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June MVF Board meeting update

by Mike Conroy

The Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors met on June 22 for their monthly business meeting to discuss a number of topics on the agenda, including recreation-related requests and updates to some community criteria.

Criteria for The Points neighborhood in Northgate were updated to allow front door accent colors, after consideration from the Northgate Homes Corporation and recommendation from the Architectural Review Board and Design Consultant. Northgate residents can access the revised criteria from their Member Dashboard at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

In recreation-related items, the Board approved a bid for replacement of the North Creek Community Center floor for \$23,374 (plus additional funds for damaged subflooring and unforeseen expenses, if necessary) to Frederick Tile, Inc. The floor will be replaced with similar materials used for the Stedwick Community Center and Lake Marion Activity Room floors.

Based on recommendation from the Recreation Committee, the Board awarded a bid for the McKendree Playground replacement to Playground Specialists, Inc. The committee

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Director of Recreation, Parks and Culture, Peggy Mark joined MVF Board Members, local officials and residents at the Annual MVF Independence Day Celebration. All showed gratitude and congratulations to the many parade winners and to Peggy, who will be retiring this August. For more photos from the event, parade contest results and 5K and Fun Run results, see pages 12 and 13.

Summertime activities all around the Village

by Mike Conroy

Now that summer is in full swing, there's plenty of time to spend outdoors before or after work, on the weekends or while taking a much needed vacation day with your family.

Montgomery Village has no shortage of close-by attractions. There are, of course, amusement parks, national museums, historical landmarks, thousands of restaurants, shopping opportunities and countless other things to do within a short driving distance. But what about things to do right here in Montgomery Village—where instead of spending money on gas, you could walk or bike to a park or pool, tennis court or event, and enjoy a day out in your own community?

There are seven MVF-owned community pools for you to enjoy, either solo or with family and friends. All pools are open to residents with a valid activity card—there's no restriction as to which pool you can visit; try a new one every day! The newly renovated Apple Ridge Pool has plenty of fun features for kids of all ages, including a body slide, a double slide, spray ground, current channel, dumping buckets, in-water sun shelf lounging area, under-

water bench with cool water jets, an island pool deck and much more. Apartment and

See SUMMERTIME page 7



SUMMERS
at SOUTH VALLEY PARK

July 16 | 6 p.m.
Jerry Rigged (Bluegrass)

July 19 | 10:30 a.m.
KidJAM
Sqeals on Wheels
Petting Zoo

July 23 | 6 p.m.
U.S. Navy's
Country Current (Country)

July 26 | 10:30 a.m.
KidJAM
Captain All-Star

See the full schedule on
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TONIGHT!

Dive-In Movie

Friday, July 14

Stedwick Pool
10401 Stedwick Road

Admission is FREE!
for residents with
MVF Activity Cards

Guests:
\$3/youth
\$6/adult

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



Two SECRET LIFE OF PETS

Swimmers must wear appropriate swim attire.

LOOK INSIDE

Independence Day 5K and Parade Contest Results



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Upcoming family fun: Build a Birdfeeder Workshop Aug. 6

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MVF Camps are having a blast.



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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, July 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 2 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, to review residents’ requests for exterior modifications. The board requests that homeowners contact the Foundation if they plan to attend and if their contractors will accompany them.

COMMERCIAL ARCHITECTURAL
REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Commercial Architectural Review Committee (CARC) meeting is scheduled for 9:15 a.m. on Friday, July 14 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Communications Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, July 17 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.



NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25 in the Heron’s Cove Office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

CHRISTOPHER COURT LAND ASSOCIATION

The Christopher Court Land Association meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

EAST VILLAGE

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 18 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25 at the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

NORMANDIE ON THE LAKE I CONDOMINIUM

The Normandie on the Lake I (NOLI) meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 19 at the NOLI Office, 18701 Walker’s Choice Road #3.

PARK PLACE I CONDOMINIUM

The Park Place I Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 10 at the Gaithersburg Library, 18330 Montgomery Village Avenue. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

PARK PLACE II CONDOMINIUM

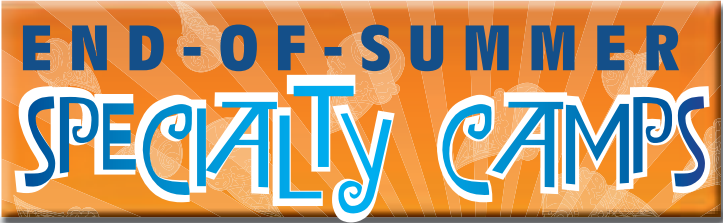
The Park Place II Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 9 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25 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, July 26 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.



Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Celebration



by Pete Young
MVF President

The summer heat is fully upon us, and this past week in particular was a scorcher. Thank goodness that we are blessed with so many ways to beat the heat in our community – the great pools, shaded walking paths, close by trails and parks and of course, the air conditioned shops, restaurants and homes we enjoy.

The current heat wave was not a problem for the July 4 Parade and Festival, though, and I was pleased to see so many friends and familiar faces there. As always, the parade is a celebration of not only our country's birth, but also a celebration of our community and the amazing residents we share this place with. I'd like to thank the MVF staff for once again creating a tremendous event and opportunity for us to share time with each other; these are some of the great traditions and times we can look

back on over the years as we create memories for ourselves and our children.

I would like to call your attention to the upcoming retirement of Peggy Mark from MVF – Peggy has served our community for 41 years, and her contributions are immeasurable. Peggy is the director of Recreation and Parks, and the July 4 Celebration is yet another reminder of the hard work and commitment she has given to us over these many years.

We all should celebrate the amazing career she has had with MVF; the many programs, camps, classes, park projects and life she has brought to the Village. She will be missed, and we all owe Peggy a debt of gratitude for the impacts she has had on us all. Feel free to take a moment to share with Peggy your thanks, appreciation and stories of her impact on you and your family.

As the summer continues, please take time to celebrate the many blessings we have, and as you spend time with your family and friends take a moment to recognize what a great community we all share.

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

Schedule For 2018 MVF Budget Process

TUESDAY, AUG. 15

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

THURSDAY, AUG. 24

Presentation of 2018 Proposed Budget
SCC, 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

NOVEMBER 2017

Notify owners of 2018 assessments

DECEMBER 2017

2018 assessment coupons mailed

NCBR

North Creek Board Room
20125 Arrowhead Road
SCC
Stedwick Community Center
10401 Stedwick Road

MVF BOARD AGENDA

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, July 27, 2017

North Creek Community Center - 7:30 p.m.

Residents Time – As a courtesy to fellow residents and the Board, please limit your remarks to no more than 3 minutes.

During this time, residents are encouraged to offer suggestions and/or requests for the 2018 MVF Budget.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. President's Remarks
3. Review and Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting
June 22, 2017
4. Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements
5. Executive Vice President's Report
6. Information Item – 2017 Goose Count
7. Acceptance of Action List

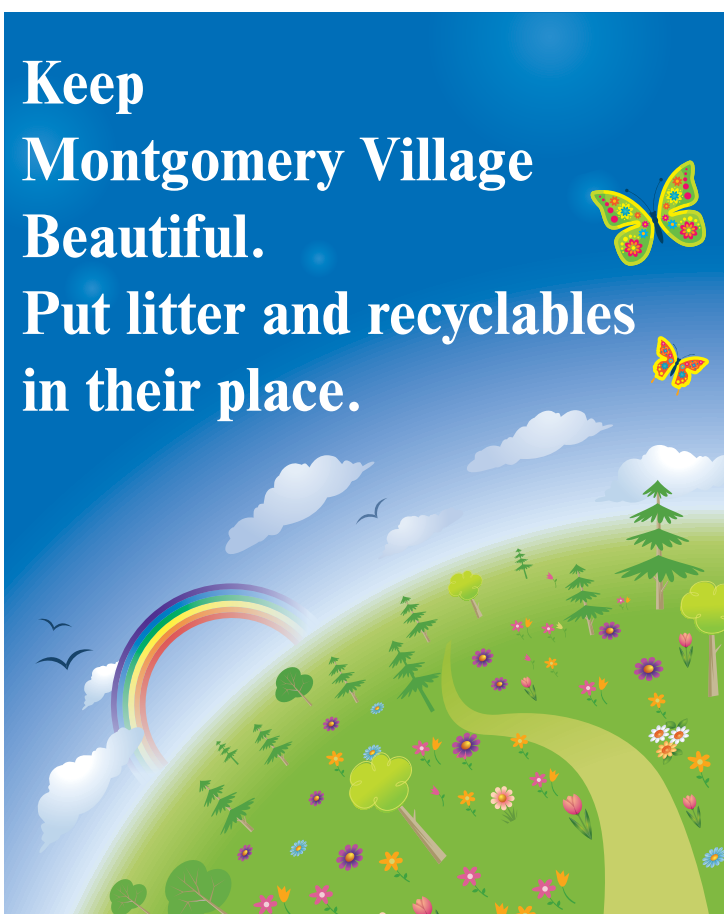
ACTION LIST

Decision Items:

- A. Consider approval of revision of the Maryland Place Criteria (Addition of Elevated Deck Steps)
- B. Consider approval of revision of the Stedwick Clusters I, II, and III Criteria (Balcony Deck/Rail colors)
- C. Consider approval of MVF Transportation Priorities and authorize EVP to forward to the County Executive and County Council
- D. Consider new branding campaign proposal for Montgomery Village
- E. Consider program for the addition of Student Representative to MVF Board of Directors
- F. Consider proposal for replacement of Stedwick lights with LED fixtures

Committee Reports – barring any questions, these reports will be accepted as a group:

- A. Executive Committee
 - B. Architectural Review Board (ARB)
 - C. Audit
 - D. Commercial Architectural Review (CARC)
 - E. Committee on Environment (COE)
 - F. Communications
 - G. Election
 - H. Nominating
 - I. Personnel
 - J. Recreation
 - K. Investment Committee
8. Board Member Issues
 9. Vote on Closed Session - Pursuant to Section 11B Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Maryland Homeowners Association Act) to –
(viii.) Discussion of individual owner assessment accounts.
(iv) Consultation with staff, personnel, consultants, attorneys, board members, or other persons in connection with pending or potential litigation or other legal matters.
 10. Adjournment



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

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3. Typed letters and e-mail must be received no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday prior to publication and distribution, while handwritten letters must be received no later than noon on the Friday, one week prior to publication. When a holiday occurs on a deadline Monday, Letters to the Editor must be received no later than noon on the subsequent Tuesday prior to the Friday publication and distribution.

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8. Letters submitted by an author regarding the same topic must present new information or opinions; repetitive submissions and/or form letters submissions will only be printed once.

9. The Letters to the Editor section is not a forum for extensive debates; MVF encourages residents to use other avenues such as facebook and twitter for timely discussion.

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E-mail letters to mvnnews@mvf.org.

IN THE NEWS

Letters to the Editor

Editor:

Everyone agrees that the loss of a very young human life in Lake Whetstone last month was a colossally sad and tragic event. It is overwhelming to simply think of the horror and the impact on the child's family.

However, Herbert Eisele, in his Letter to the Editor, puts much blame for the tragic accident on the natural vegetation that exists around Lake Whetstone. Dense vegetation around a waterbody—such as Lake Whetstone—actually acts as a safety measure, preventing adults or children from falling, tripping or stumbling into a lake. Furthermore, natural, native vegetation around streams, rivers and lakes (called riparian buffers) is extremely beneficial and valuable for shoreline stability, bird and wildlife habitat, and provides cooling shade to the shallow water at the lake's

edge and for us humans who use the Lake Whetstone trail. Who can argue that diversity in shoreline vegetation height, shape, color and flowers is not aesthetically attractive and a source of beauty? Portions of the Lake Whetstone shoreline are required by State law to be cut to low heights to maintain the structural stability of the dam.

As a member of the Montgomery Village Committee on the Environment (COE), I work with my fellow COE members, and other concerned and interested Village residents, to enhance and protect the natural assets in our community, including lake-side and stream-side vegetation.

"Unsightly weeds and bushes" in the eyes of some are valuable landscape elements to the minds of environmentally-aware residents.

Tim Goodfellow
Breckenridge

Editor:

As a parent with two young kids, we love using the pools in the Village, especially Whetstone and the newly renovated Apple Ridge. Both of these pools are great for small children, but would be even better if they opened earlier than noon. Currently the only pool that opens before noon is Hurley Park. While we do take

our kids there when we want an earlier start to the day, it would be great if some of the other pools could also open before noon.

10 a.m. would be perfect. This would allow those like myself with small children to utilize the pools that have the additional features for kids earlier in the day. Most kids are up early in the morning, and wait-

ing around until noon to go to a pool other than Hurley Park is frustrating. If Whetstone and Apple Ridge could maybe alternate opening at 10 a.m. on the weekends throughout the summer, it would be a huge benefit to young families, and I know it would increase our use even more.

Faith M. Zeff
North Village

Editor:

In reading recent homes corporation columns in the *Village News*, Kehilat Shalom has noticed that the number of parking spaces versus the number of vehicles in communities continues to be a Village-wide issue. While we sympathize with those look-

ing for additional parking, we would like to remind the community that the parking lot at Kehilat Shalom is private property. The lot is reserved for members of Kehilat Shalom, employees and/or their guests. Much like the private streets and parking lots in Montgomery Village commu-

nities, unauthorized vehicles parked in the Kehilat Shalom parking lot may be subject to immediate towing.

Thank you for respecting our private property.

Michael Goldman
President, Kehilat Shalom



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Sept. 11 to May 23, 2018

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\$200 due on first of each month Sept. through April

\$2,160/Non-resident: \$240 due at registration;
\$240 due on first of each month Sept. through April

Creative Discovery 4's 4008.402
Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sept. 11 to May 24, 2018

*97 class days; no class when MCPS are closed; plus Winter Break – Dec. 22 to Jan. 2, Spring Break – March 23 to April 3

\$2,736/Resident: \$304 due at registration;
\$304 due on first of each month Sept. through April

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IN THE NEWS

Board

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considered several vendors, designs and play features before settling on the proposal put forth by Playground Specialists. A Reserve expenditure of \$45,000, plus an additional 10% for unforeseen expenses was approved for this project.

Playground Specialists was also awarded a bid for \$20,825 to the replacement of engineered wood fiber for park and designated user playgrounds. The 595 cubic yards of material is needed to maintain MVF-owned playgrounds to national playground standards for fall protection.

Revisions to the MVF Towing Policy to bring consistency between the policy and signage at MVF-owned properties were also approved. The Recreation Committee had previously held off on changes to the policy to make sure any further revisions to county laws were complete.

Finally, the Board authorized the EVP to enter into a 2-year contract for auditing services with DeLeon & Stang. MVF's previously contracted

auditor, Draper & McGinley terminated their auditing services effective May 31, and DeLeon & Stang will honor the remainder of the previous contract.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Board President Pete Young thanked staff for implementing and residents for attending the Apple Ridge Pool Ribbon Cutting Ceremony the night before. He noted that residents were enjoying all facets of the pool, and it was nice to recognize the many partners and individuals who were instrumental in bringing this project to fruition.

EVP REPORT

Executive Vice President Dave Humpton led discussion on the county's proposed short-term rental legislation. General Counsel Christopher Hitchens provided background on the legislation and changes that had previously been made to address county resident concerns. The Board discussed the legislation, noting several

concerns for parking, enforcement and emergency contact mechanisms. They were in agreement that they should support the legislation, provided it was able to incorporate language to properly deal with the identified concerns.

Humpton also noted the county council has been working for about a year on redeveloping its process to approve cell phone towers, especially smaller towers that can be placed in residential areas. A Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) is being developed by the county and public hearings will be held once it is released. He noted the focus seems to be on placing the towers in county rights of way. MVF Staff will monitor this topic and relay updates and meeting announcements to the Board and community as they are announced.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of both the Treasurer and CFO, EVP Humpton gave the Treasurer's Report, noting MVF's contin-

ued solid financial position for both the month of May and the year-to-date (YTD). Humpton said that for both the month and YTD, MVF is ahead of budget projections.

Net Income was reported at \$899,000 YTD which is favorable to the budget by \$294,000, primarily due to investment returns, pool memberships, camps and classes and the Capital Contribution Fees. This is partially offset by lower than expected advertising revenue.

Personnel costs remain favorable to the budget due to earlier vacancies in full time positions and lower than expected seasonal wages; seasonal wages will increase in the coming months. Operating costs are \$195,000 favorable to the budget due to lower than expected costs across most cost centers.

Contributions to Reserves were made in accordance with the budget; \$90,830 for May and a total of \$454,150 YTD. The Balance Sheet reflects MVF's solid financial position showing \$7.6 million in

Cash and Investments. Over \$1.5 million YTD was moved to Fixed Assets for the Apple Ridge Pool renovation; Humpton noted that the pool is now fully paid for.

Due to the success of the changes to the Collection Policy, Assessment Receivables continue to improve and keep delinquencies low. Humpton also noted the Operating Fund is maintaining a nearly \$2.2 million Undesignated Reserve balance.

NEXT MEETING

The next MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 27, 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.

MVF Financial Reports - May 2017

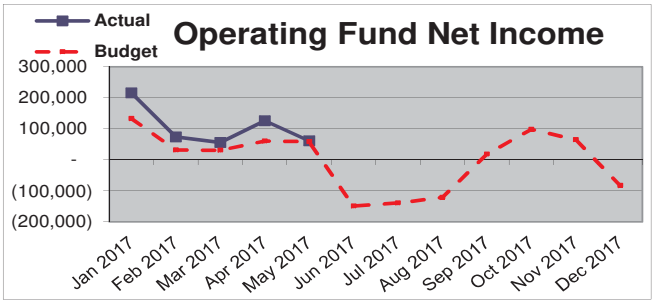
OPERATING FUND - STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSE

	May 2017			YTD May 2017		
	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)	Actual	Budget	Variance (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Assessments	518,290	518,251	38	2,591,405	2,591,256	149
Assessment Fees	(453)	4,108	(4,561)	89,012	102,603	(13,591)
Transfer Fees	4,575	3,036	1,539	15,150	13,528	1,622
Disclosure Fees	14,469	15,073	(604)	57,901	64,197	(6,296)
Advertising revenue	5,827	16,330	(10,503)	44,243	59,284	(15,041)
Pool Memberships/Rental Fees	20,613	11,345	9,268	46,515	37,507	9,008
Camps & Classes	17,132	22,184	(5,051)	110,794	105,775	5,018
Management Fees	66,458	65,934	525	332,297	329,668	2,628
Capital Contribution fee	18,354	11,293	7,061	64,142	47,846	16,296
Other Income	25,980	17,885	8,095	80,770	42,049	38,722
Total Revenue	691,244	685,438	5,806	3,432,229	3,393,713	38,517
Personnel Costs:						
Salaries & Wages	239,122	250,789	11,668	1,172,956	1,254,268	81,312
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	73,286	78,799	5,513	371,712	392,589	20,877
Personnel Costs	312,407	329,588	17,181	1,544,668	1,646,857	102,189
Business Expenses	12,981	22,329	9,348	55,880	63,661	7,781
Office Supplies	2,953	3,533	580	14,525	22,284	7,758
Program/Maint Supplies	32,858	12,500	(20,359)	56,492	47,200	(9,293)
Occupancy	31,260	24,244	(7,016)	104,908	112,584	7,677
Office Expenses/Svc Contracts	20,074	23,700	3,626	138,666	132,545	(6,122)
Equip Maintenance	1,022	2,250	1,228	10,233	10,700	467
Vehicle Expenses	2,340	2,017	(323)	6,765	9,733	2,968
Financial & Legal	7,175	8,304	1,129	53,557	62,025	8,468
Insurance	11,738	12,178	440	39,085	32,495	(6,590)
Printing	10,672	9,583	(1,088)	33,901	39,867	5,966
Landscape/Maintenance	71,733	64,998	(6,735)	295,006	345,653	50,647
Security	3,338	10,222	6,884	27,592	43,927	16,335
Other	6	-	(6)	18	-	(18)
Operating Costs	208,151	195,859	(12,292)	836,629	922,674	86,045
Contribution to Reserves	90,830	90,830	(0)	454,150	454,150	(0)
Contribution to CCF	18,354	11,293	(7,061)	64,142	47,846	(16,296)
Purchases of Assets	433	-	(433)	2,165	10,000	7,835
Other Equity Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reserve/capital	109,617	102,123	(7,494)	520,457	511,996	(8,461)
Operating Expenses	630,175	627,570	(2,605)	2,901,753	3,081,527	179,774
Excess/Deficit Revenue	61,069	57,868	3,201	530,476	312,186	218,290

MVF BALANCE SHEET

For the Period Ended May 31, 2017

	Current	Prior Year
ASSETS		
Cash & Cash equiv	1,517,565	2,670,606
Investments	6,109,442	5,834,586
Due from Reserves	1,926,490	11,821
Assessment Receivables	578,271	726,129
Other Receivables	107,503	61,836
Current Assets	10,239,271	9,304,978
Gross Fixed Assets	14,934,254	13,927,027
Accumulated Depreciation	(6,239,092)	(7,403,501)
Fixed Assets	8,695,163	6,523,526
Other Assets	53,569	53,673
Assets	18,988,003	15,882,176
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Due to Operating	1,926,490	11,821
Payables	584,280	341,791
Sunstream Cap Lease	119,924	125,119
Deferred Revenue Liab	804,979	743,949
Liabilities	3,435,672	1,222,679
Undesignated Reserves	9,826,226	8,739,381
Designated Reserves	5,726,101	5,920,112
Equity	15,552,327	14,659,493
Liabilities & Equity	18,988,003	15,882,176



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

IN THE NEWS

Summertime

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condominium residents also have use of their own community pools.

Or try Coffee-to-Go (early morning lap swimming) at Hurley Park Pool before or after a jog or bike ride along some of the trails throughout the Village; it's a good way to see how the Village "wakes up." If you're looking for a little more action before you jump in the pool, check out one of the tennis or basketball courts and challenge friends neighbors or other residents to a friendly game.

Need a bigger challenge? Check out The Amazing Race pool challenge! This fun activity styled after the popular television show has participants visit MVF pools and complete swimming tasks and trivia, competing against other individuals in the Village. Finish the game and claim a sweet prize — get the details from any pool manager!

You can easily reconnect with nature around one of the Village's lakes. Put a picnic lunch together and head on down to Lake Whetstone. Take a long walk around the lake and through the woods on the path, and end up back at the park area for your lunch. Make use of the new climbing features or rent a paddle boat or canoe in the afternoon and finish the day with a little fishing along the shore. In fact, you can make a day of visiting Lake Whetstone, North Creek Lake and Lake Marion — don't forget your camera, there's plenty

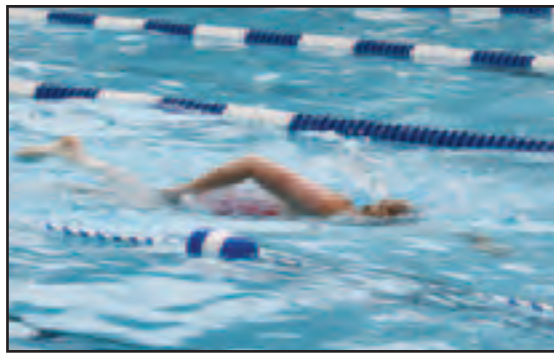
of unique and photogenic wildlife who call the Village home, too!

Or spend an evening at a free concert to help you relax. Every Sunday evening through July 30 features a different genre of music. Bring a chair or blanket and a dinner or your favorite snacks to Bowie Music Pavilion and listen to some great bands as the sun goes down. Join us at 8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 4 for a special showing of Disney's "Moana" on the lawn under the stars. Bring some snacks and relax!

Also at the music pavilion are the Wednesday morning KidJam programs. Bring the kids to the pavilion at 10:30 a.m. for a great variety of fun and entertainment. Check out the petting zoo, comedy and music for your youngsters.

If you're looking for another weekend treat, check out the MV Farmers' Market every Saturday morning through Oct. 28. From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. you can find fresh local produce, products and goods in the Christ the Servant Lutheran Church parking lot, 9801 Centerway Road. Check out market specials and winery visits online at www.mvfarmersmarket.com.

There's plenty more to enjoy around the Village, or ways to create your own fun and memories. To learn more about what you can find, or for information about specific events or activities, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



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IN THE NEWS



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

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.

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>)



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 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.



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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.

MVF BOARD MOTIONS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MOTION LIST
June 22, 2017

1. Mr. Gargan moved to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Directors' meeting held May 25, 2017 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with all in favor; Mr. Marsh abstained.
2. Mr. Gargan moved to approve the minutes of the MVF Board Retreat held June 2-3, 2017 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with all in favor; Mr. Marsh abstained.
3. Mr. Gargan moved to accept the Action List as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Mr. Gargan moved to approve a revision to The Points criteria to allow front door accent colors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
5. Mr. Driscoll moved to approve the revised Policy for Towing of Unauthorized Vehicles from MVF Owned Properties. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
6. Ms. Franke moved to award the bid for replacement of the North Creek Community Center floor to Frederick Tile, Inc. for \$23,374, and authorize up to \$6,000 for replacing damaged underlayment if needed, and authorize an additional 10% for any unforeseen conditions discovered upon removal of existing tile for a total of \$32,311. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. Ms. Bort moved to award the contract for the replacement of the McKendree playground to Playground Specialists for \$45,000 and to approve an additional 10% for unforeseen expenses for a total of \$49,500. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
8. Mr. Driscoll moved to award the bid for replacement of engineered wood fiber to the low bidder Playground Specialists for \$20,825. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
9. Ms. Franke moved to authorize the EVP to move forward with the record release from Draper & McGinley and to authorize the EVP to engage in a 2-year contract with DeLeon & Stang. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
10. Mr. Gargan moved to accept the committee reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
11. Mr. Gargan moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:27 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.
12. Mr. Gargan moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:27 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Rental Facilities in the Village

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

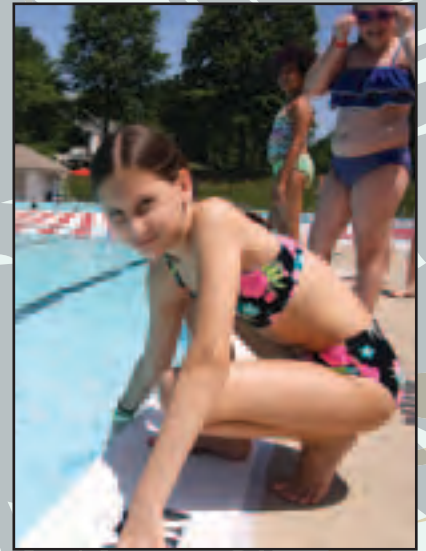
Lake Marion has a wood-floored room that can be rented for parties with a maximum capacity of 85 people. There also is a full-size gymnasium available for rent at Lake Marion.

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

We are currently accepting rental requests for functions to be held through September 2017. 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. Please remember that all functions must be non-alcoholic, and that the renter must be present the entire length of the rental.

For more information, call 301-948-0110.

CAMP UPDATE



Lede Pizzeria

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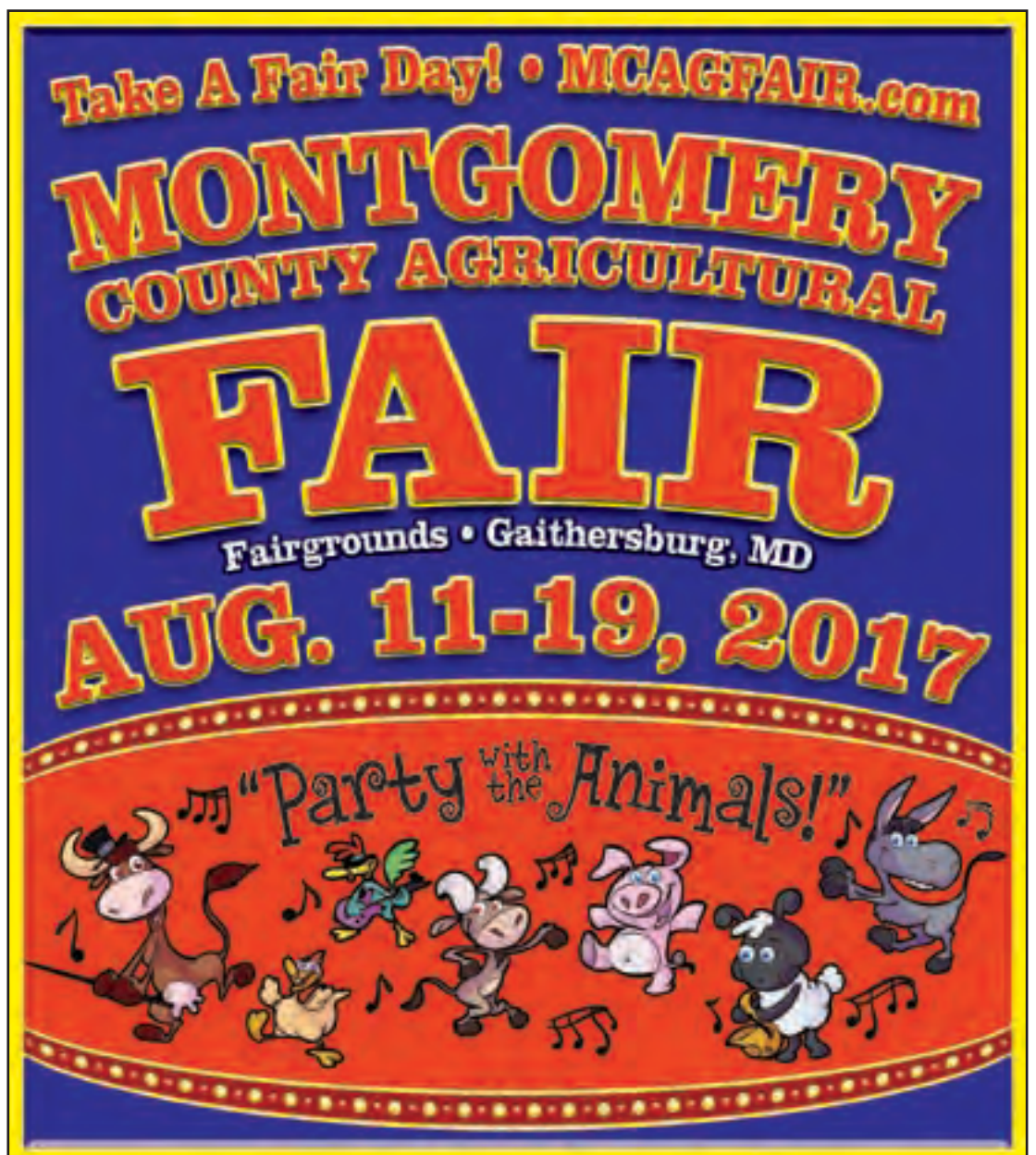
Mon. \$6 Calzone or Stromboli

Tues. \$5 Bacon Cheese Fries

Wed. \$5 Italian Salad

*Limited Time Only. Only at Lede Pizzeria Montgomery Village

Send announcements, achievements
or other good news to
mvnews@mvf.org.

A photograph of a young couple on a beach. The man, wearing a dark suit and tie, is lifting the woman in his arms. The woman is wearing a white wedding dress and veil, and is smiling. They are standing on a sandy beach with the ocean in the background.

IN THE NEWS

Community discussion on Universal Pre-K

Did you know the return on investment of high quality Pre-K programs is \$7 for every \$1 invested in terms of academic achievement and future employment and earnings?

Montgomery County Councilmember Craig Rice and MCPS Superintendent Dr. Jack Smith invite residents to a community discussion on Universal

Pre-K scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 23 at Richard Montgomery High School (Cafeteria), 250 Richard Montgomery Drive, Rockville.

Join the discussion to learn more about Universal Pre-K. Topic questions include:

- What would it look like in Montgomery County?

- How is it different from programs already in place?
- Why should we invest in it?

For more information, contact Councilmember Rice's office at 240-777-7955 or e-mail Councilmember.Rice@montgomerycountymd.gov.



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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.

ARMED ROBBERY

An attempted armed robbery occurred in the area of Montgomery Village Avenue and Brassie Place at approximately 10:32 a.m. on June 7. Two suspects displayed weapons. The suspects assaulted the adult male victim and attempted to take his property. The suspects were arrested.

Arrested: B/M, age 14, of an unconfirmed address
H/M, age 15, of Montgomery Village
H/M, age 16, of Rockville

BANK ROBBERY

A bank robbery occurred at the Sandy Spring Bank, 9921 Stedwick Road, at approximately 2:18 p.m. on June 12.

For more information and to view a photo of the suspect, visit www.mymcpnews.com/2017/06/13/detectives-investigate-montgomery-village-bank-robberysuspect-photographs-released/.

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 31. Forced entry; merchandise was taken.

Suspect: H/M, age unknown

HATE CRIME

A noose was found hanging from a tree in the 18900 block of Mills Choice Road at approximately 8 a.m. on June 15.

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

An attempted residential burglary and a theft from vehicle occurred at the same residence in the 9800 block of Islandside Drive between approximately 10:30 p.m. on June 25 and approximately 7 a.m. on June 26. No force, unknown means of entry into the vehicle; nothing was taken.

SCHOOL BURGLARY

A school burglary occurred at Montgomery Village Middle School, 19300 Watkins Mill Road, at approximately 6:40 p.m. on June 18. Forced entry; property was taken. The suspects were arrested.

Arrested: B/M, age 17, of Montgomery Village
W/M, age 17, of Montgomery Village
W/M, age 18, of Gaithersburg

STRONG-ARM ROBBERY

A strong-arm robbery occurred in the 9900 block of Lake Landing Road at approximately 2:18 p.m. on June 10. The suspects assaulted the adult male victim and took his property.

Suspects: 2 B/Ms, ages unknown

THEFT FROM VEHICLES

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between May 30 and June 2. Affected streets included Stedwick Drive, Transhire Road, and North Kindly Court. No force, unknown means of entry into the vehicles; cash and property were taken.

MCP urges all residents to take a role in preventing this type of crime by removing valuables from vehicles and locking all doors.

IN THE NEWS

Picnic Pavilion Rentals

Residents can now 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 will be 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.



Request for bids for Whetstone Community Center playground replacement project

Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) is seeking bids from interested parties for performing all work in conjunction with Bid No. #17-MVFRP-104. MVF is seeking contractors with previous playground design and instal-

lation experience interested in providing services for the Whetstone Community Center playground replacement project, located at 19140 Brooke Grove Court, Montgomery Village, MD 20886. The selected contractor will remove the

existing playground, provide complete design and installation of the new playground. Bids are due Friday, Sept. 1.

To request bid documents, contact Amy Roswurm at 240-243-2303 or e-mail aroswurm@mvf.org.


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Tuesday, July 4, 2017

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Parade Ribbon Winners

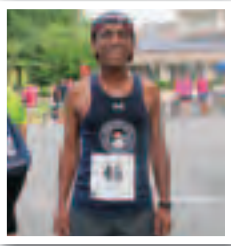
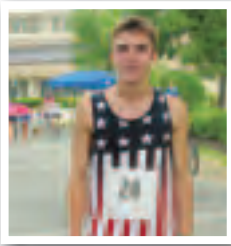
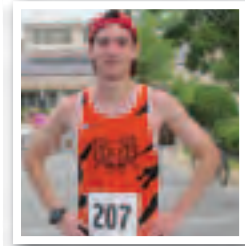
Decorated Stroller 1 st Alex Jiang 2 nd Amanda Mettler	Decorated Bicycle 4 to 8 years 1 st Isabel Hernandez 2 nd Liem Nguyen 3 rd Ian Nguyen	Motorized Float (* Tie for 1st place) 1 st Whetstone Whales 1 st North Creek Neptunes 2 nd Lake Marion Lasers	Marching Group (* Tie for 1st place) 1 st Whetstone Whales 1 st North Creek Neptunes 2 nd Lake Marion Lasers
Decorated Tricycle/Big Wheel 1 st Juan Hernandez 2 nd Ryan Byrne	Decorated Bicycle 9 years and older 1 st Melanie Chacon 2 nd Aidan Hall 3 rd Lydia Jones	Costume 5 to 10 years 1 st Anna Scherhauser 2 nd Christian Burakiewicz	Community Banner/Sign (* Tie for 2nd place) 1 st MVF Summer Camps 2 nd Seniors in Action 2 nd FOWL (Friends of Whetstone Lake)
Motorized Toy Vehicle 1 st Luis M. Vides 2 nd Sophie & Christian Burakiewicz	Hand-Pulled Float 1 st Tung Heyun 2 nd Tseng Family 3 rd Jamie Kendrick	Performing Marching Group 1 st Spitz-O-Matic Kids 2 nd Montgomery Village Community Band	

5K Race Results

More than 130 enthusiastic runners and walkers of all ages participated in the July 4th 5K Race held on this humid, but thankfully cloudy holiday morning. Many were experienced racers, while others came in groups or families to run for the first time or for the great feeling of accomplishment just to have done it. Listed below are the winners by time, but every single participant walked away as a proud winner in his or her right. (Note that all times listed are Gun Times.)

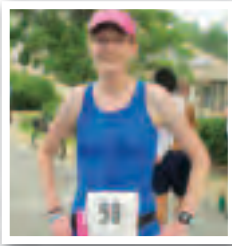
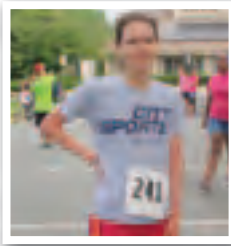
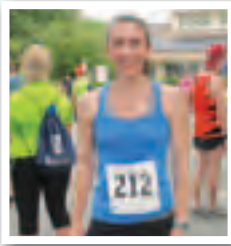
Top 3 Male Finishers

1st Adam Taylor, 18:18 2nd Zachary Pepperl, 19:27 3rd Argaw Kidane, 19:36



Top 3 Female Finishers

1st Tonya Dodge, 21:04 2nd Hallie Sharpless, 22:23 3rd Megan Miller, 25:04



Men 18 and under

1st Zachary Zhao, 21:16
 2nd Carter Ortiz, 26:34
 3rd Matthew Almeida, 27:54

Women 19 to 29

1st Jenny Fifield, 26:09
 2nd Raquel Canales, 27:48
 3rd Sarah Leaman, 33:29

Men 40 to 49

1st Robert Palmer, 19:42
 2nd Luis Navarro, 19:53
 3rd Monte Lewis, 23:02

Women 50 to 59

1st Kathy Cea, 25:54
 2nd Susan Wilson, 33:59
 3rd Veronique Cavaillier, 35:10

Women 18 and under

1st Danielle Carr, 26:30
 2nd Caroline Walsh, 27:00
 3rd Jain Bowerman, 41.38

Men 30 to 39

1st Michael Mals, 22:52
 2nd Philip Mills, 23:51
 3rd Joseph McLeod, 23:58

Women 40 to 49

1st Celina Raaf, 26:14
 2nd Denise Muscatello, 26:54
 3rd Nancy Carr, 27:26

Men 60 and Older

1st Dan Lawson, 20:53
 2nd Kerry Lanham, 24:01
 3rd James Jones, 25:50

Men 19 to 29

1st Gregory Milhiser, 22:54
 2nd John Loftus, 25:11
 3rd Reece Epley, 27:44

Women 30 to 39

1st Kristin Farr, 28:21
 2nd Michelle Walsh, 28:35
 3rd Lindsey West, 30:15

Men 50 to 59

1st Frank Prusik, 22:59
 2nd James Snee, 24:17
 3rd Patrick Kuhn, 24:40

Women 60 and Older

1st Maria-Teres Gomez 35:16
 2nd Linda Hallwig, 42:37
 3rd Patricia Cuff, 47:28

1 Mile Fun Run Results

Kids big and little, with and without parents, began the day's events with the one mile Fun Run/Walk.

Top 3 finishers:

1st Santiago Bautista, 12:13
 2nd Libby Carl, 14:02
 3rd Karter Beugelsdijk, 15:01

Congratulations to all the winners!

Congratulations to all the runners. A complete listing of participants and their times is posted on the MVF website, www.montgomeryvillage.com; choose "5K Race" from the "Events" menu.

Thanks also to the BANG Power Dance instructors, who led an energetic warm-up for run participants prior to the start of the 5K Race. Watch for more of this fun group who plan to lead some MVF classes in the fall!

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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.

Architectural criteria change for The Points

At the June 22 Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) Board of Directors meeting, the MVF Board approved a revision of the architectural criteria for The Points community in Northgate.

The original criterion for front entrance doors required the entrance door to be either the house siding or trim color. No accent colors were allowed.

Recently, the MVF Design Consultant, working with MVF staff and the Architectural Review Board, discussed allowing more options for front door colors in this community. The Design Consultant developed a front door color palette, which was approved by the Northgate Homes Corporation Board of Directors.

The palette is now available for The Points homeowners to view at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, or on their Member Dashboard at www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Making additions to your yard

Montgomery Village as a planned community, has architectural rules that govern improvements to the exterior of residences. Homeowners should be aware that exterior modifications needing approval include objects placed on a permanent basis and equipment installations in both the front and back yards. While approval for most installations in front or back yards are approached on an individual basis by the Architectural Review Board (ARB), there are general guidelines that homeowners should consult for many of the most popular requests we receive. These guidelines can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com or at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

BASKETBALL UNITS

The installation of a basketball unit is one of the items that require prior ARB approval. Basketball backboards in back yards need to be positioned in such a way to have minimal impact on adjacent properties and may require screening with foliage. The driveway is still the most popular location for basketball units, and they need to be located at the side of the driveway, $\frac{1}{3}$ of the distance from the house, if not mounted on the garage.

CABANAS, GAZEBOS AND FREESTANDING SHADE STRUCTURES

Cabanas and other freestanding shade structures also require ARB approval. Their approval will depend on the type of house, and the impact the structure will have on the neighbors. Cabanas and gazebos are approved only in rear yards, should be a neutral color and should be sturdy in appearance.

DECK STAINING

Fresh pressure-treated lumber should weather out for a few months before staining to allow the oils used in the milling of the wood to disintegrate and the stain to properly penetrate the wood.



PLAY GYMS AND TRAMPOLINES

Requests for rear yard play equipment will be reviewed on an individual basis, taking into consideration the proposed location, size, lot configuration, color and impact on the adjoining neighbors. Play equipment will be approved only in rear yards and should be natural in color to blend into the natural surroundings. On larger, single-family lots, two-story play gym units may be approved but should be as open as possible to have as minimal an impact as possible. The number of play equipment items will depend on the size of the lot and proximity to neighboring properties.

HOT TUBS

Hot tubs or spas will be considered by the ARB when

located in the rear yard or in an enclosed area. Screening will be required depending on the location of the hot tub or spa, and may include evergreens, privacy fencing or a combination of both. Where there is an elevated deck, the tub or spa recessed into deck or under the deck is preferred. Tubs or spas must also have wood skirting around the base. Homeowners should also note that within townhouse communities, hot tubs or spas will be approved only if the yard is completely fenced.

As always, if you have a question or need more information about the application process, you can visit www.montgomeryvillage.com, call 301-948-0110 or e-mail ehottinger@mvf.org or hsharpless@mvf.org.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

A new Eagle Scout in our community

by Sam Henry,
First Class Scout

On April 1, Sawyer Conklin, a Boy Scout in Troop 1988, finished his Eagle Scout project. For his project, he assembled a group of scouts to make some signs and other things for Circle of Hope Therapeutic Riding in Barnesville. His project consisted of at least 20 hours of service and definitely the willpower that a scout needs to succeed.

Being an Eagle Scout is a huge honor. It shows not just your peers, but yourself, how hard you have worked to get there. You have to go through many different ranks, complete a large number of requirements and achieve multiple merit badges. But most importantly, you have to become a leader. You have to become someone who leads service projects that involve time and effort. An Eagle Scout also needs to lead the other scouts in his troop to get where he wants.



All of Troop 1988 congratulates Sawyer on his big service project. But even more importantly, we congratulate him on the honor of becoming an Eagle Scout. A lot of us have seen how far he has come. We

are all happy to watch him finally gain the honor of being an Eagle Scout.

Boy Scout Troop 1988 meets weekly on Thursdays (September through the end of the school year) at 7:40 p.m. at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. For more information, visit <http://bsatroop1988.org/welcome/visitors>, or join us at our weekly meeting.



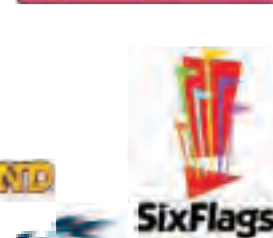
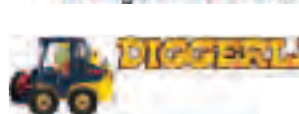
photos submitted by Barb Henry



Discounted amusement park tickets now available

The Montgomery Village Foundation, Inc., Department of Recreation, Parks and Culture, in conjunction with the Maryland Recreation & Parks Association, is selling discounted tickets to area amusement parks at the Foundation office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. Payment for these tickets must be made in person at the Foundation office and will be accepted in cash or by credit card. The prices are as follows:

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	\$37
(Summer Fun Days – through Aug. 20)	
Sahara Sams	\$26
Sesame Place	\$57
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HOMES CORPORATIONS & CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS

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WHETSTONE WATCH

New Welcome Committee

by the Whetstone Board of Directors

At the suggestion of a recently-arrived Whetstone resident, the board has approved the creation of a Whetstone Welcome Committee to help new residents settle into our community. Our 50-year-old community has been turning over lately as long-time residents downsize, so it seems appropriate to devote some time to ensuring that our new neighbors are warmly welcomed to Whetstone.

Judy Landry has graciously offered to chair the committee. Members are Aleta Maxwell, Whetstone President Debby Vermillion and Whetstone board member, Sharon Cranford.

The new committee plans to meet one-on-one with new residents to offer information on our wonderful community. A revised Residents' Handbook is being prepared along with a quick reference sheet on days for recycling and trash collection, important websites and phone numbers and other pertinent information. We also plan to explain the importance of reading each issue of the *Village News* to keep up with activities in Whetstone and in the Village. We will also be encouraging our new residents to take advantage of the many amenities and programs Montgomery Village offers to residents of all ages.

BUDGET 2018

While Whetstone residents have been enjoying summer vacations, the Whetstone board has been working on next year's budget. There has not been an increase in the assessment ceiling in more than 5 years, so this is something that is under consideration. It

is important that we maintain our 50-year-old community with its many mature trees, extensive green space, bike paths and 5 miles of streets. The proposed 2018 budget will be published in draft form in a September issue of the *Village News*.

MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Baker Tree Service will begin tree removals the week of August 7. Residents living near affected trees will be notified by postcard. An RFP for tree pruning has been sent out for bids. Also being sent out are an RFP for the construction of the replacement for the North Dock and RFPs for asphalt and concrete work.

The top tier of gabion baskets recently installed on the lake shore edge near Freestate Place will be removed and placed in another spot where erosion is threatening the lake-shore path. The idea is to protect the lakeshore from further erosion and have the baskets stand level with the current path; the two-tiered installation was deemed too tall.

NEXT MEETING

The Whetstone board does not meet in August. The next board meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 14 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents time, when residents can come to address the board on any matters of interest or concern, begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is open to the public and we hope to see you there.

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

MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

Bulk trash pickup not available after August 1

by the Middle Village Board of Directors

Effective Tuesday, Aug. 1, bulk trash pickup will no longer be available for Middle Village residents. Residents who live on Ridgeline Drive, Brassie Way, Brassie Court and Thomas Choice West) will need to find alternatives for their bulk trash removal. Bulk trash includes furniture, mattresses, box springs, construction materials, wood, metal, appliances, toys, etc.

The decision was made by the Middle Village Board of Directors to end bulk trash pickup due to the continued violation of the bulk trash policy. Numerous residents set out bulk trash daily, instead of once a week as outlined in the policy. Due the large volume of bulk trash, the cost to have it collected and the fact that bulk trash attracts rodents and lowers the property values, it was decided that residents will now be responsible for disposing of their own bulk trash.

Residents can take bulk trash to the Shady Grove Transfer Station, 16101 Frederick Road, Derwood, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Items the transfer station accepts include:

- metal appliances and other large scrap metal items
- small scrap metal items
- building materials in usable condition
- clothing and shoes
- commingled ("blue bin") materials
- cans
- glass bottles and jars
- plastic bottles, containers, tubs and lids
- electronics
- fluorescent, LCD and LED bulbs and tubes
- hazardous waste (fees may apply)
- mixed paper and cardboard
- bulky rigid plastics

- yard trim (grass, leaves, brush) up to 6" in diameter (fee-based)
- rechargeable batteries
- motor oil
- antifreeze
- propane cylinders
- tires

Any resident dumping bulk trash on Middle Village property after August 1 will be fined \$250.

TRASH AND RODENTS

Trash and rodents continue to be an ongoing problem in Middle Village. If you are one of the residents who places trash out in plastic trash bags or trash cans without a closed lid, you are contributing to the rodent problem. To get rid of rats and mice, we must starve them and get rid of the food source.

If you see a resident(s) placing trash out in plastic bags or a trash can without a top, call ComSource and report them! There is a \$25 reward for picture or video proof of violations to the trash policy that identifies the violators. Picture or video proof, which includes the address of the violator or other identifying information, is required to collect a reward, and some restrictions apply. All reports will remain anonymous. Residents who place trash out in plastic bags will be fined \$100.

If your trash can is overflowing, purchase an additional trash can with a lid. If you have bags of trash in your yard, put them in a trash can with a lid. If your neighbors have trash in their yard, report them to ComSource. We are not trying to create an atmosphere where we tell on our neighbors, but we have to eliminate the problem — trash — to get rid of the rats.

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 arrangements 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.

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, July 25 at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

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

Community criteria for exterior features on all homes in Montgomery Village are available online at www.montgomeryvillage.com



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STEDWICK SIGNALS

Can Stedwick be a more secure neighborhood?

by Sam Korper

Security is much on the mind of late. Great neighborhoods put community participation and communication together, encouraging human contact and social activities, promoting community involvement and maintaining a secure environment (www.planning.org/greatplaces/neighborhoods/characteristics.htm).

In his thoughtful June 23 "Stedwick Signals" article, Wayne Rowland reminded us that "Every day we participate in our community whether we mean to or not." A week earlier, at a heavily attended community meeting, Montgomery County Police 6th District Commander Dinesh Patil suggested that "MV residents know what's right and wrong in your neighborhoods" and urged calls to police to report on security-related matters when they notice unusual activity or a possible problem no matter how seemingly unimportant... "your call could make a difference."

So, individually or together — intentional or unintentional — we can and do make a difference. Face-to-face encounters (46%) and phone calls (21%) remain the most frequent means of interacting with our neighbors (though amazingly, that same survey finds that 28% may know none of their neighbors (<http://pewinternet.org/2010/16/09/neighbors-online/>)).

Of course, over time, much has changed, with the internet and cell phones replacing direct conversations of the past. This "social-networking," a term used to describe connecting community residents (once termed "neighbors"), enhances opportunities to make neighborhood connections — individually or in groups.

Throughout the country, and here in Montgomery County, several approaches to enhancing security have been developed and tested. Two examples are "Nextdoor" and "Neighborhood Watch."

Nextdoor is a free and private social network for small areas, mostly within neighborhoods. Nextdoor now has nearly 1,300 participating neighborhoods around the country, each meant only for the people who live there. City officials can't even peek at the conversations on the site unless they happen to live there. Similar to Facebook, Nextdoor members post comments and updates to a neighborhood news feed, sending out alerts and identifying concerns for neighborhood resident discussion and possible action (www.nextdoor.com).

Established in 1972, and sponsored by the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), citizens participating in Neighborhood Watch

organize themselves and work with law enforcement to keep a trained eye and ear on their communities, while demonstrating their presence day and night (www.nmv.org and www.ncpc.org).

At the recent community meeting, Commander Patil emphasized the importance of organized neighborhood approaches and resident reporting (see: "6th District Commander addresses resident concerns about crime," *MV News*, June 23, 2017). The idea is that neighbors be alert, observant and caring — and to report suspicious activity or crimes immediately to the police. Watch groups are not vigilantes and do not assume the role of the police. Neighborhood Watch works because it reduces opportunities for crime to occur.

Combining communication with participation to affect our security takes effort. It begins with volunteers working with the county police to get things started. Regular meetings help residents get to know each other and to decide upon program strategies and activities. For example, residents might participate by canvassing door-to-door to recruit members and to ask people who are often home to be "window watchers," looking out for children and reporting any unusual activities in the neighborhood. Start a block parent program to help children cope with emergencies while walking to and from school or playing in the area. Watch groups can sponsor neighborhood clean-ups, encourage residents to beautify the area and ask them to turn on outdoor lights at night.

These are only a few ideas. Do you have more? Do we want to begin the process of moving from the few existing informal groups to a more formal Neighborhood Watch effort? Share your thoughts. Let the Stedwick board know.

As always, the Stedwick board invites your comments — either in writing or by presentation — during the residents time portion at the beginning of every monthly Stedwick board meeting. If you have suggestions, questions or concerns, please contact our Stedwick Homes Corporation community management team at 240-243-2326, e-mail stedwickhc@mof.org or consult our community website, www.stedwick.org. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at the Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

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

NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

North Village budget meeting

by the North Village Board of Directors

Your board of directors will be meeting to work on the 2018 budget for the homes corporation at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 20 at the Montgomery Village Foundation Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road. The outcome of this meeting will be a draft budget for 2018. This draft will be refined over the next few months as we get more definitive information on contracts, county and state fees, insurance and maintenance costs. The final budget must be approved by a vote of the board of directors at their November meeting.

Budget work is always a challenge. Our current 2017 budget is slightly over \$614,000. The board was able to hold the 2017 increase in assessments to 1.6%, which is the lowest increase in the last five years. The board tries to minimize any increase in assessments while including funds to cover increases in our major service contracts for landscaping, security and trash removal. Assessments cannot exceed the ceiling established by our founding covenant. The ceiling derives from our first budget and allows for an increase amounting to the increase in the Baltimore-Washington Metropolitan Area Consumer Price Index (CPI) in the prior July to August to July to August period.

Also, our contributions to reserves must keep pace with the recommendations of our reserve study. Fortunately, after the repaving of McRory and Salem's Grant, our streets are in pretty good shape overall. Trees continue to deteriorate and die from age, drought, storms and disease, and fences keep reminding us how fragile they are. Our grass needs more fertilization than we've been able to provide on top of our standard mowing contract. And we'd all like to see some additional beautification efforts.

We are drafting the 2018 budget with the above in mind. We'd appreciate your input to the budget process; tell us your priorities. Also, keep in mind that North Village Homes Corporation is always looking for new board members. Please notify us if you are interested in contributing some of your time and talent to the management of our community.

TRASH AND RECYCLING PICKUP

Trash is becoming a big problem in our communities. Inconsiderate people are dumping trash on community

property with no concern for the appearance of the community. We have to pay our contractor to haul the trash away and this is putting a strain on our budget. We increasingly see construction material, paint cans, car parts, appliances and TVs routinely dumped on common areas. These residents should take these things to the county dump or call our trash contractor, Potomac Disposal at 301-294-9700, for free bulk pickup.

Concerning recycling, we noticed many recycling "blue boxes" out on the curb a day early after the July 4 holiday. Once again we need to remind people that if a county holiday falls during the week (Monday through Friday), all recycling collections scheduled on or after the holiday will be made one day later that week.

BEING AWARE

As you have read in the newspapers, there have been a number of serious criminal activities in and around the Village in the past several months. We want to remind all residents to be on "unofficial" neighborhood watch and to be alert, vigilant and not afraid to call 911, the Montgomery County Police (301-279-8000) and our security service, American Protective Services (240-631-8383), when they see criminal or dangerous threatening behavior. We certainly want to keep such activity out of our community.

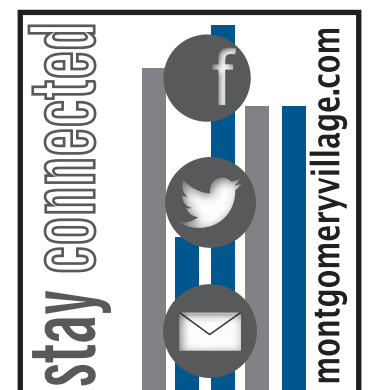
ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS

Please remember that your quarterly assessment payment was due July 1. We still have not heard from a number of residents. If you are one of those residents who forgot to make your payment, you still have until Monday, July 31 to make your payment before a penalty is imposed.

NEXT MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17, in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. If you have any questions or want to report any problems, call Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2344, or e-mail asteward@mof.org.

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



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MARYLAND PLACE MESSAGES

Attention homeowners!

by the Maryland Place Board of Directors

It has been brought to our attention and verified during community inspections that there is a considerable trash problem in Maryland Place. We are asking that the community work together to combat this problem. The cumulative impact of illegal dumping can have a devastating impact on our community.

Illegal trash dumping is a persistent problem that costs money and creates a bad impression to neighbors and visitors of the community. In addition to being unsightly, unauthorized dumping also can become breeding grounds for mosquitoes and rats. Dumping waste such as discarded trash, oil, appliances, scrap tires, furniture and other items on private or public land is strictly prohibited by state law and the Maryland Place Homes Corporation rules and regulations. Each homeowner is entitled to four bulk pickups a year by calling 1-800-465-2350.

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation budget and your home value is severely affected by the cost to clean up illegal dumping. Maryland Place will be charging the owners of the trash dumped on the common space for the removal, plus a fine.

Common examples of illegal dumping:

- Placing bags of trash in the common area.
- Not storing trash in a vermin proof container.
- All trash should be picked up by the trash company from the rear

of your home on Monday and Thursday.

- Improperly disposing of yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, brush and natural wood waste) by throwing it over your fence or dumping it in a nearby wooded area.

Penalties:

- Violators of these policies may be subject to Montgomery County enforcement or homes corporation charges. In cases where the homes corporation incurred costs to correct a violation, the owner of the unit may be declared out of good standing with the homes corporation until the incurred costs are repaid to the homes corporation. Any offender shall be afforded a hearing before the Maryland Place Board of Directors before being declared out of good standing.
- Any cost incurred by the homes corporation will be charged to the owner of the unit in violation. No administrative fees shall be added to the fees charged.

Please remember that when living in such close proximity to others, we must make every effort to keep our community free and clear of trash and debris. We need everyone's help to make Maryland Place beautiful!

Maryland Place Messages: for residents of Maryland Place.

SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

Improvements in your community

by the South Village Board of Directors

South Village is making progress against a list of improvements to our physical plant. New traffic calming measures, street and sign repairs and concrete work top the visible list of improvements. The board is working in cooperation with its management agent and contractors to bring improvements in a fiscally responsible schedule.

Believe it or not, we can't just cut repair orders immediately. In order to make sure we're spending your money wisely, we need to consider the cost, priority and disruption caused by any action, and that takes at least one meeting cycle, assuming we have all the required information up front. In some cases, the board has to solicit multiple bids—required by law, but even more by good governance. It's a process that can sometimes seem frustrating and slow, but we do it for very good reasons.

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

We're in the height of summer, and that means vacations and entertaining. It also means increased outdoor activity of all types. It never hurts to reinforce some basic suggestions about living together at close quarters:

Noise: Sharing your favorite tunes is fine, but not at high volume or late hours. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Sometimes that awesome sub-

woofer means that you shake your neighbor's furniture even two doors away. Please be considerate.

Animal waste: Many dog walkers are responsible, but not all. Please pick up after Fido or Fifi. In addition to helping control unwelcome waste, you're also complying with Montgomery County law.

Dog walkers: Please remember that many of your fellow residents may not share your love of canine exercise. Be courteous and allow fearful pedestrians to pass. Don't walk an aggressive or difficult dog at peak traffic times. Be willing to yield to other dog walkers and give them a break if you suspect that your four-legged friend won't get along with their darling dog.

Wildlife: While living next to Lake Whetstone provides opportunities to enjoy the wide variety of wildlife that share our community, please remember that it's against the law to remove or harm our wild neighbors. Fishing may be legal (though there are local regulations), but taking home wild creatures from ducklings to baby turtles is not just illegal, it's wrong. Please, if you want to co-exist with the wildlife, don't try to keep specimens at home—leave the wildlife in its natural habitat.

Runners/Joggers: Please remember that you share the path with seniors, dog walkers and other pedestrians. It's better to slow your pace just a little to pass; and while enjoy-

ing your favorite audio book or music library while running can be wonderful, don't let it reduce your awareness of traffic or other people with whom you share the path, sidewalk or road.

Bicyclists: Much as you might want to qualify for a race using our sidewalks and paths, it's really not the right thing to do. Running over walkers, wildlife or other cyclists is just asking for problems.

Children at play: Sadly, there aren't a lot of community spaces in South Village that are suitable for playing children. If your children are playing outside, we encourage awareness and oversight. It doesn't mean you have to be an overbearing "helicopter parent." But safety comes in part with the need for vigilance and the requirement to teach kids about the risks of playing in an urban setting. Also, please remind your little darlings that the wildlife are not toys, and should be left in peace.

Garbage/Waste: There's a reason county law specifies that trash should be left outside in closed containers. Yes, it discourages rodents and other vermin, but it also cuts down on leftover litter in the community and quite frankly, bad smells on a hot summer morning. Please cooperate.

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

Please be a responsible pet owner...

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



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Montgomery Village News

Send your birth, engagement or wedding announcements, achievements or other good news to mvnews@mvf.org or complete the Milestones form online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.



AT YOUR LEISURE

Summer Entertainment Close to Home

Looking for summer entertainment close to home? Check out these offerings from the City of Gaithersburg!

FAIRGROUNDS FLEA MARKET

Visit the Montgomery County Fairgrounds for the Fairgrounds Flea Market on Saturdays and Sundays this summer at 8 a.m. to peruse vendor booths selling antiques, crafts, collectibles, books, household items, art, jewelry, tools, clothing, electronics and other new/used items. Free admission!

Vendor information: all spaces are outdoors; \$25 fee for a 20-foot space, deep enough to park car or van. Bring your own tables, chairs and/or tent. Vendor setup starts at 7 a.m. For additional information, call 301-649-1915 or visit www.johnsonshows.com.

ARTS ON THE GREEN

Throughout the year, the Arts on the Green performing arts program presents plays, musicals, theatre for young audiences, one-act plays and magic shows at the Arts Barn, 311 Kent Square Road in Gaithersburg.

"Dial M for Murder" is on stage now through Sunday, July 23 on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. A retired tennis pro plots the murder of his own wife, but when she turns the tables on her attempted assailant, she is convicted of murder. Can the police detective who brought her to trial now decipher the clues that will save her life?

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$12 for youth (14 and under).

OUTDOOR PERFORMANCES

The City Hall Concert Pavilion is home to dozens of free outdoor performances each summer. Programs include entertainment for children, a gospel celebration, weekend family concerts, featuring everything from jazz and blues to rock and roll and occasional theatrical performances. The Concert Pavilion is located at 31 South Summit Avenue, Gaithersburg, with parking in the garage located across Summit Avenue at 112 Olde Towne Avenue.

Upcoming Concert Pavilion performances include:

Thursday, July 20

10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Thursday Morning Kids Concert - Mark Jaster

6 to 7:30 p.m.

Evenings in Olde Towne - The Fringe Benefits

Thursday, July 27

10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Thursday Morning Kids Concert - Billy B.

6 to 7:30 p.m.

Evenings in Olde Towne - East of Monroe

SPORTS

MVSA Chiefs Football and Cheer

The Montgomery Village Sports Association (MVSA) youth football and cheerleading programs are currently registering new participants for the 2017 season.

The Chiefs Football program is a Division "A" Program, which has won over 40 championships in the last decade, including back-to-back Division "A" Maryland State Championships. Registration is open for youth ages 5 to 14; for registration information, visit <http://montgomeryvillage.sportsassociation.splay.com>.



Practice begins on Monday, July 24 at South Valley Park, 19003 Watkins Mill Road. For more information, e-mail MVSA Football Commissioner Quintin Cosby at qdcosby@yahoo.com.

Chiefs Cheerleading is accepting registration for girls ages 5 to 14. Fall registration fees include cheer competi-

tion. A 2-week cheer camp is also available, from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, July 17 to Friday, July 28 also at South Valley Park. For more information, e-mail tashelee.reyes@gmail.com.

Athletes of Tomorrow Speed, Strength and Agility camp

The Montgomery Village Sports Association (MVSA) is hosting a free Speed, Strength and Agility camp specifically designed to prepare young athletes (boys and girls ages 6 and older) for all sports. Participants will be taught different fundamental drills of speed, strength and agility to prepare for practices and field use.

The camp is scheduled from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m., Monday, July 17 to Thursday, July 20 at South Valley Park, 19003 Watkins Mill Road. Participants should wear loose fitting comfortable clothes (no cutoff shorts) and a light colored T-shirt. Please bring water and do not wear cleats.

There is no registration for this camp; simply arrive at 6:15 p.m. and be ready to give 110% effort! For more information, e-mail Athletes of Tomorrow Director Keith Peterson at Klp1577@gmail.com or MVSA Football Commissioner Quintin Cosby at qdcosby@yahoo.com.



FREE & FAMILY FRIENDLY!

Wednesday, Aug. 16
6 to 8 p.m.

North Creek Community Center
20125 Arrowhead Road
and Apple Ridge Ball Field
20101 Swallow Point Road

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
performed by Holy Cross Silver Spring

Bring family and friends out to the 4th annual summer MVFitness Fest! Participants will enjoy a variety of fitness activities that will bring out your competitive side! Learn new activities and ways to continue your fitness journey. This FREE event is open to all ages. All participants are encouraged to try all our activities! Completing all stations will take approximately 45 minutes and refreshments will be available.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged, but not required.

For more information or to volunteer at the event, contact Alex Alcon at 240-243-2314 or e-mail aalcon@mvf.org.







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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.



Yoga on the Dock



Join instructor Susan Young for a morning yoga session overlooking scenic Lake Whetstone. This beginner/intermediate class is scheduled from 9 to 10 a.m. on Saturdays, July 15 and Sept. 9 at Lake Whetstone Dock, 18701 Montgomery Village Avenue. \$10/participant, per date; drop-ins welcome!

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



Saturday, May 20 to Sunday, Sept. 24 MVF Amazing Race

Our 50th Anniversary Swim Challenge was so popular last year that we decided to come back with a new "Amazing" one!

This summer residents can embark on a trek around Montgomery Village pools in an "Amazing Race"-style competition. Pick up your first route at any lifeguard office. Complete route tasks and questions to advance to the next route. Finishing the race is easy, but it might be lengthy. Depending on how successful you are in completing the routes, you will swim or walk between 30 and 50k to complete the race.

The first 70 participants who complete the challenge will receive a high-quality wicking MVF Amazing Race T-shirt.

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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, sci-

ence, numbers, technology 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@mrvf.org or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Taekwondo

Instructed by Michael McFarland of Han Mi Martial Arts, your child will learn the authentic Korean Martial Art of Taekwondo, "the way of hands and feet." It is the world's most popular martial art form. Taekwondo is known for its powerful kicks and challenging sparing style while also being a fun, competitive, international sport.

Classes are designed for ages 3 ½ to adult and are scheduled for Mondays, July 10 to Aug. 28 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. For more information or to register, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com or call 301-948-0110.

Camp Tiny Feet for ages 4 and 5
Two Week Sessions!

Camp Tiny Feet provides an exciting opportunity for growth through friendship, fitness and exploration in a safe and secure environment. Each two-week session will feature one visiting performer or extra special activity, along with a variety of activities including themed games, crafts and plenty of outdoor play. Camp also includes swim lessons, taught four days a week, weather permitting. Here at Camp Tiny Feet our ultimate goal is to promote a healthy lifestyle while having fun and making new friends! Campers bring their own lunch. Children must be toilet trained to participate.

Whetstone Community Center
19140 Brooke Grove Court
9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Session 3 & 4
\$240/Resident, \$250/Non-resident

Session 3 – July 17 to July 28	4006.303
Theme: Little Gardeners with hands on flower planting fun. A little dirt never hurt anyone!	
Session 4 – July 31 to Aug. 11	4006.304
Theme: Animal Kingdom with special guest Reptile Wonders Ending the summer with a ROAR!	

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RECREATION

Camp Tiny Feet

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, now through 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.



Camp Tiny Feet is underway and enjoying summer mornings with daily swim lessons, picnic lunches and other fun activities and special guests. Register today at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Build a Birdfeeder Workshop

Sunday, Aug. 6 | 2 to 3 p.m.

Join us at North Creek Nature Center, 20300 Aspenwood Lane to build a wooden birdfeeder to take home! These feeders will be great for a variety of small to medium birds and mixed bird seed. Backyard birdfeeding can aid in bird survival, especially during the winter months.

Recreation staff will be on hand to guide you through the steps to complete your feeder. Children must be accompanied by adults. Pre-registration is required for everyone building a birdfeeder. Registration is not required for those not building a birdfeeder. There is a \$10 fee for each bird feeder kit reserved.



Touch A Truck

SATURDAY, AUG. 26

North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road

9 A.M. TO NOON

Rain or Shine

Quiet Hour

9 to 10 a.m.

This is a free, hands-on experience for the entire family!

Local businesses will be displaying a wide assortment of unique trucks in the North Creek Community Center Parking Lot. Kids will have the opportunity to get behind the wheel of their favorite vehicles, honk horns, explore and learn from their operators!

Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend this event.

Camp SOARING STARS

for ages 6 to 8

One Week Sessions!

Pool time, sports, games, crafts and field trips!

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

Session 5-9 \$184/Resident, \$199/Non-resident

Session 5	July 17 to July 21	4022.305
Theme: Creatures & Critters		
Special Guest: Under The Sea Presentation		
Session 6	July 24 to July 28	4022.306
Theme: Up, Up and Away		
Field Trip: Udvar Hazy Air and Space Museum		
Session 7	July 31 to Aug. 4	4022.307
Theme: Knights & Princesses		
Field Trip: Laser Tag		
Session 8	Aug 7. to Aug. 11	4022.308
Theme: Fun & Fitness		
Field Trip: Rockin' Jump		
Session 9	Aug. 14 to Aug. 18	4022.309
Theme: Aim for the Stars		
Special Event: End of Summer Cookout		

Camp Racing Wind

for ages 9 to 12

One Week Sessions!

Pool time, sports, games, crafts and field trips!

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

Session 5-9 \$198/Resident, \$213/Non-resident

Session 5	July 17 to July 21	4005.305
Theme: Animal Planet		
Special Guest: Under The Sea Presentation		
Session 6	July 24 to July 28	4005.306
Theme: Space is the Place		
Field Trip: Udvar Hazy Air and Space Museum		
Session 7	July 31 to Aug. 4	4005.307
Theme: Castles and Thrones		
Field Trip: Laser Tag		
Session 8	Aug. 7 to Aug. 11	4005.308
Theme: Healthy & Happy		
Field Trip: Rockin' Jump		
Session 9	Aug. 14 to Aug. 18	4005.309
Theme: Rock Stars		
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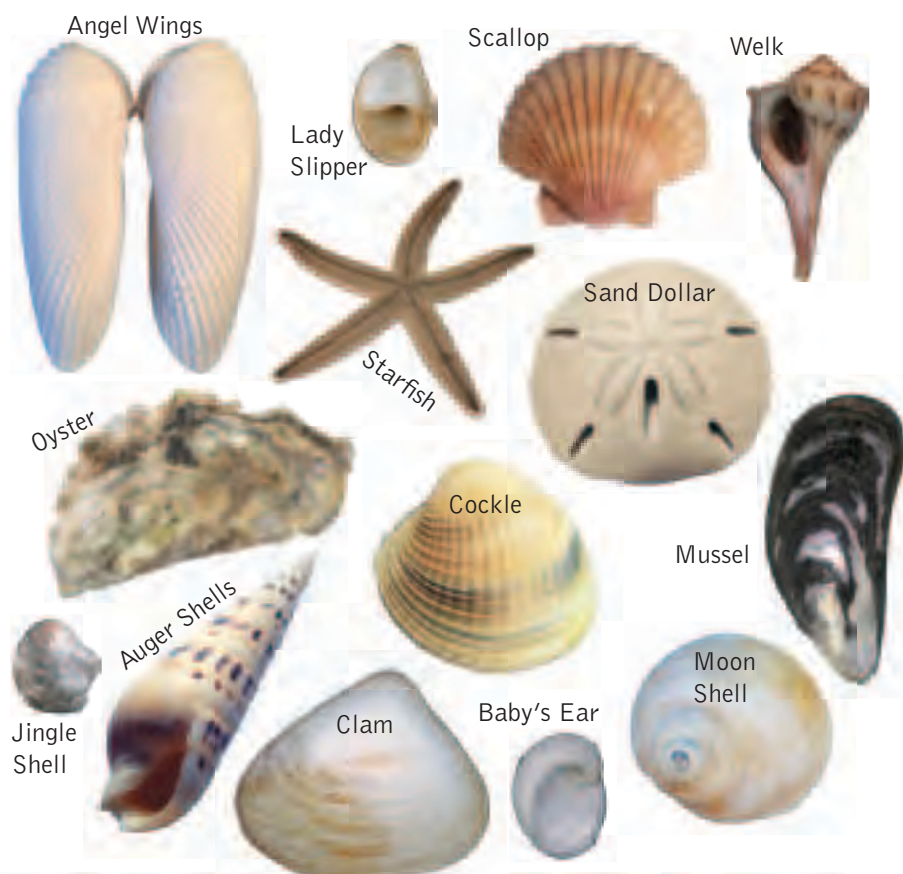
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MV Kids Learn About Seashells

A seashell is a hard, protective outer layer created by an animal that lives in the sea. The shell is part of the body of the animal called an exoskeleton. Seashells found washed up on beaches are often empty. If you do find a seashell with an animal still living in it, you should return it to the water. Cleaning and sorting your seashells is another fun part of collecting.



Types of Seashells



Finding Seashells

Looking for and collecting seashells is called shelling — like catching fish is called fishing. Here are some tips for the next time you go shelling:

1. Look for seashells an hour before and after low tide. Find tide charts for your beach location online or in a local newspaper.
2. Look for seashells early in the morning and in the evenings when there are fewer people shelling with you.
3. Talk to people at local gift shops and restaurants to find out which types of seashells are native to the area so you know what you're looking for.

Fun with Seashells

There are many ways to use the shells you collect. You can make crafts, decorate ordinary items or keep and display your collection. Here are some ideas we found to get you started.



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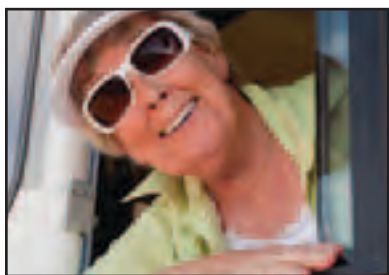
**Potluck and Guest Speaker**

Join us Wednesday, July 26 for our Seniors in Action Potluck! All members are welcomed to bring a dish and socialize with other members on that day. Our guest speaker will be Patricia Dorn from the Maryland Insurance Administration.

The Maryland Insurance Administration regulates the business of insurance in Maryland. They provide consumers with information about all areas of insurance including auto, home, renters, life, health and long term care insurance. They also educate Marylanders about their rights and investigate written allegations that an insurance entity has violated a contract or state law.

**Monthly Member Meeting**

We will be holding our first SiA Monthly Member Meeting for the Summer Session on Friday, July 21 at 10:30 a.m. In the meeting, members will have the opportunity to discuss any questions, concerns or suggestions with regard to the Seniors in Action program.

**Summer Field Trip**

Steeped in history, rich with tradition, the United States Botanic Garden (USBG) is a living plant museum that informs visitors about the importance, and often irreplaceable value, of plants to the well-being of humans and to earth's fragile ecosystems.

Our trip is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 9. The bus will leave at 9:30 a.m. from the Stedwick Community Center. Seats are limited. **\$5/SiA members, \$8/Non-members.**

Look for information in the Fall Recreation Guide for our trip to Toby's Dinner Theatre, scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 25.

**Lunch Bunch**

Lunch Bunch (After SiA) will meet at the Stedwick Community Center the second Friday of each month during the summer session. Please see the SiA Bulletin Board for additional information!



Thank you to Nina from Giant for coming to speak at our SiA potluck for June!
Senior in Action Banner for the July 4th Parade!

*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.
July 17: Beaded Eyeglass Holders (for donation)

**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.

July 17: Our group will meet to nominate books to go on our reading list for Fall 2017.
No Meeting in August.

**SiA Games / Social Hour**

10 a.m. to Noon

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 1 p.m.

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
Next date: Aug. 12

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!

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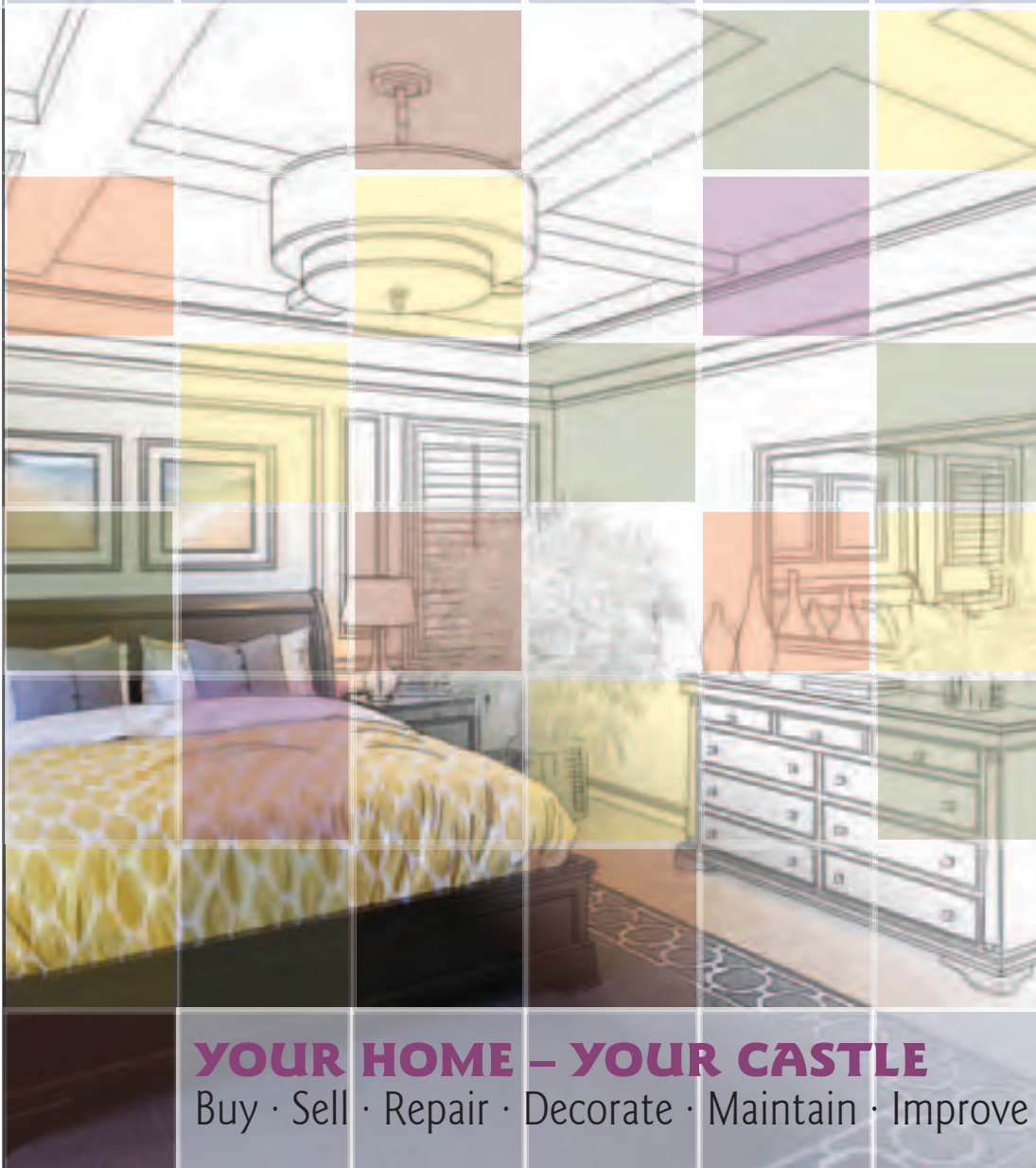
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PARTRIDGE PLACE \$269,900

Lovely big townhouse with finished walkout basement – 3 BR, 2.5 BA, hardwood floors, new carpet, fresh paint, updates throughout – large eat-in kitchen – separate dining room – located on no through street – fenced yard backs to woods.



THE POINTS \$395,000

Sure to please SFH on quiet cul-de-sac – 5 BR, 3.5 BA, finished basement with full bath – updated baths, refinished hardwood floors, new carpet, renovated kitchen, vinyl siding, new fixtures/lighting.

For Sale



KENSINGTON \$649,500

Beautiful 5 BR, 3.5 BA SFH w/1st floor master suite, hwd. floors, 2 fireplaces, new carpet, fresh paint – master bath w/designer tile, slipper tub, walk-in shower, double vanities – open kitchen w/granite counters, bay window – fin. bsmt. w/full BA, BR.



KENTLANDS CONDO \$259,000

BEING SOLD AS A SHORT SALE!
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.

COLLINGWOOD/GOSHEN ESTATES \$559,900



Stunning Toll Bros 4 BR, 2.5 BA SFH w/1st floor office – treed lot on cul-de-sac, hardwood floors, upgraded kitchen w/center island, stainless appliances, granite & new wood cabinets – new master bath w/double vanity, designer tile, glass shower & soaking tub.

Sold



OVERLEA \$270,000

Beautiful TH w/HGTV features – 2 BR, 2 FBA & loft – 2 master BRs – stone fireplace surround, designer baths w/subway tile, marble floors, vessel sink & niches – kitchen has slate floor & 42" maple cabinets!



THE HEIGHTS \$367,000

SFH w/2-car garage & fenced yard – sunroom addition, 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.



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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