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President's Message



Matt Brolley

Our 2019 infrastructure improvement program includes road and sidewalk repairs. While construction may create some short-term inconveniences, these essential improvements help make Montgomery a great place to live.

As we head into summer, I am looking forward to some wonderful community events where I can visit with friends and neighbors. I hope you will check out these free, family-friendly events that help us build and strengthen our community.

New Village Trustees

Three Village Trustees were sworn into office at the Board Meeting on May 13th. Doug Marecek, who has served on the Village Board for the past six years, won a bid for re-election for another four years. Dan Gier, a former Village employee and long-time resident, was newly elected to a four-year term.

Former Trustee Stan Bond, who passed away in February, had filed papers last November to run for re-election. His name appeared on the ballot and he was re-elected, but his passing created a vacancy on the Village Board. Thomas K. Betsinger, who had been serving on the Village's Plan Commission, was appointed by President Brolley and approved by the Village Board to fill this vacant position through the next election in April of 2021.

Congratulations, and welcome to the Village Board!

Sunday in the Park June 23



The open park area behind Lakewood Creek Elementary School will be the location for a fun community event on Sunday, June 23rd from 4-7:30 p.m. and everyone is invited!

Join friends and neighbors for free ice cream from 4-5 p.m., food to purchase from food trucks and a concert by Cap'n Funk & the Groove Train from 5-7:30 p.m. Bring your dancin' feet along with picnic blankets or lawn chairs!

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

Concerts in the Park



FREE Ice Cream Social—On Wednesday, June 12th, 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 **Wild Daisy** will follow at 7:00 p.m.

Smokin' Gunz—The concert in Montgomery Park on Wednesday, June 26th at 7:00 p.m. will feature popular country songs by Smokin' Gunz.

Eric Chesser— On Wednesday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. in Montgomery Park, Nashville recording artist Eric Chesser will provide an energetic show with modern country hits. Food trucks and extra surprises begin at 6:30 p.m.

Montgomery Fest

Montgomery Fest will be held this year on August 9, 10 & 11 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/Sunday 11 am-3 pm.

Saturday will feature water fights, Montgomery's Talent Showcase, and a blues performance by Mojo Morganfield, son of the legendary Mud-dy Waters. 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 great music and food that 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 or by calling 630-896-8080 ext. 9003. A brochure with a complete schedule will be mailed to each household with the August water bill and newsletter.

NEWS BRIEFS

- *Village Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4th for the holiday. Trash pickup for Thursday and 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 \$5 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 you have a unique talent? If so, you are invited to audition for the Montgomery Talent Showcase! Tryouts are at the Village Hall on Saturday, July 13th at 10:00 a.m. The Talent Showcase panel will select family-friendly performers to be featured at the Montgomery Talent Showcase at noon on August 10th at Montgomery Fest. Information is available at www.ci.montgomery.il.us or call 630-896-8080 ext. 9034 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 20th from 8 am until 1 pm for electronics, rechargeable batteries, and household hazardous waste. It will also offer paper shredding from 9 a.m. until noon.*
- *The Village Board recently approved a proposal for a doggie day care and boarding facility. This will be a new building to be constructed near Firestone on Orchard Road.*

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.

Solar Energy Resources

Thinking about Solar Energy? Visit the Village of Montgomery’s website at <https://ci.montgomery.il.us/619/Solar-Panel-Installation> for valuable information on solar panels. A checklist and information sheet is available along with documents to assist in locating a contractor. The Village recently held a public Solar Forum, and all the information from the forum is on the website. In addition, there are links available to view the solar potential of specific rooftops by address. The Village has a quick permit review process for solar installations and has earned the highly coveted SolSmart Gold Designation for its efforts in training, zoning and permitting regulations.

The Village of Montgomery received the SolSmart designation at Argonne National Laboratory in May 2019. This achievement furthers solar power growth in the community, which results in new job creation, economic development and reduced carbon emissions. The Village is one of less than 250 communities with a SolSmart designation, a national recognition by the Solar Foundation and the US Department of Energy. There are eight categories in which a community must complete all of the required objectives, plus enough other objectives to total 200 points. The eight principal categories are: Permitting, Planning, Zoning and Development Regulations, Inspections, Construction Codes, Solar Rights, Utility Engagement, Community Engagement, and Market Development and Finance.

Save the Date!



Montgomery’s 5K and 10K River Run is set for Saturday, October 5, 2019.

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.racerooster.com prior to August 31, 2019 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 23rd. Judging will take place June 26th and a sign will be placed at the winning properties.

Upcoming Events



June 11	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Musical Entertainment Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$5) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
June 12	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Free Ice Cream Sundaes Wild Daisy Country Band	Montgomery Park, Corner of River & Mill St.
June 23	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 26	5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Floral Display Contest Judging	Submit nominations by June 23rd!
June 26	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Smokin’ Gunz (Country Music)	Montgomery Park, Corner of River & Mill St.
July 9	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Pearl Harbor Historical Presentation Senior Citizen Lunch (Cost: \$5) & Bingo	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
July 20	8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Recycling (Electronics & Hazardous Waste) Also Paper Shredding from 9am to noon	Public Works, 891 Knell Road
July 20	2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Beers, Bands and Barns Free music/food & drink to purchase	Dickson Murst Farm, 2500 Dickson Road
July 24	7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Eric Chesser (Nashville Recording Artist) Food trucks and other surprises beginning at 6:30 p.m.	Montgomery Park, Corner of River & Mill St.