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April 2015

President's Message



Matt Brolley

Over the past several months, the Village Board has been working on the budget for the upcoming fiscal year that begins May 1st. Our Board is financially conservative, and we are working hard to hold the line and do what we can to keep taxes low.

The Board has frozen property taxes for the second year in a row in an effort to help our citizens. The proposed budget does not add any new employees, but does maintain the programs and services that our residents benefit from the most. The proposed budget, which is available on the Village website, is scheduled for approval at the Board Meeting on April 13th. As always, residents are invited and encouraged to attend meetings and make their opinions known.

Community Garage Sale

Montgomery's annual Spring Community Garage Sale will take place on May 14th-16th, with rain dates of May 21st-23rd. Each spring nearly 100 homes participate in this community-wide event. Residents can sign up at the Village Hall beginning April 1st. Registration forms also are available at www.ci.montgomery.il.us. The fee to participate will be \$10. The garage sale will be advertised in local newspapers and promoted on our website.

The Village Hall will distribute flyers with a map showing all garage sale locations, plus a 15-word ad for each address describing the items for sale. The map will also be posted on the Village website. The deadline to be included in the advertising is May 1st. For additional information, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 1114.

Paper Shredding & Recycling

To help residents dispose of electronics and other recyclables, the Village hosts a drop-off recycling event at the Police Department on the third Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Items accepted are electronics (and all items that plug in), batteries, and metal of all types. Books, DVD, VHS tapes and CDs are also accepted. Paint and tires are not accepted.

On Saturday, May 16th, paper shredding will also be available at the recycling event from 9:00 a.m. until noon. There is a limit of two banker boxes of paper per vehicle.

Water Conservation

Beginning May 1st, hours for lawn and landscaping watering and filling of swimming pools will be 6:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. on alternate days. Properties with an even-numbered address may water on even-numbered calendar dates, and properties with an odd-numbered address may water on odd-numbered calendar dates.

These restrictions do not apply to hand-held watering devices, swimming pools holding 50 gallons or less, or vehicle and equipment washing. For additional information, please contact Public Works at 630-896-9241, or visit the Village's website at www.ci.montgomery.il.us.

Spring Cleanup

Spring clean up services will be provided by Republic Services May 18th-21st, on residents' regularly scheduled trash pickup day. **No stickers are required!** Items must be curbside **prior to 6:00 a.m. as crews will not return to pick up items that are placed out later.**

Residents may discard unlimited amounts of trash, yard waste, furniture, appliances and up to four tires (no rims). All trash must be placed in cans, bags or boxes not exceeding 32 gallons or 50 pounds each and set in an organized manner at the curb. *Piles of loose trash, electronics, demolition materials, concrete, metal poles, liquids and hazardous waste will not be accepted.*

Spring at the Farm

Celebrate this hard-earned spring at the FREE Spring at the Farm event on Sunday, May 3rd from 10am to 3pm.

Bring the family to experience the simple joys of life on the farm as you pet farm animals, do crafts, enjoy hayrides and sample tasty vittles from the Country Kitchen. Antique trucks and tractors and bluegrass will set a nostalgic mood.

This event is free and open to the public. There is free parking available and the event will be held rain or shine. The Dickson-Murst Farm is located at 2550 Dickson Road in Montgomery, south of Route 30.

NEWS BRIEFS

- Village offices will be closed on Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day. Trash pickup will be delayed by one day that week.
- Village President Matt Brolley is available to meet with residents at Mayor on the Move on the first Saturday of most months from 10-11:30 a.m. A schedule of dates and locations is on the back of this newsletter. Residents are invited to stop by to meet Matt and discuss issues or share suggestions.
- Senior Luncheons and Bingo are held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. The cost for lunch is \$4 per person and sign-up a week in advance is required. To sign up, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 1559.
- Dime Jingle for seniors is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall. No skills are needed for this simple game. Just come to have fun!
- Despite the cold and snow, spring isn't too far away! Republic Services will begin its 2015 yard waste collection season on March 30th.
- Public Works will begin the Village's brush pickup service on April 6th. Brush (no grapevine or roots) should be neatly stacked at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Monday morning, April 6th. Please refer to the Village's website for brush pickup guidelines.
- Settler's Cottage, located in front of the Village Hall, reopens in May! Learn more about Montgomery's history on the first and third Sunday of each month from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Once again the Village of Montgomery will be partnering with The Conservation Foundation to offer rain barrels and accessories. You can order these online with the option of home delivery for an additional fee, or you can pick yours up at the Village Hall on the scheduled pick up date. Water collected in rain barrels can be used to water plants and lawns, wash cars, etc. For more information, please visit the Rain Barrel page on the Village's website at www.ci.montgomery.il.us.

Direct Debit of Water Bills

Tired of writing checks? Want a simpler way to pay your utility bill and avoid late fees? Try direct debit!

The Village can automatically withdraw your bi-monthly utility bill from your checking account. It's safe and simple. Just complete the form to the right, attach a voided check and mail to Village of Montgomery, 200 N. River St., Montgomery IL 60538. Please call 630-896-1357 with any questions.

Montgomery Fest

Planning has begun for this year's Montgomery Fest on August 7th-9th and the Village is seeking volunteers. If you would like to volunteer to help with this fun annual event, please call Debbie Buchanan at 630-896-8080 ext. 1114.

Applications for the 2015 Montgomery Fest Craft/Business Booths are now available at the Village Hall and online. The fee for a handmade craft booth is \$35 for the event and \$125 for a commercial booth. Vendors also have the option of participating on Friday evening with no additional cost.

Watch the Village website and Facebook page for announcements on tryouts for this year's Montgomery's Got Talent!

Village of Montgomery
Utility Bill Direct Payment Authorization Form

New
 Bank Change
 Account Change

Customer Name (as it appears on water bill) _____

Utility Bill Account Number (see water bill) _____

Service Address _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____

Daytime Phone Number _____

PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK

I authorize automatic payments of my utility bill to be deducted from my account on the due date of each bill. I shall notify the Village when closing my bank account and understand fees associated with non-sufficient funds or closed accounts shall apply. This authorization is to remain in effect until I terminate it in writing. The Village reserves the right to cancel this agreement with due notification.

Authorized Signature

Date



The Montgomery Police Department would like to remind residents to sign up for NIXLE, a community information service, that assists you in staying connected to information that matters most. Nixle allows you to receive Alerts, Advisories, Community Information, and Traffic Information put out by the Police Department. To customize the information you receive and the locations you receive it from, you must set up an account. Once registered you can personalize your locations and preferences, making the service fit your needs. Please sign up at <http://www.nixle.com/> and choose to receive the Community Alerts too!

Upcoming Events



April 7	6:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.	Election Day	Visit your local polling place
April 14	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	"A Tribute to Roy Orbison" — Randy Walker Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$4) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
April 18	9:00 a.m.-noon	Recycling Event (Electronics and more)	Police Department, 10 Civic Center Avenue
May 2	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Mayor on the Move	Montgomery Crossings Gazebo, Concord Drive and Deerpoint Drive
May 3	10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Spring at the Farm/Antique Truck Show Free family fun including baby animals, hayrides, bluegrass music, games, food to purchase	Dickson-Murst Farm, 2550 Dickson Road
May 12	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Do You Ever Think About Trees? Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$4) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
May 14-16	8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Community Garage Sale	Get map of locations on Village website
May 16	9:00 a.m.-noon	Recycling Event (includes Shredding!)	Police Department, 10 Civic Center Avenue
May 18-21	All Day	Spring Clean Up (on your regular trash day)	Discard unlimited trash for free!
June 6	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Mayor on the Move	Montgomery Starbucks, 2080 Orchard Road