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## President's Message



**Matt Brolley**  
Good news! The Village Board has frozen property taxes for the fourth year in a row. The new annual budget planned for Fiscal Year 2018 maintains the programs and services that our residents benefit from the most, while holding the line on expenses.

The new budget also includes an ambitious roadway improvement program utilizing funds from the 1% sales tax. In 2017 we plan to resurface approximately seven miles of road.

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## Community Garage Sale

Montgomery's annual Spring Community Garage Sale will take place on May 18th-20th. 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](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us). The fee to participate will be \$10. The garage sale will be advertised in local newspapers and promoted on the Village website and Facebook.

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 5th. For additional information, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 9003.

## Hydrant Flushing

The Public Works Department will begin hydrant flushing on April 10<sup>th</sup> continuing through April 28<sup>th</sup> from 7:00am to 6:00 pm daily. This procedure clears sediment for the water distribution line, helps maintain water quality, and verifies proper operation of hydrants. Residents are encouraged to refrain from washing laundry when flushing is done in or near their neighborhood as temporary discolored water may cause laundry staining. Residents should also run their cold water taps first to clean out any sediment that may enter the water service lines inside their homes. For more information visit [www.ci.montgomery.il.us](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us)

## May 5th Deadline for Bridge Planter Program

The popular annual Flower Planter program is under way. [Sign-up sheets](#) can be picked up at the Village Hall or are included with April water bills. The deadline to register is May 5, 2017. Unfortunately, we cannot process any registrations received after May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Space for a sign on the Mill Street Bridge is limited, so sign up early to ensure your spot. Any questions, please contact Renee at the Village Hall 630-896-8080 ext. 9034.

## Spring at the Farm

Don't miss the FREE Spring at the Farm event on Sunday, May 7th 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 traditional bluegrass music will set a nostalgic mood.

This event is free and open to the public. Free parking is 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.

## Spring Cleanup

It's almost spring cleaning time! Spring clean up services will be provided by Republic Services from May 22nd to 25th on residents' regularly scheduled trash pickup day. **No stickers are required!** Items must be at the curb 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. **Please note:** Piles of loose trash, electronics, demolition materials, concrete, metal poles, liquids and hazardous waste will not be accepted.

\* No electronics will be picked up curbside! \*

## NEWS BRIEFS

- Village Offices will be closed on Monday, May 29th 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. 9023.
- 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 but fun game.
- Republic Services will begin yard waste collection season on April 3rd.
- Public Works will begin brush pick-up on April 3rd. Brush pick-up is offered the first full week of each month, April through October. Brush MUST be neatly stacked at the curb no earlier than one week and no later than the Sunday night before collection. Brush must be stacked with cut ends towards the curb. It cannot be tied or bundled, and cannot include root balls or other foreign debris.
- Settler's Cottage, located in front of the Village Hall, reopens in May! Learn more about Montgomery's history on May 21st from 12:30pm to 2:30pm. Admission is free.
- 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](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us).

## Montgomery Fest

Planning has begun for this year’s Montgomery Fest on August 11th-13th and the Village is seeking volunteers. If you would like to assist with this fun annual event, please call Debbie Buchanan at 630-896-8080 ext. 9003.

Applications for the 2017 Montgomery Fest parade and 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!

## 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.

As always the Village encourages year round water conservation through smart water use. For additional information, please contact Public Works at 630-896-9241, or visit the Village’s website at [www.ci.montgomery.il.us](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us).



## Shredding, Recycling (Paint, TVs)

Monthly recycling events for batteries, electronics (no TVs) and metal take place on the third Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Police Department. In addition, the following special events are planned:

On Saturday, May 20th, free paper shredding will be available at the monthly recycling event. There is a limit of two banker boxes of paper per vehicle. The usual electronics recycling will also take place that day, which accepts LCD TVs and all types of computer monitors for recycling with no fee, but does NOT accept old CRT (tube), plasma or projection TVs.

A special recycling event for TVs and paint, in addition to other electronics, will take place on Saturday, June 3rd from 9:00 a.m. until noon at the Police Department. There is a fee of \$35 per TV or computer monitor. The fee for latex paint is \$3.50 per gallon and the fee for oil based paint or stain is \$10.00/gallon. There is no fee to drop off other electronics, only for TVs and monitors.

## Floodplain Assistance

As a free public service, the Certified Floodplain Manager for the Village of Montgomery can provide residents with assistance related to flood risk management and drainage concerns. On-site visits can be arranged for property owners, contractors and real estate agents who are interested in specific advice about measures that can be taken to reduce flood risk.

The Village can also provide information about financial assistance that may be available to property owners who would like to better secure their structures against flood damage. To make an inquiry or to set up an on-site appointment, please contact the Community Development Department at (630) 896-8080 ext. 9022 or visit Village Hall.

## Upcoming Events



April 8	10:30 a.m.-noon	Easter Egg Hunt and activities (ages 1-10)	Montgomery Park and Village Hall
April 11	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	“Love, Laugh, Woof” by Lynn Stacy-Smith Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$4) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
April 15	9:00 a.m.-noon	Recycling Event (Electronics and more)	Police Department, 10 Civic Center Avenue
May 6	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Mayor on the Move	Dunkin Donuts, 1601 Douglas Road
May 7	10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Spring at the Farm Free family fun including baby animals, hayrides, games, food to purchase	Dickson-Murst Farm, 2550 Dickson Road
May 9	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	“Legends of Sun Records”—Randy Walker Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$4) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
May 18-20	8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Community Garage Sale	Get map of locations on Village website
May 20	9:00 a.m.-noon	Recycling Event (Electronics, Metal and Document Shredding)	Police Department, 10 Civic Center Avenue
May 21	12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Settlers Cottage Museum opens	In front of Village Hall
May 22-25	Set trash out by 6:00 a.m.	Spring Clean Up (on your regular trash day)	Discard unlimited trash/yard waste for free!