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President's Message



Matt Brolley

The Board recently approved a contract for this year's infrastructure improvements. The work includes road resurfacing in several areas of town, along with miscellaneous sidewalk and curb replacements.

Solar energy is a topic of increasing interest throughout the Village. To address any questions that residents may have related to the permitting and installation of solar panels, the Village will be holding a solar

forum on Tuesday, April 30th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. Watch the Village website for more information as the date approaches.

Community Garage Sale

Montgomery's annual Spring Community Garage Sale will take place on May 16th-18th. Each spring around 75 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 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 3rd. For additional information, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 9003.

Hydrant Flushing

The Public Works Department will begin hydrant flushing on April 8th continuing through April 22nd from 7:00a m 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.

May 3rd Deadline for Bridge Planter Program

The popular annual Flower Planter program is under way. <u>Sign-up sheets</u> can be picked up at the Village Hall or are included with April water bills. The deadline to register is May 3, 2019. Unfortunately, we cannot process any registrations received after May 3rd.

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.

Egg Hunt Time Changes

The Village and Community Christian Church have several changes for the 7th annual Easter Egg Hunt. It will still be for kids aged 0-10 on Saturday, April 13th, but the time will be from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. The egg hunt will take place in age groups as follows: ages 0-3 at 1:00 p.m.; 4-6 at 1:30 p.m. and 7-10 at 2:00 p.m. All participants will receive a goodie bag!

The egg hunt will take place at Montgomery Park, while face painting, and cookie decorating will be offered at the Village Hall. Don't forget to bring a camera to take a picture with the Easter Bunny! Please call 630-896-8080 ext. 9023 for more information.

Bulk Brush Pickup Scheduled for May and October

Public Works will conduct spring bulk (unbundled) brush pickup on Monday, May 6th, and continuing on successive days as necessary until all areas of the Village have been serviced. Brush MUST be neatly stacked at the curb no earlier than one week and no later than 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. Branches must be 1-4" in diameter.

Remember, bundled or bagged brush can be put out each week on your regular trash day for pickup by DC Recycling, no stickers needed.

Bulk brush pickup will be offered again in the fall beginning on Monday, October 7th.

NEWS BRIEFS

- Village Offices will be closed on Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day. Trash pickup 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 \$5 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.
- DC Recycling will begin yard waste collection season on April 1st.
 Unlimited amounts of yard waste may be discarded each week, either in brown kraft yard waste bags or in trash containers that are clearly marked as yard waste. Bundles of branches, up to 4' in length and tied with twine, are also accepted.
- Don't miss the FREE Spring at the Farm event on Sunday, May 5th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring the family to 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. The Dickson-Murst Farm is located at 2550 Dickson Road in Montgomery, south of Route 30.
- 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 May 21st if you order by May 17th. 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.
- Have you ever wondered if your home is susceptible to flooding? If so, contact the Community Development Department and ask about flood maps, letter of map amendments and other related information.

Montgomery Fest

Planning has begun for this year's Montgomery Fest on August 9th-11th and it promises to be a weekend of great family-friendly fun!

Applications for the 2019 Montgomery Fest parade and Craft/Business Booths are now available at the Village Hall and <u>online</u>. The fee for a handmade craft booth is \$50 for the three-day event and \$150 for a commercial booth.

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

Summer Watering Hours Start May 1

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.mongtomery.il.us.

Code Enforcement



With spring approaching, please remember to keep up on property maintenance items. The most common violations are tall grass (over 8"), garbage and debris, recreational vehicle parking, parking on unimproved surfaces and inoperable vehicles. The Village will also be conducting a community-wide sweep for mailboxes that are not in compliance with Village ordinances. Please contact the Code Enforcement Officer at 630-896-8080 ext. 9025 with any questions.

Recycling & Hazardous Waste

The next quarterly recycling event will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2019, from 8 am to 1 pm at the Public Works facility at 891 Knell Road off of Route 31. These events are provided by DC Recycling and are only for residential customers of DC Recycling who live within the Village of Montgomery and participate in the Village's waste hauling contract. This does not include businesses, apartment complexes or residents in Boulder Hill or other unincorporated areas. A photo ID will be required to verify residency.

TVs of all types, all electronics (basically anything with an electric plug or batteries), metal, rechargeable batteries, and household hazardous waste will be accepted for recycling with no charge. Household hazardous waste includes pesticides, cleaners, automotive fluids, pool chemicals, oil-based paint, CFL bulbs and weed killer. It does NOT include prescriptions or other drugs, latex paint or tires.

Additional quarterly recycling events will take place on the 3rd Saturday of July and October. The July event will also offer paper shredding from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Crime Prevention

With the increase in temperatures soon, we would like to remind all residents to remain diligent in crime prevention.

One of the best crime prevention tools is being a good neighbor. Watchful eyes in the neighborhood can recognize suspicious activity and alert the police by calling 9-1-1. If you see something, say something.

Social media is a wonderful tool; however, the police only respond to calls for service that are dispatched over the radio, so please report incidents appropriately. Be mindful of what you read on social media; most likely important facts and details are omitted.

In any emergency, call 9-1-1. The non-emergency number for police dispatch is 630-553-0554.

Upcoming Events



April 9	10:00 a.m10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m2:00 p.m.	Gardening Tips from The Growing Place Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$5) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
April 13	1:00 p.m2:30 p.m.	Easter Egg Hunt	Montgomery Park and Village Hall
April 20	8:00 a.m1:00 p.m.	Recycling Event (Electronics, hazardous wast	e) Public Works, 891 Knell Road
April 30	7:00 p.m9:00 p.m.	Solar Energy Forum	Village Hall Board Room
May 5	9:00 a.m3:00 p.m.	Spring at the Farm Free family fun including baby animals, hay	Dickson-Murst Farm, 2550 Dickson Road rides, games, food to purchase
May 7	10:00 a.m10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m2:00 p.m.	"Legends of Sun Records"—Randy Walker Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$5) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
May 16-18	8:00 a.m4:00 p.m.	Community Garage Sale	See map of locations on Village website