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Apple Ridge Pool Ribbon Cutting

The MVF Recreation Committee and staff invite you to attend the Ribbon Cutting festivities at the new Apple Ridge Pool and Bathhouse, 10101 Apple Ridge Road, scheduled for Wednesday, June 21 at 6:30 p.m.

There will be special activities and food for all in attendance. The rain date for the event would be the next night, Thursday, June 22 at 6:30 p.m. just prior to the MVF Board meeting.



photo by Peggy Mark

Some of the first visitors to the newly renovated Apple Ridge Pool enjoyed the opening weekend by relaxing under an umbrella, lounging on chaise lounges and trying out the current channel as well as many other pool features.

MVF Board discusses proposed county legislation on short-term rentals at May meeting

by Mike Conroy

Over a year ago, Montgomery County Councilmember Hans Reimer proposed new county zoning provisions to permit and regulate short-term (less than 30 day) residential property rentals through services such as Airbnb, Flipkey, Homeaway, etc. For many years, short-term rentals of property have been prohibited, but the county council recognizes that property owners and visitors to the county have nonetheless been offering and renting short term residential rentals.

In response to Reimer's proposal, many residents and community associations initially voiced general concerns about the effect of short-term rentals on quality of life in neighborhoods. At the same time, many short-term rental hosts praised the personal income benefits of short term rentals and the contribution of short-term rentals in satisfying the needs for several categories of visitors to our region, from scientists and medical personnel, to government and industry interns and tourist families.

The county council asked the Planning Board to hold public hearings and develop a Zoning Text Amendment

(ZTA) that established reasonable parameters of short-term residential rentals based on positions raised by proponents and opponents.

A draft ZTA was released in early May 2017 and revised and transmitted to the county council for further review on May 17.

In short, the proposed ZTA would permit rentals of residential properties for less than

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June 11 | 6 p.m.
Dreamstreet
(Classic Rock)

June 18 | 3 to 7:30 p.m.
Art in the Park
(This event is perfect for lovers of all facets of the arts)

June 25 | 6 p.m.
Wylde Fire
(Rock)

See the full schedule on page 8



Art in the Park

Free Admission!

Sunday, June 18 | 3 to 7:30 p.m.

This event is perfect for lovers of all facets of the arts. If you enjoy painting, drawing, flower arranging, dancing, or want to get involved in hands-on activities for children's and adults, Art in the Park is a not-to-miss event! Wine and beer tastings and sales will also be offered for those 21 or older.



Featuring on stage:
3 p.m. The Montgomery Blue Notes
4:30 p.m. Youth "Back to Rock" bands
Naught Shall Go & Scarlet Letters
6 p.m. The Flower Hill String Band



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Summer Camp Open House June 15



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WCC playground replacement input needed

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MVCB to play Maryland State Community Band Festival



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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, June 22 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

Note: All meeting agendas listed in this section are current as of the deadline date for this publication. The listings do not include every agenda item. This information is also available on the MVF website at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

CORRECTION

In the previous issue of the *Village News*, an error was printed in Mr. O'Neill's Letter to the Editor. During the editing process, one of the calculations in his letter was inadvertently changed from .6 to 2/3, changing outcome he wished to express. The *Village News* sincerely apologizes to Mr. O'Neill for the oversight in editing and printing a letter not reflective of his original intent. Below is the correct portion of that letter; the full, corrected letter can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

"With HB789 set to kick in on Sunday, Oct. 1, how would the vote have fared under the new rules where the percentage of affirmative votes required will be 60% of the votes of lot owners in good standing in the community? With just 328 valid ballots counted, the affirmative votes for Amendment 1 was 276 enough to reach the 269 (447 * .6) but not enough for Amendment 2 at 246. Timing is everything."

**REMINDER: The last day of
school for MCPS is
FRIDAY, JUNE 16.**



NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27 in the Heron's Cove Office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

HORIZON RUN CONDOMINIUM

The Horizon Run Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 26 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27 at the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

NORTH VILLAGE

The North Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 15 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

SOUTH VILLAGE

The South Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 28 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21 at the Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, June 12 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13 at the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Inclusion



by Pete Young
MVF President

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board just completed our annual retreat — a ritual that I find very rewarding. This 1.5 day meeting is an opportunity for the Board to discuss a variety of topics in depth, spend time planning for the next year (or more), and establish goals and objectives for the staff. I urge you to attend this meeting each year to see your elected Board members tackle some of the big issues we face, and see the dedication and thoughtfulness they have as we confront complicated challenges.

One of the topics we spent some time on was that of diversity and inclusion. As a country, we find ourselves in very divisive times, with so many changes happening and the frustration of many citizens at peak levels. Within our own community I see signs of the same — so much change coupled with frustrations, but also so much possibility. Along with the other Board members, I find myself working very hard to engage those residents with different life experiences, from different backgrounds and cultures, and spread across the age and economic spectrum.

Our community is changing, and along with it, so are the needs of our residents. Whether it is recreational programming, access to information, or simply seeing themselves more visibly reflected in our community

***A special note to the MVF community:** We have had a difficult time in our community over the past week with the tragic deaths of a toddler and two high school students. Our hearts are broken with the loss of these children, and our thoughts, prayers and love are offered to the families now coping with unimaginable pain and grief.

On behalf of myself and the entire MVF Board, we want to offer our condolences to these families and our community as a whole. I hope that we can comfort each other during this time, and find some way to celebrate the life of these precious children.

leadership, it is imperative that we do all we can to embrace and celebrate our diversity. We have the privilege of living in one of the most diverse communities in our country; finding ways to leverage that is one of my primary goals.

I ask that you consider sharing your diverse perspectives through service to the community. We have so many ways to become involved. Volunteering on a committee, serving on a homes corporation or condo association board, or seeking election to the MVF Board — we need you! Please consider stepping up and investing in your community. We will continue to grow and thrive through the careful stewardship of all of our residents. I can assure you that you will get back so much more than you give.

As always, I invite you to get involved, share your talents and thoughts with us, and help Montgomery Village stay the amazing community it has been all these years. I welcome your feedback; please e-mail me at peter@youngspa.com.

Cheers,
Pete

MVF BOARD MOTIONS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MOTION LIST
May 25, 2017

1. Mr. Webb moved to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Directors' meeting held April 27, 2017 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed 4-0; Ms. Bort abstained.
2. Mr. Driscoll moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
3. Mr. Dyer moved to reappoint Melanie O'Brien as Chair of the Communications Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Webb moved to appoint Bryan Price to the Communications Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Mr. Driscoll moved to appoint Rahul Khanna to the Recreation Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Driscoll moved to approve Dell's sole source bid for the 2017 technology reserve purchases in an amount not to exceed \$23,500. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Mr. Driscoll moved to move replacement of the Whetstone Community Center playground from a 2018 reserve project to a 2017 reserve project with budgeted funding of \$79,261. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
8. Mr. Driscoll moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
9. Mr. Driscoll moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05 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 owner assessment accounts. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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KEY:

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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E-mail letters to mvnews@mvpf.org.

IN THE NEWS

Too good to be true: know your consumer rights about solar energy

by Scott Harris

Most solar energy installers are skilled and effective professionals. But if problems arise, Montgomery County residents have a strong ally on their side.

When it comes to preventing problems between businesses and the people they serve, Montgomery County is proud to have a strong track record. The county's Office of Consumer Protection, or OCP, is a law-enforcement body that offers advice on a range of consumer-related issues, from home ownership to health club membership.

Specifically, the office and its experts and investigators strive to enforce consumer protection laws that target unfair and deceptive business practices. OCP activities include complaint resolution, law enforcement, education, legislation, advocacy, licensing and outreach.

A new industry recently gained prominence on OCP's sprawling radar screen: solar energy.

"The market for solar has taken off relatively recently, but it's a very complicated purchase," said OCP Director Eric Friedman. "We're trying to educate consumers. They may be subject to deception and misrepresentation."

HELPING SOLAR RUN SMOOTHLY

Although the nature of problems and complaints varies widely, in a nutshell, installing solar can be an intricate exercise, even in cases where it's purportedly simple. Falling technology prices have helped lead to virtual land rushes of investment in solar. Accessible solar energy is a good thing for the planet, and for consumers who can get a better deal on monthly energy bills.

At the same time, fluctuating energy prices and complex contracts can sometimes create the conditions for misunderstanding or even misconduct. In a very few extreme cases, major crimes like fraud have been alleged.

FINDING THE RIGHT SOLAR PROVIDER

Fortunately, OCP offers a range of guidance and assistance for county consumers thinking about going solar or feeling pain after the fact.

According to Friedman, there are an estimated 194 solar panel companies operating in the state of Maryland alone. The large majority of these companies are reputable outlets that do what they say they are going to do.

A few bad apples have attempted to spoil the barrel for some residents, however. But



that's where OCP can step in.

To pick the right company for you and make sure your installation goes smoothly, consider the following points from the recent OCP document "Solar Energy: A Consumer's Guide:"

- **Pre-plan.** Make sure your roof is a good candidate for solar. Review electric bills and use reputable online calculators (such as that provided by the United States Department of Energy) to get an idea of potential cost and energy savings.
- **Pull Permits.** Solar installation is a home improvement project, so permits must be obtained before work begins.
- **Check Licensing.** Make sure your installers are properly licensed by the Maryland Home Improvement Commission (MHIC).
- **Get Recommendations.** Ask friends and neighbors about the systems they installed and the results they obtained.
- **Get Quotes.** Three quotes are recommended. However, be aware that each installer may select a different system and setup, meaning apples-to-apples comparisons are not always possible.
- **Do Your Homework.** Research bidders and the bids themselves. Sometimes companies will make unrealistic or overly optimistic estimates of time and pay-back periods. Ask about the process for making repairs and who is obligated to pay electricity bills if/when the system is out of order.
- **Purchase vs. Lease vs. Power Purchase Agreements (PPA).** When compared with purchasing, a lease or PPA provides lower upfront costs. However, some leases and PPAs require long-term contracts and sizeable down payments in exchange for lower monthly payments. Check contracts for large,

annual increases and ask how long the lease lasts.

- **Minimum Power.** See if your contract requires that the system generates a minimum power each month and, if it doesn't create that amount, how credits will be apportioned to your monthly electricity bill.

SUCCESS STORIES

OCP has a number of measures at its disposal to combat bad actors. Some of them are relatively benign, others are more intense.

However, Friedman indicated that OCP has successfully pursued bad-apple solar installers on behalf of county residents.

"We've been able to unravel a lot of these," Friedman said. "[Results include] getting work done or getting a refund. One time, we assisted in bringing criminal prosecution against an installer who stole money."

The reasons for complaints vary, Friedman added.

"We've had cases where the homeowner didn't know whether they purchased or leased a system," Friedman said. "We've had projects sold by non-licensed home improvement contractor or not done by a licensed electrician. Some were negligent in doing the work."

Ultimately, as is often the case with big decisions, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

"Many consumer purchases require some homework," Friedman said. "Think of it like buying a car. Find out the nature of the transaction. Why are you really buying a solar system, and what do you really want to get out of it?"

The Montgomery County Office of Consumer Protection is available online or at 240-777-3636.

Scott Harris is a freelance writer. This article was written for www.mygreenmontgomery.org, a program of the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection and reprinted with permission.

Schedule For 2018 MVF Budget Process

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

Board Meeting,
NCBR, 7:30 p.m.

- Consider requests for 2018 budget

TUESDAY, AUG. 15

Audit Committee budget work session
NCBR, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 24

Presentation of 2018 Proposed Budget
NCCC, 7 p.m.

- Joint Audit / Board meeting, followed by regular Board meeting
- Approve proposed budget for Publication

FRIDAY, SEPT. 8

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- Publish 2018 proposed budget on MVF website/Village News
- 30-day public comment (if previously approved by MVF Board)

THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

Board Meeting,
NCBR, 7:30 p.m.

- Opportunity for public comment on proposed budget

THURSDAY, OCT. 26

Board Meeting
NCBR, 7:30 p.m.

- Adopt 2018 Budget
- Set 2018 Assessment Rates

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Board

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30 days throughout most zones in the county, upon obtaining a short-term rental license (rentals lasting longer than 30 days continue to require a standard rental license). Owners of properties used for short-term rentals are limited to 90 days of short term rental if they are not present during the rental; if the owner is present during the rental, then the 90-day limit does not apply. A property owner must also comply with all applicable provisions of community association documents, such as restrictions on rentals and parking regulations.

Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) General Counsel Christopher Hitchens noted that county-wide, community opposition to the proposed ZTA has waned, especially down-county, where proximity to regional employers and institutions, coupled with availability of public transportation, create a very favorable climate for short-term rental properties. He noted that in most Montgomery Village communities, there are currently no restrictions on rentals generally, and that governing

documents would have to be amended if a community wanted to regulate short-term rentals.

Executive Vice President (EVP) Dave Humpton asked for input from the Board, specifically for direction and suggestions. Board members cited some opinion that overall, maintenance of short-term rental properties was superior to long-term rentals, but were also very concerned about parking issues, as there is already very limited space in many townhouse and condominium neighborhoods in the Village. Another concern voiced by the Board was whether short-term hosts would provide guests with access codes to condominium buildings and how this practice might affect security and security costs for associations.

MVF staff will closely monitor the proposed ZTA and continue to keep the Board informed on changes and county council hearing dates.

AGENDA ITEMS

In committee-related items, the Board reappointed Melanie O'Brien as chair of the Communications Committee, as

well as appointed Bryan Price and Rahul Khanna to the Communications and Recreation committees, respectively.

The Board also approved a sole-source bid from Dell for technology purchases, in accordance with the Reserve budget. A dozen desktop computers, a laptop and additional monitors and stands were slated for replacement at a cost not to exceed \$23,500.

Finally, the Whetstone Community Center playground replacement project, originally slated for a 2018 Reserve project, was moved to a 2017 Reserve project, with a budget of \$79,261. The playground was slated for replacement in 2015, but delayed because other playgrounds needed replacement sooner than anticipated. Upon inspection this spring, staff found components that are showing signs of wear and age, and recommended the replacement be done this year. A work group to provide input on the replacement will be formed in the near future.

EVP REPORT

EVP Humpton noted that MVF-owned pools would be opening for Memorial Day

Weekend, including the Apple Ridge Pool, which was both on schedule and on budget. He said there would be a ribbon cutting event scheduled for Wednesday, June 21 at 6:30 p.m. to officially open the pool for the season.

Humpton also said that earlier that day the county council adopted its FY 2018 budget, which includes additional police resources for the 6th District and funds for resurfacing county roads. Included in roadway projects were Montgomery Village Avenue and Watkins Mill Road.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MVF Treasurer Bob Carey reported on the financial health of the organization for both the month of April and the year-to-date (YTD). Carey said that MVF remains in a solid financial position with \$8.2 million in Cash and Investments. He noted a \$900,000 increase in fixed assets for 2017, mostly due to the Apple Ridge Pool renovation.

Revenue for the month was reported at \$726,000, slightly unfavorable to the budget due to lower than expected disclo-

sure fees and camps and classes; these were partially offset by an increase in advertising revenue. Operating Expenses for the month were favorable to the budget by \$95,000.

Carey said YTD Revenue was favorable to the budget at \$2.9 million, due mainly to investment income; YTD Expenses were also favorable at \$2.1 million due to lower than expected salaries and maintenance costs. Capital Contribution Fees received through April totaled \$45,789 and Contributions to Reserves in the amount of \$90,830 were made in accordance with the budget.

NEXT MEETING

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 22, in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The meeting begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. with Residents Time. Residents are invited and encouraged to attend the Board meeting. The meeting agenda and information packet will be available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com the week of the meeting.

April 2017			YTD Apr 2017			For the Period Ended April 30, 2017	
Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Current	Prior Year
Revenue:							
Assessments	518,268	518,251	17	2,073,116	2,073,005	111	
Assessment Fees	42,804	40,908	1,896	89,465	98,495	(9,031)	
Transfer Fees	2,550	3,673	(1,123)	10,575	10,492	83	
Disclosure Fees	11,861	19,085	(7,224)	43,432	49,124	(5,692)	
Advertising revenue	10,207	4,023	6,184	38,416	42,954	(4,537)	
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	8,677	9,463	(787)	25,903	26,162	(259)	
Camps & Classes	16,034	42,405	(26,371)	93,661	83,591	10,070	
Management Fees	65,995	65,934	61	265,838	263,735	2,104	
Capital Contribution fee	9,943	13,494	(3,551)	45,789	36,553	9,235	
Other Income	11,337	8,810	2,527	54,791	24,164	30,627	
Total Revenue	697,676	726,047	(28,372)	2,740,985	2,708,275	32,711	
Personnel Costs:							
Salaries & Wages	235,725	260,658	24,933	933,834	1,003,479	69,645	
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	71,840	78,451	6,611	298,426	313,790	15,364	
Personnel Costs	307,565	339,109	31,543	1,232,261	1,317,269	85,009	
Business Expenses	12,473	14,502	2,029	42,899	41,332	(1,567)	
Office Supplies	2,341	4,525	2,184	11,572	18,750	7,178	
Program/Maint Supplies	6,826	12,800	5,974	23,634	34,700	11,066	
Occupancy	20,733	23,742	3,010	73,647	88,340	14,693	
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	28,445	27,078	(1,367)	118,592	108,844	(9,748)	
Equip Maintenance	6,340	5,600	(740)	9,211	8,450	(761)	
Vehicle Expenses	1,453	2,067	614	4,425	7,717	3,292	
Financial & Legal	5,322	7,588	2,266	46,382	53,721	7,339	
Insurance	14,957	12,178	(2,779)	27,347	20,317	(7,030)	
Printing	3,508	8,283	4,776	23,229	30,283	7,055	
Landscape/Maintenance	54,155	93,945	39,789	223,273	280,655	57,382	
Security	7,285	10,032	2,747	24,254	33,705	9,451	
Other	(93)	-	93	12	-	(12)	
Operating Costs	163,746	222,341	58,595	628,478	726,815	98,338	
Contribution to Reserves	90,830	90,830	(0)	363,320	363,320	(0)	
Contribution to CCF	9,943	13,494	3,551	45,789	36,553	(9,235)	
Purchases of Assets	433	-	(433)	1,732	10,000	8,268	
Other Equity Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Reserve/capital	101,206	104,324	3,118	410,840	409,873	(967)	
Operating Expenses	572,517	665,773	93,257	2,271,578	2,453,957	182,379	
Excess/Deficit Revenue	125,159	60,274	64,885	469,407	254,318	215,090	
ASSETS							
Cash & Cash equiv	2,092,618			2,092,618			2,836,161
Investments	6,077,182			6,077,182			5,805,227
Due from Reserves	1,496,006			1,496,006			42,593
Assessment Receivables	757,055			757,055			878,059
Other Receivables	89,626			89,626			81,892
Current Assets	10,512,488			10,512,488			9,643,933
Gross Fixed Assets	14,437,671			14,437,671			13,977,859
Accumulated Depreciation	(6,191,679)			(6,191,679)			(7,438,181)
Fixed Assets	8,245,992			8,245,992			6,539,678
Other Assets	56,176			56,176			62,560
Assets	18,814,656			18,814,656			16,246,171
LIABILITIES & EQUITY							
Due to Operating	1,496,006			1,496,006			42,593
Payables	575,596			575,596			348,136
Sunstream Cap Lease	120,357			120,357			125,552
Deferred Revenue Liab	1,203,168			1,203,168			1,154,082
Liabilities	3,395,127			3,395,127			1,670,363
Undesignated Reserves	9,693,423			9,693,423			8,655,692
Designated Reserves	5,726,101			5,726,101			5,920,112
Equity	15,419,524			15,419,524			14,575,804
Liabilities & Equity	18,814,656			18,814,656			16,246,171

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.

Operating Fund Net Income

IN THE NEWS

Montgomery Village drowning ruled accidental

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police Department Major Crimes Division have been investigating the June 2 death of a 22-month-old boy that occurred Lake Whetstone in Montgomery Village. The boy is identified as Malik Bojang of the 18700 block of Pier Point Place. Investigators released the results of an autopsy that was conducted in Baltimore by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME). The OCME ruled Bojang's cause of death as an accidental drowning.

On Friday, June 2 at approximately 7:31 p.m., the Emergency Communication Center (ECC) received a 9-1-1 call from Bojang's adult family member who was reporting him missing from the Lake Whetstone Park located at 18701 Montgomery Village Avenue. As 6th District officers and Fire and Rescue personnel were responding to the park, ECC received a second call from a resident who had

located Bojang face down and unresponsive in the water. Bojang was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

The investigation by detectives has determined that Bojang was with an adult family member at a tot lot playground at the park. Other families and children were also at the playground. At approximately 7:31 p.m., the family member noticed that Bojang was no longer present in the playground area and called to report him as missing.

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors, on behalf of the entire community, extends its deepest sympathy to the family on the loss of Malik.

The Montgomery County Police Department and MVF remind residents to be extra cautious and aware of surroundings when visiting the Village's lakes and parks. The police also offer the following water safety tips:

- Never leave children unattended around any body of water (bathtubs, pools, ornamental backyard ponds, etc.).
- Learn to swim. But remember, even good swimmers can drown.
- Learn CPR.
- Pay attention to local weather conditions and forecasts.
- Watch out for the "dangerous too's" (...too tired, too cold, too far from safety, too much sun, too much strenuous activity).
- Always have a phone.
- Know where your children are at all times.
- Don't rely on substitutes. The use of flotation devices and inflatable toys cannot replace parental supervision. Such devices could suddenly shift position, lose air or slip out from underneath, leaving the child in a dangerous situation.

Whetstone Community Center playground replacement

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Department of Recreation, Parks and Culture is developing plans for the replacement of the Whetstone Community Center (WCC) playground located at 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

The playground at WCC is used by community members and a variety of MVF programs including Creative Discovery, Whetstone After-School Club and summer camp programs. Playgrounds offer children places to exercise and play outdoors aiding in their physical development. Staff is looking for residents who use the playground or are interested in offering input on the new equipment which

will replace this 24-year-old playground.

The first meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 22 at WCC. At this meeting, staff is looking to hear from residents about what they would like to see in a new playground at this site. Information collected at this meeting will be used to develop specifications for the project.

If you are interested in participating in the playground replacement resident workgroup, provide input, attend design review meetings or need more information, contact Amy Roswurm at 240-243-2303 or e-mail at aroswurm@mvf.org with your name, phone number and e-mail address.

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Sunday Afternoons

The 2017 summer series consists of a mixture of concerts and other engaging activities for the community! Families are encouraged to relax with a picnic and blankets or lawn chairs to enjoy an eclectic assortment of entertainment.

June 4	6 p.m.	MV Community Band
June 11	6 p.m.	Dreamstreet (<i>classic rock</i>)
June 18	3 to 7:30 p.m.	Art in the Park
June 25	6 p.m.	Wylde Fire (<i>rock</i>)
July 2	6 p.m.	Ragged Company (<i>roots</i>)
July 9	6 p.m.	Leify Green (<i>pop/rock</i>)
July 16	6 p.m.	Jerry Rigged (<i>bluegrass</i>)
July 23	6 p.m.	U.S. Navy's Country Current
July 30	6 p.m.	Diamond Alley (<i>rock/classic hits</i>)



Art in the Park

Sunday, June 18 | 3 to 7:30 p.m.

Featuring on stage:

**The Montgomery Blue Notes (3 p.m.),
Youth "Bach to Rock" Bands (4:30 p.m.)
Naught Shall Go and Scarlet Letters
The Flower Hill String Band (6 p.m.)**

This event is perfect for lovers of all facets of the arts. If you enjoy painting, drawing, flower arranging, dancing, or want to get involved in hands-on activities for children's and adults, Art in the Park is a not-to-miss event! Wine and beer tastings and sales will also be offered for those 21 or older.

KidjAM Performers

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

One-hour Wednesday morning concerts for the younger set. Interactive entertainers will keep everyone happy with music, magic and mirth!

July 5	Pam the Kinder Singer
July 12	Junk Percussion & Dance Party with Spitzomatic
July 19	Squeals on Wheels Petting Zoo
July 26	Captain All-Star



Feature Friday

Aug. 4 | 8 p.m.

Plan to relax with your picnic and favorite beverage and enjoy this outdoor movie with your family.



MOANA

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

IN THE NEWS

Activity Card Update 2017

Before you head to the pool, make sure your Activity Cards are up to date! You should have received an Information Letter and Rights Form. Even if there are no changes, we need a current Information Letter every year in order to process Activity Cards. If you haven't received the Information Letter/Rights Form, please notify the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) as soon as possible.

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

Photos are now being taken at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed July 4). The office will remain open until 7 p.m. on Thursday evenings through July 6 and also be open on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. through July 8. Please remember to bring proof of residence, such as a driver's license, so that we may take your photo.

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

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

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



photo by Derrick Tabor

Summers at South Valley Park opened Sunday, June 4 with a performance by the Montgomery Village Community Band. See page 8 for the full schedule of concerts and activities.



MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION Department of Recreation, Parks & Culture

Senior Lifeguard*

Starting at \$12.12/hr.

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

Lifeguard*

Starting at \$11.15/hr.**

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

For more information, contact Petra Padilla at 240-243-2363, or e-mail ppadilla@mvf.org. Applications are available at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886 or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com (go to MVF and click on Job & Volunteer Opportunities). *Contract completion bonus. **Salary based on experience. EOE

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Village News

IN THE NEWS

Shredding Event helps residents clean up

On Saturday, May 20, the Rotary Club of Montgomery Village held the first of their bi-annual Shredding Events at North Creek Community Center. Over 200 residents brought 8,635 pounds of old checks, bills and documents to be properly disposed of.

Also at the event was the Montgomery Village-based Women Who Care Ministries, who collected over 360 pounds of nonperishable food items that will be distributed to those in need, as well as approximately \$350 in cash donations.

Women Who Care Ministries is very grateful for the community shredding events

that take place several times a year with support from the Rotary Club of Montgomery Village and MVF.

The food and cash donations from the community as they get their shredding done benefits the Helping Kids Eat weekend meal program. Women Who Care Ministries has been serving the community for 15 years, and the outpouring of assistance from the community reinforces our motto that indeed "it takes a village to feed a kid."

Leveling the Playing Field expressed their gratitude for a partnership with the Rotary Club of Montgomery Village to collect used sporting equip-

ment at the shredding event. Throughout the day, community members dropped off over \$1,500 worth of sporting equipment! It is this type of support that helps one in every five underserved families who do not get their kids involved in athletics because of the price of sporting equipment. Support from community organizations such as the Rotary Club and communities like Montgomery Village is why Leveling the Playing Field has donated over \$1.7 million worth of sporting equipment in under the last four years!

Thirty bicycles and funds to help support transportation costs were also donated to the Bikes for the World organization; all in all, it was a very successful event.

The Rotary Club of Montgomery Village would like to thank the Montgomery Village Foundation, Women Who Care Ministries, Leveling the Playing Field, Bikes for the World and Iron Mountain shredding company for their support of this community event. For information about the Rotary Club of Montgomery Village, visit <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/4779>.

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June 17	Lake Marion
June 24	Apple Ridge
July 1	Whetstone
July 8	Hurley Park
July 15	Stedwick
July 22	North Creek
July 29	Watkins Mill

RAIN DATES: SUNDAYS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

Twitter and Facebook icons are present.

Nature Center Report



photo by Maria Pullifrone

The North Creek Nature Center was the venue for a "Make Your Own Ecosystem" activity on Sunday, June 4. Kids got to use two-liter bottles and other supplies to learn about the relationship between plants and animals as they made their own take-home ecosystem.





summer camp

OPEN HOUSE

2017

Thursday, June 15

Visit a Camp Open House to meet the staff and find out everything you want to know about awesome MVF Summer Camps.

Camp Tiny Feet

(ages 3 years, 9 months to 5)
6:30 to 7 p.m.
Whetstone Community Center
19140 Brooke Grove Court



Camp Soaring Stars

(ages 6 to 8)
7:15 to 7:45 p.m.
Lake Marion Community Center
8821 East Village Avenue



Camp Racing Wind

(ages 9 to 12)
7:15 to 7:45 p.m.
Lake Marion Community Center
8821 East Village Avenue





AGES 6 TO 13

Monday to Friday

June 19 to Aug. 11

(Closed Tuesday, July 4)

8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

1 to 5:30 p.m.

NORTH CREEK SUMMER ACTIVITY CENTER

North Creek Community Center
20125 Arrowhead Road

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES ▪ INDOOR GAMES
ARTS AND CRAFTS ▪ SPECIAL EVENTS

Program participants receive daily bagged lunches provided by the Summer Meals program and enjoy snacks generously donated by Giant Foods, LLC and Wegmans.

Participants age 10 or older with a valid MVF Activity Card are allowed to head down to the North Creek Pool.

Advanced registration is required.

Program participants are encouraged to stay for the entirety of the program but do have the freedom to leave early with permission from a parent/guardian.

Participants attend on a drop-in basis. Adult supervision is provided during program hours.

\$360/Resident
\$441/Non-resident

Payment plan available to be paid in full by Monday, June 12

Whetstone Summer Club

Whetstone Community Center
19140 Brooke Grove Court

LEARN NEW GAMES ▪ MAKE FRIENDS ▪ SHARE EXPERIENCES

Registered participants will have an opportunity to swim at an MVF pool one afternoon every other week.

Well supervised activities including group games, sports and crafts will be on tap each day. A special event will add to the summer experience and participants will enjoy indoor and outdoor activities.

Minimum registration is required.

\$249/Resident
\$297/Non-resident

Payment plan available to be paid in full by Monday, June 12

END-OF-SUMMER SPECIALTY CAMPS

Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue

Enroll in two camps in the same session to make a full day of fun! Campers staying for the full day should bring a non-perishable lunch to eat during the supervised break between camps.



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4007.301
Intro to STEM with Lego Summer 2 NEW!
Ages 5 to 7
Monday, Aug. 21. to Friday, Aug. 25
9 a.m. to noon
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident

4007.302
STEM Challenge Summer 2 NEW!
Ages 8 to 12
Monday, Aug. 21. to Friday, Aug. 25
1 to 4 p.m.
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident



Tiny Chefs

Campers push the limits on the snack concept and prepare a variety of wholesome, delicious and unique snacks. This is not your mother's PB&J! Chefs prepare a variety of bite-size munchies, like chicken salad cups, homemade granola bars, roasted red pepper humus with homemade pita chips and more! No one goes home hungry!

4007.305
Ages 5 to 7
Monday, Aug. 21 to Friday, Aug. 25
1 to 4 p.m.
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident

4007.304
Ages 8 to 12
Monday, Aug. 21 to Friday, Aug. 25
9 a.m. to noon
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident



Under the Sea

Campers 5 to 7 years old will make a big splash and learn all about jellyfish, octopuses, dolphins, whales and even mermaids! There's nothing fishy about using cool tools and materials to create fun paintings, collages, sculptures and more.

4004.304
Ages 5 to 7
Monday, Aug. 28 to Friday, Sept. 1
1 to 4 p.m.
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident

4004.309
Ages 8 to 12
Monday, Aug. 28 to Friday, Sept. 1
9 a.m. to noon
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident



Engineering with LEGO® for Young Engineers

Build engineer-designed projects such as Trains, Helicopters, Tree-houses and Beam Bridges. Then use special pieces to create your own unique design!

4007.312
Ages 5 to 7
Monday, Aug. 28 to Friday, Sept. 1
9 a.m. to noon
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident

4007.313
Ages 8 to 12
Monday, Aug. 28 to Friday, Sept. 1
1 to 4 p.m.
\$180/Resident
\$190/Non-resident



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

IN THE NEWS

MVF seeks residents with financial background for committees

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The MVF Audit Committee is seeking new members. This important committee is chartered by the MVF By-Laws to "advise the Board of Directors regarding the financial affairs of the Foundation." The primary role of the committee is to review the Foundation's annual budget and year ending auditors' report and accompanying financial statements. The committee also has the responsibility of reviewing MVF's financial policies and making recommendations for changes to the annual budget format or to the audited financial statements.

When necessary, the committee also holds interviews of prospective auditors. The committee generally meets three times a year on Tuesdays, at 7 p.m. at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court, and once jointly with the MVF Board of Directors on a Thursday in August to review the budget.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee advises the Board on matters related to the Foundation's investment activities. The committee meets

quarterly at 7 or 7:30 p.m. on Monday evenings (dates to be determined). Responsibilities include making recommendations to the Board on investment strategy and policy and approving investment transactions that are in line with the policy. Currently, MVF has approximately \$8 million invested. Certified Financial Advisors, Investment Advisors, Chief Financial Officers or others with expertise in investment management/banking are encouraged to apply.

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

Committee Membership Applications can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com under "About," "Committees," or you can obtain a hard copy at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

For questions or more information, contact MVF CFO Greg Snellings at 240-243-2323 or e-mail gsnellings@mvf.org.

Staying Aware in the Village

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

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT

An aggravated assault occurred in the 18900 block of Smoothstone Way in the early morning hours of May 19. The suspect displayed a weapon. The suspect was arrested.

Arrested: B/M, age 40, of Montgomery Village

ARMED ROBBERY

An armed robbery occurred in the 18300 block of Con-tour Road at approximately 11:13 p.m. on May 19. One of the suspects displayed a weapon. The suspects assaulted the juvenile male victim and took his cash and property. The suspects were arrested.

B/M, age 15, of Gaithersburg

B/M, age 15, of Gaithersburg

B/M, age 17, of Gaithersburg

B/M, age 16, of Silver Spring

H/M, age 14, of Rockville

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY

A commercial burglary occurred at the Montgomery County Liquor and Wine store located at 20004 Goshen Road in the early morning hours of May 17. Forced entry; property was taken.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential garage burglary occurred in the 8400 block of Saint Regis Way between approximately 6 p.m. on May 15 and approximately 6:45 a.m. on May 16. No signs of forced entry. It was reported that the garage door was left open; nothing was taken.

A residential burglary occurred on Crested Iris Court between approximately 8:30 a.m. and approximately 4 p.m. on May 18. Forced entry; property was taken.

STRONG-ARM ROBBERIES

In the 9800 block of Hellingly Place at approximately 6:05 p.m. on May 18. The suspects stole food from a food delivery driver.

Suspects: 5 B/Ms, late teens

In the 18400 block of Lost Knife Circle at approximately 8:45 p.m. on May 22. The suspects assaulted the adult male victim and took his cash.

Suspect: H/M, age unknown



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Great Shoals Winery
June 10, June 24, July 8,
July 22, Aug. 12, Aug 26,
Sept. 9, Sept. 23 and Oct. 14

Manor Hill Brewery
June 10, July 15, Aug. 12,
Sept. 9 and Oct. 14

Mully's Brewing Company
July 1, July 22, Aug. 5, Aug. 26,
Sept. 2, Sept. 23,
Oct. 7 and Oct. 28

Ocean City Brewing Co.
June 17, July 8, Aug. 19,
Sept. 16 and Oct. 21

Detectives request community assistance in Montgomery Village homicide

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police Department Major Crimes Division continue to investigate the double homicide that occurred on June 5 inside of a vehicle in the 8200 block of Gallery Court.

Detectives are confirming the identities of the two male victims as Shadi Adi Najjar, 17 years old, of Breezedale Lane in Germantown, and Artem S. Ziberov, 18 years old, of Flag Harbor Drive in Germantown.

Detectives continue to investigate the double homicide. They are urging anyone in the community with information to contact the Major Crimes Division at 240-773-5070. Crime Solvers of Montgomery County is offering a reward of up to \$10,000 for any information that leads to the arrest of the suspect(s). Tipsters can call Crime Solvers of Montgomery County toll-free at 1-866-411-TIPS (8477).



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Raft & Noodle Days

*Rafts must be single person use, NO BOMBS. All items are subject to pool manager approval.

Monday, June 19 through Friday, Aug. 25

Mondays:	Stedwick Pool	1 to 3 p.m.
	Lake Marion Pool	3 to 5 p.m.
	Watkins Mill Pool	5 to 8 p.m.
Tuesdays:	Hurley Park Pool	1 to 3 p.m.
	North Creek Pool	3 to 5 p.m.
Wednesdays:	Lake Marion Pool	3 to 5 p.m.
	Watkins Mill Pool	5 to 8 p.m.
Thursdays:	Hurley Park Pool	1 to 3 p.m.
	North Creek Pool	3 to 5 p.m.
Fridays:	Stedwick Pool	3 to 5 p.m.
	Watkins Mill Pool	5 to 8 p.m.

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Montgomery Village Foundation's Annual Independence Day Celebration

Tuesday July 4, 2017 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

5K Run and Fun Run 7 to 9 a.m.

Lake Marion Community Center,
8821 East Village Avenue.

	5K	Fun Run
Register by Wednesday, June 28		
Resident	\$25	\$15
Non-resident	\$30	\$20
Register the day of the race Tuesday, July 4	\$35	\$25

Community Parade

9 a.m. Registration
 9:30 a.m. Judging
 10 a.m. Start on
 Apple Ridge Road.
 This year's theme is
"out of many, one"



Main Festival

Opens at the Apple Ridge Recreation Area, 10101 Apple Ridge Road, following the parade award ceremony. Live music, carnival games, rides, BINGO, crafts and food until 2 p.m.

Details in the Friday, June 23 issue of the *Village News*, or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Contact: Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338 or e-mail mmaggi@mvf.org.

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ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS



Architectural Standards

The Architectural Standards Department is here to answer your questions about making changes to the exterior of your property. Architectural Standards is responsible for approving exterior changes—anything from replacing a door to building a deck or shed, to additions on your home. Call Heather Sharpless at 240-243-2355 or e-mail hsharpless@mvf.org or Erika Hottinger at 240-243-2351 or e-mail ehottinger@mvf.org. Questions may also be mailed to Montgomery Village Foundation, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886, or faxed to 301-990-7071. Specific architectural standards criteria for each community in Montgomery Village are available at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Tips to consider when adding ground cover to your landscape

Before you cover your entire backyard with hardscape materials, consider planting ground cover plants, which are useful for filling awkward spaces that might remain bare soil or be covered over with paver stones. Select ground cover for its beautiful foliage, flowers or scent to make the most of your yard. Remember to choose plants that will thrive in your conditions. Ground cover will usually grow thick and prevent weeds from emerging. Evergreen-type ground covers are particularly desirable, as they remain green during all four seasons.

There are ground covers that will do well in various conditions from sunny, part

shade or shady areas. Plants that do well in sunny, hot and dry areas are Junipers, Sedums and Hens and Chicks. Purple Ice plant and Stonecrop succulents do well for larger spaces. These plants require very little water and are easy to grow.

Some ground cover thrive in sun to part shade conditions. Varieties that flourish in small areas are Candytuft, Creeping Phlox, Woolly Thyme, Lamb's Ear and Barren Strawberry plants. The common Juniper, Blue Star Juniper, Germander, Mondo grass and Vinca vine are beneficial to larger areas of ground where they will spread out and fill the space.

Shade loving plants will grow well in areas under trees

and shrubs and close to structures. Ground covers that work well in small shady areas are Irish moss, Running Phlox and Mountain Lover. Pachysandra, English ivy and Periwinkle all flourish in large shady areas.

Before planting, prepare the soil as you would for any other type of planting. Ground covers can be used as transitions from lawn to taller plants in the garden bed. These plants can also be used for erosion control on hills such as the ground cover Carpet Bugle. Ground cover adds interest to your landscape and are easily maintained.



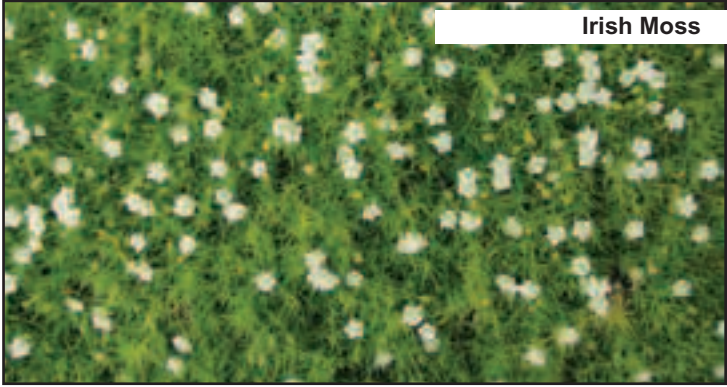
Candytuft



Woolly Thyme



Barren Strawberry



Irish Moss



Germander

Montgomery Village Foundation
2017 Pool Schedule

Spring Swim Schedule (May 27 - June 16)

Location	Weekdays	Closed	Weekends/ Memorial Day
Apple Ridge	-----	Weekdays	12 - 7:30 pm
Lake Marion	4 - 7:30 pm	Tuesday	12 - 7:30 pm
North Creek	4 - 7:30 pm	Open Daily	12 - 7:30 pm
Stedwick	12 - 7:30 pm	Open Daily	12 - 7:30 pm
Whetstone	4 - 7:30 pm	Wednesday	12 - 7:30 pm

Hurley Park Pool (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) will open for the summer on June 18
ADA Compliant Lift available at Hurley Park, Lake Marion, Stedwick, Whetstone

Location	Address	Phone
Apple Ridge	10101 Apple Ridge Road	301-977-9869
Hurley Park	20737 Highland Hall Drive	301-926-9544
Lake Marion	8821 East Village Avenue	301-948-8083
North Creek	20125 Arrowhead Road	301-926-9858
Stedwick	10401 Stedwick Road	301-926-9247
Whetstone	19140 Brooke Grove Court	301-926-9719



Picnic Pavilion Rentals

Residents can reserve picnic pavilions at Hurley Park and Apple Ridge Recreation Area for private functions. Permits will be required for use of the pavilions Friday through Sunday, and may be issued for weekday use through September 30 each year. Permits may be issued to residents who are in good standing, cost \$80 (with a \$100 refundable security deposit) and include access to a port-o-john.

Two time slots are available: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. or 3 to 7:30 p.m. Permit applications are available at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, and online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.



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MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

Kids at play

by the Middle Village Board of Directors

Summer is almost here and that means children will be out running and playing. Drive slowly through our community and keep an eye out for children crossing streets, playing in the parking lots and running from between or behind cars. Safety is everyone's responsibility.

SHOPPING CARTS

Shopping carts are being removed from the neighboring stores in the shopping center and being left in the Middle Village community. Do not remove any shopping carts from the shopping center—it is illegal. If you have shopping carts in your possession, return them to the shopping center.

ASSESSMENTS

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

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

Homeowners who are delinquent with their assessment payments must pay their past due balance in full or make ar-

rangements to pay them. The first step to making payment arrangements is contacting Delphine Matthews at ComSource at 301-924-7355 or e-mail dmatthews@comsource.com.

PET OWNERS

We received several complaints about dogs roaming the neighborhoods off leash, illegally entering yards and making yards unsafe/unsanitary. Others are complaining because neighbors aren't cleaning up after their pet(s). We wanted to share the law prior to your being reported and required to pay a fine.

Dog at large: "Any dog is at large if it is outside the owner's premises and not leashed, unless it is a service dog, is in a dog exercise area designated by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, or is participating in an approved activity. The common area of a homeowner's association, condominium or cooperative is not the owner's premises. Penalty for Violation: \$100 for first offense, \$500 for each subsequent violation."

Unwanted Contact: "The pet owner must prevent unwelcome or unsolicited threatening physical contact or close proximity to a person or a domestic animal that occurs outside the owner's property that may cause alarm in a reasonable person, such as biting, chasing, tracking, inhibiting movement or jumping. Penalty for Violation: \$500."

Animal Defecation ("pooper scooper" law) (Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-203(a)(2)): "An owner must not

allow an animal to damage or defecate on property outside of the owner's property. An animal may defecate on public property or the common area of property in which the owner shares an interest if the owner immediately removes and disposes of the feces by a sanitary method approved by the Director. Feces may be picked up in a plastic bag. If this bag is placed inside another plastic bag, it may be put out for disposal in your normal household trash. Penalty for Violation: \$100."

Animal Trespass (Montgomery County Code, Sec. 5-203(a)(3)): "An owner must not allow an animal to enter private property without the property owner's permission. Penalty for Violation: \$100."

CONTACTING COMSOURCE

ComSource is our management company. If you have a comment or complaint, please include your name, address, phone number, location of issue/problem and specific details in your correspondence or when you are leaving a phone message for the property manager. Contact ComSource at 301-924-7355 or e-mail dmatthews@comsource.com or sumali@comsource.com.

The next MVHC board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27 at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

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

WHETSTONE WATCH

May budget meeting

by the Whetstone Board of Directors

On May 23, the Whetstone Budget Committee met in open session to discuss concerns with the association's short and long-term financial stability. The treasurer presented a committee report detailing the challenges facing the community over the next 25 years.

The short-term financial picture showed a projected shortfall over the next five years in maintenance funds of \$150,000 to \$350,000. This shortfall is mainly due to the fact that the general assessment amount has not been raised in five years, and inflation has eroded the community's purchasing power. To cover this shortfall, an assessment increase of \$70 to \$160 will be needed. An alternative would be to decrease maintenance activities within the community over the next five years. Whetstone would need to reduce maintenance work by approximately 40% to close the gap between current funding and what is estimated as the community's basic maintenance needs.

Additionally, in the short term, there is a projected five year shortfall of \$53,000 in funding for the reserve accounts. This is mainly due to anemic returns on the Certificate of Deposit portion of the reserve accounts. Currently, Whetstone is receiving approximately 1.8% return; a return of 3% annually is needed to properly fund the reserves. The committee explored several options to address this shortfall and will likely be recommending some changes in the investment strategy that should cover this shortfall.

The long-term picture also showed some distress with

a projected shortfall over 20 years of \$1,015,328 or \$51,000 per year. Again, this is mainly due to the anemic returns in the CD portion of the reserve account. The solution for this problem will likely be covered by the solution for the short term issue in this area.

The committee will be making recommendations to the board at the June meeting including a recommendation for a general assessment increase.

THANK YOU TO ED STENNETT

After many years of tireless service to the community, Ed Stennett has retired from the Whetstone Board of Directors. Ed was a key member of the Whetstone Maintenance Committee, first as a member and then as the chairperson. Ed is responsible for many key projects within the community and served with great distinction and honor. The board of directors would like to thank Ed for his service.

WHETSTONE WEBSITE

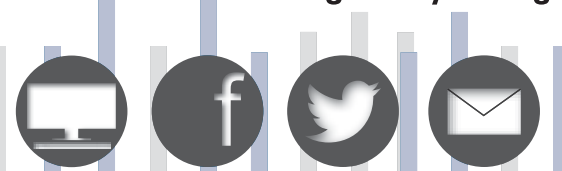
The Whetstone HOA website is packed with lots of helpful information about our community. If you have any questions about our community, you can often find the information on our website. To get there, navigate to www.montgomeryvillage.com and click "Login/Join" in the upper right hand corner. Either log in or sign up for a free user account. Once approved, Whetstone information, as well as home-owner/property specific information will be displayed on your dashboard.

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

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STEDWICK SIGNALS

Bloom and blight

by Keith Silliman

Summer has all but just arrived. Stedwick is an attractive community, with a variety of trees and shrubs and annuals flowering at entries. Houses are selling. The Stedwick Board of Directors and the maintenance committee work to keep our community attractive and environmentally healthy. We have installed three conservation landscapes/rain gardens and are exploring adding a few more. Montgomery County's Department of Environmental Protection has helped with that process from the initial identification of possible locations, identification of native plants to include, review of proposed designs, partial reimbursement of the costs and a reduction in the Water Quality Protection Fee paid by the Stedwick Homes Corporation.

A meeting was recently held with the principal and some of the teachers of Stedwick Elementary School to see if conservation landscapes may be added around the school to provide an opportunity for the students to learn about the environmental impact of rain runoff, improve the environmental health of the school facility and reduce the school property's rainwater discharge onto Stedwick Homes Corporation community space.

Most of the trees provided by Montgomery County's Tree Montgomery last fall are doing well. Pepco will provide additional trees this fall. We are

working to increase our community tree canopy and to help moderate the extremes in our weather.

There are several local organizations focused on the environment that may be of interest to members of our larger Montgomery Village community. The Coalition for Transit Alternatives to Mid-County Highway Extended (TAME) can be contacted at TAMECoalition@gmail.com. The Maryland Chapter of the American Chestnut Foundation is working to reestablish the American Chestnut in Maryland forests. Its website is www.mdtacf.org. Friends of Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir are working to protect that portion of the public drinking water supply that we all depend upon. Its website is www.tenmilecreek.org. The Muddy Branch Alliance is a watershed stewardship organization for the Muddy Branch watershed. Its website is www.muddybranch.org.

The increased number of vehicles that appear to be stored in our community are contributing to parking problems in several of our communities.

The increased parking of trucks and construction-related vehicles along Watkins Mill Road beyond Apple Ridge Road is contributing to the "industrialization" of that road on the northwest side of Montgomery Village. The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) and Comcast are the

most obvious contributors. The recent installation of a port-a-john in that area, apparently by WSSC, contributes to a growing blight on our larger community.

Monument Realty's maintenance of the former golf course has gone from "bloom to blight" with the county's apparent approval. The county's property maintenance inspector indicates that Monument Realty is complying with all county regulations regarding maintenance of that property.

The next SHC-wide inspection will take place on Tuesday, June 13, so if you know about items or issues that need to be checked, please contact our agent at the phone number or e-mail address below.

The next meeting of the Stedwick Board of Directors is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Drive. Come join us for that meeting. The first item on the agenda is residents time, which provides an opportunity for you to ask questions or express concerns. In the meantime, if you have an issue, please contact your Stedwick Homes Corporation community management team at 240-243-2326, or e-mail stedwickhc@mvmf.org.

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

PATTON RIDGE REPORT

Importance of storm water management

by the Patton Ridge Board of Directors

While we have familiarity about our roads above ground, equally important is knowing the whereabouts and condition of storm drains below ground. This will play an important role as we move forward to prepare for what may follow when Monument Realty begins developing its site.

As such, the board contracted the engineering firm, Vika Maryland, LLC in Germantown to survey our storm water system. The board determined it was necessary to go through this process primarily based on our aging community and lack of storm drain details.

Failed pipes are far more costly to repair in an emergency versus knowing what is ahead of us and planning as best we can for the future. Additionally, most of our storm water drains onto the property now owned by Monument Realty.

On May 22, Vika began performing Closed Circuit TV (CCTV) inspections using a robotic underground camera in Fairway Islands and will continue until all of the communities have been reviewed. Once the CCTV inspections are complete, Vika will evaluate its findings and provide a summary to the board. These inspections will not cause disruptions to our residents.

The next phase of this project will be to have, as neces-

sary, the repairs/replacements evaluated and added to the reserve study for Patton Ridge Homes Corporation to further assist with future planning and funding of the reserves.

The board planned to have a reserve study done early in 2017 and will now delay the study to either late 2017 or early 2018 to await and include the outcome of this project.

LETTER TO THE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

In April, a letter was sent, and published in the *Village News*, to Mr. Troy Leftwich, Montgomery Planning Department, concerning the development density plans on the former golf course by Monument Realty. To date, there has been no response from either the Planning Department or Monument Realty.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Patton Ridge Homes Corporation board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents time is from 7 to 7:30 p.m.; please limit your remarks to no more than three minutes.

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

EASTGATE EXPRESS

Eastgate Annual Meeting

by the Eastgate Board of Directors

The Eastgate Annual Meeting was reconvened on May 9. Jeff Amtmann, Kayla Jones and Eric Olson were re-elected to serve for three year terms. The officers are as follows: Ed Stockson, President; Kayla Jones, Vice President; and Darren Manning, Treasurer.

PRIVATE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS

Private Property maintenance inspections were conducted in March and follow-up to those will be completed in July.

TRASH

There has been an increase in dumping of large items on Eastgate community property. Residents may contact Potomac Disposal to have bulk items picked up at no additional charge. Trash collec-

tion in Eastgate is on Tuesday and Friday and recycling is picked up on Friday. Residents are reminded that trash cannot be put out until after 7 p.m. the night before collection and must be put out in "vermin-proof" containers, as is required by Montgomery County. Trash may not be left out in loose trash bags as they attract unwanted pests and will also lead to additional community cleanup.

As an additional reminder, trash should be put out directly in front of your home and not on any other common area. The full trash policy for Eastgate Homes Corporation can be viewed from your Resident Dashboard at www.montgomeryvillage.com. If you do not have a free resident account, simply click the "Login/Join" link in the upper right hand corner of the page. Once your account is approved, you will have access to Eastgate documents

and other property-specific homeowner information.

Please be advised, management makes every attempt to determine from which home improperly disposed of trash is originating. If identified, the homeowner is billed the cleanup fee, which is no less than \$100.

SUMMER PROJECTS

The tree removal and replanting for 2017 has been completed. The repainting of fire lanes and parking spaces through the community has been approved and is in the process of being scheduled. Also, portions of concrete will be replaced in both Charlesgate and Hickory Grove.

Eastgate Express: for residents of Charlesgate, Hickory Grove, Kings Point, The Meadows, The Mews, Ridgefield and Wood Edge.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

Thomas Choice Condominium Multi-family Yard Sale

by the Thomas Choice Condominium Board of Directors

Village residents are invited to the Thomas Choice Condominium Annual Multi-family Yard Sale on Saturday, June 10 from 9 a.m. to noon (rain date Saturday, June 17, same time). Come to shop for some new items or used treasures!

Limited parking will be available on site.

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SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

What's in a name?

by Amani Emmanuel Jude

In a nation of many immigrants, or the descendants thereof, the names we use or have adopted are most profound—especially in the wake of a political climate that is very “anti-immigration,” not just here in the U.S., but also throughout Western Europe. Not only is this biased mentality ironic, it is a paradox to the very Precepts of Liberty, and what the Statue of Liberty symbolizes.

As we prepare to celebrate the Fourth of July, which portends to be a “Celebration of Liberty/Independence,” we must not only ponder, “what’s in a name (or word)?,” but we must strongly consider their origins, and if our thinking and actions hold to their true meanings and ideals. Though this speaks to the changing values on a national level, it is most relevant at the local level—namely in Montgomery County, and most importantly, in Montgomery Village.

I was brought here at the age of nine by my Liberian mother, who had divorced my French father several years before, and as such, was an immigrant, like many here in this very diverse county and community. After many years, I became a naturalized citizen in 1999, and voted for the very first time in 2000, proudly exercising my Right of Suffrage—after serving our nation with eight years in the Naval Reserves (simply as a “green card holder”). I’ve stated all of this to give you a bit of background knowledge of this author, and as a preface to the main topic of this article.

Per the African concept of “Sankofa” (one must know from whence they come, in order to know where you’re going), all residents here should learn of the history of Montgomery Village, as it was the “brainchild” of the visionary Clarence Kettler (circa 1962). The purpose here is not to teach the Village’s rich, dynamic history and growth, but

to get you to consider “what’s in a name,” and most importantly, that of Montgomery Village.

One could clearly deduce that the first part of its name comes from Montgomery County, which was named after Richard Montgomery (December 2, 1738 – December 31, 1775), who was a major general in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War. My main focus is the second part of our community’s name, that being “Village.”

Most dictionaries define village as: “a small community or group of houses in a rural area, larger than a hamlet and usually smaller than a town, and sometimes (as in parts of the U.S.) incorporated as a municipality.” Though this denotative definition no longer seems apropos for our community, I offer my personal or connotative definition, as influenced by the African epigram, “it takes a village to raise a child.” From this concept, I perceive a “Village” to mean “family/extended family.” I strongly believe in such a concept, and bemoan the reality that such concepts are being/have been lost here and elsewhere.

Nonetheless, I hope that you will ponder the question, “what’s in a name?,” along with considering what we call ourselves—in particular, Montgomery Village. If we are to thrive as a community, we must embrace the notions/concepts of being a “village,” and being more kind and considerate of/to our neighbors and our environment, by taking ownership of our actions.

This is demonstrated by:

- Not trashing/dumping in our communities
- Not speeding in our communities (especially where children are playing, which holds true for most roads throughout Montgomery Village)
- Picking up after your pets in our neighborhoods (key word:

neighbor)

- Not disturbing the peace/playing music too loudly in our neighborhoods (especially after 9 p.m.)

One could present a laundry list of “Nots to Do,” but let us strive to doing this:

- Being considerate of others in our community/village

If we are truly “the change that we’ve been waiting for,” then we must consider “what’s in a name” and answer these following questions with sincerity, integrity and honesty:

- “Does the name of our community mean anything to me (in my ‘collective self-concept’)?”
- “Do I represent this name well (as one hopefully does one’s family)?”
- “Am I truly a member of this community/family/village (via my solidarity and actions)?”

As we should be proud of our diversity and our varied cultural/ethnic backgrounds, we can only thrive under a unifying concept, or name, and with a mindset towards the common good, for all persons, within the Village.

Though the saying, “actions speak louder than words (names)” is true, please know that it is our identification with names/words that determines our actions, and defines who we are as human beings and as humane members of a group, county, state, nation and, yes, even a “village.”

So, in the name of “The Pursuit of Happiness, Freedom and Liberty,” I wish you all a most happy and safe Fourth of July.

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

NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

Summer awareness

by the North Village Board of Directors

With the start of the Farmers’ Market and the opening of the pools, we can see that summer is right around the corner. But with all the fun things that summer brings, we need to remind ourselves that safety comes first. The key word is “awareness.” The schools will be out shortly, so drivers must be aware of children playing in the streets and riding bicycles. As we work outdoors, we must be aware of safety—remember that falls from ladders are one of the leading causes of serious injury around the house. And don’t forget to be aware around the outdoor grill. Numerous fires and burns are caused by careless grilling each year.

Summer is also the time to remind all residents to be alert, vigilant and not afraid to call 911, the Montgomery County Police (301-279-8000) or our security service, American Protective Services (240-631-8383), when they see suspicious or criminal activity.

TRASH AND RECYCLING PICKUP

We noticed many recycling “blue boxes” out on the curb a day early during the week after the Memorial Day holiday. Remember, if a county holiday falls during the week, all recycling collections scheduled on or after the holiday will be made one day later. If there is any doubt about the county recycling pickup, you can check the schedule on the county website, and please remember all items to be collected must be out at the curb by 7 a.m. on collection day.

However, our trash company does not change its schedule for most holidays. They collect on every holiday except New Year’s Day and Christmas Day. If your regular trash is supposed to be picked up on a holiday, then you should put out your trash the night before, regardless of the holiday (except for New Year’s and Christmas).

We cannot stress enough how important it is for residents to follow the simple guidelines for their trash collection. People are leaving their bulk pickup items out on the curb on the weekend, and it remains there until Thursday’s pickup by our trash contractor, Potomac Disposal.

Please remember to schedule your bulk pickup by calling

Potomac Disposal at 301-294-9700 and then place it out on the curb on Wednesday night—no earlier. Remember that bulk pickup is only done on Thursdays. For your normal trash, please place it inside a trash can with a lid. Trash cans must be animal-resistant—don’t give rats a chance in our community.

MAINTENANCE ISSUES

Our maintenance contractor has been busy planting annuals at the community entrance signs. He has been tasked to keep them watered so that they will look nice all summer long.

Our recent inspections have identified a lot of tree work that needed to be done. Our contractor, Elliott Tree Service, has just about completed a huge tree removal job—over 25 trees. That will nearly exhaust our tree budget for the year. We want to remind homeowners that they are responsible for the removal of dead trees on their personal property. Also, homeowners of single-family homes are responsible for the repair of all fences on the perimeter of their property.

BOARD ACTIONS

The draft audit report for the year 2016 has been reviewed by the audit committee and distributed to the board for their review. The independent auditors are required to report any material misstatements in the financial statements as well as any significant deficiencies and/or material weaknesses in the internal financial controls of our homes corporation.

NEXT MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 15, in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. We want to remind residents that if they want to address the board at one of the board meetings, they must be present at 7 p.m. and sign in. That is when residents time is held. If you arrive too late after residents time is over and the board meeting has started, you will not be heard.

If you have any questions or want to report any problems, call Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2344, or e-mail asteward@mvmf.org.

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

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RECREATION

Camp Tiny Feet

Don't delay – register today! Campers ages 3 years 9 months to 6 years old love spending their summer mornings at Camp Tiny Feet!

Led by Montgomery County Public School 1st Grade Teacher Megan Gesualdi, activities will range from exciting group games and S.T.E.M. projects to arts and crafts! Each session also features one visiting performer or extra special

activity, along with daily swim lessons (weather permitting).

Camp Tiny Feet runs in 2-week sessions, Monday, June 19 to Friday, Aug. 11, and is held at Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court, from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday.

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



Maryland State Community Band Festival

The Montgomery Village Community Band will participate in the Maryland State Community Band Festival on Sunday, June 11 at the Historic Springfield Barn, 16 Springfield Lane, Williamsport, Md. Community bands from across the state will gather to perform and entertain. Admission is free for this family-friendly event.

For a list of participating bands and more information, visit www.williamsportmdcommunityband.org.



photos by Derrick Tabor



Independence Day Celebration, Tuesday, July 4

Join the Montgomery Village community in celebration of America's birthday! This year's theme is "Out of Many, One." Activities are scheduled throughout the day for all to enjoy.

Start the day with the 5K Race/Fun Run at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. There will be refreshments, race shirts and swag bags for race participants.

Then head over to Apple Ridge Road for the Community Parade step off at 10 a.m. All are encouraged to participate in the parade, which will stage at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints parking lot beginning

at 9 a.m. Judges will review the entries at 9:30 a.m. and the parade steps off at 10 a.m. sharp!

Follow the parade down Apple Ridge Road to the main event area where parade category winners will be announced and you will enjoy live music from The Back Pages Band, followed by the Montgomery Village Community Band. Plus you'll find carnival games, children's activities, exciting rides, BINGO and food concessions.

Race and parade registration and general event information can be found at www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Creative Discovery enrollment

Enrollment for Montgomery Village's recreational pre-school program is underway! Creative Discovery is for students 3 and 4 years old (entering kindergarten in 2018/2019). Through engaged learning, students will develop strong cognitive, physical and social skills, which are the foundation for academic success. Daily activities focus on themes such as colors, science, numbers, technol-

ogy and, of course, the alphabet! The curriculum is based on MCPS kindergarten requirements in order to ensure that students are up to speed and ready to shine in elementary school.

For more information or to register, contact Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338, e-mail mmaggi@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

North Creek Activity Center and Whetstone Summer Club

Looking for a more flexible camp option this summer? Check out North Creek Activity Center or Whetstone Summer Club! Both programs offer children ages 6 to 13 a variety of activities including art projects, board games, playground play and group games both inside and outdoors.

New this year are North Creek's ex-

tended hours, now offering a full day program for only \$360/Resident for the entire summer! Whetstone Summer Club offers a convenient afternoon-only option for \$249/Resident.

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



RECREATION



Swim Teams online

Lake Marion Lasers
www.lakemarionswimteam.com/

North Creek Neptunes
<https://sites.google.com/site/northcreekneptunes/>

Whetstone Whales
www.whetstonewhales.com

Now is the time to register for summer fitness classes!

Classes include Children’s Basketball Express on Sundays or Mondays; Taekwondo on Mondays; Pop Pilates on Tuesdays and Thursdays; Aerobics (land and water options) Monday through Thursday; Zumba on Wednesdays and Saturdays; Argentine Tango on Wednesdays; Yoga on Wednesdays and Sundays; Deep Water Running on Mondays and Thursdays; and Meditation classes on Thursday evenings!

With such a variety of classes, there is something for everyone! For more information or to register call 301-948-0110 or visit <https://apm.activecommunities.com/montgomeryvillage>.

Discounted amusement park tickets for sale

The MVF Department of Recreation, Parks and Culture, in conjunction with the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association, sells discounted tickets to area amusement parks (in season) at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Payment for these tickets must be made in person at the office and will be only accepted in cash or credit card.

Busch Gardens	\$59
Diggerland.....	\$25
Dorney Park: Adult.....	\$43
Dutch Wonderland.....	\$37
Hershey Park: Adult	\$52
Jr. (Ages 3 to 8).....	\$40
King’s Dominion: Adult	\$39
Spring Savings (through June 11).....	\$37
Sahara Sams.....	\$26
Sesame Place	\$57
Six Flags America	\$44
Special Days.....	\$35
(June 12 to August 20)	
Six Flags Great Adventure (New Jersey).....	\$43
Hurricane Harbor.....	\$33
Water Country	\$36



44th Annual All-Comers Swim Meet, June 10

You don’t have to be a member of a swim team to participate in the All-Comers Swim Meet on Saturday, June 10 at the North Creek Pool, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Swimmers ages 6 to 18 can compete. Warm up is from 7:30 to 7:50 a.m., and the meet starts at 8 a.m. Ribbons will be given for first through twelfth place finishes for ages 12 and under and first through sixth place finishes for ages 13 to 18.

For more information, call 301-948-0110. The rain date for the All-Comers Swim Meet is Sunday, June 11.
A special thank you to our sponsor The BAR Bell, 19322 Woodfield Road.



Learn to swim at MVF pools!

Swim instruction is available for all ages at MVF pools. Classes include Parent & Me, Tiny Tots, Youth and Adult. There is a class for every level.
If group lessons aren’t your thing or you need flexibility, private lessons are available as well. For more information or to register, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



9 to 10 a.m.

Lake Whetstone Dock
18701 Montgomery Village Avenue



Participate in an hour-long yoga session overlooking scenic Lake Whetstone. Taught by Susan Young as a beginner/intermediate class.

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Saturday, Sept. 9

\$10/participant per date. Drop-ins welcome!



For more information or to register, call Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338, e-mail mmaggi@mvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

KIDS PAGE



MV Kids Learn About Sunglasses

Sunglasses are protective eyewear designed to prevent bright sunlight and ultraviolet light from damaging or discomforting the eyes.

Sunglasses History

In the early 20th century, they were also known as sun cheaters (cheaters being an American slang term for glasses).

In prehistoric and historic time, Inuit peoples wore flattened walrus ivory “glasses”, looking through narrow slits to block harmful reflected rays of the sun.

In the early 1920s, the use of sunglasses started to become more widespread, especially among movie stars.

Inexpensive mass-produced sunglasses made from celluloid were first produced by Sam Foster in 1929. Foster began selling sunglasses under the name Foster Grant from a Woolworth on the Boardwalk of Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Polarized sunglasses first became available in 1936, when Edwin H. Land began experimenting with making lenses with his patented Polaroid filter.

By 1938, *Life* magazine wrote of how sunglasses were a “new fad for wear on city streets ... a favorite affectation of thousands of women all over the U.S.”

Since the 1940s, sunglasses have been popular as a fashion accessory, especially on the beach.

At present, Xiamen, China, is the world’s largest producer of sunglasses, exporting 120 million pairs each year.



Sunglass Match

Match the style name to the picture.

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SUMMER Session

through Aug. 18



Spring Field Trip

An announcement for the next Seniors in Action trip will be made in the upcoming months. Please stay tuned to know where the group will be going next!



Potluck and Guest Speaker

Join us on Wednesday, June 28 for our monthly Seniors in Action Potluck! Bring a dish and socialize with other members. All members are welcomed to join us on that day.



Monthly Member Meeting

In the upcoming months, we will be holding monthly meetings to discuss any questions/concerns/suggestions with regard to the Seniors in Action program. Please stay tuned for dates of meeting.



GAMES & SOCIAL HOUR!

New addition to the Summer Session!
We will be adding Social Games to our Monday schedule. Join us to socialize and play various games with members now on Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon, except for Book Club meeting days.

Calendar

MONDAY



Arts and Crafts
10 a.m. to noon

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



Book Club
10 to 11 a.m. - third Monday each month
Group will meet on the third Monday of each month. Members discuss and give opinions about the book selected by the group.
June 19: Each participant can "recommend" a book to the group by giving a short summary of a book they have read.
July 17: Our group will meet to nominate books to go on our reading list for Fall 2017.



SiA Games / Social Hour
10 a.m. to noon- every Monday except Book Club dates
Enjoy a variety of card and board games, conversation and refreshments.

WEDNESDAY



Light Cardio Workout
9 to 10 a.m.
Work out with other SiA members using light weights and resistance bands. Guided by an interactive exercise video.



SiA Games / Social Hour
10 a.m. to noon
Enjoy a variety of card and board games, conversation and refreshments.

FRIDAY



Seated Tai Chi
9:30 a.m. to 10:15 p.m.
Join instructor Marcy as she takes you through the controlled and low impact movements of Tai Chi.



Bingo & Brown Bag Lunch
Noon to 2 p.m.
second Friday each month
Bring a lunch (beverages will be provided) and play bingo with friends. Members may bring friends and family to join in the fun.
Free for members, \$2/Non-member
Meeting dates: June 9 and July 14

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

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

SCHOOL NEWS

MVF helped Watkins Mill High School "Rock the Block"

Members of the community gathered at Watkins Mill High School on Saturday, June 3 for a fun time of free games, food, and music. MVF Executive Vice President Dave Hump-ton and Assistant EVP Mike Conroy were there to give out prizes and information as well as answer any questions visitors had about Montgomery Village or the Foundation.

Many thanks to Watkins Mill High School for putting on this great community event.



photos by Laura Franke



MILESTONES

Village resident to receive MCEHG "Advocate of the Year Award"



The 2017 Steering Committee of the Montgomery County Executive Hispanic Gala (MCEHG) announced that Montgomery Village resident Teresa Rios Wright, Montgomery County Public Schools Instructional Specialist, will be the recipient of the 2017 "Advocate of the Year Award" during the gala celebration on Thursday, Sept. 7 at The Fillmore Silver Spring.

Wright has established a 35-year career with Montgomery County Public Schools where she is currently an instructional specialist in the Department of Family and Community Engagement. Prior to this, she served as a Spanish Language teacher at Gaithersburg and Magruder high schools as well as Montgomery Village Middle School.

She works with Latino youth to help them go to college or achieve a technical career. Wright has excelled in developing their potential and guiding them to be useful and productive members of the community. She also extends help to Latino parents, by conquering language and cultural barriers so that they can help their children and be involved in schools and their academic process.

She serves on the board of Identity, Inc. and the board of the Universities of Maryland at Shady Grove.

For more information about the Montgomery County Executive Hispanic Gala, to become an event sponsor or to donate or purchase tickets, visit www.montgomeryhispanicgala.org.

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AT YOUR LEISURE

"Aging Gracelessly: 50 Shades of Fay" on stage June 10 at Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church

Come laugh your socks off Saturday, June 10 at 7 p.m. with comic Fay Jacobs at the Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church, 9601 Cedar Lane, Bethesda.

With five award-winning humor books and countless magazine columns under her belt, author Fay Jacobs is touring with a hilarious and moving oral memoir. The performance, called "Aging Gracelessly: 50 Shades of Fay" is based on Jacobs' most entertaining stories, with a personal narrative covering relationship, diversity and aging issues relatable to all.

Village News readers and Montgomery Village residents might remember Jacobs as MVF's Director of Communications and editor of *The Village News* in the 1980s and 90s. Since then she has become an author, storyteller and comic.

The show will be on-stage at the church for one performance only. This follows dozens of shows up and down the East Coast, including the famed Duplex Cabaret in New York, the Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans, on a Caribbean cruise and gigs in Ft. Lauderdale, Winston-Salem, Philadelphia, Allentown, Asheville, Provincetown and many more.

At its core, *Aging Gracelessly* highlights the au-

thor's insistence that nothing is ever so horrible if it's worth the story you can tell. The event has Fay's signature humor and stories of tackling life, liberty and the aging process.

Tickets for a suggested donation of \$20 are available at the door, with reservations suggested online for this one-time only performance.

Critics have been enchanted by this evening of story-telling, dubbing her "the last comic sitting."

Of its universal appeal, Ginny Daly, author of "The Guest Book" and past-president American News Women's Club, says "Even a straight, Irish, hopefully humorous, ex-nun can relate."

"Fay gives us an intelligent, hysterically funny and occasionally poignant look at how we live today, with hopes for tomorrow. Recommended for everyone, male or female, gay or straight." - *Echo Magazine*

"Fay Jacobs is a treasure - a combination of Mark Twain, Lily Tomlin, Gertrude Stein, and Laurel and Hardy all wrapped up in one fine writer and humorist - Grady Harp, Amazon Top 50

So come along for the ride, from zip lines to skunk sprays, marriage equality to aging gracefully, join Fay Jacobs for the journey. For more information, contact Cedar Lane at 301-493-8300 or visit www.cedarlane.org.



Gaithersburg Friends of the Library used book sale

On Saturday, June 17, the Gaithersburg Chapter of Friends of the Library (FOL), will be holding a used book sale in the Gaithersburg Library lobby, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Paperback (\$0.25 each) and hardback (\$0.50 each) mystery, science fiction, popular fiction books will be available. Music CDs and movie DVDs will be on sale for \$1 each. FOL book bags will also be available for purchase.

This is a great opportunity to stock up for your vacation and summertime reading, and to support your local library's programs for adults and children!

The Gaithersburg Chapter of FOL funds the Summer Reading Program; the purchase of items for the Discovery Center and receipt printers

for book check out; and special programs such as an Irish dance group, a Lunar New Year program, a Harry Potter birthday party and a Sunday afternoon jazz concert for the community, in addition to supporting staff appreciation.



The library is located at 18330 Montgomery Village Avenue. For more information, call 240-773-9490.

Northgate Community Church Vacation Bible School

Summer fun and adventure comes to "Mighty Fortress - in Jesus, the Victory Is Won" Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Northgate Community Church, Monday, July 10 to Friday, July 14, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Songs, skits, crafts, games, Bible studies and snacks all make VBS a can't-miss experience for kids ages 4 through 8th grade.



Mighty Fortress VBS is free to all. Also, for adults, there is a Special Seminar, "Prosperity: Heart, Soul, Mind and Finances," taught by Oscar Garcia and Pastor Thurlow Switzer.

For more information or to register, call 301-840-9830 or visit www.northgatecc.org; registration will also be taken at the door. Northgate Community Church is located at 20300 Pleasant Ridge Drive.

Rental Facilities in the Village

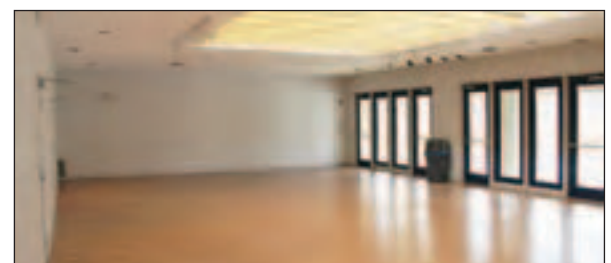
Looking for space for your party, celebration or sports practice? Montgomery Village residents who pay the MVF Fee can rent these centers for their non-alcoholic private parties or functions.

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

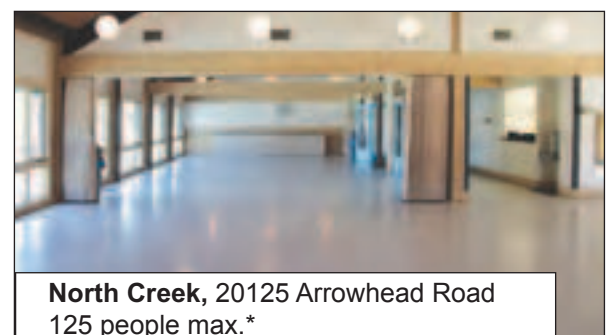
North Creek is a tile-floored L-shaped room that may be divided into two smaller rooms. Maximum capacity is 125 people.

We are now accepting rental requests for functions to be held through June 2016. Fees for these facilities begin at \$50 per hour and require a \$250 security deposit. Requests must be submitted at least three weeks in advance. Potential renters can obtain a copy of the "Procedures on the Private Use of Facilities" and the "Private Rental Request Form" from the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

For more information, call 301-948-0110.



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OVERLEA \$259,900

Brand new on market! Beautiful TH in fabulous condition w/HGTV features & upgrades – 2 BR, 2 FBA & loft – 2 master BRs w/walk-in closets – gorgeous custom features w/coffered fireplace wall, stone fireplace surround, designer baths w/subway tile, marble floors, sliding glass shower door, vessel sink

& niches – 2 sliding barn doors – slate floor in foyer & kitchen – all new kitchen w/42" maple cabinets, wine cabinet, stainless appliances, granite counters & open pantry area – new fixtures, lights, outlets & switches – stunning home w/2 fenced flagstone patios & lovely gardens – fin. basement w/laundry & huge storage room!



KENTLANDS CONDO \$259,000

Beautiful 3 BR, 2 FBA condo in secure building located in Kentlands Ridge. Updates include carpet, paint, appliances, granite counters and new windows. Living room fireplace. 2nd floor w/balcony.

Coming Soon

- 🏠 COLLINGWOOD/GOSHEN ESTATES SFH Cul de Sac
- 🏠 THE POINTS SFH 5 BR, 3.5 BA
- 🏠 PARTRIDGE PLACE 3 BR, 2.5 BA, Fin. Bsmt.

For Sale



bay window, tons of cabinets & counters – full fin. bsmt. w/full BA, BR, fireplace.

KENSINGTON \$675,000

Beautiful 5 BR, 3.5 BA, SFH w/1st floor master suite, 2-car garage, hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces, new carpet and fresh paint – stunning master bath w/designer tile, free-standing slipper tub, walk-in shower, separate vanities – large LR, DR and Rec. room – open kitchen w/granite counters, wood floor,

Sold



ESSEX PLACE I \$205,000

Beautiful 3 level, 2 BR, 1.5 BA town home with full basement – bright comfortable space full of natural light – recreation room and great storage in lower level – perfect starter home in move in condition.



PICTON/EAST VILLAGE \$200,000

3 BR, 2.5 BA TH w/new windows, updated kitchen, custom tile in baths, full size washer & dryer – unique built-in child's desk/table in kitchen – huge master suite – generously sized childrens' BRs.



THE HEIGHTS \$367,000

SFH w/2-car garage & fenced yard – sunroom addition, expanded table space kitchen w/new dishwasher – 4 BR, 2.5 BA, separate DR, LR, FR w/fireplace, hardwood floors, ceiling fans. Great value!



EAST VILLAGE \$349,000

Stunning garage 3 BR, 2 FBA, 2 HBA TH. Renovated kitchen w/new stainless steel appliances – wood floors, new carpet, ceramic tile – Fireplace, finished w/o basement – deck, fenced backyard.



WHETSTONE \$415,000

Renovated 5 BR, 3 full BA brick home. New kitchen w/granite and stainless appliances. New master BA and dressing area – new windows – freshly painted!



WILLIAMS RANGE \$422,000

Lovely 4 BR, 2 FBA home in Williams Range! Hardwood floors, renovated baths & kitchen – beautiful landscaping & brick paver hardscape!

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