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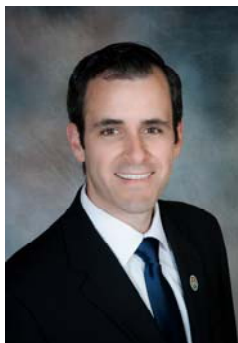
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October 2018

President's Message



Matt Brolley

The October newsletter contains a lot of important information. We publish this information in various ways, but always appreciate you sharing details with friends, neighborhood Facebook pages, etc. so that everyone is kept up to date.

First is information about the Halloween and the Holiday Decorations Contests.

Next is a reminder about the property tax rebate. The deadline for applications is December 17th, and we don't want anyone to miss out.

Finally, if you have kids, please note the trick or treat hours are 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. And be sure to bring the kids to the Halloween event at the Police Department on October 14th! It's bigger every year and is always a fun event as well as an opportunity for children to have a positive experience with our officers.

Property Tax Rebates

Property tax rebate applications were mailed out on September 4, 2018! Applications can also be printed directly from our website at:

ci.montgomery.il.us. This rebate is made possible by the referendum passed in November 2014 implementing a 1% non-home rule sales tax.

Property tax rebate checks in the amount of \$45 will be mailed to the owner(s) of each residential property who submit a qualifying application. Applications must be postmarked by December 17, 2018 to the Village of Montgomery, 200 N. River St., Montgomery, IL 60538. Property tax rebate checks for approved applications will be mailed out by April 30, 2019.

Electrical Aggregation

Each year the Village of Montgomery seeks competitive bids for electrical power on behalf of its residents. Since the beginning of this program in 2012, it has saved nearly \$250 per household for a cumulative \$1.15 million in savings Village-wide.

This summer the bids received were all higher than the ComEd rate of 7.75¢ per kilowatt hour. Therefore, those who participate in the Village's electrical aggregation program will be automatically switched to ComEd effective with their meter read date in October 2018. Next summer the Village will seek bids again and will provide another update at that time.

Recycling Event Changes

The final quarterly recycling event of 2018 (for Village of Montgomery residents only—ID required) will be Saturday, October 20th, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Public Works facility at 891 Knell Road off of Route 31.

TVs of all types, all electronics (basically anything with an electric plug or batteries), metal, batteries, and household hazardous waste will be accepted for recycling with no charge. In 2019 the quarterly events will take place on the 3rd Saturday of January, April, July and October.

Halloween Safety Event



The Montgomery Police Department invites everyone to our 5th annual FREE Halloween Safety Event on Sunday, October 14th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Costumes are encouraged, and costume contests will be held every hour. There will be safety stations, games, treats and many more surprises that you won't want to miss! Games will be geared towards elementary school age.

The event will be held on the grounds of the Montgomery Police Department at 10 Civic Center Avenue.

Tree Lighting & Festival of Trees

The Village and the Chamber of Commerce are pleased to announce the 2018 Tree Lighting Ceremony and Festival of Trees.

Please join us at 5:00 p.m. on December 2nd for this popular annual event.

In addition to the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony featuring the arrival of Santa, Christmas carols and free refreshments, the Village Hall will be filled with decorated trees provided by local businesses! Bring the whole family to take photos with Santa, have cookies and cocoa and vote for your favorite tree.

The Festival of Trees will stay up December 2nd-21st. For more information, or if you are a business interested in putting up a tree, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 9023.



NEWS BRIEFS

- *The annual Cemetery Walk will be on October 3rd from 7-8:30 p.m. at Riverside Cemetery! The rain date will be October 4th.*
- *Senior Luncheons and activities are held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$4 and registration one week in advance is required. To sign up, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 9023.*
- *Many thanks to Jack Goodwin and others who have donated historic items or allowed us to copy old photos.*
- *Boo! Trick or Treating in Montgomery will be from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on October 31st. Please turn on outside lights if you are handing out candy, and parents, please instruct your children to only go to houses with their lights on.*
- *The next Mayor on the Move will be held on Saturday, November 3rd from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Balmorea Park Pavilion, 2691 Foster Drive.*
- *The year's final Mayor on the Move will be held on Saturday, December 1st from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Village Hall. Residents are invited to stop by to meet Village President Matt Brolley and preview the Festival of Trees.*
- *Village Offices will be closed on November 12th for Veterans Day and on November 22nd and 23rd for Thanksgiving.*
- *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 and win prizes!*
- *For questions about trash service, or to report any issues such as trash not being picked up, please contact LRS DC Trash customer service at 815-758-7274 or email CustomerCare@dctrashillinois.com.*
- *Construction will begin soon on a new model home in the Balmorea subdivision. Ryan Homes has completed their purchase of the vacant lots in this subdivision.*
- *As a reminder, motorized vehicles such as dirt bikes or dune buggies are not allowed on park district property or on Village streets or sidewalks.*

Leaf Pickup

During October and November, Village public works crews provide bulk leaf pick-up services to Village residents. Leaves must be raked neatly no more than 5' from the curb/edge of roadway in front of the home by 7 a.m. on Monday of each collection week.



Crews will make one pass through the Village during the following weeks: October 29th, November 5th, and November 12th. Additional pickups will continue as needed until the end of November. Grass clippings, sticks, twigs and other debris cannot be collected by the leaf vac. Placement of foreign debris in the leaf piles will result in the crew skipping your address. Additionally, crews cannot vacuum leaves that are within 10' of a tree, mailbox, fire hydrant, street light, street sign, etc. Do not park cars in front of the leaves to be collected, as our leaf vac will not be able to reach them.

Leaves for bulk pick-up must be placed on the parkway in front of the property from which they originate, so please do not rake leaves into the street or onto other lots.

The Village's refuse hauler, LRS/DC Trash, will also pick up leaves each week on your regularly scheduled collection day for no additional charge. There are no stickers needed, however, you will need to put the leaves in yard waste bags or clearly marked 32-gallon yard waste cans with two handles. Bags must be placed at the curb no earlier than 5:00 p.m. the night before your scheduled collection.

Please remember—leaf burning is prohibited by Village ordinance.

Halloween Display Contest



The Beautification Committee will be offering a Halloween Display Contest again this year to recognize homes and businesses for outstanding Halloween decorations. Last year was the first year of this contest and it was a huge success!

Residents can nominate their own property or someone else's simply by submitting the property address to Public Works at 331-212-9044 or via the Village website at www.ci.montgomery.il.us. Nominations will be accepted through October 15th.

Committee members will visit all of the nominated addresses the evening of October 17th in order to select winners, so be sure to have any lights turned on that evening! A sign recognizing the selected winners will be placed in front of the property.

Holiday Decorations Contest



The Beautification Committee will also offer a Holiday Decorations Contest this year in December to recognize homes and businesses for exceptional holiday displays.

As always, residents can nominate their own address or someone else's by calling 331-212-9044 or via the Village website at www.ci.montgomery.il.us. Nominations will be accepted from November 19th through December 10th.

Committee members will visit all of the nominated addresses the evening of December 12th in order to select winners. An award sign will be placed in front of each of the winning properties.

Upcoming Events



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| October 3 | 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. | Cemetery Walk (Rain date October 4) | Riverside Cemetery, River & Taylor Street |
| October 9 | 10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | Indoor Presentation of Cemetery Walk Senior Citizen Activity & Lunch (Cost: \$4) | Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room |
| October 14 | 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | Halloween Event (games, treats, prizes, & safety tips!) Costumes are welcome! | Police Department 10 Civic Center Avenue |
| October 20 | 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. | Quarterly Recycling Event (TVs, electronics, batteries, metal, household hazardous waste) | Public Works Building, 891 Knell Road |
| November 3 | 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. | Mayor on the Move | Balmorea Park Pavilion, 2691 Foster Drive |
| November 12 | Holiday | Village Offices Closed due to Veterans Day on November 11th | |
| November 13 | | No Senior Presentation at the Village Hall | |
| November 22-23 | Thanksgiving | Village Offices Closed | |
| December 1 | 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. | Mayor on the Move (Preview the Festival of Trees!) | Village Hall, 200 N. River Street |
| December 2 December 3-21 | 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. | Tree Lighting Ceremony & Festival of Trees Festival of Trees Display (weekdays only) | River Street in front of Village Hall and inside Village Hall |