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## President's Message



Matt Brolley

This spring the Village Board approved an agreement with Kendall Area Transit (KAT) that will allow them to provide service for Kendall County residents of Montgomery beginning July 1st. KAT is a dial-a-ride public transportation service that assists residents in need of transportation options.

This transit service is vital for seniors or others who do not drive and need transportation to doctor appointments, grocery stores, etc. Pricing, hours of operation and other information can be obtained by contacting KAT at 877-446-4528.

## Police Chief Phillip J. Smith

Phillip J. Smith was appointed at Montgomery's new Chief of Police effective May 1st.

Chief Smith has been serving as Chief of Police in Berkeley, Illinois for the past four years. During his previous 23-year career with the Kendall County Sheriff's Office he served in diverse roles, including Deputy Sheriff, Narcotics Investigator, Detective, Sergeant and Police Operations Commander. His experience also includes eight years as the Tactical Commander for a multi-jurisdictional Tactical Response Team.

Chief Smith holds a Master of Arts in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration from Western Illinois University. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy, Northwestern University's Executive Management Program and the School of Police Staff and Command.

## Sunday in the Park June 24



The open park area behind Lakewood Creek Elementary School will be the location for a fun community event on Sunday, June 24th from 4-7:30 pm and everyone is invited!

Join friends and neighbors for free ice cream from 4-5 pm, food to purchase from food trucks, games for kids of all ages and a concert from 5-7:30 pm. Bring picnic blankets and lawn chairs!

Plenty of parking is available at the school and in the surrounding neighborhood. The stage will be located near Prescott Drive and Jacob Avenue.

## Concerts in the Park



**FREE Ice Cream Social**—On Wednesday, June 6th, Village Board members will be dishing out free ice cream sundaes from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Montgomery Park. A concert of great country music by **Mason Rivers** will follow at 7:00 p.m.

**Fletcher Rockwell**—The concert in Montgomery Park on Wednesday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. will feature Fletcher Rockwell performing popular rock and country cover songs.

**Ethan Bell Band**—On Wednesday, July 11th at 7:00 p.m. in Montgomery Park, the popular Ethan Bell Band will provide an energetic show with modern country and party hits.

## Montgomery Fest

Montgomery Fest will be held this year on August 10, 11 & 12 in Montgomery Park. This will be a fun-filled weekend of carnival rides, food, a car show, a carp derby, parade, fireworks, craft booths and entertainment for young and old.

Food vendors and the beer tent will open at 5 pm on Friday. Back Country Roads will perform on Friday night from 6:30-10 pm. **\$20 wristbands for carnival rides will be available Friday from 6pm-10 pm and Saturday from 11 am-3 pm.**

Saturday will feature the popular water fights, robotics, and Montgomery's Got Talent. LAVA Rock will perform from 5-7 pm and Semple will rock the stage from 8-10 pm.

On Sunday be sure to visit the car show in Austin Park from 10 am-4 pm. The parade kicks off at 1 pm, followed by the talented **Mudslingers BMX Stunt Team** show. Great music and food can be enjoyed all day long, including a performance by Whiskeyfist from 6:30-9 pm. The day ends with a fantastic fireworks display!

Applications for the Craft/Business Booths are now available on the Village website. The fee for a handmade craft booth is \$50 for all three days and \$150 for a commercial booth. Non-profit booths are free. Space is limited—sign up today!

Everyone loves a parade! If you would like to enter your business or a family float in the parade, just fill out the application available online. It is a great way to get free publicity and have some fun!

More information on all these events is available at [www.ci.montgomery.il.us](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us) or by calling 630-896-8080 ext. 9003. In addition, a brochure with a complete schedule will be mailed to each household with the August water bill and newsletter.

## NEWS BRIEFS

- Please note that this year the Concerts in the Park have switched to Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Montgomery Park.
- Village Offices will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th for the holiday. Trash pickup for Wednesday-Friday will be delayed by one day that week.
- 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 by calling 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. Refreshments are provided.
- Do you sing, dance, or play a musical instrument? Do stunts or tell jokes? If so, you are invited to audition for this year's Montgomery's Got Talent show! Tryouts are at the Village Hall on Saturday, July 14th at 10:00 a.m. The Talent Show panel will select performers to be featured at the Montgomery Fest Talent Show at noon on August 11th. Information is available at [www.ci.montgomery.il.us](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us) or call 630-896-8080 ext. 9036 to sign up.
- If you notice a property where the grass is not getting mowed, please provide the address to the Code Enforcement Officer at 630-896-8080 ext. 9025.
- Also related to mowing season, please note the Village's noise ordinance allows the use of power tools such as lawn mowers ONLY from 6 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday.
- Mark your calendars! The next recycling event will be on Saturday, July 21st from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. for electronics, rechargeable batteries, prescription drugs and household hazardous waste. It will also offer paper shredding from 9 a.m. until noon.
- Due to changes in the recycling market, plastic bags and shredded paper can no longer be placed in the recycling bins. Plastic bags can be dropped off at area grocery stores. Please view the link on our website for a list of items that can and cannot be recycled curbside.

## Watering Restrictions

From May 1st to September 30th, 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 odd-numbered addresses may water on odd-numbered dates.

Please also note that watering new sod and landscaping is prohibited during July and August.

## Retirements and New Employees

Several long-time employees retired from the Village at the end of April. Our former Chief of Police, Daniel C. Meyers, retired April 30th after serving in the Montgomery Police Department for 33 years, with the last 8 years as Chief. In addition, Gary Beyer, Jack Rosenstiel, and Dan Gier all retired from the Public Works Department after many years of dedicated service. Thank you to all these employees for their combined 115 years of service; may their retirement years be filled with good health and relaxation!

Our former Street Foreman, Mark Wolf, has been promoted to Street Superintendent to replace Gary Beyer. Dave Martin, who previously worked at North Aurora's water treatment plant, has been hired as Water Superintendent to replace Jack Rosenstiel. There are currently three job openings in the public works department that we will be working to fill in the coming weeks.

In addition, our Director of Public Works Todd Hoppenstedt resigned in April to accept a position in a different state. We have already conducted interviews and have hired Rick Radde to fill the position effective June 4th. Welcome, Rick!

## Save the Date!



Montgomery's 5K and 10K River Run is set for Saturday, October 6, 2018.

The U.S.A. Track and Field (USATF) certified course (Certification Code:

IL-06047-JW and IL-1317-JW) starts and finishes in front of the Village Hall at 200 North River Street in Montgomery. The course goes up and down both sides of the scenic Fox River. The race will be chip timed again this year by J3 Timing. Splits will be given at every mile. There is an overhead digital clock at the finish line. Water station and first aid will be available on the course. Post-race goodies will also be available.

**Register on-line at [www.signmeup.com/125824](http://www.signmeup.com/125824) prior to August 31, 2018 to ensure a participant shirt and goodie bag!**

## Floral Display Contest

The Beautification Committee will be sponsoring a Summer Floral Display Awards again this year. Awards will be given to homes that best meet the contest criteria: displays must be predominantly floral; live plants only (no artificial, silk); flowers may be in ground or containers; perennial and annual flowering plants are acceptable; and the display must add "curb appeal" to the property.

Residents can nominate their own property or someone else's by submitting the property address through the Village website or by calling 630-896-9241 by June 25th. Judging will take place June 27th and a sign will be placed at the winning properties.

## Upcoming Events



June 2	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Mayor on the Move Montgomery Park gazebo from 10-10:45am, then walk from 10:45-11:30.	Walk, talk and get fit with the mayor! Meet at the
June 6	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Free Ice Cream Sundaes Mason Rivers Country Band	Montgomery Park, Corner of River & Mill St.
June 12	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Phil Passen (Hammered Dulcimer Music) Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$4) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
June 20	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Fletcher Rockwell (Rock & Country Music)	Montgomery Park, Corner of River & Mill St.
June 24	4:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Sunday in the Park—Music, games & food! Bring lawn chairs or a blanket to sit on.	Lakewood Creek Park (corner of Prescott Drive and Jacob Avenue)
June 27	5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Floral Display Contest Judging	Submit nominations by June 25th!
July 10	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Fern Schumer (Journalist and Author) Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$4) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
July 11	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Ethan Bell Band (Modern Country/Party Hits)	Montgomery Park, Corner of River & Mill St.
July 21	8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Recycling (Electronics, Hazardous Waste, and Drugs) Also Paper Shredding from 9am to noon	Public Works, 891 Knell Road
July 21	2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Beers, Bands and Barns Free music/food & drink to purchase	Dickson Murst Farm, 2500 Dickson Road