the acceptable range vs the benchmark.

During the meeting, the

Board also honored several community members, organizations and staff members for their volunteer efforts, service to the community or years of dedicated employment.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

- Montgomery County Councilmember Craig Rice for his service to the community during his tenure on the County Council
- Alyssa Holt for earning her Girl Scout Gold Award
- Hillmuth Auto Care for their commitment to the community through advertising

OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER

- Andrew Bird

STAFF SERVICE AWARDS

- Hugo Garcia, Repairs and Maintenance Specialist – 5 years
- Daniel Salazar, CFO – 5 years
- Courtney Haynes, Community Manager – 10 years
- Kristina Campbell, Registration Manager – 15 years
- Jason Nickow, Facilities and Aquatics Manager – 15 years
- Dee Wirth, Director of Architectural Standards – 15 years

EMPLOYEE

RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Erica Choucroun, Executive Assistant
- Henry Meneses, Custodian
- Ernesto Montano, Custodian
- Jason Nicklow, Facilities and Aquatics Manager
- Kristina Campbell, Registration Manager
- Mike Conroy, Assistant EVP



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IN THE NEWS

Montgomery County to offer free residential deck inspections

The Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) will offer county homeowners free, residential deck inspections as part of its annual celebration of May as "Building Safety Month."

This year's 42nd annual Building Safety Month campaign, "Safety for All: Building Codes in Action," raises awareness about the importance of building codes in ensuring safety where people live, work and learn. Homes and buildings built in compliance with building safety codes, and the officials who enforce the codes, are essential to help communities become affordable, resilient and energy and water efficient.

"Our free, residential deck inspection program is designed to keep Montgomery County residents informed about deck maintenance and to help them and their guests stay safe," said County Ex-

ecutive Marc Elrich. "These appointments take less than 15 minutes. We encourage county residents to take advantage of this opportunity and schedule a deck maintenance inspection so they can learn firsthand from our inspectors about the condition of their deck."

Residents should call the county's central call system at MC311 or 240-777-0311 to learn more about the deck inspection program and to schedule an inspection. Residents also can schedule an inspection online at <https://permittingervices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/online/eComplaint.aspx>. The requests may not be anonymous. In the description section of the online form, residents should note they are requesting a deck maintenance inspection and include the property address and contact information at the top of the form.

"Once on site, an inspector will check the support

structure of the deck, ledger attachment and the overall condition of the structure," said DPS Residential Inspections Manager Jim Sackett. "Since the program began in 2009, more than 1,400 decks have been inspected as part of this program."

Montgomery Village residents are reminded that improvements or replacements to their deck structures must be approved by the Architectural Review Board before any work is performed. For information and process, call the Architectural Standards Administrator at 240-243-2364 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com/residents/architectural-standards.

Learn more about Building Safety Month at www.buildingsafetymonth.org and join the conversation on social media using #MoCoDPS and #BuildingSafety365.



MVF staff look for feedback on more Pickleball courts in Montgomery Village

by Amy Potocko

As part of the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Department of Recreation and Parks Strategic Plan, repurposing underutilized tennis courts has been identified as a way to bring new amenities to Village residents. Pickleball is a sport that is growing in popularity and demand, but lacks infrastructure in the area. Pickleball is a paddle sport that combines many of the elements of tennis, badminton and table tennis. As part of the repurpose process, one of the tennis courts at North Creek Community Center was recently repurposed into three, purpose-built Pickleball courts. These courts have been extremely popular, and at times, have multiple people waiting to play. Due to this high usage, residents have asked for more Pickleball courts to be considered.

Currently under consideration are three sites for dual-purpose courts. This process involves relining of a single tennis court to support both Bring-Your-Own-Net Pickleball and Use-the-Tennis-Net Pickleball, as well as continued use as a tennis court. The sites being considered for dual-purpose courts are Edward DeSimon Recreation Area, North Creek Community Center and Apple Ridge Recreation Area. An al-

ternate proposal is also being considered at the Apple Ridge Recreation Area: repurposing of one tennis court into two dedicated Pickleball courts and two Bring-Your-Own-Net Pickleball courts.

MVF Recreation and Parks is seeking community input on the proposed locations and options. Staff will be hosting both a community forum and a digital survey to gain community feedback on these proposed locations and designs. The community forum is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17 via Zoom. Please use <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84737060004?pwd=K111WFBnNEIvcKMoOHVCbkRwcUxSQTO9> to log into the meeting. At the forum, staff will present information about each loca-

tion and the project; after the presentation residents will be given an opportunity to share their thoughts and opinions on the locations and designs.

The survey is available online at www.questionpro.com/t/AU8c6Zrb4D and will be open until Friday, May 13. Please be sure to complete the survey to have your say on the project. Community feedback and recommendations will be presented to the Recreation Committee and MVF Board of Directors in June.

If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to offer input on this project or would like to view the presentation document (once available), e-mail Amy Potocko at apotocko@mof.org.



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IN THE NEWS

Swim Team registration

Village swim teams provide one of the perennial favorite summer activities for Village children ages 4 to 18 (as of June 1 of the current year) whose families are members of Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) pools. Montgomery Village Swim Teams are run by parent volunteers, not by MVF.

But how do you become a member of the pool and which swim team do you belong

to? As a homeowner in good standing in Montgomery Village, most pay a quarterly assessment for pools and community centers, and are a member of the pools. Families who live in condominiums or apartments and do not pay the assessment for pools and community centers but wish to join a swim team can "buy in" and purchase an MVF Pool Membership or a Swim Team

Only pass—call the MVF Office at 301-948-0110 for more information. In either case, a valid MVF Activity Card with annual validation sticker is required for entry to the pool. Additional swim team registration fees apply. Check the list below or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com for the swim team your community belongs to.



WHETSTONE WHALES

Registration Information:
<https://whetstonewhales.swimtopia.com/>

Ages: 4 through 18
Fees: \$140 first child, \$130 each additional child

Contact Person: Victoria Salazar (registration), Victoria_edgar@yahoo.com; Nicole John (general), njohn1015@yahoo.com

The Whetstone Swim Team is for families in the following communities: Dockside, Fairway Islands, Grover's Forge, The Hamptons, Hawthorne, Maryland Place, Millrace, Nathan's Hill, Poplar Spring, Whetstone, Club Hill, Clubside, Clusters I & II, Clusters III, Forest Brooke, Frenchton Place, The Heights, The Ridges of Stedwick, Wisteria.

"Buy-in" communities include: Horizon Run, Thomas Choice Gardens, Thomas Choice West, Thomas Choice Condo, Center Court, Center Stage, Christopher Court, Heron's Cove, Normandie on the Lake I & II, Park Place I & II and Walker's Choice.



NORTH CREEK NEPTUNES

Registration Information:
<https://sites.google.com/site/northcreekneptunes>

Ages: 5 (as of June 1, 2022, or entering Kindergarten in September) through 18 (as of June 1, 2022)

Fees: \$140 first child, \$130 each additional child

Contact Person: Jennifer Hammond, jvilloso@hotmail.com

The North Creek Swim Team is for families in the following communities: Apple Ridge, Arrowhead, Dogwood, Dorseys Regard, Essex Place, Fairridge, Greentee, Highfield, Highland Hall, Lilac, Magnolia, McKendree, McRory, Overlea, Partridge Place, Perry Place, Pleasant Ridge, Points, Red Bud, Salem's Grant, Shadow Oak and Williams Range.



LAKE MARION LASERS

Registration Information:
<https://lakemarionlasers.swimtopia.com/>

Ages: 5 (or entering Kindergarten) through 18 (as of June 1, 2022)

Fees: \$150 first swimmer; \$140 second swimmer; \$130 each additional swimmer

Contact Person: Daria Taylor, dariataylor@hotmail.com

The Lake Marion Swim Team is for families who live in: Ashford, Candle Ridge, Charlesgate, Essex Place II, Gablefield, Glenbrooke, Hickory Grove, Holly Pointe, Kings Point, Meadowgate, Picton, Ridgefield, The Downs I and II, The Estates, The Meadows, The Mews, The Reach, Wethersfield and Wood Edge.

Senator King

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(\$700,000). She recalled other recent solar projects, and noted that Montgomery Village was in good company and on trend with this type of project. She was also able to secure funds for Village-based CSAAC and Stedwick Elementary School for additional projects in the community.

Additional outcomes from the session included over \$800 million put into the Blueprint for Education program, helping fund it for the next 5 years. King was proud to report that the Governor would be signing

5 bills that she sponsored for child care as well.

Executive Vice President Dave Humpton thanked Senator King and her aide Patty Horton for their help in securing the bonds. He said this financial help enables MVF to keep assessments at a stable rate and extend its budget as well, especially for capital projects. He also noted that state reserve study bill was passed, and Senator King has always been responsive when tackling HOA and condominium legislation.

Financial assistance for homeowners impacted by COVID-19

The Maryland Homeowner Assistance Fund is now open to provide grants or loans for delinquent mortgage payments, past due association fees, past due real estate taxes, repairs and energy efficiency improvements. Eligibility is based on income and COVID impact; owner occupancy is required. To learn more, visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/homeowners.

For free assistance in understanding and applying for funds, Montgomery County homeowners should contact one of these approved housing counseling agencies:

- Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc.: 301-916-5946

- Latino Economic Development Center: 202-540-7401
- First Home Alliance: 877-250-9025

Housing counselors will help homeowners in understanding additional relief options based on their specific circumstances and can assist in finding a solution that works best for each homeowner.

The application process is available at the Maryland Homeowner Assistance Fund program.

For more information or questions, e-mail dhca@montgomerycountymd.gov.

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IN THE NEWS

What you need to know for the 2022 pool season

Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) is preparing for the 2022 pool season, including getting our pools ready for summer and the exciting opening of the newly renovated North Creek Pool and Bathhouse. Here is what to know for the 2022 MVF Pool Season:

POOL SCHEDULE

The Pool Schedule was approved by the MVF Board of Directors at their January Meeting. It will be mailed to all DU Activity Card holders along with their Validation Stickers, and it can also be viewed online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/sites/default/files/recreation/2022_pool_schedule.pdf. Stedwick Pool will be the first pool open for the early spring season beginning Saturday, May 21. Lake Marion, North Creek, Peggy Mark and Whetstone pools open on Saturday, May 28; Hurley Park Pool opens on Monday, June 18.

ACTIVITY CARD PROCESS

For 2022, the standard Activity Card Policy is in effect.

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.

The full policy can be reviewed online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/mvf-policies.

A recent update to the Activity Card Policy no longer requires Activity Card holders to update their photo every 5 years. Residents are allowed to keep their Activity Cards for the duration while living in Montgomery Village. The new process also steers residents who do need a new or replacement Activity Card to apply online. To start the Activity Card process, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com/eform/submit/activity-card-processing-form.

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



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MILESTONES

Swing Time Big Band has deep roots in Montgomery Village



Long-time Village resident Don Hayden is a humble musician with a pretty big secret. About an 18-piece secret – Hayden leads a large swing band, and has done so for over 20 years. Hayden says a long time ago during his 35-year tenure as a Village resident he belonged to the Montgomery Village Community Band, along with several other members of the current ensemble. After having taken a break from music to focus on family and careers, they got the bug to play again.

Before forming Swing Time Big Band in November 1998, Hayden found his way back to music through more community band experience. During that time, he met several other experienced musicians with a similar story, and it wasn't

long before the big band idea was born. Through networking, Hayden was able to put together a cohesive group of talented musicians.

Hayden envisioned a large-piece big band that would play the charts of the 1930s and 1940s – classics from Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller and the like. Today that vision has blossomed into an extensive library of hits played by some of the best local talent. Swing Time Big Band boasts a regular lineup of 17 energetic and seasoned musicians and a vocalist that perform danceable rhythms for any event.

The band has performed for many events and crowds over the past 20 years, including the Montgomery Village Lawn Theater, Ft. Myers Officers Club, The Big Band

Society, Bodkin Yacht Club, Gaithersburg Old Town Day, In the Streets in Frederick, and many more.

Hayden says that while he is not currently looking for any new musicians, Swing Time Big Band is always looking for new ears to play for. During pandemic restrictions, the band was able to rehearse – safely following all guidelines, indoors and outdoors, masked and distanced – to maintain their chops. Hayden notes they are well rehearsed and ready to play the true Big Band sound. He calls it "Big Band, not Big Price."

A new website is being developed, but in the meantime, you can check out Hayden and the Swing Time Big Band online at www.swingtimeband.com.

Village resident authors book to help families succeed

Project manager and Village resident Hilary Kinney, PMP, was inspired to write her new book "Project Management for Parents: Engage the Family. Build Teamwork. Succeed Together." during the pandemic to help parents struggling with the increased workload at home.

Kinney said as she watched parents attempt to maintain roles as teacher, caregiver, provider and simultaneously manage their own careers, it became evident that principles from her 17 years as a project manager could be applied to everyday life.

AP News says of the book, published by Morgan James of New York City, "Project Management for Parents is a practical guidebook that equips parents, stepparents, guardians, and caregivers with techniques used by billion-dollar businesses to become more

organized and productive. It provides tools for the 30.5 million working families in the United States to reduce stress and streamline life at home."

"Project Management for Parents provides an accessible, repeatable framework that can transform families' approach to any kind of task at home in three easy steps. It improves family relationships by creating a positive environment, fostering communication, and encouraging children to act independently. The book includes easy-to-understand exercises and tools for families with children of all ages, along with 25 real-life examples."

The paperback book is currently available at Barnes & Noble in Gaithersburg, Curious Iguana in Frederick and Politics & Prose in Washington, DC. It is also available online at major online retailers including Amazon,

Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million, Bookshop, Indigo, Target and Walmart. For more information, visit www.projectmanagementforparents.com.



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COMMUNITY SERVICE



A local group of geocachers, along with Montgomery Parks, picked up trash at Lake Whetstone in March as part of their cache outing. While some folks' trash is another's treasure, there weren't any great finds on this trip. Thank you for helping keep our community clean!

Montgomery Village man collects and ships donated bicycles to Togo, West Africa

Montgomery Village resident Daté Mienso has been collecting bicycles donated by Village (and non-Village) residents since 2019, when he first posted a request on Nextdoor. The Togo, West Africa native was moved to make a difference for the many children who walk more than 5 miles each day just to go to school. At first, he received a few bikes to send to Togo, and he presented them to children during a visit home. The new owners of the bicycles were so excited to receive the generous donations, Daté wanted to keep the movement going.

The donated bicycles kept coming, and Daté and his team were grateful for the

overwhelming task of getting them to Togolese children, some living in orphanages. Even more impressive than the over 500 bicycles donated in 2021, is how Daté presents them. Before shipping overseas, he takes a photo of each bike. When the bike is given to a child in Togo, he then takes another photo and shares it with the generous people who made the donation, so they can see first-hand how their giving made a difference.

Daté started a GoFundMe page for the nonprofit organization he now calls "Togo Kids Hope," along with a Facebook page and TikTok presence where he posts videos and photos of his visits, testimonies

and the immense joy the members of the organization feel as they travel back and forth to Togo. A formal website is planned to be up and running later this year.

For more information, including how to donate bicycles, e-mail tkhope2020@gmail.com.



The Togo Kid's Hope team pictured above at their 2020 bicycle donation delivery in Togo, West Africa.

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HOMES CORPORATIONS & CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS

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MARYLAND PLACE MESSAGES

Spring is finally here!

by the Maryland Place Board of Directors

With spring finally here to stay, we should all get out and enjoy the many amenities that Montgomery Village has to offer. It's easy to forget about them when we are constantly busy with day-to-day life. Even just spending time in your backyard on a nice day is very relaxing.

Not a lot to report this time. The board of directors wants to remind residents of the new trash collection procedures. We have observed residents still leaving trash by the street on community property. Please do not do this, especially since all you have to do is place your trash can and recycling bins at the end of your front walkway at the main sidewalk. Why walk it all the way to community property? We pay the trash company to pick up the trash in front of our houses. As a reminder the current trash procedures are listed below along with the holiday schedule.

We wish everyone a safe and healthy spring!

Trash is collected from the front of our homes at the sidewalk in front of your unit. The only exception is for residents of the interior courts on Marston Lane, which now,

unfortunately, have to bring trash and recycling to the curb located at the parking area closest to their court for collection.

Trash must be placed in a vermin-proof container for collection in front of your house. This is not a Maryland Place rule, but a Montgomery County Law!

All trash cans must be retrieved on the evening of trash day – Monday and Thursday nights – and returned to your property out of sight. Nothing is to be left behind your fence on community property.

For bulk trash (furniture, mattresses, etc.), you can schedule a free pickup from your front yard by calling 301-898-2109.

Reminder – trash will not be picked up on the following 2022 holidays; collection will take place on the next regular service day:

- Memorial Day, Monday, May 30
- Independence Day, Monday, July 4
- Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 5
- Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 24

Maryland Place Messages: for residents of Maryland Place.



STEDWICK SIGNALS

Change is all around in Stedwick

by the Stedwick Board of Directors

It is that time of year when gardeners may be planting seeds to nurse indoors, or buying potting soil and plants at local nurseries, hoping there will be no more frosts. Others are cleaning up the messes left behind in their gardens after a long, wet winter. Many may head for the local trails, among them the Seneca Creek Greenway Trail that can be accessed at the bridge over Seneca Creek on Watkins Mill Road, and birdwatchers head for the shores or the local woodland to enjoy the "brief, but spectacular" spring in Maryland.

Local nature lovers in this area may re-read a wonderful book published in 1947, "Spring in Washington" by Louis J. Halle. Halle was an employee of the State Department, but in non-working hours traveled the city and beyond on his bike, recording his observations of the natural world around him. A serious biker, Halle was up at 5 a.m. or earlier to head for Mount Vernon or Rock Creek Park before going to work. Weekends were the time for longer rides, all with the purpose of observing nature as spring emerged. As Halle noted, the mathematicians reckon that spring begins March 21, but "for those who observe the first signs, spring comes earlier."

Here in Stedwick, the observations made by Halle still ring true. The cardinals and chickadees began their mating calls in late January. The surrounding woodlands of Stedwick are home to Barred Owls who laid their eggs in mid-March and by the end of May are teaching their nestlings to fly. The

woodpeckers are drumming on trees to attract mates, and the lovely American Goldfinches are in the process of exchanging their drab olive winter wear to their brilliant yellow and black breeding plumage. Halle's small book is a worthwhile read for all of us who live in the metropolitan area.

Our maintenance crew, JB Kline Landscaping, works throughout the year. They clean up after every windstorm, managing the removal of downed trees and large branches. They are also responsible for snow removal and doing scheduled trash cleanups in the communities. The first of 18 mowings scheduled for this year has been done. The landscape crew also planted annuals at the entryways to each community as part of the winter cleanup. On Capehart Drive, near Canadian Court, the JB Kline crew created a new bed with a large tree in the center surrounded by shrubs and flowers.

The community has put forth a great effort since the trash memo was mailed. There is a visible improvement in the use of proper containers for trash storage and a noticeable decrease in the amount of trash on community property. Let us all keep up the good work.

Throughout this growing season, we will continue to maintain the overall appearance of the community. Our standard scheduling of rotating two or three communities for work such as curb painting, pruning, replacement of paths, etc. was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, but we plan to restart the program and get back on track this year. We are hopeful that the

Tree Montgomery program will be funded by the county so that we will again be given an opportunity to plant many dozens of new trees supplied by Montgomery County. Stedwick continues to thrive!

Thanks to the many residents who contributed their ideas and issues on the revised parking policies. The board of directors voted to accept the three parking policies at the April meeting. Our Community Manager is now working on the implementation plan.

If you have suggestions for maintenance, repair items to report, or have questions or concerns about conditions in Stedwick, contact our Stedwick Homes Corporation management team at 240-243-2326 or e-mail stedwickhc@mof.org. You may also bring any ideas or concerns to the board of directors during residents time at any of our meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18 and will be held virtually. Directions for obtaining the link to participate in the meeting will be provided 2 or 3 days prior to the meeting and posted online at www.stedwickhc.org.

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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EAST VILLAGE ECHO

RING video cameras available for East Village residents

by the East Village Board of Directors

The East Village board is pleased to announce an exciting opportunity to improve our community and home security. The East Village Homes Corporation (EVHC) President, along with Board of Directors, has negotiated a discounted offer exclusively for EVHC residents to purchase RING video doorbells, alarms and security cameras. The RING products included in the offer are: RING Video Doorbells 2, Video Doorbell Pro, Door View Cam, Video Doorbell Elite, Spotlight Cams, Floodlight Cam, Stick Up Cams and Alarm Security Kit 5-Pieces.

Once a resident has installed their RING device, neighbors will be able to download the Neighbors App to connect with other residents in the area and keep each other in the loop of any suspicious activity. The board is working to make connections to provide images of suspicious activity to be directly submitted to the Montgomery County Police Department.

Many residents who already have installed a RING front door camera or camera systems; this program will allow all residents to acquire more security cameras for their homes. East Village Homes Corporation consists of 1,389 homes and includes the following communities: Ashford, Candle Ridge, Downs I and II, Essex Place II, Gabelfield, Glenbrooke, Holly Pointe, Meadowgate, The Estates, The Reach and Wethersfield.

Please check your mail in early May for a memorandum from the board that will outline the program and how to get the exclusive discount code for EVHC. The unique EVHC discount offer is active from Monday, May 16 through Saturday, June 18.

The East Village Board of Directors is not responsible for any issues with the RING products, and all service or purchase concerns must be addressed directly with RING customer service. East Village Homes Corporation Board and agents are not being compensated in any way in relation to this offer. Any purchase made by EVHC residents is made directly to RING, and EVHC is not liable or a party to any transaction. Offer is only valid for EVHC residents. For any additional information concerning this announcement after you have received the memorandum, please contact Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2326.

Residents are reminded that any exterior modifications, including security cameras, must be approved by the MVF Architectural Review Board before being installed. Remember to fill out a Property Improvement Request (PIR) ahead of time. For questions or information, call the Architectural Standards Department at 240-243-2364 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

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.

NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

Spring into action

by the North Village Board of Directors

If you recycle your lawn cuttings, please place them in the accepted containers and place at the curbside for pickup. Having them put in common areas increases the costs for all of us. Also note that recycling and trash pickup changes for Memorial Day are approaching. Only one trash pickup that week is scheduled for Thursday, June 2. Recycling will move one day. Below is the remaining holiday trash schedule for the year.

TRASH COLLECTION 2022

J&J Trash Service is our disposal company. Note that on holiday weeks, J&J will only provide one pickup that week. If the holiday falls on a Monday, then the pickup will be on Thursday. The holidays with an asterisk (*) indicate that the county transfer facility is closed.

BULK PICKUP IS FREE AND KEEP RECYCLING

Free bulk pickup on large items is available. Bulk trash does not include yard waste, construction materials, metal or appliances. Remember that failure to call and arrange the bulk pickups leads to increased costs for all of us. Many of

us have now seen updated recycling information on our blue cans and front doors. Review the fliers and postcard and keep them handy. Contact the numbers below or go to MyGreenMontgomery on Facebook for more details.

PARKING PERMITS

IN PLACE

Parking Permits have been implemented in all neighborhoods. Renters need to coordinate with their landlords to ensure permit acquisition. Download the Parking Permit form at <https://bit.ly/32jfMQv>. A set of FAQs is also available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. Remember: no warnings for towing will be issued if you do not have a permit. Important—if you are delinquent in your assessment fees, you will only be issued one visitor permit. Contact the MVF Office to get paid up so you can obtain your resident permits or to work out a schedule to pay off your fees.

SAY IF YOU SEE

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

IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KEEP

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301-898-2109

Authorized Towing
301-562-4020

MC Recycling/New Blue Bins/Scrap Metal - 311

Pepco - 877-737-2662

WSSC - 301-206-4001

NEXT MEETING

The next North Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 16 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. If interested in attending the meeting, contact Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2326. Please note that your time to speak will be limited to 3 minutes, and the board may or may not respond at that time with information pending further discussion.

If you have any questions or want to report any problems in the community, please reach out to April at that number, or e-mail asteward@mof.org.

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

Memorial Day *	Mon, May 30, 2022*	One trash pickup — June 2
Independence Day*	Mon, Jul 5, 2022*	One trash pickup — July 7
Labor Day*	Mon, Sep 5, 2022*	One trash pickup — Sept. 8
Thanksgiving*	Thur, Nov 24, 2022*	No pickup that day
Christmas Day	Sun, Dec 25, 2022*	One trash pickup — Dec. 29



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SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

Upcoming projects

by the South Village Board of Directors

The board works hard to plan and budget for and schedule projects to improve the community and maintain our property. Recently, the 2021 Audit was completed with no issues found and a year-end surplus of just over \$16,000 was identified.

There are several projects approved for 2022: concrete repairs throughout Nathans Hill, Millrace and Dockside; a large tree pruning project in Dockside; and the enhancement of the Nathans Hill entrance sign. The lighting project through the CBDG Grant program does appear to show movement through Montgomery County, and the board is hopeful to see the project back on course in the next several weeks.

The parking pass program has resulted in a lower delinquency rate. Thank you to all residents for working to pay off balances or paying diligently each quarter to keep the association running smoothly.

In the coming months, an updated reserve study will be completed. This valuable

tool will aid in future project planning. Additionally, a comprehensive tree study has been completed, which will help the board analyze the next phase of tree work.

CONCRETE REPAIR

Repairs will be completed between Monday, May 9 and Friday, May 13, weather permitting. During this time, all residents in the affected areas must move their vehicle(s) if parked along the sidewalk by 7 a.m. on the day of scheduled work. Vehicles may be returned after 6 p.m. Any vehicle that is an obstruction will be relocated at the owner's expense. A map of the affected areas can be found online at https://www.montgomeryvillage.com/sites/default/files/coomunity-information/South_Village/2022_concrete_repairs.pdf.

For more information or questions, contact Director of Community Management Karen Kodjanian at 240-243-2347.

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

WHETSTONE WATCH

Pet waste – an unpleasant issue

by the Whetstone Board of Directors

Judging by the number of signs popping up all over Whetstone, it seems that pet waste is again becoming a problem. Pets are wonderful and can bring great happiness to any household. Pets also come with great responsibility, and one of those responsibilities is cleaning up after them. Now you may think that it is not that big of a deal. Well, anyone that has stepped in it or has had it deposited in their yard can tell you it is a big deal. Additionally, it can spread disease to both pets and humans. Aside from being part of the Whetstone covenants, and it is also against Montgomery County law to leave pet waste lying around. Please clean up after you pet.

REPLACEMENT LIGHTING

One of the new light fixtures has been installed on the greenspace at the entrance to North Dock. Please check it out.

MAINTENANCE

There are hundreds of trees in Whetstone. The board schedules different sections of Whetstone for tree pruning so that all trees are inspected/treated over a 4 or 5-year period. Tree pruning and Gum Tree removal for 2022 should be completed by the time you read this. If you notice any fallen limbs or limbs broken and hung up in any trees, please notify the board of their location. The nature path along Lake Whetstone will be topped with clean millings in the coming weeks. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Please understand that this work must be done to help prevent erosion of the path and lakeshore. Recently, the five monuments at the entrances to the Whetstone communities were cleaned.

PARKING

Please remember the parking of commercial vehicles or pickup trucks are prohibited in Whetstone, unless they are parked in a garage. Vehicles

with expired tags are also prohibited by Whetstone and Montgomery County.

BOARD MEETINGS

Remember, if you would like to attend the monthly Whetstone board meeting virtually, send your request to mcruez@mof.org to receive the link and password as the date approaches. Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month.

The board is always looking to communicate effectively with our residents/neighbors. If you have made a change to your e-mail or have not yet provided an e-mail and would like to receive notices, agenda, emergency information and other pertinent communication from the board, please e-mail your contact information to vermillion.whc@gmail.com.

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



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Family Movie Night
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The 2022 summer season features a variety of concerts and a family movie for the community! All are encouraged to relax with a picnic and blankets or lawn chairs to enjoy an eclectic assortment of entertainment.

Saturdays

Signature Series

June 25 | 7 p.m. The Mahoney Brothers
A fun trip back to iconic songs of the 60s.

July 23 | 7 p.m. The Reagan Years
East Coast's Original 80's tribute band.

Aug. 27 | 7 p.m. JaneliaSoul
A fusion of Afrobeats, Yoruba folk, Soul and Jazz.

Community Series

May 21 | 7 p.m. MV Community Band
Your hometown band playing a lively set.

June 4 | 5 p.m. The Montgomery Blue Notes
Hometown jazz to make you "jump, jive and wail."

June 11 | 7 p.m. Ocho de Bastos
Latin rock and more to get you dancing.

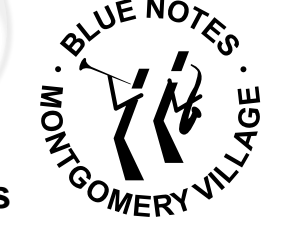
July 9 | 7 p.m. The Back Pages Band
Great classic songs from the Golden Decade of Rock (1963–1972).

Aug. 13 | 7 p.m. GrooveJet
A stylish, classy, lively and innovative blend of New Orleans jazz, funk and other cool sounds.

Sponsored by:



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FOR OVER 50 YEARS



Parking for all South Valley Park events is available behind Watkins Mill Elementary School at 19003 Watkins Mill Road. Handicapped parking is available at the site with prior arrangement. Call 301-948-0110 for more details.



For more information, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com

AT YOUR LEISURE

Community classes in Visual and Performing Arts at Montgomery College

Registration is open for summer classes in Visual and Performing Arts with Montgomery College's Community Arts Program. Classes begin Tuesday, May 31.

Residents are invited to register for classes in subjects such as stand-up comedy, pewter-smithing, Etsy selling, drawing comics, Adobe Creative Cloud, watercolor, Flamenco Dance, guitar and more. Classes are available in Rockville, Silver Spring and online, and are all taught by professional artists. Classes run from 5 to 10 weeks, with prices ranging from \$195 to \$344. Programs are open to those 16 and older, with discounts are available for seniors (60+).

For more information, class schedule or to register, visit www.montgomerycollege.edu/communityarts.



"At Home Waiting for Mom"

Photo by Community Arts student Aysia Akhtar

Boating Safety Day

Join Montgomery Village staff and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Division 054-24 at Lake Whetstone for a day of family fun! This free event is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 25 at Lake Whetstone Park, 18701 Montgomery Village Avenue; the rain date for this event is Saturday, July 9.

Come out and meet "Coastie" the ambassador of boating

safety. Learn about how to stay safe while boating. There will also be an opportunity for a safety inspection of your personal boat by members of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Have fun and practice your new knowledge with free boat rentals at Lake Whetstone Boat House during the event. For more information, contact Lauren Tuori at 240-243-2336 or e-mail ltuori@mvmf.org.

Historic Rockville Walk

The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club is sponsoring the Historic Rockville Walk on Saturday, June 4. The walk is on sidewalks and asphalt trails with no significant hills. There are two trails, short and long. The short trail is 3.1 miles (5 kilometers); the long trail is 6.2 miles (10 kilometers).

The Start/Finish point is at Dawson's Market, 225 N. Washington Street, Rockville. The start time is between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. (noon). Walkers must finish by 3 p.m. and abide by Montgomery County requirements including mask wearing and social distancing protocols.

All walkers over 12 years of age must pay a \$3 participation fee. New walker packets

will be available at the Start/Finish point.

Parking is available in several Rockville Town Center parking garages. As of this writing parking is free for the first two hours. Walkers are encouraged to be courteous and not park in the spaces reserved for Dawson's Market customers; please use public parking garages and street parking in the area. Restrooms and water are available at the Start/Finish point. Pets are allowed on the walk, but must be leashed at all times during the walk; owners must clean up after their pet(s).

For more information, contact Jeffrey Giddings at 240-753-0119 or e-mail jhgiddings@gmail.com.

Nymeo Federal Credit Union to sponsor shred event

Bring your old documents and sensitive materials for a free, secure, community shredding event. Nymeo Federal Credit Union is hosting a free community shred day from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 14 in the Lakeforest Mall Parking Lot (the corner of Montgomery Village Avenue and Lost Knife Road). Come out early, as the event will end when the trucks reach capacity!

Nymeo will be collecting donations for the Montgomery County Humane Society during the shred event. Please visit www.mchumane.org/wish-list for suggested donations. Monetary donations, cash or check (made out to MCHS), will also be accepted.

For more information, contact Marie Zinnert at 240-436-4031 or e-mail mzinnert@nymeo.org.

BIKE TO WORK DAY 2022

Friday, May 20

FREE EVENT - REGISTER AT
BikeToWorkMetroDC.org

Pre-register by May 13 for Free T-Shirt* & Bike Raffle.
Free refreshments & giveaways at participating locations, while supplies last.

Working from home? No problem!
Bike to your local "pit stop" for your free T-shirt and back home again.

COMMUTER CONNECTIONS
A SMARTER WAY TO WORK

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WASHINGTON AREA BICYCLIST ASSOCIATION

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800.745.7433

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Visit biketoworkmetrodc.org for pit stop locations and times.
*T-Shirts available at pit stops to first 15,000 registrants.
Pit stops in D.C., Maryland, and Virginia!

Bike to Work Day is funded by DDOT, MDOT, VDOT, and USDOT.

SCHOOL NEWS

Living Grace Christian School Students Shine at Math Olympics

In early March, 34 Living Grace Christian School (LGCS) students, along with students from about seven other schools, competed (remotely) in the ACSI Math Olympics. In the 12 competitions of computation and reasoning, Living Grace placed 14 of their students including two first-place finishes with a medal, which is awarded to students that have 85% scores or higher.

LGCS thanks Math Olympics Coach Mr. Silva and all of our teachers from kindergarten on up for their instruction as well as the parents for their diligence.

Living Grace Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the

school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies and other school-administered programs.

Living Grace Christian School is located at 20300 Pleasant Ridge Drive. For more information, visit www.lgcs.northgatecc.org.



The students below placed as follows:

In the third grade, Katherine Nolivos - computation, 2nd place; Zachary Furlani - reasoning, 2nd place.

In fourth grade, Rylie Bautista - computation, 3rd place; Camila Lima - computation, 4th place.

In fifth grade, Yoel Fitsum - computation, 5th place.

In sixth grade, Tyler Kadrichu - computation, 2nd place; Jace Bautista - computation, 3rd place; Robert Bennett - reasoning, 4th place.

In seventh grade, Anna Wong - computation, 1st place with a medal (94% correct); Isabella Moreno - computation, 2nd place; Daniel Garcia - reasoning, 3rd place.

In eighth grade, Emily Speer - computation, 1st place; Benjamin Jimenez - reasoning, 1st place with a medal (100% correct); Lia Wong - reasoning, 5th place.

Village Montessori School celebrates Earth Day

On Saturday, April 23, students and their families from Village Montessori School (VMS) recognized Earth Day, albeit the day after, by collecting trash at Ed DeSimon Park and the surrounding area. Fifteen families and a number of VMS staff turned out that morning, ready to do their part in helping the earth and our community. This activity was the brainchild of a kindergar-

ten student at VMS, supported by her parents, teachers and the VMS community.

Following the trash collection, families returned to Village Montessori School for a tree dedication to Maureen Sheridan Johnson, teacher at VMS. Maureen was one of the original teachers when the school was founded 34 years ago, and will be retiring after this school year. A new Nor-

way spruce was planted while the families were cleaning up the park, and was ready to be dedicated afterward. The tree was purchased with donations from current and former VMS families, as well as Ruppert Nurseries.

VMS expresses sincere thanks to those individuals and the Ruppert family for thoughtful donations!



Stedwick Elementary students present music and poetry

Third grade Stedwick Elementary School students in Ms. McGinn's class will present a collection of original music and poetry for friends, family, neighbors and classmates. The public is invited to Stedwick Elementary School, 10631 Stedwick Road, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 12 for this unique event.

McGinn's class, who have named themselves "Blooming Roses," has spent the last several months perfecting their art and presentation skills. The presentation, titled "Defuse the Fire, Time is Ticking," reflects powerful themes the

students care about deeply. Topics covered include: bullying; gun violence; friendship; loneliness; caring for Mother Earth; threatened animals; and racism.

McGinn has been challenging her third grade classes for many years, providing students with the opportunity to learn real world skills through the creative process. Past projects have included creating a full opera, some with performances at The Kennedy Center. After 34 years in education, this will be McGinn's final Stedwick project before retiring at the end of June.

SPORTS

MVSA Boys Lacrosse Clinic returns to Montgomery Village

The Montgomery Village Sports Association (MVSA) is excited to announce the return of Boys Lacrosse to the Montgomery Village community. In recent years, low participation numbers and limited coaching staff led to scaled-back offerings, however area coach Ashton Foster is ready to breathe new life into the program.

Foster was a three-sport athlete at Northwest High School and played college lacrosse at Lock Haven University. He recently served as the head JV and assistant Varsity Lacrosse coach at Walter Johnson High School, after serving as the JV Head Coach at Northwest High School from 2017 to 2019. Foster brings a lot of knowledge as a coach and teacher, and has conducted previous Lacrosse camps in coordination with the Montgom-

ery Village Foundation to build enthusiasm for the sport.

A Boys Lacrosse Clinic is scheduled for Saturday, May 21 and Saturday, June 4 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Patsy Huson Ballfield, 20300 Fulks farm Road. The clinic is open for boys ages 8 to 12 to learn to play Lacrosse, gain an understanding of the sport and of course, have fun!

For more information or to register, visit the MVSA website www.mvsa.org.



Stay connected! www.montgomeryvillage.com

Fun at the Pools

WIBIT – Inflatable Obstacle Course

North Creek Pool

Free with valid Activity Card
The evolution of water play arrives in Montgomery Village this summer! Come jump, bounce and play on our brand new inflatable obstacle course, or play a game of in-water Volleyball.

Sundays | 1 to 7 p.m.
Wibit Long Course: June 19, July 3, July 10, July 17, July 31, Aug. 7, Aug. 21 and Sept. 4 (1 to 6 p.m.)
Wibit Volleyball: June 26 and July 24

Wednesdays | 1 to 7 p.m.
Wibit Volleyball: June 22 through Aug. 24
Fridays | 1 to 7 p.m.
Wibit Short Obstacle: June 24 through Aug. 26



50-Meter Swim Course

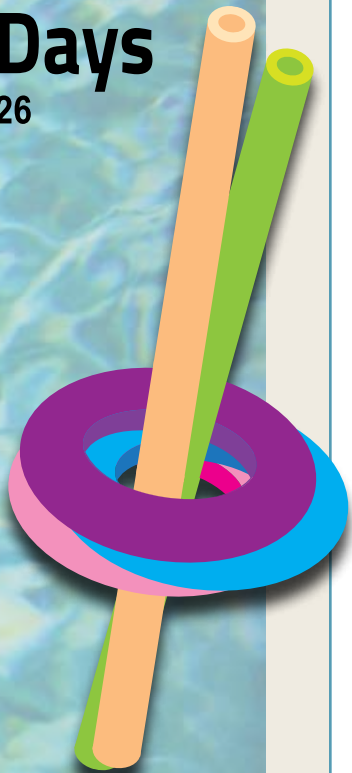
Lake Marion Pool

Four 50-meter lanes will be set up at the Lake Marion Pool for swimming enthusiasts to take advantage of longer swim lanes.
Sundays, June 12, June 26, July 10 and July 24

Raft and Noodle Fun Days

Monday, June 20 to Friday, Aug. 26

Monday:	
Hurley Park	1 to 3 p.m.
Stedwick	3 to 5 p.m.
Tuesday:	
Stedwick	1 to 3 p.m.
Lake Marion	3 to 5 p.m.
Wednesday:	
Hurley Park	1 to 3 p.m.
Lake Marion	3 to 5 p.m.
Thursday:	
Hurley Park	1 to 3 p.m.
Lake Marion	3 to 5 p.m.
Friday:	
Stedwick	1 to 3 p.m.



RECREATION

Children's Dance classes

Get your kids moving this summer with dance! Classes are offered for kids ages 3 to 12 at all skill levels. Choose from a variety of classes that teach the basics movements of Tap, Jazz, Ballet, Hip Hop and more.

Classes will be held on various days and times from Thursday, June 23 through Saturday, Aug. 6 at either Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue or Stedwick Community Center,

10401 Stedwick Road—check the Summer Recreation Guide (included in this issue) or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com for all the options. Cost is \$100/Resident or \$110/Non-resident, for each class registered for. A mini recital is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 6 for all classes.

For more information or to register, contact Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvmf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Gentle Yoga via ZOOM

Work on your balance, strength and endurance this summer with Gentle Yoga, all from the comfort of your own home! Give your mental and physical health a boost as you relieve stress with these relaxing exercises alongside instructor Ayanna Smith.

Classes are scheduled for 4 p.m. on Tuesdays from June 7 to Aug. 9, or 1 p.m.

on Thursdays from June 9 to Aug. 11. Virtual Gentle Yoga cost \$150/Resident or \$160/Non-resident, per session. Sign up for one or both days!

For more information or to register, contact Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvmf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

MVF follows state and county executive orders for COVID-19 requirements. Some classes and events may be subject to participants wearing facial coverings or other restrictions, or may change during the course of instruction. MVF reserves the right to change and update guidelines and restrictions as necessary.

48th Annual All-Comers Swim Meet, June 11

You don't have to be a member of a swim team to participate in the All-Comers Swim Meet on Saturday, June 11 at the North Creek Pool, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Swimmers ages 6 to 18 can compete. Warm up is from 7:30 to 7:50 a.m., and the meet starts at 8 a.m. Rib-

bons will be given for first through twelfth place finishes for ages 12 and under and first through sixth place finishes for ages 13 to 18.

Entries are \$2 per event. All entries are due by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8. Late entries are \$3 per event and will be accepted at the MVF

Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, by 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 9, or on the day of, if space allows.

For more information, call 301-948-0110. The rain date for the All-Comers Swim Meet is Sunday, June 12.

Wine and Paint

It's another night with friends, a little wine and a lot of creativity! Join experienced instructor, Caryl Strauss as she leads you step-by-step through this unique and fun class that's made easy for everyone! No experience necessary.

MVF is offering two sessions of Wine and Paint this summer. This first is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, May 20 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. If you can't make that one, another session with a new theme is scheduled for

7 p.m. on Friday, July 22 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. Pre-registration is required by no later than the Monday prior to the class.

The cost to attend is \$40/Resident and \$50/Non-resident, per class and includes all supplies and two glasses of wine. Participants must be 21 or older to attend.

For more information or to register, call Aiden Perrenoud at 240-243-2338, e-mail aperrenoud@mvmf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



2022 MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU

Saturday, July 2

5K Race and Fun Run

Lake Marion Community Center
8821 East Village Avenue
7:45 a.m. starters gun for Fun Run
8:15 a.m. starters gun for 5K Race

Scan to Register
or visit www.runsignup.com and search "Montgomery Village"

Register in advance!

Fun Run/Walk:
\$15/Village Resident
\$20/Non-resident

5K Race:
\$25/Village Resident
\$30/Non-resident

www.montgomeryvillage.com

Monday, July 4

Activities from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Children's and Community Parade

Apple Ridge Road
9 a.m. registration, 9:30 a.m. judging, 10 a.m. start!

The parade will feature fire engines, classic cars, community groups, mascots and floats, music and more! Find a curbside seat and enjoy your hometown parade!

Participants register and line up in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints parking lot, 20020 Montgomery Village Avenue.

The celebration starts with some great live music! During a short break, the MVF Board President will officially open the event and announce parade contest winners.

Carnival Games, Rides, Petting Zoo, Pony Rides and Festival Food

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

After the parade, enjoy a fun-filled celebration at the Apple Ridge Recreation Area. Highlights include 22' BMX Dual Slide, Ballistic Swing ride, 26' Rock Wall, Sand Storm thrill ride, Petting Zoo, Pony Rides and more. A variety of food will be for sale.

Free Concerts

Apple Ridge Recreation Area
10101 Apple Ridge Road
45 RPM
Immediately following the parade, 10:30 a.m. to Noon

Montgomery Village Community Band
Noon to 1 p.m.

8:1 ratio • Full- or Half-Day options • State & County Licensed • Special Events

Camp Tiny Feet

Ages 3 years, 9 months to 6½

Camp Meets:
 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Full Day
 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Half Day
 Whetstone Community Center
 19140 Brooke Grove Court

Five 2-week sessions from June 21 to Aug. 26

Full Day - per session*	Half Day - per session*
\$320/Resident	\$240/Resident
\$340/Non-resident	\$260/Non-resident

* Except for the weeks of June 20 and July 4
 \$286/Resident \$214/Resident
 \$306/Non-resident \$234/Non-resident

Lake Marion CAMP

Ages 6 to 12

Camp Meets:
 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Lake Marion Community Center
 8821 East Village Avenue

Ten 1-week sessions from June 21 to Aug. 26

Per Session*
\$195/Resident
\$215/Non-resident

* Except for the weeks of June 20 and July 4
 \$156/Resident \$175/Non-resident

10:1 ratio • State & County Licensed • Weekly Special Events • Swim Time

Sport & Splash

Ages 6 to 13

Camp Meets:
 June 21 to July 29 | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 North Creek Community Center
 20125 Arrowhead Road

Six 1-week sessions from June 21 to July 29

Per Session*
\$195/Resident
\$215/Non-resident

* Except for the weeks of June 20 and July 4
 \$156/Resident \$175/Non-resident

For more information or to register, contact the programming staff at 301-948-0110 or e-mail programstaff@mvmf.org.

RECREATION

Zumba®

Groove into summer with some upbeat Latin fusion music and exercise! Zumba provides a great workout with long-term health benefits for all. Keep those New Years' resolutions going! These body-energizing movements will keep you fit while having fun and socializing! Zumba combines fast and slow rhythms and uses with resistance training to tone and sculpt your body and burn fat. All fitness levels are welcome.

Classes are scheduled from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays, June 7 through Aug. 16 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Pre-registration is required. Class costs \$90/Resident and \$100/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, contact Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Basketball Express

Basketball Express provides quality training while learning the fundamentals of the game in a dynamic atmosphere. Players will learn the core components of the game including: shooting, dribbling and passing, from experienced instructor and referee, Charlie Williams.

Classes are scheduled on

Sundays, June 12 to Aug. 14 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Ages 6 to 8 practice from 10 to 10:50 a.m.; ages 9 to 12 practice from 11 to 11:50 a.m.; and ages 13 to 15 practice from 12 to 12:50 p.m.

Participants must register ahead of time; no drop-ins are allowed at this time.

The cost to participate is \$120/Resident or \$130/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, contact Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Pickleball

Want to try a new sport? Get on the court and give Pickleball a-go! This fast-growing game is easy to learn and tons of fun. This summer, MVF will offer several Pickleball options, including scheduled drop-in times and classes for various skill levels. Pickleball programming is held at the outdoor Pickleball courts at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

Classes are scheduled to begin Tuesday, June 7 –check the Summer Rec-

reation Guide (included in this issue) or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com for all the options.

For more information or to register, contact Dylan

McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Montgomery Village T-Ball (Instructional)

This program will include instructional classes for boys and girls ages 4 to 6. Participants will develop skills and fundamentals of hitting, fielding, throwing and catching, base running and the importance of team work. No playing experience required! Equipment provided. Ball and gloves are optional. Please note that this class is not a progression from previous T-ball programs. Some drills, games etc. may be repeated.

Practices are scheduled from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. on Saturdays, June 18 to Aug. 13 at Patsy Huson Ballfield, 20300 Fulks Farm Road. Cost to

participate is \$80/Resident or \$90/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, call Aiden Perrenoud at 240-243-2338, e-mail aperrenoud@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



MONTGOMERY VILLAGE COMMUNITY BAND
Fine Wine and Aged Music
Directed by Steven C. Wampler
Transcriptions and Traditional Music from the 19th and 20th Centuries

Free Admission!

Saturday, May 21 | 7 p.m.

Song List:

- "Dauntless Battalion March"..... J.P. Sousa
- "Tritsch-Tratsch Polka"... Johann Strauss/arr. Reed
- "Allegro Barbaro"..... Bella Bartok, arr. Wallace
- "Old Comrades March"..... Carl Teike
- "KYIV, 2022"..... Brian Balmages
- "Mambo" (from West Side Story)..... Leonard Bernstein, arr. Sweeney
- "I'll Stand by You"..... arr. Paul Murtha
- "Poet and Peasant Overture"..... Franz von Suppé

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Aerobic Programs

The benefits are endless in these Jacki Sorensen classes, taught by instructor Karin Baker.

Lake Marion Community Center
8821 East Village Avenue
Please bring a mat to each class.

Aerobic Workout

This workout starts with a warm-up medley of floor work and standing floor work (hand and ankle weights optional), add a 30-minute fat burning aerobic workout and end with a cool-down session. Work at your own pace for your desired intensity.

4020.302
Saturdays | 8 to 9 a.m.
June 4 to Aug. 13
Class on June 25 and July 16 at Stedwick Community Center
Class on July 23 at North Creek Community Center
No class July 2
\$100/Resident, \$110/Non-resident

Strength and Flexibility

Build strength, increase flexibility and learn stretching techniques all in one class. Look good and feel good in this no-impact program. Bring a mat and weights (limited supply available). This program works the whole body without impact on the joints.

Tuesdays and Thursdays | 6 to 7 p.m.
June 7 to Aug. 9
4020.305 Tuesdays 1x/week
4020.315 Thursdays 1x/week
\$100/Resident, \$110/Non-resident
4020.325 Tuesdays and Thursdays 2x/week
\$160/Resident, \$170/Non-resident

Stedwick Pool, 10401 Stedwick Road
Hurley Park Pool, 20737 Highland Hall Drive
Lake Marion Pool, 8821 East Village Avenue

Shallow Water Aerobics

For swimmers and non-swimmers (head is always above water). Participants must have a valid MVF Activity Card or purchase a Class Pass. Pre-registration required; no drop-ins.

Mondays and Wednesdays | 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.
June 22 to Aug. 24
No class on July 4
4020.319 Mondays 1x/week
4020.320 Wednesday 1x/week
\$80/Resident, \$90/Non-resident

4020.309 Mondays and Wednesdays 2x/week
\$150/resident, \$160/Non-resident
Stedwick Pool

4020.307
Wednesdays | 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
June 22 to Aug. 24
\$100/Resident, \$110/Non-resident
Hurley Park Pool

Deep Water Running/Conditioning

Exercising in deep water is a great way to tone the entire body, avoid injury, and get an aerobic workout. There will be arm work using buoys, which will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring their own aqua belt. Swimming proficiency is required.

4020.311
Fridays | 6:45 to 7:30 p.m.
June 17 to Aug. 26
June 24 class at Lake Marion Pool
\$100/Resident, \$110/Non-resident
Stedwick Pool

For more information, call Aiden Perrenoud at 240-243-2338, e-mail aperrenoud@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

RECREATION

Swim Lessons

Montgomery Village is excited to bring back our group swim lesson program for the 2022 summer season! Swim lessons will be available for all ages and skill levels; 6 months to adults at various MVF-owned pools throughout the summer.

Swim lessons are a great way to meet new people in the community, build confidence, increase water safety awareness and learn a new skill. Classes that include both parents and their children are also a great way to start building these skills for younger children. MVF offers Parent and me (6 months to 3 years), as well as Tiny Tots (3 and 4-year-olds) classes that are geared towards new swimmers looking to get more comfortable in and around the water.

Have a child or children over the age of 4? We have you covered! MVF also of-

fers multi-level swim classes for ages 5 to 12. These levels range from no prior swim experience to advanced students looking to perfect their stroke.

Learning to swim is not only limited to children; adult classes are designed to help those 18 and over learn in an efficient way. Classes providing the basic lifesaving techniques and skills will allow you to become more comfortable around

the water, give you a confidence boost and increase your self-assurance at the pool.

Swim Lesson times, days and locations vary—check the Summer Recreation Guide (included in this issue) or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com for all the options. For more information, call Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2363 or e-mail lhydorn@mvpf.org.



MVF follows state and county executive orders for COVID-19 requirements. Some classes and events may be subject to participants wearing facial coverings or other restrictions, or may change during the course of instruction. MVF reserves the right to change and update guidelines and restrictions as necessary.

Wine and Craft

Do you enjoy getting crafty and creating something new? Grab friend for a night out to create and make memories. Craft away from 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday, June 17 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

Experienced instructor Caryl Strauss will guide you step-by-step through this craft. No experience necessary. Price to participate is \$40/Resident

or \$50/Non-resident and includes all supplies and two glasses of wine. Participants must be 21 or older to attend. Pre-registration is required by 5 p.m. Monday, June 13.

For more information or to register, call Aiden Perrenoud at 240-243-2338, e-mail aperrenoud@mvpf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Yoga Beginner/Intermediate

Relieve stress and transform your body with a mid-week yoga session! Join Kirsten from 7 to 8:15 p.m. on Wednesdays, June 29 to Aug. 31 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, for this (re)energizing yoga class.

Classes are for beginner/intermediate levels and participants should bring their own yoga mat. Advance registration only—no drop-ins accepted at this time. The cost for Yoga is \$120/Resident and \$130/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, contact Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvpf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



D'amour School of Dance



TAP • BALLET • JAZZ • HIP-HOP

Ages 3 to 12
Weekdays and Saturday

Session includes 6 classes. \$100/Residents, \$110/Non-residents

Lake Marion
Community Center
8821 East Village Avenue

Stedwick
Community Center
10401 Stedwick Road

Visit www.montgomeryvillage.com for class times, days and locations



For more information or to register, call Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvpf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Dive-In Movie

Friday,
June 24

Rain date: Friday, July 15

Stedwick Pool
10401 Stedwick Road

Bring a raft or noodle!

Admission is
FREE!

for residents with
MVF Activity Cards

Guests 2 years and older: \$5

Gates open: 7:30 p.m.
Movie starts: Dusk

Stedwick Pool will be closed
during the day for setup.

Disney
ENCANTO



For more information, call Petra Padilla at 240-243-2334, e-mail ppadilla@mvpf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

RECREATION

MVF Soccer (Instructional)

Sharpen your skills and learn new ones with MVF Soccer! Our instructional classes will teach your little dribbler all the fundamentals of the game including dribbling, passing, shooting and some cool tricks along the way. Instructors will lead fun games and drills that will enhance players' skills!

All classes are scheduled on Saturdays, June 18 to Aug. 13, at the North Creek Futsal Court, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Pre-registration is required and costs \$80/Resident or \$90/Non-resident for either Instructional Soccer or Parent-Child Soccer.

Instructional Soccer is for children ages 6 to 9, in two age groups. Ages 6 and 7 practice from 10 to 10:50 a.m. and ages 8 and 9 practice from 11 to 11:50 a.m.

Parent-Child Soccer for ages 3 to 5 allows parents the opportunity to spend time and have fun alongside their kids. Class runs from 9 to 9:45 a.m.

For more information or to register, contact Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mfv.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Rake the Lake

Join Montgomery Village Foundation staff members for a fun, casual lake cleanup at Lake Whetstone. Rake the Lake is scheduled from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, rain or shine. Meet at the Lake Whetstone Boat House, 18701 Montgomery Village Avenue, and be ready to make the lake look great.

Participants should wear clothes they do not mind getting dirty – long-sleeved shirts, long pants and boots

are recommended. SSL Hours are available to all students. Gloves and trash bags will be provided. Registration for this event is not required, however, a waiver must be completed (by an adult) to participate, and children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

For more information or to register, call Lauren Tuori at 240-243-2336, e-mail ltuori@mfv.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Visit the new North Creek Pool

Montgomery Village is counting down the days until the newly renovated North Creek Pool re-opens for the 2022 Summer Season on Memorial Day Weekend! Check out the new pool and all its features at noon on Saturday, May 28. **A special ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 16 to officially celebrate this unique renovation.**

The most prominent and most awaited feature of the North Creek Pool is the new large water slide! This slide is the first of its kind here in Montgomery Village; this 2-story, 140-foot ride length slide is sure to be a hit this summer. To ride this slide, pool patrons must be 48" or taller.

Looking for a more relaxing way to enjoy the new pool? Enjoy shallower water over at the beach entry area, or take a seat on one of the built-in, in-water benches while your kids make a splash around you! For children 5 and under, check out the updated wading pool with new play feature for a more interactive experience.

Is lap swimming more your thing? There is still a 25-meter lap area for those who enjoy swimming, and a new space designated to water walking.

Try your hand at an adrenaline rush on select Sundays with MVF's first ever Wibit Inflatable Obstacle Course. The Wibit will be set up in the 25-meter course area of the pool for those ages 7 and older, who are 43" or taller; a swim test is required to use the Wibit, as it will be positioned in the

deep end. US Coast Guard-approved life vests will be available for those who are not able to pass the swim test. A shorter, shallow-water course and Volleyball net will also be available on select days.

We can't wait for you to make a splash into this newly renovated pool and enjoy all the new and updated amenities and features! Grab your Activity Card, sunblock and towels, and we will see you Memorial Day Weekend!



MONTGOMERY BLUE NOTES

Directed by Tim Dawson

Summer Jazz Concert

Free Admission!

Saturday, June 4 | 5 p.m.




Song List:

- "C-Jam Blues"Duke Ellington
- "Night in Tunisia" ...Charlie Parker & Dizzy Gillespie
- "Buckjump"Trombone Shorty
- "Woodchopper's Ball"Woody Herman
- "In Walked Bud"Thelonious Monk
- "Work Song"Nat Adderly
- "Sing, Sing, Sing" ...Louis Prima & Benny Goodman
- "Song for My Father"Horace Silver
- "Nutville"Horace Silver
- "Backatown"Trombone Shorty
- "On Green Dolphin St."Miles Davis
- "Unit 7"Cannonball Adderly
- "Pick up the Pieces"Average White Band
- "Make Me Smile"Chicago



Parking for all South Valley Park events is available behind Watkins Mill Elementary School at 19003 Watkins Mill Road. Handicapped parking is available at the site by prior arrangement; call 301-948-0110.

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KidJAM



KidJAM Performers

Wednesdays in July at 10 a.m.

One-hour Wednesday morning activities for the younger set. Interactive entertainers will keep everyone happy with free family fun!

KidJAM Performers
Wednesdays | 10 a.m.

July 6	Mike Perrello Magic
July 13	Pam the Kindersinger
July 20	Squeals on Wheels
July 27	Kidsinger Jim

Apple Ridge Recreation Area, 10101 Apple Ridge Road



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

MV SENIORS

seniors in action

Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road
5004.506 \$25/Resident, \$35/Non-resident
Your first visit to one of our programs is free!

Spring/Summer Session
through Aug. 26

MONDAY

Games and Social Time 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Join us for snacks, coffee and a variety of games.

Zumba Gold with Kirsten 10 to 11 a.m.
A cardio workout and easy dance steps just for Seniors.

Arts & Crafts 10:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
First and third Mondays each month.
Led by Caryl Strauss our resident artist.

TUESDAY

Cardio Workout 9 to 10 a.m.
A variety of videos are used. All are developed for Seniors and use beginner to moderate moves!

Games and Social Time 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Join us for snacks, coffee and a variety of games.

Senior Fit 12 to 12:45 p.m.
by North Potomac Body & Brain
Instructor-led workout with stretching and easy cardio.

Member Meeting 10 to 10:45 a.m.
second Tuesday of each month
Planning for future activities and events.

Book Discussion Group 10 to 11:30 a.m.
May 17: "Founding Mothers; The Women Who Raised Our Nation" by Cokie Roberts
June 21: Planning Meeting

WEDNESDAY

Cardio Workout 9 to 10 a.m.
A variety of videos are used. All are developed for Seniors and use beginner to moderate moves!

Games and Social Time 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Join us for snacks, coffee and a variety of games.

Third Wednesday Social Gatherings
Noon to 2 p.m.
Ice cream socials, birthday celebrations, special speakers, and more. Non-members/ \$5 to join in the fun!

THURSDAY

Cardio Workout 9 to 10 a.m.
A variety of videos are used. All are developed for Seniors and use beginner to moderate moves!

Tai Chi Noon to 12:45 p.m.
by North Potomac Body & Brain
Mild stretching, slow movement and meditation.

FRIDAY

Bingo & Brown Bag Lunch Noon to 2 p.m.
Second Friday of each month.
Bring your own lunch and drinks. Play Bingo and win prizes Non-members/ \$5 to join in the fun!

Get Involved...

MVF's Seniors in Action, for adults 55 and over in the Montgomery Village community, meets Monday through Friday. Under the guidance of the Senior Advisory Committee, activities include social gatherings, arts and crafts, health and nutrition programs, leisure games, exercise classes, book discussions, special events, community outreach, in-person outings and a monthly movie. Seniors residing outside of Montgomery Village are invited to join our growing Seniors in Action program as well! Most programs are held in person at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

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

Spotlight on Seniors...

Meet Ralph Colling

Ralph grew up in a small town in the Mohawk Valley area of upstate New York, where he attended a one-room school with one teacher for the first six grades. His senior year was spent at the American school in Taipei, Taiwan when his dad took a job with the United States Foreign Service. Ralph joined ROTC in college since it paid \$40 a month, which covered his school lunches. He went on to the Air Force after receiving his MBA at Cornell University. After a brief career in the Air Force, he was an executive with various medical supply companies, which resulted in a transfer to Maryland, close to NIH. He enjoyed playing tennis and running marathons, and is a junky for MCPS sports. To make more time for his leisure activities, he took on retirement as a Real Estate Agent. He says, "Selling homes up and down the Montgomery Village Avenue was a lot of fun."

When Ralph joined Seniors in Action, he became active with the Bridge group and kept the activity going during the pandemic, setting up virtual tables. He is known to be disruptive because he is always late, but is forgiven because he always brings the "cheese."

Questions and answers:

SiA: How long have you lived in the Village?

RC: Well, there were only two stoplights on the Avenue when I moved here, and now there are 14. Been here around 40 years, living at Thomas Choice Condominiums, Fair Ridge and Highland Hall. I really started to get to know my neighbors when I joined the MV YMCA many years ago. A lot of us went on to Sport and Health which is now also shut down.

SiA: What do you like about Seniors in Action?

RC: The people are fun and there are lots of games: Bridge, Canasta, Rummikub, Scrabble and others, but I especially like the cookies. I would recommend anyone qualified [age 55 or better] to join and participate. The SiA activities will get your brain and heart working. There are lots of exercise classes, and the mental and social stimulation keeps us young. You meet mid-morning so you can go home for your afternoon nap!



SiA: What do you like about Montgomery Village?

RC: It's a small town to me, like the one where I grew up. Wherever I go, people know me and are friendly. I'm a regular at the pools, and it's wonderful to see so many people on the walking paths.

SiA: What is your favorite Village experience?

RC: On the Fourth of July, for several years, I loved anonymously placing hundreds of flags on the Avenue. It was a mystery for most residents. Free concerts at the Lawn Theater and Bingo rate highly.

SiA: What's your retirement about?

RC: Just more non-profit jobs. I own some properties in the Village and I'm a long-time president of two boards: Center Court Condominiums and Thomas Choice Gardens Condominiums.

I've been lucky enough to be able to give back to our community by funding financial aid for three or four students a year attending Montgomery College with the "Ralph Colling Endowment and Scholarship for Montgomery Village students." I'd love to see other Village residents do the same.

SENIORS IN ACTION FREE TRIAL

Your first visit to one of our programs is free! Don't wait another day to sign up to become part of one of the most distinctive groups in Montgomery Village! Contact Susan Baldrige at 240-243-2361 or e-mail sbaldrige@mvf.org to arrange your free visit.

Sign up for Seniors in Action e-mail to stay up to date with information regarding program offerings and schedule changes.

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Requirements:

- Must be eligible HUB-Zone resident for at least 6 months.
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Applications:

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Salary starting at \$15.25 per hour

- Oversees the Lake Whetstone boat rental program during hours of operation.
- Rent boats to visitors, collects fees, maintain the dock area and surrounding grounds including picnic tables, volleyball court, trash cans and parking area.
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Work is performed outdoors in various weather conditions. The typical hours of work are 10:45 a.m. to 7:15 p.m. on Saturdays on a rotating schedule. This seasonal opportunity runs from May 28 through September 3.

Requirements:

- CPR & First Aid certified or have the ability to obtain one prior to employment
- Maryland Boating Safety Certification or have the ability to obtain one prior to employment

Applications may be obtained at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886 or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. For more information contact Lauren Tuori at 240-243-2336 or e-mail Ltuori@mvf.org.

MVF is an Equal Opportunity Employer. For all positions, see the full job descriptions and apply online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/job-volunteer-opportunities.

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For more information, contact Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2363, or e-mail lhydorn@mvf.org. Applications are available at the front desk or www.montgomeryvillage.com; go to MVF and click on Job & Volunteer Opportunities.
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11235 Greenmount Ave., Hagerstown	\$212,500	45 Brassie Ct., Thomas Choice	\$260,000
118 Ivywood Dr., Stafford, VA	\$325,000	9267 Chadburn Pl., McRory	\$242,000
12731 Catocin Furnace Rd., Thurmont	\$301,000	19124 N Kindly Ct., Clusters I	\$415,000
20724 Highland Hall Dr., Highland Hall	\$405,000	8704 Wild Ginger Way, Wethersfield	\$537,797
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9821 Whetstone Dr., Lakeside	\$645,000	12205 Eagles Nest Ct., Germantown	\$220,500
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