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MVF Board members and staff join in planting a tree in honor of Past President Glenn Gargan's service to the community and for Arbor Day. MVF has been designated A Tree City for 33 consecutive years. This national recognition is awarded by The National Arbor Day Foundation to honor commitment to forestry.

MVF Board of Directors declares vacancy

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors declared at its April 22 business meeting that it has an immediate vacancy to fill the balance of Ricardo Camacho's unexpired term, which concludes at the annual Board meeting in March 2023.

Camacho was elected in the 2020 Board election. He resigned from the Board effective April 22, 2021, after no longer owning property in Montgomery Village.

Per MVF policy, the Board declared the position vacant during open session of its regular business meeting, and will receive applications for a minimum of 10 working days from publication of the vacancy in the *Montgomery Village News*. Applications

for the position are available for pickup from the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, through Thursday, May 20, or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. A signed original of the application is due to the MVF Corporate Secretary by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25.

Completed applications will be reviewed by the Board at the Thursday, May 27 meeting, and applicants will be given the opportunity to address the Board during the meeting. A secret ballot will be cast, and the results will be tallied and announced at the May meeting; the newly appointed member will be seated in June.

For more information, contact Mike Conroy at 240-243-2331 or e-mail mconroy@mvf.org.

What you need to know for the 2021 pool season

Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) is preparing for the 2021 pool season, including getting our pools ready for summer and continuing the major renovation of the North Creek Pool and Bathhouse. The 2021 Pool Schedule and updates to the Pool Operating Policy were recently approved by the MVF Board of Directors at their April Meeting. Here is what to know for the 2021 MVF Pool Season:

POOL SCHEDULE

The Pool Schedule for Phase 1 (Saturday, May 22 to Saturday, July 31) was approved by the MVF Board of Directors at their April 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/2021_pool_schedule.pdf. Given the fluidity of the pandemic and uncertainty on if North Creek Pool will be open for the end-of-the-season, the schedule is broken into two phases. The first phase offers 5 pools (Hurley Park, Lake Marion, Peggy Mark, Stedwick and Whetstone), with Stedwick Pool being open for the early spring season beginning Saturday, May 22.

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LOOK INSIDE

Something for everyone at Montgomery Village Summer Camps

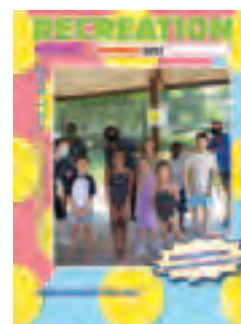


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MVF Board Election results

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MVF Summer recreation guide!



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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 27, June 24 and July 22.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 2, July 7 and Aug. 4. The board requests that homeowners contact the Architectural Standards Department 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 4.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Communications Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 4.

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Committee on the Environment meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, July 12. The agenda includes review of the Second Quarter 2021 MVF Investment Portfolio.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 17. The committee agenda includes personnel assumptions for the 2022 MVF Budget.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee will be hosting a community meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 7.

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 25, June 22 and July 27.

CHRISTOPHER COURT LAND ASSOCIATION

The Christopher Court Land Association meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 28.

EASTGATE

The Eastgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11 and July 13.

EAST VILLAGE

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18 and July 20.

HORIZON RUN CONDOMINIUM

The Horizon Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 28.

MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19 and July 21.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22.

NORMANDIE-ON-THE-LAKE I CONDOMINIUM

The Normandie-on-the-Lake I (NOLI) Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 17.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11 and June 8.

NORTH VILLAGE

The North Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 17.

PARK PLACE I CONDOMINIUM

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

PARK PLACE II CONDOMINIUM

The Park Place II Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22 and July 27.

SOUTH VILLAGE

The South Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, June 23 and July 28.

STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19 and June 16.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, June 14.

THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, June 15 and July 20.

WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, June 10 and July 8.

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Friday, Aug. 6

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FRIDAY, JULY 30 AT 5 P.M.



**The MVF Office
will be CLOSED
Monday, May 31
for Memorial Day
and
Monday, July 5 for
Independence Day**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring has sprung



by Pete Webb

MVF President

As April showers give way to May flowers, we're at the start of another excellent summer season here in Montgomery Village. Progress is continuing on both the Bloom site as well as the new Lidl store at the corner of Centerway and Montgomery Village Avenue. As a county, state and country, we are all slowly moving forward as vaccines become available and new practices have allowed us to keep functioning,

and Montgomery Village is no different. We are about to embark on a very exciting summer where we will all have opportunities to enjoy our community.

All of our sports courts are available to use, ranging from tennis to basketball, to our new Pickleball and futsal courts at the North Creek Community Center. Many of our residents are not aware of exactly what Pickleball is, so we are offering beginning courses for learning the sport. And for our more advanced residents, we are hosting a tournament on Saturday, May 22. More information is available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Enrollment is also open for MVF's Summer Camps. The opportunities offer a safe and fun-filled activity where our kids can meet new friends, enjoy special events each week and enjoy the pools all summer long. Again look to our website for more information or to register.

We are also quickly ap-

proaching pool season. Our pools are slated to start opening Saturday, May 22 with Stedwick Pool, and Lake Marion, Hurley Park, Peggy Mark, Stedwick and Whetstone pools opening on Saturday, May 29. Our Aquatics Team have been second-to-none in getting our facilities ready this year and are ready to adapt as needed as rules and regulations will certainly adjust during the season. I am personally thrilled we'll get a full season out of most of our pools and I look forward to the eventual opening of the newly renovated North Creek Pool, which will truly be a gem for all.

From an administrative standpoint, we currently have a few important volunteer openings in the community. The MVF Board of Directors is in need of new a volunteer treasurer. Responsibilities include working in coordination with the CFO to oversee the accounting and treasury functions of MVF; being an active

member of both the Audit and Investment committees; and high-level review and presentation of MVF's monthly financial statements to the Board at their monthly meetings. This position will immediately place whoever serves in a vital role ensuring the continued success of the Village. Residents interested in the position, or those with questions should e-mail CFO Daniel Salazar at dsalazar@mvf.org. We are also looking for new members to serve on our Investment Committee; interested residents should also e-mail Mr. Salazar.

As always, be safe. Please get out there and get your vaccine wherever you can. There have been a few occasions where we get notice of available vaccines for walk-ups — no appointment needed — so please keep an eye on our Facebook and Twitter accounts for those extremely time sensitive updates.

If you have any questions or concerns, please e-mail me at webbmvf@hotmail.com.

MVF BOARD MOTIONS

MVF Board of Directors Motion List

April 22, 2021

- Ms. Ayres to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 25, 2021 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer to approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting held March 25, 2021 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to appoint Ellen Gaston as Chair and Keith Silliman as Vice Chair of the Audit Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Ayres moved to reappoint Lisa Lewis as Chair and Steven Yenzer as Vice Chair of the Architectural Review Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to reappoint Claudette Lease as Chair of the Committee on the Environment. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Ayres moved to reappoint Karen Neilson as Chair of the Recreation Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm Keith Silliman, Brenda Yombo, Matthew Gianfrancesco, Ellen Gaston and Barbara St. John as members of the Audit Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to reaffirm Lisa Lewis, Steven Yenzer, Alexandrine Froger, Louis Mayer, John Driscoll, Beth Hussein and Gary Miller as members of the Architectural Review Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Prince moved to reaffirm Judi Kranz, Gary Unterberg, Dave Post, George Smith, Alex Vespoli, and Wendy Hess as members of the Commercial Architectural Review Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to reaffirm Nancy Farrar, Tim Goodfellow, Claudette Lease, Edward Ohanian, Jeannie Pizzonia, Mario Salazar, Kimberly Salbany and Tom Vetter as members of the Committee on the Environment. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to reaffirm Christine Scott, John Llewellyn, Jeannie Pizzonia and Manuela Ekowo as members of the Communications Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to reaffirm Nancy King, Rebecca Smigel, Moira Laveck and Mika Savir as members of the Election Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm Wesley Brown as a member of the Investment Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Prince moved to reaffirm Mohammad Siddique and Kelly Leonard as members of the Nominating Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Ayres moved to reaffirm Ashton Foster, Rahul Khanna, Karen Neilson, Rovenia Manor, Nadine Taylor-Tolbert, Herb Tolbert and Barry Wilcox as members of the Recreation Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to declare the MVF Board vacancy and to direct staff to advertise to fill the vacancy, in compliance with the Board approved MVF Procedures to Declare and Fill an Unexpired Term on the MVF Board of Directors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved approve the appointment of Doniele Ayres to the Investment Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Ayres moved to approve the proposed 2021 Pool Schedule for Phase 1. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Anderson moved to approve the proposed changes to the Pool Operating Policy. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Prince moved to authorize the EVP to manage the implementation of COVID-19 restrictions for the 2021 Pool Season. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to authorize the purchase of the proposed Wubit inflatable obstacle course and inflatable volleyball court from Recreonics, Inc. at \$23,820.00 plus an additional 5% for unforeseen expenses. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to reaffirm the e-mail vote from April 1, 2021 authorizing the EVP to sign a 24-month agreement with Constellation to lock in a 100% renewable energy supplier agreement of \$.05946 per kWh. The motion was seconded and passed 6-0-1 with Mr. Anderson abstaining.
- Ms. Ayres moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Ms. Ayres moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:05 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Dyer moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:05 p.m. pursuant to Section 11B Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Maryland Homeowners Association Act) to go into closed session for (viii) Discussion of individual homeowner accounts. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

June

July

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|----|----------------------------------|----|--|
| 7 | Village News
Summer Rec Guide | 19 | MD Place HC
7 pm |
| 10 | Thomas Choice Condo
7 pm | | Stedwick HC
7:30 pm |
| | Garden Club
7:15 pm | 22 | Stedwick Pool opens for the
season
Noon |
| 11 | Northgate HC
7 pm – NCBR | 25 | Center Court Condo
7 pm |
| | Park Place I Condo
7 pm | 26 | South Village HC
7 pm |
| | Eastgate HC
7:30 pm | 27 | MVF Board of Directors
7:30 pm |
| 12 | Scholarship Committee
2 pm | 29 | Hurley Park, Lake Marion,
Peggy Mark and Whetstone
pools open for season –
Noon |
| | Park Place II Condo
7 pm | 31 | Memorial Day
MVF Office Closed |
| 13 | Whetstone HC
7:30 pm | | |
| 17 | Personnel Committee
7:30 pm | | |
| 18 | TC Gardens Condo
6:30 pm | | |
| | East Village HC
7:30 pm | | |

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| 2 | ARB
7 pm – NCBR | 17 | NOL I Condo
7 pm |
| 4 | CARC
9 am | | North Village HC
7 pm |
| 5 | Farmers' Market opens for the season
9 am to 1 pm – CTS | 19 | Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS |
| 7 | Recreation Committee
7:30 pm | | Signature Concert
Back Pages Band
7 pm – SVP |
| 8 | Northgate HC
7 pm | 22 | Center Court Condo
7 pm |
| 10 | Whetstone HC
7:30 pm | | Middle Village HC
7 pm |
| 12 | Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS | | Patton Ridge HC
7 pm |
| | Signature Concert
Vinyl Rhino
7 pm – SVP | 23 | South Village HC
7 pm |
| 14 | Thomas Choice Condo
7 pm | 24 | MVF Board of Directors
7:30 pm |
| | Garden Club
7:15 pm | 26 | Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS |
| 15 | TC Gardens Condo
6:30 pm | 28 | Horizon Run Condo
7:30 pm |
| 16 | Stedwick HC
7 pm | | |

- 3 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS
 - 4 Independence Day
July 4 5K Race
8 am – LMCC

Southern Charm concert
7 pm – Bowie Music Pavilion
 - 5 MVF Office Closed
 - 7 Kidjam - Pam the
Kindersinger
10:30 am – SVP

ARB
7 pm
 - 8 Whetstone HC
7:30 pm
 - 10 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS
 - 12 Investment Committee
7:30 pm
 - 13 Eastgate HC
7:30 pm
 - 14 Kidjam - Oh Sweethearts
9 am to 1 pm – CTS
 - East Village HC
7:30 pm
 - 21 Kidjam - Ray Owen
10:30 am – SVP

MD Place HC
7 pm
 - 22 MVF Board of Directors
7:30 pm
 - 24 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS
 - 27 Center Court Condo
7 pm

Patton Ridge HC
7 pm
 - 28 Kidjam - Kidsinger Jim
10:30 am – SVP

CCLA
4:30 pm

South Village HC
7 pm
 - 31 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS

August

- 4 ARB
7 pm
- Communications Committee
7 p.m.
- 7 Farmers' Market
9 am to 1 pm – CTS
- Signature Concert
The Reagan Years
7 pm – SVP

Notice: Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, until further notice, all MVF-managed board meetings will be conducted via audio/videoconference until allowed to meet in person. Individuals desiring to attend a virtual board meeting may find the meeting agenda and instructions to attend the meeting online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/communities/village-communities. Likewise, MVF committee meeting packets will be posted online with instructions on how to listen in or participate in Residents Time.



KEY:
BMP..... Bowie Music Pavilion (See South Valley Park)
CTS..... Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 9801 Centerway Rd.
LMCC..... Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Ave.
MVF Office..... 10120 Apple Ridge Rd.

NCBR North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.
NCCC North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.
SCC Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Rd.
SVP South Valley Park, 19003 Watkins Mill Rd.

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

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3. All letters (typed, handwritten or e-mailed) must be received no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday prior to publication and distribution for inclusion in the print version; letters received outside this window may appear online in advance of the next printed issue. When a holiday occurs on a deadline Monday, Letters to the Editor must be received no later than noon on the subsequent Tuesday prior to the Friday publication and distribution.
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E-mail letters to mvnews@mvf.org.

IN THE NEWS

Bloom MV development update

Monument Realty is happy to announce that Ryan Homes has just begun construction of two model homes for the first phase of Bloom MV. The model homes will be located just off Montgomery Village Avenue, on the new Tall Oaks Road. The VIP sales launch will begin in August and the public grand opening is planned for September. The first new Bloom MV homeowners are expected to move into this new community by the end of this year. Sizes, prices and layouts are not currently available, but interested residents should e-mail DCMDTeam@ryanhomes.com to be added to an interest list.

Construction is ongoing in Areas 4 and 5, with the construction team working on water and sewer installation, final grading and street installation. Over the coming months, the community can expect to see the installation of Tall Oaks

Road from Montgomery Village Avenue to Arrowhead Road, and the construction of the first new homes along that road. In Area 5, Green Village Drive will be installed off Stewartown Road and the first new homes along that road should be under construction by the fall.

Site development work on phase two will begin next, with Area 1 (118 townhomes), Area 3B (19 single-family detached homes) and the new park all expected to start construction this summer. Delivery of the new park is still anticipated by the end of 2021.

The stream restoration planning to enhance the open space area and improve the health of the stream valley is continuing. RES, a national ecosystem restoration and water resource expert, continues to work with the State Highway Administration (SHA) and the county

on design and permitting for the stream restoration work, which is expected to be completed by the end of 2022. In the meantime, some afforestation will take place in the stream valley park in advance of the stream restoration. By the end of the project, over 2,800 new trees (and additional shrubs and plantings) will have been added.

Lastly, the final site plan amendment for Areas 2, 3A and 6A will be submitted in Fall 2021. Construction on these areas is expected to begin in the second half of 2022.

Monument Realty extends their gratitude to the community for the continued support, patience and interest in the project as it finally takes shape. For more information or questions, call 202-777-2000 or e-mail info@bloominmv.com.



The entrance from Arrowhead Road leading to Tall Oaks Road with construction in areas 4 and 5, where the first model homes will be built in the coming months.

2022 MVF Budget Schedule

THURSDAY, JUNE 24
MVF Board Meeting, Virtual, 7:30 p.m.
• Consider requests for 2022 budget

THURSDAY, JULY 22
• MVF Board Meeting, Virtual, 7:30 p.m.
• Consider requests for 2022 budget

FRIDAY, AUG. 6
Village News article with high level overview in reference to 2022 Budget availability of end of month.

TUESDAY, AUG. 17
Audit Committee Budget Work Session, Virtual, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 26
MVF Board Meeting, Virtual, 7:30 p.m.
• Presentation of 2022 Proposed Budget
• Approve proposed budget for Publication

FRIDAY, AUG. 27
Village News Online Edition
• Publish 2022 proposed budget on MVF website/
Village News
• 30-day public comment (if previously approved by MVF board)
• Hard copy of Budget available at MVF Office

THURSDAY, SEPT. 23
MVF Board Meeting, Virtual, 7:30 p.m.
• Opportunity for public comment on proposed budget

THURSDAY, OCT. 28
MVF Board Meeting, Virtual, 7:30 p.m.
• Adopt 2022 Budget
• Set 2022 Assessment Rates

NOVEMBER 2021
Notify owners of 2022 assessments

DECEMBER 2021
2022 Assessment coupons mailed



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2021

20th Anniversary

Friday, MAY 21

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IN THE NEWS

Wibit inflatable obstacle course approved for North Creek Pool

by Mike Conroy

The North Creek Pool and Bathroom Renovation project is the largest of the pool renovations to date. Given project hold-ups due to the COVID-19 pandemic, an exact opening date is unavailable at the moment, but to keep the project moving and in anticipation of a grand opening, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors approved purchase of another key component for this soon-to-be flagship pool during its April 22 meeting.

The renovation will include several new features at the pool, including beach entry, 25 and 50-meter lap lanes, a diving well and a 140-foot ride length water slide. Additionally, a customizable, inflatable obstacle course will be available on select days/times once the pool is back online. The MVF Board approved \$23,820 from the DU Reserves for the purchase of the inflatable course and volleyball court.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

In other pool-related items, the Board approved the 2021 Pool Schedule Phase 1, changes to the Pool Operating Policy and gave the EVP the authority to manage COVID-19 pool restrictions based on changing guidelines.

The pool schedule was broken into phases in order to accommodate changing COVID-19 restrictions throughout the summer. Phase 1 covers the

pool opening (Saturday, May 22 at Stedwick Pool) through Saturday, July 31. Updates to the Pool Operating Policy included housekeeping items; new food and beverage regulations; and changes to accommodate the new features coming online with the North Creek Pool renovation. The Pool Schedule and Pool Operating Policy can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Given the changing guidelines for all aspects of outdoor functions, events, programming and pool operations, the Recreation Committee proposed that MVF staff be able to respond quickly and make adjustments as necessary to accommodate the fluidity of the pandemic, as was done in 2020. The MVF Board agreed, and gave the EVP the authority to manage implementation of COVID-19 restrictions for the 2021 pool season.

As is customary in April, the Board approved committee chair recommendations and reaffirmed committee membership for MVF committees. The full list of committees, chairs, members and Board and staff liaisons can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/committees. In other committee-related business, the Board also appointed Doniele Ayres to the Investment Committee as the third member from the MVF Board; this was necessary due to one Board member resigning his position.

The resignation from the Board also signaled the need for the MVF Board to declare a vacancy and start the procedure to fill the empty seat. Full details on the vacancy and how to apply for the MVF Board can be found in the article on page 1.

Finally, the Board re-affirmed an earlier e-mail vote on the recommendation of an electricity contract. Earlier in the month, the Board authorized a 24-month agreement with Constellation, locking in a 100% renewable energy supplier agreement at a more economical rate than the previous provider offered. MVF's previous contract only utilized 30% renewable energy; the change will yield a cost savings of nearly \$13,000 each year.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

MVF Board President Pete Webb thanked two outgoing volunteers for their service and issued them each a Community Service Award. MVF Board member Ricardo Camacho has spent the last year on the Board—his second partial term—and Jeffrey McCloskey has spent the last 7 years on the Investment and Nominating committees, helping to shape the makeup of Board and its investments.

EVP REPORT

Executive Vice President (EVP) Dave Humpton noted the annual MVF Board Retreat is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thurs-

day, June 3, via Zoom; Board members were asked to send discussion topics for exploration during the retreat.

Humpton gave an update on development projects in the Village, noting the progress on the Bloom site; he said paving has begun at the Rothbury Drive/Arrowhead Road entrance and he would expect mid-summer for some homes to be built on the site. At the Village Center, it was reported that a Site Plan review for the Watkins Mill side/residential portion of the project was coming in July, with permits to take about one year after that. Based on that timeframe, construction would begin in mid-2022 and last through 2023. No update was available on when the Starbucks and Centerway Road extension would be finished.

Humpton also thanked Senator King for her Legislative Update. He said there was a full listing of bills MVF was watching in his report, but he gave an update on the Reserve Study Bill. He said the bill did not pass at the state level, but it did on the county level, requiring Reserve Studies for all condominiums, HOAs and co-ops in Montgomery County; MVF already meets the requirements set forth in the bill.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Bob Carey presented the financials for the year-to-date and the month

ending March 31, 2021. He said overall results through the end of March remained ahead of budget, continuing MVF's strong financial position. The Balance Sheet reported \$11.3 million in Cash and Investments, (up from \$400,000 at the end of the 2020). He noted that \$1.3 million of MVF's capital is currently invested in the North Creek Pool renovation. Carey also said the Current Ratio (assets over liabilities) is 3.8, which although it has dropped (mainly because of the pool expenses), is still an excellent figure.

Revenue for the month was reported at \$774,000 (favorable to the budget by \$75,000) mainly due to Capital Contribution Fees and Investments; Expenses were favorable to the budget across the board due to good management practices. Year-to-date Revenue was reported at \$2 million.

Carey said Accounts Receivable dropped from last year, excluding what is owed from the condominiums involved in the lawsuit.

NEXT MEETING

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 27, as a conference call. 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 2021

OPERATING FUND - STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE

	March 2021			YTD Mar 2021		
	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Assessments	586,250	586,250	-	1,868,777	1,868,777	-
Assessment Fees	1,516	2,354	(838)	45,135	55,350	(10,215)
Transfer Fees	3,975	2,640	1,335	8,925	6,178	2,747
Disclosure Fees	14,377	11,754	2,623	38,558	23,250	15,308
Advertising revenue	3,059	10,786	(8,706)	5,728	10,765	(5,037)
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	-	242	(242)	10	528	(318)
Camps & Classes	20,230	17,675	2,555	40,237	43,875	(3,638)
Management Fees	71,059	68,706	2,353	209,530	205,118	3,412
Capital Contribution fee	20,529	9,193	11,337	42,193	21,310	20,883
Other Income	10,647	7,577	3,070	23,521	12,504	11,217
Total Revenue	760,691	687,144	73,547	2,083,612	2,048,254	35,358
Personnel Costs:						
Salaries & Wages	228,853	251,135	(22,282)	690,619	741,848	(51,029)
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	75,080	82,878	(7,798)	231,339	248,471	(17,131)
Personnel Costs	303,934	334,013	30,080	921,958	990,319	68,360
Business Expenses:						
Office Supplies	10,423	14,917	(4,494)	24,303	39,674	(15,371)
Programs/Maint Supplies	1,368	1,994	(626)	12,967	11,418	(1,549)
Occupancy	3,154	4,294	(1,140)	12,463	14,173	(1,711)
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	15,134	19,241	(4,107)	47,818	54,315	(6,496)
Equip Maintenance	20,484	28,277	(7,793)	66,617	74,782	(8,165)
Vehicle Expenses	81	644	(563)	212	6,642	(6,430)
Financial & Legal	606	2,248	(1,642)	4,733	6,530	(1,796)
Insurance	10,530	9,282	1,247	58,380	57,604	(776)
Printing	11,012	10,935	(77)	33,037	32,608	(429)
Landscaping/Maintenance	-	3,640	(3,640)	7,394	8,266	(872)
Security	48,623	67,201	(18,578)	205,086	196,356	(8,730)
Other	106	107	(1)	2,337	321	(2,016)
Operating Costs	121,790	160,987	39,197	478,960	603,087	124,127
Contribution to Reserves	112,454	112,454	0	337,362	337,362	0
Contribution to CCF	20,529	9,193	11,337	42,193	21,310	20,883
Purchases of Assets	433	0	(433)	1,299	0	(1,299)
Restricted Expenses	2,365	0	(2,365)	2,365	0	(2,365)
Other Equity Transfers	-	0	0	-	0	0
Reserve/capital	135,781	121,647	14,134	383,219	358,672	24,546
Operating Expenses	561,415	616,647	55,232	1,781,137	1,851,877	70,740
Excess/Deficit Revenue	129,276	70,517	58,758	302,475	196,377	106,098

MVF BALANCE SHEET

For the Period Ended March 31, 2021

	Current	Prior Year
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash equiv	4,414,447	2,975,836
Investments	6,809,402	6,016,045
Due from Reserves	1,133,701	163,337
Assessment Receivables	811,124	615,885
Other Receivables	80,853	88,019
Current Assets	13,339,527	9,859,222
Gross Fixed Assets	18,099,639	15,284,001
Accumulated Depreciation	(7,612,329)	(7,384,004)
Fixed Assets	10,487,310	7,899,997
Other Assets	73,837	78,351
Assets	23,900,674	18,837,570
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Due to Operating	1,133,701	163,337
Payables	1,385,155	479,797
Sunstream Cap Lease	100,008	105,204
Deferred Revenue Liab	847,973	730,466
Liabilities	3,466,837	1,484,802
Undesignated Reserves	2,910,388	1,275,341
Designated Reserves	17,523,044	16,077,421
Equity	20,434,532	17,352,763
Liabilities & Equity	23,900,674	18,837,570



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

Public comment sought on Lakeforest Mall Master Plan Amendment

Lakeforest Mall was developed in 1978 as a traditional enclosed suburban shopping mall with four major anchor stores and a core of in-line tenants, all surrounded by large surface parking lots. The mall has declined in recent years as a result of changing retail habits. Consisting of about 100 acres, the site now offers a significant redevelopment opportunity in the City of Gaithersburg, at the entrance to Montgomery Village.

Should future owners of the mall choose to redevelop the site, the city wants to ensure that the development meets the needs of residents and contributes to a vibrant, sustainable community. A Lakeforest Mall Master Plan is being developed by the City of Gaithersburg to provide guidance.

Following a significant public outreach effort to obtain initial input in Fall 2020, Gaithersburg staff prepared a draft amendment that was presented to the mayor, city council and planning commission on March 8. The public hearing draft Plan is now available for public comment. Over the next 60 days, prior to a public hearing, the city will be accepting comment e-mailed to lakeforestmp@gaitersburgmd.gov or mailed to City of Gaithersburg Planning and Code Administration, 31 S. Summit Ave., Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

The mayor, city council and planning commission will hold a consolidated Joint Public Hearing on the Lakeforest Mall Master Plan and special conditions on Monday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. Comments received in writing prior to Friday, May 21 will be included in the public hearing packets for consideration. Public comment is also welcome at the hearing. Registration



for the public hearing is required; instructions will be posted online at www.gaithersburgmd.gov/government/virtual-meeting-information closer to the meeting date.

To solicit additional feedback, two virtual public forums focused on the draft plan will take place on Tuesday, May 11. The two-hour sessions will be repeated at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Registration will be required. Please check the Future of Lakeforest Project Page closer to the meeting date for forum guidelines and registration details.

Each session will begin with a presentation of the draft plan followed by an opportunity for those in attendance to provide comment. Public remarks will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. The sessions will be recorded, and any comments provided will be made a part of the official record. Additional comments may be submitted in writing to lakeforestmp@gaitersburgmd.gov.

To allow for maximum participation, please register for and attend only one of the sessions. The forums will be recorded and posted to the Future of Lakeforest Project Page. Comments should be focused on the content of the plan, including the narrative and proposed recommendations and special conditions.

More information regarding the Lakeforest Mall Master Plan is available at www.gaithersburgmd.gov/government/projects-in-the-city/lakeforest-master-plan. For more information, call 301-258-6330 or e-mail planning@gaitersburgmd.gov.

Something for everyone at Montgomery Village 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 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 12. 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!

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 Monday, June 21 through Friday, Aug. 27 — 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. For those that need the ultimate flexibility, try the Summer Club

at Stedwick. This one-price option for the entire summer offers the ability to come on the days you need it.

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 attend 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 state and/or county COVID-19 guidelines. Given the COVID-19 pandemic, space is limited. 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. Face masks are required, staff and campers will remain 6-feet apart when possible and hand washing and sanitizing times are built into the program.

Parents, guardians and pre-registered campers are invited to meet the staff of their respective camps at the Virtual Camp Open House via Zoom on Wednesday, May 19. Times vary per camp; for more information, call 301-948-0110, or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com. Meeting connection instructions will be provided to pre-registered campers with a valid e-mail address.

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!



Senator King secures bond funds for Centerway Local Park


District 39 Senator Nancy King reported that a \$250,000 matching bond bill was granted to Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) for the upcoming work for Centerway Local Park. While this park is not a Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF)-owned park, its proximity to Whetstone Elementary School and location in the Village greatly benefits Village residents.

The state Board of Public Works considered the request to certify matching funds and

enter into a grant agreement for M-NCPPC's acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement and capital equipping of Centerway Local Park, including the installation of playground equipment.

M-NCPPC has submitted documentation that it has allocated sufficient funds in its FY 2020 budget (\$250,000) to meet the matching fund requirement for this project (Item 12 of the Department of General Services' Office of State Procurement Agenda).

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IN THE NEWS

Pool Season

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ACTIVITY CARD PROCESS

For 2021, the standard Activity Card Policy will go back into effect. The 2020 suspension of parts of the Activity Card Policy were put in place to limit the number of visitors to the pool, limit the number of people visitors to the MVF Office and allow MVF to open pools as quickly as permitted—all measures that were in compliance with previous COVID-19 restrictions. Lifting the suspension results in the allowance of guests, sale of Limited Annual Pool Memberships (LAPM) and normal procedures according to the Activity Card Policy.

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 found 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. 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.

2021 COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Currently, staff is monitoring the ever-changing Montgomery County COVID-19 restrictions, as they pertain to the 2021 pool season. Prior to the pools opening on Saturday, May 22, MVF will let patrons know what to expect when they come to the pool, including what features will be open and closed; if furniture will be available; when patrons will be required to wear a facemask and when it is OK not to; social distancing requirements; how many swimmers are allowed in a lap-lane; and other restrictions. Updates will be available online nearer to the start of the season.

NORTH CREEK POOL UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The major renovation of North Creek Pool and Bathhouse has been delayed due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, staff are monitoring progress, and we will update all residents on if the pool will open for the end-of-the-summer 2021 season, when a more exact timeline is known. What is clear is that the North Creek Pool will not open in Phase 1. The MVF Pool Operating Policy has been updated to add requirements for some of the new features, which will be coming online with the new pool, including a water slide with a 140' ride-length, the Wibit inflatable obstacle course and the wading pool feature.

The revised Pool Operation Policy can be viewed online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/mvf/mvf-policies.

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



Reminders about Village park rules

With warmer weather in season, Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Parks Staff asks that residents and park visitors be mindful of park rules. A complete list of rules can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/sites/default/files/policies/mvf_park_use_policy_rules_and_regulations.pdf.

MVF owns, manages and maintains 20 different parks and over 330 acres of greenspace throughout the Village. These parks feature ballfields, tot lots, walking paths, tennis courts, basketball courts, picnic areas, picnic pavilions and nature observation opportunities. The picnic pavilions and ballfields may be rented for private use. Information on how to rent each of these facilities can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

All pets are required to be on leash while using parks. Keeping your dog on a leash helps others to enjoy the parks as well. In addition, in some past summer months, some of MVF's lakes and ponds have had blue-green algae, which can be harmful to pets; please do not let your pets drink the lake or pond water. Pet owners are also re-

quired to clean up after their pets. Pet waste when left on the ground washes into the waterways, which creates pollution via nutrients and pathogens. Both of these pet-related park rules are also Montgomery County law.

Trash cans can be found around the parks. Please either use the trash cans provided, or take your trash with you. No one wants to visit a park full of trash, so please do your part to keep our parks clean, for yourself and for other park visitors. Glass containers are not permitted in any MVF parks.

In addition, the following are not permitted in MVF parks: alcohol beverages (without prior approval), loud radios or personal devices, unauthorized motorized vehicles, swimming or wading in lakes or ponds and golfing. Grilling is only permitted at a pavilion rental (by following specific guidelines) or at the grills installed at Lake Marion Park. Outside of these areas, a grilling is not permitted. A full list of items that are not permitted and other rules in the parks can be found online.

We look forward to seeing you in our parks!

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On March 4, construction began in the parking lot of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church (CTS). Its purpose is to replace 4,000 square feet of our impervious blacktop with permeable pavers and to tie in two downspouts from our flat roof into the same drainage system. This will prevent thousands of gallons of runoff into our watersheds.

CTS has always been environmentally conscious. Part of our ministry is to be good stewards of our planet. We recycle plastic, glass and paper products, use washable plates, cups and utensils instead of paper ones in our activities, maintain a compost pile and sponsor a yard sale involving our community. When it became time to replace our

blacktop parking lot our Creation Care Team explored the most environmentally healthy way possible. We learned that even replacing a small section of our parking lot with permeable pavers would greatly help the Chesapeake watershed.

The major work of this project cannot be seen. Underneath the beautiful pavers are layers of dirt, sand, stone and gravel. The permeable pavers are special L-shaped and interlocking. This makes them very strong and durable.

This project is paid for by a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust. The funding partner for this award is Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection and the awarded funding is provided through the Montgomery

County Water Quality Protection Fund. Christ the Servant has also provided funds as well as volunteer hours. Other partners in this project are Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake, the Gaithersburg Public Library and the Montgomery Village Foundation.

The Chesapeake Bay Trust (CBT) awards more than \$10 million in grant funding each year to hundreds of nonprofits and community organizations throughout the region for hands-on projects that are ensuring cleaner, greener, healthier Chesapeake, Coastal Bays, and Youghiogheny watersheds for years to come. For more information about this organization go to www.chesapeakebaytrust.org.



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IN THE NEWS

MVF Board in search of new Treasurer

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors is seeking a volunteer to serve as Treasurer. After several years of service to the community, Treasurer Bob

Carey resigned the position after the April MVF Board of Directors meeting.

Responsibilities of the Treasurer include working in coordination with the CFO to oversee the accounting and treasury functions of MVF; being an active member of both the Audit and Investment committees; and high level review and presentation of MVF's monthly financial statements to the Board at their monthly meetings.

Residents interested in the position, or those with questions should e-mail Chief Financial Officer Daniel Salazar at dsalazar@mvf.org.



New members needed for MVF Investment Committee

Are you looking to get involved in your community? Do you have a few hours every few months to help keep Montgomery Village moving forward? Then consider applying for appointment to the MVF Investment Committee.

Following a change to the Investment Committee Guidelines approved by the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors at their July 23, 2020 meeting, an additional volunteer community member position was added to the committee. Additionally, a volunteer member also stepped down from their position. As such, the committee is currently seeking two volunteer members to aid in making investment recommendations to the MVF Board.

This important ad-hoc committee addresses and advises the Board on matters specifically related to MVF's investment activities. The committee reviews quarterly investment performance and makes recommendations to the Board on investment strategy and policy and approves investment transactions that are in line with the policy. The committee works with MVF's Investment Advisors.

The committee meets quarterly on Mondays, at 7:30 p.m. at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road (currently meeting virtually).

Applicants should have a recent background, education or professional experience that includes expertise in investment



management/banking. Certified Financial Advisors, Investment Advisors and Chief Financial Officers are encouraged to apply.

To apply, a Committee Membership Application can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com under "MVF," "Committees."

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

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IN THE NEWS

Bort, Hooks and Prince elected to 2021 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 20, 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, Joseph Hooks, Susan Prince and Pamela Bort received the most votes, respectively.

Hooks and Prince will replace incumbent board members Jerome Leonard and outgoing Board member and Past President Glenn Gargan (who opted not to seek re-election after his second term on the MVF Board). Bort was re-elected to another three-year term continuing her years of service on the MVF Board.

The newly elected were officially installed as Board members on Thursday, March 25 during the MVF Annual Meeting. Each will serve a three-year term.



2021 MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

HOOKS, JOSEPH	2,194
PRINCE, SUSAN	2,176
BORT, PAMELA	2,164
LEONARD, JEROME	1,834
COFFEE-BORDEN, BRANDON	1,424
STIFF, MARY	780

Montgomery Village Farmers' Market opens June 5



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 5 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 11th 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, Fettes Fruit Farm, Springfield Farm, Barley Field Orchard, Killdeer Valley Cookies, Mom's Sweet Creations, Furnace Hills Coffee, The Crêpe Shoppe, DMV Empanadas, Nativo Condi-

ments and Seasonings, Just Pralines, D's Smokehouse BBQ, Elk Run Vineyards, Urban Winery, Mully's Brewery, 7 Locks Brewing, Baltimore Spirits Co. and Tobacco Barn Distillery. Check out the latest additions to the MV Farmers' Market as well: Stone Hearth Barkery, House of Quince, MODbars LLC, Misfit Winery and Twin Valley Distillery.

Due to COVID-19 operating procedures, vendors may be altering some of their normal practices. MVF will also be implementing social distancing measures including: one-way market flow; a limited number of shoppers at any given time in the market; patrons and vendors required to wear masks at all times; shoppers required to maintain a minimum 6-foot distance from others in line and in the market; and no dogs in market (except service animals).

So, come out on Saturday, June 5, 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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IN THE NEWS

New digital trail and amenity map available online

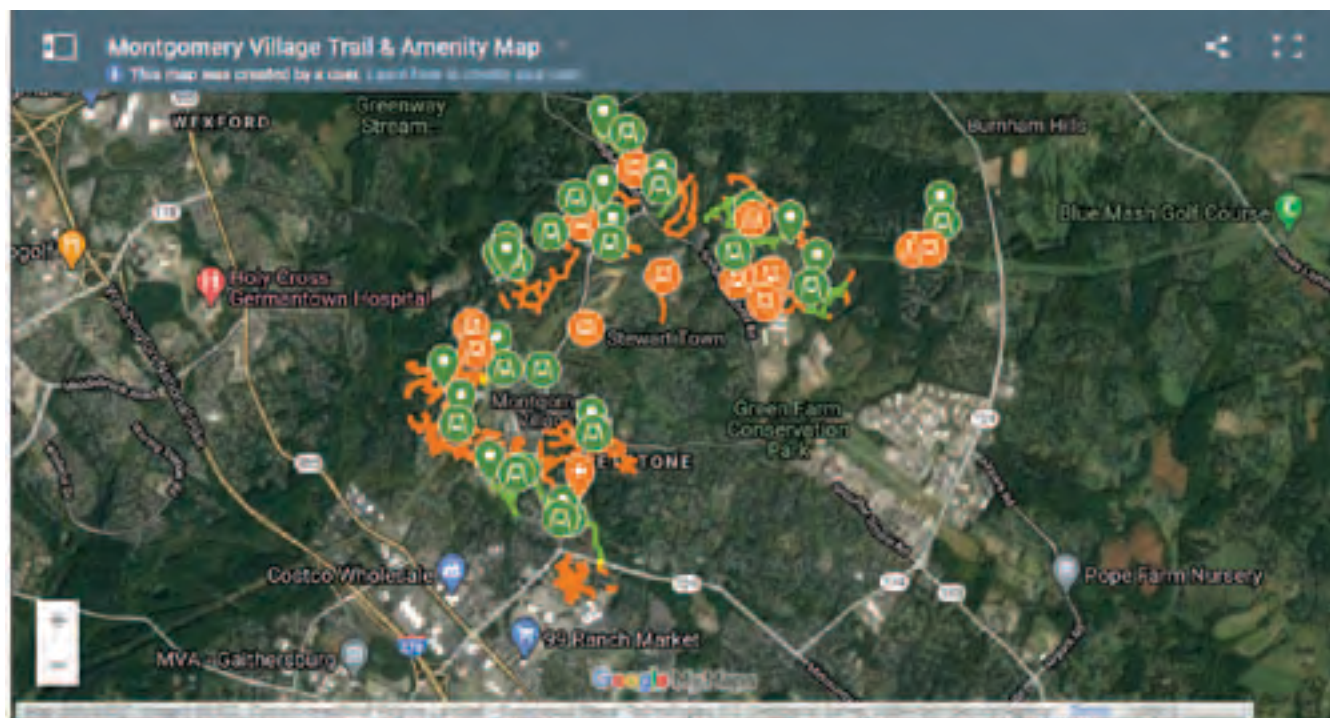
by Amy Roswurm

On February 24 the Department of Recreation and Parks launched a new interactive trail map on the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) website, www.montgomeryvillage.com. The integrated Google map also has a mobile-friendly version. This map features all the asphalt paths in the parks and the communities, as well as the locations of playgrounds and other amenities on MVF and homeowner association properties. This map has the ability to be updated as new trails or amenities are opened, as expected with the new development coming to the former golf course property.

The map creation was spearheaded by a motion from the Committee on the Environment, and supported by the MVF Board of Directors and the Recreation Committee. Staff are excited to bring this updated resource to Village residents.

The map can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com/recreation/parks-playgrounds/mvf-trail-map.

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



Reminder: Please pick up after your pets

The Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection reminds all residents that picking up after their pets is not just a matter of public health and safety, it's also the law. And with more residents working from home and able to enjoy the outdoors walking their pets, there has been an increase in pet waste left on the ground in the past year.

Did you know a typical 40-pound dog produces 274 pounds of waste per year? Pet waste is dangerous to your health. It's more than just a nuisance—it is considered raw sewage and can contain harmful bacteria and parasites. When it's tracked into your home, it can make you, your family and even your pets sick.

Pet waste also pollutes our waterways. Every time it rains, thousands of pounds of pet waste left on the ground flow into storm drains that empty into Montgomery County streams. These streams contribute to drinking water and empty into the Chesapeake Bay. Every pet owner plays a part in keeping our water

clean. Pet owners who do not properly dispose of pet waste may be subject to fines for each offense.

Do not place the bag in a storm drain or leave it on the ground.

In Montgomery Village, many local associations have installed pet waste stations along popular walking routes.



PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET!

Responsible pet owners pick up after their pets, both at home and on public land. Carry bags and pick up pet waste whether on walks, in your yard, or in the park. Dispose of pet waste in a trash can.

The stations contain waste bags and a receptacle to put it in. If they are full, owners should carry waste with them and dispose of properly at home.

For more information, call 311 or visit <http://montgomerycountymd.gov/PetWaste>.

Staying Aware in the Village

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

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential burglary occurred in the 18600 block of Kingfisher Terrace at approximately 9:22 p.m. on April 11. Forced entry; nothing was taken. Victim/Witness described suspects as: A/M or H/M, age unknown B/M, age unknown.

THEFTS FROM VEHICLES

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between April 9 and April 15. Affected streets included the area of Cinnabar Drive and East Village Avenue, Kindly Court, Watkins Mill Road, Rothbury Lane and Ravenglass Way. Force was reported in event; money, property and vehicle parts were taken.

Description of suspects seen at one of the Kindly Court thefts: B/M, age unknown B/F, age unknown.

VEHICLE THEFT

A vehicle theft occurred in the 18600 block of Nathans Place between approximately 2 and 10 a.m. on April 17. Unknown entry. No suspect(s) information available.

A vehicle theft occurred in the 19300 block of Club House Road between approximately 8 p.m. on April 14 and 10 a.m. on April 15. Force. The vehicle was recovered on April 15. No suspect(s) information available.

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IN THE NEWS

Montgomery Village claims 33rd Tree City USA title

Montgomery Village has been named a 2020 Tree City USA community by The National Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to community forestry. It is the 33rd consecutive year Montgomery Village has received this national recognition.

According to the National Arbor Day Foundation, Montgomery Village has met four criteria to become a Tree City USA, including a tree board or department; a tree care ordinance; maintaining a community forestry budget; and holding an official Arbor Day observance.

Montgomery Village celebrated Arbor Day this year on April 14 by planting a Swamp White Oak in Edward DeSimon Park, near the pond. This tree was also planted to honor former

MVF Board of Directors President Glenn Gargan, for his years of service to Montgomery Village.

Montgomery Village is committed to effective urban forestry management. Maintaining this importance resource is vital to our public infrastructure. Cleaner air, improved storm water management, energy savings and increased property values are among the benefits enjoyed by Tree City USA communities.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by The National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

For more information on The National Arbor Day Foundation, visit www.arborday.org.



2021 Montgomery Village Foundation Independence Day Celebration

Sunday, July 4

The 2021 Independence Day Celebration will include a concert at South Valley Park, and the annual 5K race and fun run. Both events will offer the community the opportunity to celebrate the holiday with neighbors, while complying with all COVID-19 guidelines. Due to the fluidity of the reopening in 2021, finalized details and measures of what to expect will be available closer to this summer's event.

5K Race and Fun Run

Start your Independence Day Celebration by participating in the Montgomery Village 5K Race or Fun Run at **Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Montgomery County Road Runners** will be back this year to handle electronic chip timing.

Stay tuned for registration information at www.montgomeryvillage.com and on our social media channels.



Free Rock 'n' Roll Show Southern Charm

Sunday, July 4 | 7 p.m.

Southern Charm is ready to rock your Fourth of July! This awesome group from Frederick features country and rock songs from Shania Twain, The Dixie Chicks, Keith Urban, The Eagles and AC/DC. Finish your Independence Day with great music!

Note: These events may be cancelled or modified at any time due to changes in the state or county COVID-19 restrictions.

IN THE NEWS



AT THE GORDON W. BOWIE MUSIC PAVILION,
19003 WATKINS MILL ROAD

Signature Series Concerts Saturdays | 7 p.m.

The 2021 summer series consists of a mixture of concerts and a family movie for the community! Families are encouraged to relax with a picnic and blankets or lawn chairs to enjoy an eclectic assortment of entertainment.

Beer and wine sales by Mully's Brewery will be available at concert series to those 21 and older.

****subject to change or cancellation due to COVID-19****

Vinyl Rhino – Saturday, June 12

Start your Saturday off right with Maryland's high-energy party band, Vinyl Rhino. Modern Rock and Pop from the 80's on up! Get ready for a Saturday evening jam session!



Back Pages Band – Saturday, June 19

The Back Pages Band performs classic songs from the Golden Decade of Rock (1963-1973). Back Pages Band is a popular favorite in Montgomery Village – don't miss out on a great night of music!



Family Movie Night Saturday, Sept. 11 | 7 p.m.



Disney
THE
LION KING

Catch a family movie night under the stars with the Disney's "The Lion King." The whole family will enjoy the re-imagined, live-action version of this classic movie. Bring a blanket or chairs and watch Simba come to life!

Eclipse the Ultimate Journey Tribute Saturday, July 17

This Journey Tribute band from Westminster will make you feel all nostalgic and happy. Jam out to some of Journey's greatest hits from the Steve Perry era!



The Reagan Years – Saturday, Aug. 7

Love 80's music? The Reagan Years will take you back to the days of big hair, acid-washed jeans and good music. You'll hear your favorite songs from mega-artists such as Madonna, Whitney Houston, Journey, Guns N' Roses and more! Rock out with the East Coast's Original 80's Tribute Band.



Ocho de Bastos – Saturday, Aug. 21

This Latin Pop Rock Band brings together people of all ages and backgrounds. Get out of your seat and start dancing to Top 40 hits, Latin Rock and other Pop tunes!



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

IN THE NEWS

Buy Local. Buy Fresh.

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FARMERS' MARKET

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June 5 thru Oct. 31
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PRODUCE

Valencia's Produce

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FRUIT SPECIALISTS

Fetters Fruit Farm

Apples, peaches, nectarines, plums, apricots, cantaloupes, cherries, tomatoes, cucumbers, pears, berries, grapes, asparagus, peppers, fruit butter, apple juice, cider, honey, sweet and spicy salsa

House of Quince

Homemade artisan products from quince, dedicated to bringing back to American consumers the ancient, healthy and delicious fruit!

MEAT

Springfield Farm

Beef, pork, chicken, turkey, free-range eggs

SWEET TREATS

Barley Field Orchard

Fresh baked pies, muffins, scones, quick breads and fruit preserves

Killdeer Valley Cookies

Various assorted fresh baked cookies made with wholesome ingredients

Mom's Sweet Creations

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Stone Hearth Bakery

Fine European style breads and pastries

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Affordable, nutritious, filling snack bars that cater to people with dietary restrictions (high-protein, nut-free or vegan diets).

DRINKS

Furnace Hills Coffee Company

Fresh daily roasted coffee from hand picked, shade grown beans

SPECIALTY ITEMS

D's Smokehouse BBQ

Southern offerings and barbecue
Visiting Aug. 15 and Aug. 29

DMV Empanadas

Locally made Empanadas

The Crêpe Shoppe

Classic crêpes, innovative health conscious options and seasonal specialties

Just Pralines

All natural, honey-roasted nuts

Nativo Condiments/ Seasonings

Variety of hand-mixed Argentinian seasonings to help you create chef quality food in your very own kitchen.

WINERIES

Elk Run Vineyards

Vinifera grape wines: Chardonnay, Cabernet, Merlot, Riesling, Malbec, Syrah, Pinot Gris
June 5, June 19, July 3, July 17, July 31, Aug. 7, Aug. 21, Sept. 4, Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Oct. 16, Oct. 30

Urban Winery

Traditionally-crafted wines from the finest grapes from around the world.
June 19, July 17, Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Oct. 30

Misfit Winery

Highest quality grapes from all over the world to handcraft, blend and ferment boutique wines
June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24, Aug. 14, Aug. 28, Sept. 11, Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Oct. 23

MICROBREWERIES

Mully's Brewery

Local, fresh hand-crafted beers
June 5, June 19, July 3, July 17, July 31, Aug. 14, Aug. 28, Sept. 11, Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Oct. 23, Oct. 30

7 Locks Brewing

Craft. Beer. Simplified.
June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24, Aug. 7, Aug. 21, Sept. 4, Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Oct. 16

DISTILLERIES

Tobacco Barn Distillery

Maryland Bourbon and Whiskey
June 5, July 17, Aug. 21, Sept. 25

Baltimore Spirits Co.

Designer spirits from the heart of Baltimore: Whiskey, Gin, Brandy, Amari and more
June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24, Aug. 14, Aug. 28, Sept. 4, Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Oct. 16

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WHETSTONE WATCH

What's next in Whetstone

by the Whetstone Board of Directors

Whetstone never disappoints. Goslings are beginning to emerge on the lake. Azaleas have bloomed and added their color to the neighborhood. Spring has arrived in all its glory, and summer is around the corner. With vaccination rates increasing and state and county guidelines changing, there is reason to hope that this summer will be a little more like a normal summer.

Whetstone Pool is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend. On that note, the Whetstone Whales Swim Team is also hoping to compete this summer. The swim team has been a mainstay for kids in the community for more than 40 years. Last summer, the team was only able to hold limited practices and no meets. This summer the Montgomery County Swim League has signaled that county teams may conduct practices and participate in competitive "A" meets as well as potentially holding "B" meets, provided teams comply with league rules regarding COVID. Those rules include limits on the number of swimmers per lane during practices, restrictions on social events and other limitations. Whetstone families interested in participating on the swim

team should e-mail whetstonewhales@gmail.com or check out the team's Facebook page for more information.

Recently, the Whetstone Homes Corporation (WHC) Board of Directors distributed ballot materials for a proposed amendment to the Declaration of Covenants that would permit Whetstone residents to park a personal-use (non-work) pickup truck on their driveway overnight; in the Courts of Whetstone, it would allow for residents to park a personal use pickup overnight in the court adjacent to their homes.

In 1967, when the current rule was adopted, pickup trucks were almost exclusively work vehicles. The rules primarily reflected a concern about the overnight parking of work vehicles on Whetstone streets, and ungaraged on homeowners' driveways. The proposed amendment is intended to bring neighborhood parking restrictions up-to-date while continuing to prohibit the overnight parking of work vehicles, which was the intent of the original rule.

In 2021, many people own and operate pickup trucks and other vehicles of a comparable size and profile as their personal use vehicles. For example, it is very common for members of the military to own pickup trucks because the needs of the

service make them a sensible choice. Under the current rules, a Whetstone resident can park a large vehicle such as a Chevy Suburban or Ford Expedition on their driveway overnight, but cannot park a personal-use pickup truck, even though these vehicles are of comparable size dimensions and are often built on a common truck frame. Also, the current rules disadvantage Whetstone homeowners whose homes don't have garages.

Your participation in this community ballot measure is very important, regardless of whether you support or oppose the amendment, please vote. Ballots must be returned to the Montgomery Village Foundation Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12.

In an effort to communicate more effectively with our residents, the WHC board would like to update our board e-mail list. This allows you to receive meeting notices, agendas, emergency information, etc. This is not a neighborhood discussion forum. If you are not on the current list or have changed your provider, just send an e-mail to vermillion.whc@gmail.com.

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

EAST VILLAGE ECHO

Parking, speeding and airplanes

by the East Village Board of Directors

PARKING

There has been an important change to the reserved parking and towing policy for East Village residents. A resident now may have the authority to tow an unauthorized vehicle from his or her assigned parking space. The association will no longer authorize or call for the towing of vehicles from assigned reserve spaces.

Residents will be allowed to call the towing contractor to have a vehicle towed from their reserved assigned space. Residents should contact the towing contractor directly and sign any necessary documentation required to have the vehicle towed.

For restricted vehicles (i.e. trucks) or abandoned vehicles parking in common Village parking spaces, the vehicle must first be stickered and can only be towed after 72 hours have elapsed without the vehicle being moved by the owner.

SPEEDING

Oftentimes when one is driving on East Village Avenue, there is a motorist that is driving in excess of the 30 mph posted speed. This creates a hazard for pedestrians crossing at crosswalks, other motorists and the motorist themselves. Speeding has far ranging consequences, the driver has a reduced reaction time to potential hazards, increased stopping distance and increased risk of crash severity due to the vehicle traveling at a higher rate of speed. Maryland State Law allows speed cameras to be placed on roadways with a speed or 35 miles

per hour or less and in school zones. If you would like to suggest a speed camera location, e-mail Richard Hetherington at Richard.Hetherington@montgomerycountymd.gov.

It is also important when operating a vehicle to stop at posted stop signs. It's the law and is treated as a moving violation; the driver may be charged a moving violation and one point on his or her driving record.

AIRPORT NOISE

For those of you on Facebook there is a group called the "Citizens for Airpark Safety" which has been founded to address noise and safety concerns due to planes coming and going from Montgomery County Airpark. The East Village Homes Corporation strongly recommends residents joining this group to voice concerns to local officials. When the noise is too loud, inform the airpark online at <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/airpark/noise-complaint>.

One particular area of concern is the "touch and go" approach. It involves a plane landing on a runway and taking off again without coming to a full stop. Usually, the pilot then circles the airport in a defined pattern (known as a circuit) and repeats the maneuver. This allows many landings to be practiced in a short time, and may be a contributing factor to the noise that comes from the airpark and disturbs residents.

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



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HOMES CORPORATIONS

STEDWICK SIGNALS

Spring into summer in Stedwick

by the Stedwick Board of Directors

While spring is in full bloom in Stedwick, it seems as though we are quickly moving toward summer given some of the warmer days we have had to date. New trees are being planted throughout Stedwick to increase our tree canopy, as well as celebrate the arrival of a new season. The board appreciates the actions by the residents and homeowners to spruce up their individual residences and yards. It contributes a great deal toward the engaging and lovely area where we live.

While we may all be ready to spend time outside, and with family and with friends, please be mindful that the pandemic isn't over. While the number of residents who are vaccinated is growing on a daily basis, not everyone is vaccinated and not everyone will opt for the vaccine. Please review the guidance provided by the CDC, the state and the county regarding venturing out, wearing of masks, physically distancing, shopping, use of pools and other common recreation assets and gatherings in order to continue to keep yourself and others safe so that we may all thrive.

PARKING UPDATE

At the March 17 meeting, the Stedwick Board of Directors heard feedback from a number of residents regarding the draft parking policy. The majority of the feedback indicated the draft policy was an overkill for a problem that seemed to affect specific neighborhoods within Stedwick. If implemented across Stedwick as written, the board felt it would have a negative impact on many of the residents and some of the neighborhoods. The board is currently working on a new draft policy that would not involve hang tags, but would provide an option for additional reserved parking. While all homeowners of Stedwick would be eligible, it would be an option and homeowners would not be required to take advantage of the option. The next step will be to review the revised draft at the Wednesday, May 19 board meeting.

APRIL BOARD MEETING UPDATE

The Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors met on April 21. In addition to the normal business items, considerable time was spent discussing the next steps for the parking policy given the

resident feedback at the March meeting. The outcome has been summarized in the Parking Update section of this article.

Maintenance continues to be a top area of focus. The condition of sidewalks, walking paths, streets, asphalt parking spaces, lighting and landscaping within the responsibility of the Stedwick Homes Corporation continues to be reviewed and evaluated. Where approved and within reasonable cost, the items are fixed. In April, the board reviewed a proposal for a new walking path/walking paths in Club Hill. Due to the known cost, and a number of unknown additional costs, the proposal was not approved and the board deferred consideration until next year. The board also reviewed proposals to mill and resurface the roads in Clusters 1 (one proposal) and the remaining roads within The Ridges (a separate proposal).

Due to the cost of these proposals, the board wanted to give every board member a chance to go view the condition of the roads in these two areas and resume discussion at the May meeting. The board also reviewed a proposal for addressing an erosion problem on Seneca Spring Way. This was not voted on during the meeting as some of the board members requested input from other sources, such as Rain-Scapes, to gain an understanding of potential options for resolving this erosion issue.

The board also received an update on various projects that are of interest to Stedwick such as the Lidl grocery store construction, progress on the Montgomery Village Center construction, plans for the next phase of what is currently Lakeforest Mall, the Bloom MV development and the opening of the 2021 Montgomery Village Farmers' Market on Saturday, June 5.

There are some reports of increased rodent and pest activity for those homes that border the old golf course area that may be a result of the construction. If you are experiencing such issues, please report your concerns to the Community Manager Karen Kodjanian at kkodjanian@mof.org.

PEPCO PROJECT UPDATE

As part of Pepco's Supply Line Improvement Plan for Montgomery County, 2.25 miles of distribution lines along the existing Pepco right-of-way between Gaithersburg and Montgomery Village continue being replaced, including

sections on either side of Stedwick Drive. When completed, the project will benefit customers by providing increased protection to the distribution line, reduced response time for outages and increased reliability of the overall system.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Stedwick Homes Corporation Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19. The first few minutes of the meeting is residents time when residents can talk to the board members, express concerns, or otherwise make the board aware of needs and items of interest. We invite all residents to participate; instructions to obtain the virtual meeting connection information are available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

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

NORTHGATE NEWS

Spring update

by the Northgate Board of Directors

The paving of The Points should be near completion by the time you are reading this. The entire community is being repaved for a cost of \$247,000. Additional road repairs in other Northgate neighborhoods will be reviewed.

A significant amount of tree work needs to be done and the Northgate board will be reviewing proposals. We ask for your patience, as there are thousands of dollars of work needed. Work gets prioritized by our arborist and completed accordingly.

Parking policies for specific subdivisions are being finalized and will be sent out shortly, if not already.

Please be advised that no planting or structures of any kind can be placed on community property. Ever.

Improper disposal of trash is the most frequent complaint the board receives. Each household has two trash pickups per week included in the assessment fee, plus bulk pickups when needed. Recy-

cling is once per week and our landscaper also picks up litter.

If you live in The Points or Overlea, your trash collection days are Mondays and Thursdays. Bulk trash will be picked up on Thursdays. If you live in Apple Ridge, Dorsey's Regard, McKendree I & II, Shadow Oak or Williams Range, your trash pickup days are Tuesdays and Fridays. Bulk trash will be picked up on Fridays.

Please do not put out your trash for collection until the evening before the pickup. If you miss a trash pickup do not place your trash out until the next scheduled trash day.

Finally, please do not feed any wildlife that ventures onto Northgate property. The crumbs and other food bits attract rats. Northgate has had to bring out exterminators to rid particular areas of rats specifically caused by food waste.

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



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MARYLAND PLACE MESSAGES

Spring is here and unfortunately, so is the trash

by the Maryland Place Board of Directors

Unfortunately, trash continues to be a problem in Maryland Place. The board receives complaints regularly about trash, recycling, furniture, appliances and building materials placed on community property. Placing anything on community property is illegal, and, if caught, you will be fined for the cleanup costs. We have come to point where we will be strictly monitoring and enforcing fines for these actions.

At no time should you place anything on community property! No trash, recycling, appliances, furniture, building materials, etc.

All trash and recycling is to be stored on your property in a sealed vermin-proof container. Trash is to be placed at the rear of your property on Sunday and Wednesday nights, after dark, for collection on Monday and Thursday mornings.

Recycling (including paper lawn/leaf bags) is to be placed in the front of your property on Wednesday night after dark for collection on Thursday morning. Again, at no time should trash, recycling, furniture, appliances and building materials ever be placed on community property.

The expense for cleanup of the mess on community property is out of control and unfortunately will be passed on to the homeowners.

Please, if you see someone placing items on community property, remind them that it is illegal to do so. We all need to work together to make Maryland Place the best place to live. It takes a village to keep Maryland Place clean.

Thank you and enjoy your summer!

Maryland Place Messages: for residents of Maryland Place.



NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

Be car smart

by the North Village Board of Directors

Recently, small gangs of four adolescents have been reported breaking into unlocked cars in the neighborhoods, according to our local police. Please be mindful. Here's some tips on break-in prevention:

1. Lock your vehicle. Let's not make it easy for criminals. Whenever you park your car (even in your driveway) close and lock the windows/doors/sunroof to help prevent theft of or in the vehicle. Resist the temptation to leave windows cracked during the summer.

2. Don't keep valuables in your vehicle. A tablet, purse or even loose change in plain view is eye-candy to a criminal. Criminals will smash a window to take anything of value.

3. Use an anti-theft device. Take the next step and activate the alarm system after locking your vehicle.

4. Don't leave your car running. Never leave your car unattended if it's running. This not only invites theft, it's also illegal. If you're not behind the wheel, turn your vehicle off.

5. Keep track of your keys. Many hide a spare key under the wheel-well or some other place under their car. Criminals have caught on and will not only steal your car but also burglarize your home. Please keep your keys/fob with you.

6. Park intelligently. When possible parking in a well-lit area will help deter criminals.

7. Take advantage of a tech-based auto recovery tool. Em-

ploying an auto-theft recovery tool could help you get your car back quickly.

8. Close your garage door. Criminals have been known to steal out of open garages, so please keep your garage door down as well.

OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMIT POLICY

North Village is planning to implement a permit tag policy in the next few months. Thank you for your feedback to our letters and participation in our Zoom meetings. Watch for details, and send further feedback if you wish. We are working through the details of a plan for addressing this complex issue. To submit input, e-mail Community Manager April Steward at asteward@mvf.org.

REMAINING 2021 HOLIDAY TRASH COLLECTION

Below is the remaining holiday trash schedule for 2021. The holidays with an asterisk (*) indicate that the county transfer facility is closed. If one of these holidays falls on a service day (Monday or

Memorial Day *	Mon. May 31, 2021*
Independence Day*	Mon. Jul 5, 2021*
Labor Day*	Mon. Sep 6, 2021*
Columbus Day	Mon. Oct 11, 2021
Veterans Day	Thurs. Nov 11, 2021
Thanksgiving*	Thu. Nov 25, 2021*
Native American Heritage Day	Fri. Nov 26, 2021
Christmas Day*	Sat. Dec 25, 2021*
New Year's Day*	Wed. Jan 1, 2022*
Martin Luther King Jr. Day *	Mon. Jan 17, 2022*

Thursday), North Village will have service the following day (Tuesday or Friday). Check NextDoor (online neighborhood group) for weather related updates to the calendar.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KEEP:

Security APS: 240-631-2399
Potomac Disposal: 301-294-9700

MC Recycling - New Blue Bins - Scrap Metal: 311
Pepco: 877-737-2662
WSSC: 301-206-4001

NEXT MEETING

The next North Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 17 via Zoom. E-mail asteward@mvf.org with your interest in attending the meeting; the connection link and instructions will be sent to you.

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

SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

Keeping South Village looking good

by the South Village Board of Directors

Spring cleanup and mulch application for the community have been completed in our neighborhoods and the board continues to work on improving greenspace, removing dangerous overgrown trees and improving line of site of overgrown shrubs, as well as other areas of beautification, including the completion of the first round of Covenant Compliance inspections.

How can you help? Please remember not to throw bulk trash on community property,

and please don't litter. If you have items of bulk trash, you can schedule a pickup for free by calling J&J Trash Service at 1-800-465-2350.

Recently, it has been brought to management's attention that residents are sitting on the railings of community fences. Please refrain from doing this to avoid damage to the fences and unnecessary maintenance expenses.

Do you ever wonder how you can help in your community? The answer is easy... consider joining the South Village Board of Directors. There

is currently a vacancy on the board waiting to be filled. If interested, e-mail Karen Kodjanian at kkodjanian@mvf.org for the next steps and what being on the board entails. Join us as we work to enhance our community and life in South Village!

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

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SCHOOL NEWS

Kindergarten Enrollment

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has launched an online registration and enrollment process to support families who need to enroll their child(ren) in MCPS for the current school year (2020-2021) and the upcoming year (2021-2022).

To begin the process, visit https://bit.ly/MCPS_Registration_Survey.

For more information or questions, e-mail Jody Figueroa-Velez at Jody_Figueroa-Velez@mcpsmd.org, Attendance Secretary, or Amy Curry at Amy_R_Curry@mcpsmd.org, Administrative Secretary. You may also call the main office at 240-740-6170.

LGCS students shine at Math Olympics

In early March, 29 Living Grace Christian School (LGCS) students, along with students from about 7 other schools, competed (remotely) in the ACSI Math Olympics. In the 12 competitions of computation and reasoning, LGCS placed 23 of their students including three 1st place finishes and one 1st place tie. The following students placed as follows:

In third grade, Gabriela Moreno - computation, 5th place; Jovanni Garcia - reasoning, 3rd place; and Rylie Bautista - reasoning, 5th place.

In fourth grade, Allayah Thomas - computation, 1st place with a medal (90% correct); Joy Moulouangou - computation, 3rd place; Yoel Fitsum - reasoning, tied 4th place; and Zachariah Mayhew - reasoning, tied 4th place.

In fifth grade, Jace Bautista - computation, 3rd place; Perla Mangandi - computation, 5th place; and Robert Bennett - reasoning, 5th place.

In sixth grade, Anna Wong - computation, 1st place with a medal (90% correct); Isabella Moreno - computation, 4th place; Karis Mayhew - computation, 5th place; and William Vunga - reasoning, 2nd place.

In seventh grade, Eden Campbell - computation, tied 1st place; Emily Speer - computation, 4th place; Brianna Tejada - computation, 5th place; Benjamin Jimenez - reasoning, 3rd place; and Lia Wong - reasoning, 4th place.

In eighth grade, Joshua Switzer - computation, 1st place; Celeste Rauda - computation, 2nd place; Ellis Vunga - computation, 4th place; and Valerie Armas - reasoning, tied 4th place.

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. The school is located at 20300 Pleasant Ridge Drive. For more information, visit www.lgcs.northgatecc.org.

LGCS Basketball team achieves undefeated season



The Living Grace Christian School (LGCS) Middle School Boys Basketball Team achieved an undefeated season of five wins and zero losses this past winter. Amid a season of many cancellations due to the pandemic, the team persevered and ended up having a successful campaign. Employing a pressing, fast-breaking

style of basketball, the team excelled at passing and getting the entire team involved in the offense.

Captain Joshua Switzer led the team with per-game averages of 9 assists, 14 rebounds and 16 points. Mason Mozie excelled with 16 points per game and 8 rebounds. Godwin Johnson provided 7 points per game

and excellent defense. Benjamin Jimenez won the Most Improved Player award. Living Grace Christian School is very grateful for an outstanding season.

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

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Thanks to all our volunteers in April

Often April is known as Earth Month and April 22 is Earth Day. During the month, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) hosted the annual spring Rake the Lake Event at Lake Whetstone and Girl Scout Troop 493 hosted their Girl Scout Earth Day Cleanup at South Valley Park. It was great to see such a great turnout for both events.

Rake the Lake, which is held multiple times throughout the

year, had 34 volunteers and the Girl Scout event had over 20 volunteers. The volunteers were able to remove a lot of plastic bottles, cans, a scooter and other various trash from both parks. MVF is grateful for their efforts and truly appreciates all the hard work of our volunteers. Thank you to all residents and volunteers for helping keep our parks clean!



Boy Scouts continue community service during pandemic



by Sam Henry, Life Scout, Troop 1988

Although times have been tough for almost the last year, that has not stopped Boy Scout Troop 1988 from giving back to the community. Scouts still volunteered for the yearly Scouting for Food truck loading and helped landscape around The Black Rock Center for the Arts. Three scouts have also carried out various acts of kindness including handing out camp cards to firehouses, delivering food to Gaithersburg HELP and assembling backpacks for Adam's Place Men's Shelter in Washington, D.C.

During Scouting for Food, scouts volunteered to help load food into trucks. This food drive helps provide food for everyone in the DC Metropolitan area. Also, in December 2020, one of our scouts, Michael, distributed 126 camp cards

to three different local firehouses. These cards include vouchers for different grocery stores and restaurants.

Additionally, two scouts completed their Eagle Projects during these unprecedented times! One of those projects included raising funds to supply diapers, food and other necessities to Gaithersburg HELP. Aside from these projects, other scouts volunteered to help with landscaping at The Black Rock Center for the

Arts in Germantown. Scouts weeded, mulched and performed other tasks to help beautify the facility.

Although service has certainly been more of a challenge during the pandemic, it should not come to a complete stop. I can confidently say that Troop 1988 has stayed active in serving the community during these crazy times.

For more information about Troop 1988, visit <http://bsatroop1988.org>.



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AT YOUR LEISURE

Bike to Work Day registration now open

After a year of unprecedented change, Commuter Connections and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA) are excited to announce that registration for the 20th Annual Bike to Work Day (BTWD) event has opened. The event will take place on Friday, May 21, with pit stops in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. The first 15,000 people to register and attend will receive a free t-shirt.

The annual BTWD event traditionally celebrates bicycling as a fun, eco-friendly, low-cost commuting option, and it provides both physical and mental health benefits. To make sure even those working from home can participate, Commuter Connections is encouraging telecommuting registrants to bike to a local pit stop early in the day for a free t-shirt and then cycle back home to start the workday.

"We're very grateful to our continuing and new sponsors who help make these events stronger every year—and especially this year," said Nicholas Ramfos, Commuter Connections Director. "We hope this year's Bike to Work Day event will provide the region with an opportunity for all residents—including essential workers and telecommuters—to reconnect with bicycling as a form of commuting, exercise, and as a way to encourage mental well-being."

All pit stop locations will be taking safety measures in compliance with CDC guidelines to ensure participants and sponsors remain safe on the day of the event. Precautions will include:

- Zero tolerance mask enforcement
- Food & beverage policy with no-contact tables and factory sealed goods
- Pre-selected check-in times for staggered arrival times, with 25-30 bicyclists per half an hour timeslot
- Social distance requirements including six-foot distance

ing, one-way traffic flow, hand sanitizer stations, and appropriate signage

To find your local participating 2021 pit stops and plan your route, check out the Find Your Pit Stop map.

This year's event has been made possible by regional sponsors: ICF, Go Alex, and Urban Stems. Silver Sponsors: Marriott International, Bike Arlington, Bicycle Space, and Verra. And Bronze Sponsors: Maryland Department of Transportation, goDCgo, Virginia Department of Transportation, Giant, American College of Cardiology, Fair Lakes, Potomac Pedalers, American Association of Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), and Vision Zero Prince Georges.

Follow Commuter Connections on Twitter at @BikeToWorkDay and use #BTWD2021 or #BTWDC.

It's fast, free, and easy to register for BTWD at www.biketoworkmetrodc.org or by calling 800-745-RIDE.

Commuter Connections is a program of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments. Commuter Connections promotes bicycling to work, ridesharing, and other alternatives to drive-alone commuting, provides ride-matching for carpools and vanpools and offers the free Guaranteed Ride Home program. Commuter Connections is funded by the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, and the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The Washington Area Bicyclist Association creates a healthy, more livable region by promoting bicycling for fun, fitness, and affordable transportation; advocating for better bicycling conditions and transportation choices for a healthier environment; and educating children, adults, and motorists about safe bicycling.

Flags for Our Heroes will fly again

Seven hundred and fifty American flags will fly at Bohrer Park, 506 South Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg, again this Memorial Day weekend. Each flag will be sponsored by a person or organization to honor a personal hero—a past or present member of the military, a doctor or nurse or another deserving person. The event is called Flags for Our Heroes.

This patriotic celebration will start with an Opening Ceremony at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 29. Due to COVID-19, the live audience will be small, and the ceremony will be streamed on the internet.

The display of flags is organized by the Rotary Clubs of Montgomery Village, Gaithersburg and Historic Emory Grove, and is supported by the City of Gaithersburg. It will be in place through noon on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31. According to Gaithersburg Rotary Club President Emmyrich Vicente, "walking through the flags is a moving experience that has brought some veterans and their family members to tears." On the other hand, the Field of Honor is joyous and uplifting. Some people want to touch each of the 750 flags.

Members of the Rotary Clubs and a local Boy Scout troop will be on hand all weekend; besides guarding the field

at night, the Scouts will hold a flag retirement ceremony to dispose of tattered flags. Members of the public may bring flags to be disposed of properly at 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 29.

Because the American flag should not fly in the dark, the field will be lighted at night. It will be a beautiful sight for anyone driving up or down Route 355.

Proceeds benefit local initiatives supported by the Rotary Clubs, including the City of Gaithersburg's Wells/Robertson House program for homeless men and women in recovery and the W. Edward Bohrer Jr. Memorial CHARACTER COUNTS! Scholarship Fund.

A display of full-size American flags on Memorial Day weekend was organized by the Rotary Club of Easton, Maryland in 2013. The Rotary Club of Montgomery Village followed in 2014 and invited the Gaithersburg club to participate in 2015. Later, the Rotary Club of Historic Emory Grove also joined in. This is now an annual event, visited by people from all walks of life, including recent immigrants to the United States. It was virtual in 2020, but will be live again this year.

Rotary, founded in Chicago, Illinois in 1905, is an organization of some 35,000 clubs in nearly every country in the

world. It is non-political and non-religious, and membership is open to both men and women. It has a major philanthropic foundation that helps fund activities that promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, save mothers and children, support education, grow local economies and protect the environment.

Local Rotary Clubs donate dictionaries to third grade students, provide funding to Gallaudet University (benefiting students with no or very limited hearing) and support high school "Interact Clubs." Other clubs have founded groups in universities called "Rotoract Clubs." A new initiative, Youth & Peace in Action, will involve young people in activities designed to build peace in their communities and the world.

Rotary International is one of the "big three," with the U.S. Government and the United Nations, that work together to eradicate polio worldwide. It has international studies programs, such as Ambassadorial Scholarships and Peace Fellowships, and has established "peace universities" in the U.S. and other countries. Adults of all ages may be members.

For more information, visit www.FlagsForOurHeroes.org or e-mail info@FlagsForOurHeroes.org.

Silver Spring/Takoma Park seasonal walk

The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club is sponsoring a seasonal, self-guided Silver Spring/Takoma Park walk now through Thursday, Sept. 30. The 5km/10km Silver Spring trails, rated 2A, are on sidewalks through downtown Silver Spring's retail area and residential areas. The 6km/10km Takoma Park trails, rated 2A, are on sidewalks through the south end of Silver Spring and into Historic Takoma Park. The 10km has one steep hill and includes the border crossing into Washington, D. C. There are 6km/10km trails along the Sligo Creek Trail and back to Downtown Silver Spring. Create additional distance by combining individual loops. It is suitable for strollers and for wheelchairs.

The walk begins at Safeway, 909 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring. Restrooms are available in Safeway,

Whole Foods and other places noted in the walking instructions. Pets are allowed but must be leashed at all times during the walk; and walkers must clean up after them. Pets are not allowed in the shops or other buildings unless otherwise noted. Walk during daylight hours only. The fee for IVV Credit or Non-IVV Credit is \$3. Children 12 and under (IVV-Credit included) walk for free courtesy of the Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club. In accordance with Montgomery County COVID 19 guidelines, you are required to wear a mask and stay 6-feet away from other people during this walk.

Choose one of the two methods below to register for this walk; please do not mix and match between the two registration methods, it will confuse you and the Club.

Physical Start Box (PSB)

You may register for the walk in the "Start Box" at Safeway, 909 Thayer Avenue, Silver Spring

OR

Online Start Box (OSB)

Web registration using the AVA Online Start Box (OSB) at <https://my.ava.org>. The POC does not provide event directions nor accept alternate payment methods for online registration.

For more information, contact Darla Fera at 301-649-2601, e-mail dmfera@starpower.net or visit www.sugarloafers.org and select "Our Events."



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RECREATION

Kids Yoga (Virtual)



Don't let your child miss the opportunity to stretch it out! Kids Yoga offers a fun class for parent and child to practice yoga together. The class will be a fun mixture of animal poses, art, music, breathing and relaxation that is age appropriate and fun for parents as well as kids.

Classes are scheduled from Noon to 1 p.m. on Mondays, June 21 to Aug. 16 via Zoom. A valid e-mail address is required during registration to receive the class links. Cost is \$140/Resident and \$150/Non-resident.

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

Zumba®

Want to dance to some fun Latin fusion music and get a great workout in? Zumba is a perfect way to achieve your long-term health benefits. Who ever thought that having a blast in one exciting hour of calorie-burning, body-energizing movements meant to engage your whole body could keep you fit? These routines feature fast and slow rhythms combined with resistance training to tone and sculpt your body and burn fat.

All fitness levels are welcome.

Classes are scheduled for 5 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8 to Aug. 17 on the Lake Marion Community Center Deck, 8821 East Village Avenue. Pre-registration is required. Class costs \$90/Resident or \$100/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, contact Sarah Maizel at 240-243-2338, e-mail smaizel@mrvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Pickleball

Pickleball is the talk of the town! Learn how to play the hottest game around on the newest sports court in the Village! Classes for all skill levels are scheduled from 6 to 9 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays June 3 to Aug. 2 on the North Creek Pickleball Courts, 20125 Arrowhead Road. All levels

costs \$40/Resident or \$50/Non-resident; bring a friend and learn to play!

For the full schedule, more information or to register, contact Sarah Maizel at 240-243-2338, e-mail smaizel@mrvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Gentle Yoga via Zoom

Enjoy this Yoga class from the comfort of your home via Zoom! This relaxed yoga class for ages 50 and older will help develop agility, balance, muscle tone, endurance and vitality. Exercises are done in a relaxed

way and held for increasing periods of time.

Gentle Yoga is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Thursdays, June 10 to Aug. 12, or at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays, June 8 to Aug. 10. Gentle Yoga costs \$117/Resident or

\$127/Non-resident. Participants must provide a valid e-mail address to participate.

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

Fishing Rodeo

**Saturday, June 19
9 a.m. to Noon**

**Ed DeSimon Recreation Area
8600 East Village Avenue**

4073.301

Ages 3 to 15

Fish for free with your own rod!

A limited number of rods will be available to rent for \$5 and must be reserved by Monday, June 14 at 4 p.m.

Kids will also learn about their local ecosystem and what they can do to help keep it healthy.

Social distancing will be enforced and facial coverings are required at clinics, classes and programs. All equipment will be sanitized between groups.

Free admission

KidJAM

KidJAM Performers

Wednesdays in July at 10:30 a.m.

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

**KidJAM Performers
Wednesdays | 10:30 a.m.**

July 7 – Pam the Kindersinger
July 14 – Oh Susannah!
July 21 – Ray Owen
July 28 – Kidsinger Jim

Apple Ridge Recreation Area, 10101 Apple Ridge Road

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

RECREATION

Touch-A-Truck

Touch-A-Truck is back! Join us for a fun-filled day of experiencing trucks big and small. Local businesses will display a wide assortment of unique trucks and equipment. Kids can get up close to their favorite vehicles and learn from their operators.

Touch-A-Truck is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 7 in the North

Creek Community Center Parking Lot, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Participants must pre-register for a time slot no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 4.

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



Wine and Crafting – etched glass

Do you enjoy getting crafty and creating something new? An experienced instructor will guide you step-by-step through this glass etching craft! Create unique coasters and wine glasses for a beautiful gift to keep or giveaway.

Wine and Craft is scheduled from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 19 on the Lake Marion Community Center Deck, 8821 East Village Avenue. Price includes all supplies and two glasses of wine; participants must be 21 or older to attend.

Pre-registration is required. Wine and Craft costs \$32/Resident or \$42/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110, e-mail sbaldridge@mof.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Outdoor Yoga

Looking for ways to exercise your mind and body? We have just the class for you! Join Kirsten on the Lake Marion Community Center Deck, 8821 East Village Avenue, for a weekly hour-long energizing yoga session. Beginner and intermediate levels are welcome from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, June 9 to Aug. 11 to relax while overlooking scenic Lake Marion.

Participants should bring their own yoga mat and wear a face covering. Pre-registration required – no drop-ins accepted at this time (or choose to attend class via Zoom). Cost is \$117 for residents, and \$127 for non-residents.

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



Aerobic Workout

Looking for an Aerobics class? This class lead by instructor Karin Baker will start with a warm up of floor work and standing floor work. There is a 30-minute fat burning aerobic workout component and a cool-down series to finish.

Classes meet from 8 to 9 a.m. on Saturdays, June 5 to Aug. 14 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Participants must pre-register; no drop-ins are allowed at this time. Cost of class is \$100/Resident and

\$110/Non-resident.


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


MVF Summer Camp Virtual Open House

Save the date! Join MVF Summer Camp staff online from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19 for your chance to meet some staff and ask questions. Be sure to provide a valid e-mail address when registering for camp to receive the Zoom link.

ADULT TENNIS

Three levels of classes for adults ages 18+ right here in Montgomery Village






Open Beginner Doubles – Introduction to doubles basics, rules, positioning, net play, shot selection 4117.335 Saturday, June 5 Free Clinic 12 to 12:50 p.m.	
Adult Beginner Clinic – Forehand, backhand, volley and serve stroke production, positioning, skill drills; how to practice alone and with a partner 4117.331 Tuesdays, May 18 to June 15 6 to 6:50 p.m. 4117.332 Saturdays, May 22 to June 19 10 to 10:50 a.m. \$75/Resident, \$85/Non-resident	
Adult Intermediate Clinic – Stroke analysis/modeling, court positioning-singles and doubles, drilling, shot selection 4117.336 Tuesdays, May 18 to June 15 7 to 7:50 p.m. 4117.337 Saturdays, May 22 to June 19 11 to 11:50 a.m.	

North Creek Tennis Courts
20125 Arrowhead Road

Hourly Lessons:
Private: \$65 Semi-Private: \$80 3 person: \$95


 For more information or to register, call Sarah Muzzo at 240-243-2367 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com

Camp Tiny Feet

Ages 3 years, 9 months to 6½

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

***Virtual* Camp Open House**
Meet and greet staff and get your camp-related questions answered at our Open House via Zoom
Wednesday, May 19 | 5 to 8 p.m.
Connection information will be e-mailed to participants registered in advance. Please provide a valid e-mail address when registering.

Session	Half Day	Full Day
Session 1 June 28 to July 2 Theme: Stars and Stripes Fun in the sun, ice cream party and tie dye! Performer: Oh Susanna!	\$80/Res. 201	\$100/Res. 210
Session 2 July 19 to July 19 Theme: Animals of Our World Performer: Speakers on Wheels Note: All camp July 5 – Monday holiday	\$80/Res. 202	\$100/Res. 212
Session 3 July 19 to July 30 Theme: Goats vs. Lambs Performer: Washington Jaz	\$80/Res. 203	\$100/Res. 213
Session 4 Aug. 2 to Aug. 12 Theme: Whoozy Wonderful and Magical Performer: Mike the Magician End of Summer Party	\$80/Res. 204	\$100/Res. 214

Full Day - per session*
\$120/Resident
\$140/Non-resident
*Except for the week of July 5

Half Day - per session*
\$60/Resident
\$75/Non-resident

Sample Day

Time	Activity
9 to 9:15 a.m.	Attendance - circle time
9:15 to 9:30 a.m.	Activity 1 - Journal
9:30 to 10 a.m.	Activity 2 - Craft/story time
10 to 10:30 a.m.	Outdoor play, nature activities
10:30 to 11 a.m.	Wash hands, snack
11 to 11:15 a.m.	Change for swim time
11:15 a.m.	Swim time
12:15 to 12:30 p.m.	Change back swim time
12:30 to 1 p.m.	Half Day campers check-out
1 to 2 p.m.	Lunch
2 to 2:30 p.m.	Indoor games
2:30 to 3 p.m.	Reading time
3 to 3:30 p.m.	Snack
3:30 to 4 p.m.	Outdoor play
4 to 4:30 p.m.	End of day activity check-out


 For more information or to register, call Sarah Muzzo at 240-243-2367 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com

RECREATION

Circuit Fusion

Get your Saturday mornings started with Circuit Training, a workout which involves a series of exercises performed in rotation with minimal rest. Hit the Lake Marion Community Center Deck at 9:15 a.m. from Saturday, June 5 to Saturday, July 31 for this total body workout.

A certified IM=X Pilates instructor combines moves from Pilates, cardio and strength training in the same workout. It is the perfect way to strengthen, lengthen and im-

prove muscle tone, muscle definition and cardiovascular fitness, all while burning calories, targeting your core and building endurance. Bring your own mat and light/medium weights or use ours and get ready for your fitness journey! Class costs \$104/Resident or \$114/Non-resident.

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

MVF Soccer (Instructional)

Time to spring back into action with another goal, and score with MVF Soccer! These classes are designed to teach your child new skills such as dribbling, passing and shooting, while incorporating previously learned skills or knowledge of soccer. Instructors will introduce new skills and play fun games to incorporate everything your child has learned.

Soccer classes are for boys and girls, ages 3 to 8. Class

times are scheduled for 9 to 9:45 a.m. (ages 3 to 5) or 10 to 10:45 a.m. (ages 6 to 8) on Saturdays, June 9 to Aug. 14 at North Creek Futsal Court, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Pre-registration is required. Class costs \$80/Resident, or \$90/Non-resident.

For more information or to register, contact Sarah Maizel at 240-243-2338, e-mail smaizel@mof.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Water Aerobics

Need to splash up your workout routine? Try one of our options for Water Aerobics this summer. Classes are scheduled for Mondays, Wednesdays and/or Fridays from June 7 to Aug. 13. Monday and Wednesday classes run from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. at Lake Marion Pool, 8821

East Village Avenue, and Friday classes are from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Hurley Park Pool, 20737 Highland Hall Drive. Choose from one (M, W, F) or two days (M, W) per week to suit your exercise needs.

Pre-registration required; no drop-ins will be accepted at this time. Water Aerobics costs

\$100/Resident or \$110/Non-resident for 1 time per week or \$150/Resident or \$160/Non-resident for 2 times per week.

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

Children's Dance classes

Dancers—looking to try something new, or keep current on your skills? Does your child want to learn to dance or try the latest dance styles? MVF offers a wide variety of in-person and virtual options for kids ages 3 to 18 throughout the week.

Choose from Ballet/Tap, Dance Strength/Conditioning, Jazz/Hip Hop, Ballet/Jazz/Tap, Hip Hop (virtual) or Acrobatic Dance (virtual). Class times, days and pricing varies, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com for details and online registration.

These classes will have your children dancing like there's no tomorrow, from classic styles to the latest craze, and cartwheels, aerials, handsprings, backbends, the splits and everything in between!

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



Montgomery Village T-Ball (Instructional)

Hit a home run with T-ball this season! These instructional lessons for boys and girls ages 3 to 8 are perfect for kids who want to explore a new sport or refine their skills for a league!

Classes are held on Satur-

days, June 19 to Aug. 14 at Patsy Huson Ballfield, 20300 Fulks Farm Road. Ages 3 to 5 play from 9 to 9:30 a.m. and cost \$70/Resident or \$80/Non-resident; ages 6 to 8 play from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. and cost \$80/

Resident or \$90/Non-resident. Pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, contact Sarah Maizel at 240-243-2338, e-mail smaizel@mof.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Lake Marion CAMP
Ages 6 to 12

9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. • Monday - Friday • 8821 East Village Avenue

***Virtual* Camp Open House**
Meet and greet staff and get your camp-related questions answered at our Open House via Zoom!
Wednesday, May 19 | 6 to 7 p.m.
Connectivity information will be provided to participants registered in advance. Please provide a valid e-mail address when registering.

Full Day - per Session:
\$195/Resident
\$215/Non-resident
* Except for the week of July 6
\$175/Resident
\$175/Non-resident

Extended Care Options
Morning Only - 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. \$25/session
Afternoon Only - 4 to 5 p.m. \$25/session
Full Day - 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$50/session
Non-residents pay an additional \$10 per session, per camper for extended day.

Session	Days	Time	Theme	Cost
Session 1	June 19-21	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Welcome Week!	\$195/Resident
Session 2	June 22-24	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Into the Wild	\$195/Resident
Session 3	June 25-27	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: American Ninja Warrior	\$195/Resident
Session 4	June 28-30	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: No camp July 5 - Federal Holiday	\$195/Resident
Session 5	July 1-3	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: My's 100 Years	\$195/Resident
Session 6	July 4-6	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Around the World	\$195/Resident
Session 7	July 7-9	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Animals of our World	\$195/Resident
Session 8	July 10-12	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Life is Beautiful	\$195/Resident
Session 9	July 13-15	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Myriad and Magic	\$195/Resident
Session 10	July 16-18	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: Olympic Games	\$195/Resident
Session 11	July 19-21	9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Theme: End of Summer Beach/Competition Week	\$195/Resident

Camp details, including field trips and special events subject to addition or change based on COVID-19 guidelines.

For more information or to register, call Sarah Maizel at 240-243-2338 or email smaizel@mof.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com

Pickleball

Beginner
6 to 7 p.m.
1006.340

Advanced Beginner
7:10 to 8:20 p.m.
1006.342

**Mondays
June 7 to Aug. 30
\$40/Resident, \$50/Non-resident**

Participants will focus on learning and improving strokes, serves, dinks, footwork and rules. PPR-certified instructor Barry Wilcox will incorporate drills and doubles play.

Pickleball is a combination of badminton, tennis and Ping-Pong, with larger paddles than Ping-Pong and a smaller court than tennis. Class size is limited so register today!

North Creek Pickleball Courts, 20125 Arrowhead Road

COVID-19 safety measures and guidelines must be followed by all participants and will be enforced by MVF staff. All participants must wear facial coverings over the nose and mouth unless otherwise specified and maintain 6-foot distance from one another.

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RECREATION

Wine and Paint

Put your creative juices to work with the help of some wine – Wine and Paint is back! Join Caryl as she guides you step-by-step through learning to paint a beautiful landscape from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 24 on the Lake Marion Community Center Deck, 8821 East Village Avenue. This unique and easy painting with acrylics is on stretched canvas. The best part is, there is no experience necessary!

Bring your friends or family to participate in the fun! Price includes all supplies and two glasses of wine; participants must be 21 or older to attend. Pre-registration is required. Wine and Paint costs \$32/Resident and \$42/Non-resident. For more information or to register, contact Sarah Mai-
zel at 240-243-2338, e-mail smaizel@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Tailgate BINGO!

Enjoy a family night out for some fun and prizes with Tailgate BINGO! Play from your car or outside your vehicle (bring your own tables, chairs, dabbers and markers). Sit outside for fun and games on Friday, Aug. 20 in the North Creek

Community Center Parking Lot, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Parking starts at 5:15 p.m.; Games begin at 6 p.m. Due to limited space, all people in your group must pre-register (registration ends at 5 p.m. on Wednesday,

Aug. 18). Purchase 12 bingo boards for \$10. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Strength and Flexibility

Let’s get moving! Build strength, increase flexibility and learn stretching techniques all in one class! Karin Baker guides your exercises from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Look good and feel good in this no-impact program.

Participants should bring a mat and weights. This program works the whole body without impact on the joints. Classes run from Tuesday, June 8 to Thursday, Aug. 12. Participants must pre-register; no drop-ins are allowed at this time. The cost to participate is \$100/Resident or \$110/Non-resident

for 1 time per week or \$150/Resident or \$160/Non-resident for 2 times per week. For more information, or to register, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com, call Dylan McKissick at 240-243-2367 or e-mail dmckissick@mvf.org.

Basketball Express

Basketball Express provides quality training for young children desiring to learn the fundamentals of basketball while enjoying a dynamic atmosphere. Shooting, drib-

bling and passing are the core components of each training session taught by experienced instructor and referee, Charlie Williams. Sessions are scheduled for Sundays, June 6 to Aug. 15 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Ages 13 to 15 practice from 9 to 9:50 a.m.; ages 9 to 12 practice from either 10 to 10 :50 a.m.

or 11 to 11:50 a.m.; and ages 6 to 8 practice from noon to 12:50 p.m. Pre-registration required; no drop-ins are allowed at this time. Basketball express costs \$135/Resident or \$145/Non-resident. For more information, or to register, call Dylan McKis-
sick at 240-243-2367, e-mail dmckissick@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

COVID-19 safety measures and guidelines must be followed by all participants and will be enforced by MVF staff. All participants must wear facial coverings over the nose and mouth unless otherwise specified and maintain 6-foot distance from one another.



Saturdays | June 19 to Aug. 14



T-ball is back! This program will include instructional classes for boys and girls ages 3 to 8. Participants will develop the skills and fundamentals of hitting, base running, fielding, throwing and catching. See you on the diamond! Rain dates: Aug. 21 and Aug. 28.

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Ages 3 to 5	Ages 6 to 8
9 to 9:30 a.m.	9:45 to 10:45 a.m.
\$70/Resident	\$80/Resident
\$80/Non-resident	\$90/Non-resident

COVID-19 safety measures and guidelines must be followed by all participants and will be enforced by MVF staff. All participants must wear facial coverings over the nose and mouth unless otherwise specified and maintain 6-foot distance from one another.

Patsy Huson Ballfield, 20300 Fulks Farm Road



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zel at 240-243-2338, e-mail smaizel@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com





4001.306



Wednesdays | 7 to 8:15 p.m.
June 9 to Aug. 11

This hour-long beginner/intermediate yoga class taught by Kirsten Schrader will get you energized and centered. Learn poses to build strength and improve flexibility and balance, as well as help manage stress. Please bring your own mat.

\$117/Resident, \$127/Non-resident

Lake Marion Community Center Deck, 8821 East Village Avenue

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MV SENIORS

seniors in action

Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road

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

Your first visit to one of our programs is free!

SUMMER Session

May 31 to Aug. 27

Looking for something to do? Register now and come Zoom with Seniors in Action, Monday through Friday! These are fun, interactive Zoom sessions for ages 55+ to keep you engaged, educated and having fun.

MONDAY

Zumba Gold with Kirsten 10 to 11 a.m.

Bridge online with Ralph 1 to 3 p.m.

Not on Zoom, please contact Ralph Colling at collingralph@gmail.com if you would like to join.

Special Presentations 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Sign up for e-mails for up-to-date info.

TUESDAY

Chair One Fitness 8:45 to 9:30 a.m.

Sit or stand as you do stretching and light cardio.

Video Yoga 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.

BINGO and Games Noon to 1 p.m.

Play Word List, Phrases and Number BINGO, followed by a fast-paced game of "Speed BINGO."

Book Discussion Group

Third Tuesday 10:15 to 11:45 a.m.

Discuss your thoughts books selected by the group.

May: "Pompeii" by Robert Harris

June: "Rules of Civility" by Amor Towles

WEDNESDAY

Yoga and Meditation with Aylan Noon to 1 p.m.

Instructor-led yoga with all your SiA friends on Zoom.

Bridge online with Ralph 1 to 3 p.m.

Not on Zoom, please contact Ralph Colling at collingralph@gmail.com if you would like to join.

Craft & Laugh 2 to 3 p.m.

Bring your own project and socialize while you work.

If you need supplies, e-mail sbaldridge@mvf.org.

THURSDAY

Tai Chi with Aylan Noon to 1 p.m.

Join all your SiA friends on Zoom and learn movement and Tai Chi with our live instructor, Aylan.

Special Presentations

Sign up for e-mails for up-to-date info.

FRIDAY

Tea-Time & Trivia Noon to 1 p.m.

Bring your favorite beverage and enjoy Trivia, fun quizzes and memory games

Happy Hour 7 to 8 p.m.

A variety of programming including virtual travel, discussion groups, special presenters and general chat

Special Presentations for Happy Hour

Sign up for e-mails for up-to-date information.

Coming up...



During this time of distancing, Seniors in Action members have adjusted most of their activities to include lots of Zoom meetings, but with the technology they can still chat, play games and have some great discussions.

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

Spotlight on Seniors...

Meet Kell Ann "Starfire" Lewis

This quarter, the Senior Spotlight is on Kelly Ann "Starfire" Lewis. Starfire has lived in Gaithersburg for 10 years and has been involved with Seniors in Action for 2 years as a volunteer and an honorary member.

Starfire has been an advocate and speaker for the US Pain Foundation for 2 years.

Starfire's background with seniors includes being one of the first people in the state of Virginia certified to provide Montessori-based dementia programming in a community setting. She created a "Snoezelen Room," a controlled multi-sensory environment therapy for dementia participants. The room challenges all the senses: sight, sound, smell, hearing and touch.

Starfire was responsible for managing "Memory Lane," a community within the Circle Center Adult Day Services in Richmond, Virginia, where she ran different individualized programs daily for up to 50 Alzheimer's and dementia members providing one-on-one care to them, something she valued greatly because she knew she was helping those who could not help themselves. In dementia care, Starfire programmed activities which gave a sense of well-being to those she helped and increased participant interaction. This led to a higher level of functioning and contentment within the community for which she was responsible.

Starfire is excited to be a part of Seniors in Action, helping to plan activities and participate with those she calls "her people." When asked about her favorite parts of SiA, Starfire says she especially loves coming up with ideas for future activities, visiting with friends and providing encouragement to those she has grown so close to.



REGISTRATION

Not a member of Seniors in Action? Take ACTION and sign up to become part of the most distinct & diverse group in Montgomery Village! Sign up today for a nominal fee for our September through December session at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. Need more information? Please contact Susan Baldridge, Seniors in Action Activity Coordinator, at sbaldridge@mvf.org.

Not receiving the weekly SiA e-mails? E-mail sbaldridge@mvf.org to be added to the e-mail list. Get updates and changes related to Seniors in Action. Sign up for the Seniors in Action e-mail list for more information!

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All must go: Cozy 5-seat sectional; loveseat; baby crib; IKEA desk; framed prints, posters, original art; books priced to go. 301-977-3977 for appointment.

HELP WANTED

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION IS SEEKING:

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE CONSERVATION CORPS SUPERVISOR

The Montgomery Village Foundation Department of Recreation and Parks is seeking an individual with strong leadership skills to direct crew of five teens for park and environmental projects. Work hours will typically be between are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, however may vary with organizational needs. Workdays will be scheduled from June 21 through July 30, with additional training hours during the week of June 14. Conservation Corps Supervisor will be required to work Monday, July 5. Supervisory experience working with children/teens preferred. Due to COVID-19, the typical program structure may be adjusted to adhere to the safety guidelines in June.

Pay rate begins at \$16.00 per hour

Requirements:

- Minimum age 18 years
- Valid drivers' license with good driving record
- CPR/AED and First Aid Certification, or ability to obtain prior to start date

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LAKE MARION CENTER DIRECTOR

The center director is in charge of the daily operation of the Lake Marion Community Center including programming, staffing and public relations, and implements and manages the community center private rental program. Plans and implements a comprehensive recreational program for all age groups including workshops, classes, camps and Village-wide special events, as well as assists with aquatic programs, including managing swim lessons. Position also develops marketing materials to promote programs, assists with the preparation of department budget and is responsible for financial aspects of programming.

Job requirements: Bachelor's Degree in Recreation or a related field; 2 years progressively responsible experience in recreation programming and supervision of staff; or any combination of education and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities; strong computer skills; and Instructor Certification for First Aid/CPR/AED.

Send your resume and cover letter to hr@mvf.org. Apply online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. EOE

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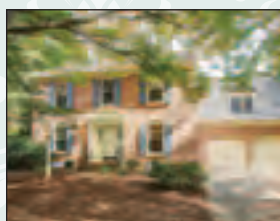
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