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Gordo II nabs Pumpkin Race trophy

by Mike Conroy

Once again on an early fall Saturday, pumpkins and people descended on North Creek Community Center to participate in the area's most creative fall festival, the Montgomery Village Great Pumpkin Race. Colorful decoration, tense racing action, plenty of family fun and pumpkin-themed everything, set to the tunes of local band 45 RPM, was the backdrop again this year on October 10. Families gathered with pumpkin racers in hand to enjoy the annual Fall Festival and try their luck at taking home the coveted Pumpkin Racer Trophy.

In a straight out dash for the finish line of the final heat, with no crashes, pushing or pumpkin lockup, were Ayane Fernandez's "Owl," Alivia Allen's "Cat," Homegrown Homeschool's Racer and the Ahlman Family's "Gordo II." The four group winners had beaten out many crowd favorites during the afternoon, and ultimately it was Gordo II who edged out the competition for the win.

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Gordo II didn't waste time with decorations, opting instead for a streamlined and aerodynamic approach, which paid off in the end, proving it's not all about the disguise. Plenty of pumpkins, though were in costume, including more cheaters than ever before.

Hundreds of residents and community neighbors were in attendance at the sixth annual Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival, held on October 10, enjoying the rides, games and food. It was clear from the number of test runs, pumpkin garage visits and fantastically decorated pumpkins, that competition for this year's medals and trophy were on everyone's mind once again.

Before the races started,

Local dignitaries (l to r) Montgomery Village Foundation Board of Directors President John Driscoll; Delegate Charles Barkley; Watkins Mill High School Principal Carol Goddard; Montgomery County Councilmember Sidney Katz; Maryland Senator Nancy King; and MVF EVP Dave Humpton pose with their pumpkin racers before the opening race at MVF's 2015 Fall Festival on Oct. 10.

Montgomery County Airpark Community Meeting November 4

Montgomery County is hosting a community meeting to discuss concerns regarding the Montgomery County Airpark. The meeting is scheduled for 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 in the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Training Room, 16641 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville.

This will be the first of three community meetings concerning the airpark. The purpose of the meeting is: to distribute FAQs related to the Gaithersburg Airpark (safety concerns, noise, flight patterns, low flying aircraft over residential communities and touch-and-go flight operations), the December 2014 accident and the airpark practices and policies, and to allow the community

the opportunity to express their concerns. This meeting is not intended to release any results of the Nation Transportation Safety Board report related to the December 2014 accident.

This meeting will be televised on the county cable network and the speakers will have 3 minutes per speaker to pose their question or express their concern. Speakers will be asked to sign up to speak upon entering the facility. There will be a cut off and a waiting list to permit allocation of time. The remaining people will be given index cards to submit questions that will be considered along with the recorded spoken questions.

Members of the county council and staff from the

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MVF MEETING AGENDAS

50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The 50th Anniversary Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road, to review residents' requests for exterior modifications. The board requests that homeowners contact the Foundation if they plan to attend and if their contractors will accompany them.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Communications Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 16 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

Note: All meeting agendas listed in this section are current as of the deadline date for this publication. The listings do not include every agenda item. This information is also available on the MVF website at www.montgomeryvillage.com. For the most up-to-date information available, call the MVF Board/Committee Agenda hotline at 301-948-0110, then press 4. All meeting agendas are tentative and may be changed without notice.



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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTEBOARD

CENTER COURT

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 at the Heron's Cove Office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

CHRISTOPHER COURT LAND ASSOCIATION

The Christopher Court Land Association meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

EASTGATE

The Eastgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at the Lake Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

EAST VILLAGE

The East Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

HORIZON RUN

The Horizon Run Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 26 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The Oct. 26 meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

MARYLAND PLACE

The Maryland Place Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

NORMANDIE ON THE LAKE I

The Normandie on the Lake I meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 at the NOLI Office, 18701 Walker's Choice Road, #3.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at the North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

PARK PLACE I

The Park Place I Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 12 at the Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

SOUTH VILLAGE

The South Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

STEDWICK

The Stedwick Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at the Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 9 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 9 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 12 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

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EVP'S MESSAGE

News and notes...



by David Humpton
MVf Executive Vice President

NEW 6TH DISTRICT POLICE COMMANDER

It was recently announced that 6th District Commander Willie Parker-Loan will be taking a new assignment within the Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD). Our new District Commander will be Dinesh Patil, who most recently was the Director of Special Investigations Division of MCPD. Please congratulate Willie on a job well done and best wishes for the future, and join me in welcoming Commander Patil to the Village.

THE GREAT PUMPKIN RACE

New Watkins Mill High School Principal Carol Goddard was the big winner in this year's VIP pumpkin race held during MVF's annual fall festival. Although there was a lot to do at the festival, the big hit was the racing of pumpkins of many shapes, sizes and decorations. We even had a few other fruits disguised as pumpkins enter the competition. Those are known as "cheater pumpkins" and are smashed with much fanfare on the spot.

Congratulations to Carol, who beat out Montgomery Village Foundation President John Driscoll, Senator Nancy King and your EVP, me. Several other elected officials,

including Delegate Charles Barkley and County Councilman Sidney Katz, who has a past win under his belt, attended the event to cheer on the competitors. Thanks to all the participants, festival goers and especially the MVF staff for their hard work in putting on the event. Looking forward to next year!

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE MASTER PLAN

The Planning Board was expected to review a final draft of the plan during their regular meeting on October 22. The draft document was amended to reflect the Planning Board's comments from their work session of October 1. The Planning Board also reviewed amended language for the overlay zone, which accompanies the master plan. A number of MVF's concerns, such as the zoning of the MVF Office, were addressed in both documents, but several others, such as the extension of Stewartown Road, were not satisfactorily amended. The next stop for the Montgomery Village Master Plan is a hearing before the county council, which may happen in December.

UPDATE ON (DEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT) DPA 15-01

A Montgomery County Hearing Examiner issued a report recommending to the county council (called the district council when hearing land use matters) denial of Monument Realty's application to build 86 town house units on a portion of the former golf course property. The recommendation from the Hearing Examiner supported both the Planning Staff and Planning Board's recommendation of denial. It is now in Monument's court to determine if they will continue the case before the county council.

MVF BOARD AGENDA

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, October 22, 2015
North Creek Community Center - 7:30 p.m.
AGENDA

Presentation - Apple Ridge Pool and Bathhouse Concept Plan
Residents Time - As a courtesy to fellow residents and the Board, please limit your remarks to no more than 3 minutes. While the Board welcomes comments from residents, comments made during Residents' Time are not positions of the Board.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. President's Remarks
 - Community service recognition - Montgomery County Police 6th District Commander Willie Parker-Loan
3. Review and Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting September 24, 2015
4. Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements
5. Executive Vice President's Report
6. Acceptance of Action List

ACTION LIST

Decision Items:

- A. Consider adoption of the 2016 MVF budget and 5 year plan
- B. Consider adoption of the 2016 MVF and DU assessment rates
- C. Consider resubmitted revision of the Greentee I and II Architectural Criteria
- D. Consider authorizing EVP to negotiate contract for renovation of Apple Ridge Pool and bathhouse
- E. Consider Lake Marion LED light replacement proposal under PEPCO grant program
- F. Consider Lake Marion HVAC
7. Committee Reports - barring any questions, these reports will be accepted as a group:
 - A. Executive Committee
 - B. Architectural Review Board (ARB)
 - C. Audit
 - D. Commercial Architectural Review (CARC)
 - E. Committee on Environment (COE)
 - F. Communications
 - G. Election
 - H. Nominating
 - I. Personnel
 - J. Recreation
 - K. TD & PF
 - L. Investment Committee
 - M. 50th Anniversary Committee
8. Board Member Issues
9. Vote on Closed Session - Pursuant to Section 11B Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Maryland Homeowners Association Act) to - (viii.) Discussion of individual owner assessment accounts
10. Adjournment

Schedule for 2016 MVF Budget Process

- November 2015
- Notify owners of 2016 assessments
 - Approval of 2016 Assessment Coupon bid

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>Don't Miss It!</p> <p>Oct. 25 MVCB Halloween Concert 30 Halloween Spooktacular Nov. 1 Daylight Saving Time ends 7 Holiday Craft Bazaar 10 New Residents Welcome Reception</p>		<p>Village News 23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Farmers' Market 9 am to 1 pm Christ the Servant Lutheran Church</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Halloween Band Concert 3 pm - LMCC</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Horizon Run Condo 7:30 pm - NCBR (Annual Meeting)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Patton Ridge HC 7 pm - NCBR Center Court Condo 7:30 pm - Heron's Cove Office Middle Village HC 7:30 pm - TCPR</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm - SCC Christopher Court Land Assoc. 4:30 pm - MVF Office South Village HC 7 pm - NCBR Normandie I Condo 7 pm - Normandie I Office</p>	<p>29</p> <p>MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Halloween Spooktacular 6:30 to 8 pm - LMCC</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween Farmers' Market 9 am to 1 pm Christ the Servant Lutheran Church</p>
<p>November 1</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time ends</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm - SCC ARB 5 pm - NCBR Communications Committee 7 pm - MVF Office MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Village News 6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Holiday Craft Bazaar 9 am to 3 pm - LMCC</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Thomas Choice Gardens 2:30 pm - TCPR Thomas Choice Condo 7 pm - TCPR MV Garden Club 7:15 pm - WCC</p>	<p>10</p> <p>New Resident Welcome Reception 7 pm - NCCC Northgate HC 7 pm - NCBR Eastgate HC 7:30 pm - LMCC</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm - SCC MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Park Place I Condo 7 pm - WCC Whetstone HC 7:30 pm - NCBR</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Personnel Committee 7 pm - NCBR Horizon Run Condo 7:30 pm - SCC</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Patton Ridge HC 7 pm - NCBR East Village HC 7:30 pm - LMCC</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm - SCC Maryland Place HC 7 pm - WCC MV Community Band 7 pm - WMHS Stedwick HC 7:30 pm - SCC</p>	<p>19</p> <p>50th Anniversary Committee 7 pm - MVF Office</p>	<p>Village News 20</p>	<p>21</p>

KEY:
 LMCC..... Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Ave.
 MVF Office..... 10120 Apple Ridge Rd.
 NCBR..... North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.
 NCCC..... North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Rd.

SCC..... Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Rd.
 TCPR..... Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Pl.
 WCC..... Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Ct.
 WHPR..... Walker House Party Room, 18700 Walkers Choice Rd.

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MONTGOMERY VILLAGE NEWS LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

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2. The *Montgomery Village News* will make every effort to publish all letters received during the weeks prior to publication.

3. Typed letters and e-mail must be received no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday prior to publication and distribution, while handwritten letters must be received no later than noon on the Friday, one week prior to publication. When a holiday occurs on a deadline Monday, Letters to the Editor must be received no later than noon on the subsequent Tuesday prior to the Friday publication and distribution.

4. Letters must bear the writer's name, address and telephone number for verification purposes. The sole use of pen names, initials or the complete omission of a signature will eliminate a letter from consideration from publication. A request from the author to withhold the name or mark the letter anonymous will eliminate the letter from consideration.

5. All letters are subject to condensation or deferral to the next issue by the

editor for space considerations, if absolutely necessary. Editor is to so indicate any condensations.

6. All letters may not exceed 300 words. Longer letters will be eliminated from consideration for publication in the *Village News*. As time permits, the writers may be notified and given the opportunity to shorten the letter for future publication. Letters exceeding 300 words which meet all other criteria of this policy may be published on the MVF website.

7. The *Village News* respects the privacy of individuals and residents; letters should not contain references to specific persons, except when endorsing candidates for MVF or Village homes corporation elections or referencing a previously published article with a byline.

8. Letters submitted by an author regarding the same topic must present new information or opinions; repetitive submissions and/or form letters submissions will only be printed once.

9. The Letters to the Editor section is not a forum for extensive debates; MVF encourages residents to use other avenues such as facebook and twitter for timely discussion.

10. All e-mail is subject to this policy. The e-mail subject line must read "Letter to the Editor."

- All e-mail letters must include the writer's full name, address and telephone number for verification.
- As with letters delivered to the MVF office in person or by the U.S. Postal Service, the *Montgomery Village News* will make every effort to publish all letters received prior to the publication deadline.

11. MVF retains the right to respond to letters to the editor addressing specific issues involving it in the form of editor's notes or other methods at its discretion, and extends the same opportunities to homeowner or condominium association boards regarding letters specifically aimed at those boards.

12. The Director of Communications, in his/her sole discretion, reserves the right to withhold from publication of inflammatory, slanderous, libelous, or lewd material, or material which may be an invasion of privacy, material deemed in bad taste and inconsistent with *Montgomery Village News* editorial policy, or other language which opens MVF to potential legal liability, and limit the number of letters on a given subject when the number is so large it presents a problem.

Letters to the Editor



Editor:
Whetstone is once again addressing a request from a neighbor to establish a medical care facility in a neighborhood home. Specifically, for an adult medical day care facility which is defined as "...medical day care services in an ambulatory care setting to medically compromised adults who do not require 24-hour inpatient care, but, due to their degree of impairment, are not capable of full-time independent living."
While most businesses are not permitted to operate in designated residential zones, community services such as adult medical day care are not prohibited. The realities of operating a business, no

matter how noble the purpose, within a residential area brings with it impact and unintended consequences to the immediate neighbors and to the neighborhood as a whole.
Around 20 years ago, our community had to address a similar issue and many of the concerns, fears and emotions expressed at the October 8 Whetstone board meeting were expressed then. In my opinion, our failure 20 years ago to address and codify the broader question of our policy towards these types of facilities has brought us back to having to address this difficult situation.
My request to the Whetstone board, the ad hoc committee and to my neighbors is

to consider this issue as more than the immediate request by a well qualified and certainly well intentioned neighbor to help our broader community. My appeal is simply let's not, as a community, again fail a future neighbor that wishes to establish this type of facility and those immediately affected neighbors who will be apprehensive about it. Let's take the time and energy to address both the specific request at hand and the broader question once and for all. We owe it to our neighbors and we owe it to ourselves.
John L. Nicolettos
Whetstone

Editor:
I oppose the proposed Adult Medical Day Care Facility at 9720 Breckinridge Place purchased on February 3, 2014 for \$450,000 and urge all Whetstone homeowners to stand with me in opposition.
So as to intimidate any opposition, this proposed Adult Medical Day Care Facility continues to be improperly linked to the issue of "Fair Housing". Needless to say, the Montgomery Village Foundation has proven to be an unreliable partner in Whetstone affairs.
1. How can a home in Whetstone be transformed

into a business by a unilateral decree from the Montgomery County Zoning Board, a decree framed without soliciting or even accepting input and sentiment from the residents of Whetstone?
2. Don't they know that Whetstone is the crown jewel of Montgomery Village, a fifty-year old self-governed community?
3. Don't they know that Whetstone is a residential community and not a business park and that the Adult Medical Day Care Facility proposal is overwhelmingly opposed by Whetstone residents?

4. Don't they know that HOA covenants trump zoning?
If the Montgomery County Zoning Board doesn't know these things, who is going to tell them? We know that the Montgomery Village Foundation is unreliable. The task falls to the Whetstone Board.
I urge the Whetstone Board to reconcile the HOA covenants, address the Fair Housing issue, and prepare to make a compelling case to the Montgomery County Zoning Board on our behalf in order to protect our community.
Don O'Neill
Whetstone

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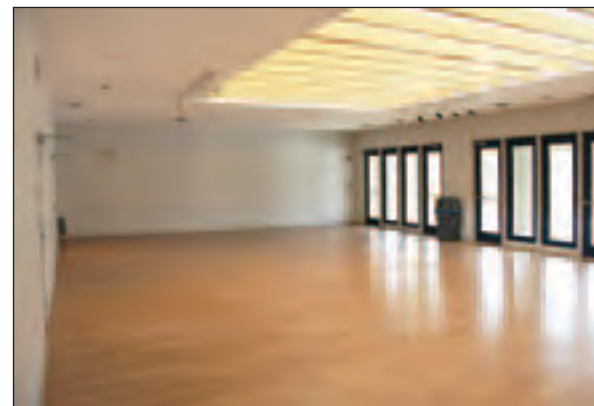
Looking for space to hold your party, celebration or sports practice? Look no further than Lake Marion or North Creek community center. Montgomery Village residents who pay the Designated User fee are able to rent these centers for their non-alcoholic private parties or functions.

Lake Marion has a wood-floored room that can be rented for parties with a maximum capacity of 85 people. There also is a full-size gymnasium available for rent at Lake Marion.

North Creek is a tile-floored L-shaped room that may be divided into two smaller rooms with a maximum capacity of 125 people.

We are currently accepting rental requests for functions to be held through December 2015. Fees for these facilities begin at \$50 per hour and require a \$250 security deposit. Requests must be submitted at least three weeks in advance. Potential renters can obtain a copy of the "Procedures on the Private Use of Facilities" and the "Private Rental Request Form" from the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com. Please remember that all functions must be non-alcoholic, and that the renter must be present the entire length of the rental.

For more information, contact Elijah Davis at 240-243-2361 or e-mail edavis@mvf.org.



Lake Marion
8821 East Village Avenue
85 people max.*



North Creek
20125 Arrowhead Road
125 people max.*

**Please note: there is a maximum of 75 people allowed per rental during pool season.*

IN THE NEWS

New residents invited to MVF Welcome Reception

New residents are invited to attend an MVF-sponsored Welcome Reception from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10, at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

The Welcome Reception offers a chance to meet new neighbors and learn about local businesses, clubs, schools and organizations. Meet many state and county elected officials at the reception.

MVF staff will be on hand to answer questions about the Foundation.

Area services, businesses and schools will also be represented, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 301-948-0110, ext. 2331.

Pumpkin Race

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festival-goers had an opportunity to visit with local business and organizations, preview or purchase artwork from the Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association, play carnival games, ride the rides and participate in pumpkin-themed crafts. The test track and racer garage were encompassed in a flurry of activity to the last minute.

Earlier in the day, judges sampled pumpkin pies and other baked goods prepared for the Pie and Treat competition. Katie Hunter's Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Bread and Alexandrine Froger's Pumpkin Pie won medals in the 16 and older category, Tyler and Lauren Shuttles' Cheesecake Filled Pumpkin Roll and Pumpkin Patch Biscuits each took a medal in the 15 and under category.

Once the test track was closed and the tools were hoisted in the pumpkin garage, racing excitement began with the community leader exhibition match kicking things off. Senator Nancy King's pumpkin, a green snail, was anything but slow, but not fast enough to beat MVF Board member Linda Moore, MVF Board President John Driscoll, or EVP Dave Humpton. But it was Watkins Mill High School Principal Carol Goddard who reclaimed the VIP title, after a devastating loss last year to former Gaithersburg Mayor Sidney Katz.

Following the VIP opening race, racers lined up for elimination heat after heat for the next hour, pitting siblings, friends, neighbors and strangers against each other. Amid a plethora of finely decorated, rule-abiding pumpkins were a fair number of cheaters, who, once identified, were at the mercy of the crowd and the referee. It didn't take much crowd convincing to have those whose pumpkins bent

the rules eliminated from competition via the referee's mallet.

Several chants of "Smash it! Smash it!" were heard before the final thud of the mallet sent pumpkin seeds flying across the race track to loud cheers from the crowd. Cheaters included MVF EVP Dave Humpton's "Piggy Bank;" several gourds in the likes of animals; a soccer ball cupcake; hollowed out pumpkins; a basket of popcorn; a papaya-turned-butterfly; and an Angry Bird watermelon, among others. All cheaters were pummeled on site and banned from the race... will they be back next year?

MVF would like to thank our generous sponsors of and participants in the event, including: 45 RPM; All-Day Medical Care Clinic; Bloom Montgomery Village; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; Divine Landscaping; Georgetown Hill; Gutter Helmet Systems; Kicks Karate; Kitchen Saver/HBC Home Solutions LLC; Ledo Pizza; Liberty Mutual - Rockville; Montgomery County 6th District Police and Officer Scott Zimmerman; Montgomery Village Animal Hospital; MTA/Corridor Cities Transitway; Presidential Heating and Air Conditioning; Renewal by Andersen of Maryland; Ross Bryant; Tabitha Harvey, Marky Kay Consultant; The Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association; TW Perry; Urban Bar-B-Que; Watkins Mill High School; and Window Nation for their support of the event.

Next year's Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival is sure to bring even more competition and excitement—keep your wheels, or find new ones, and start planning your racer now! The 2016 Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 15—see you then!

IN THE NEWS

Lake Whetstone Dam internal seepage collection system evaluation

Montgomery Village Avenue is the dam for Lake Whetstone and contains an internal drainage system to collect and filter seepage. Seepage occurs in all dams. Modern earth embankment dams, like the Lake Whetstone Dam, are designed with internal drainage features to collect seepage passing through the dam. Uncontrolled or unfiltered seepage creates dam instability and concern for dam health and function. Therefore, assurance of the proper performance of the dam internal seepage collection system, including its toe drain, is critical for the stability of the dam.

Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) conducts routine inspections to Lake Whetstone and the dam. Recent inspection has found Lake Whetstone's toe drain pipe has corrosion. DEP has retained Gannett Fleming, Inc. to evaluate the Lake Whetstone Dam internal seepage collection system. This evaluation is the first phase of the toe drain repair project.

The evaluation work includes:

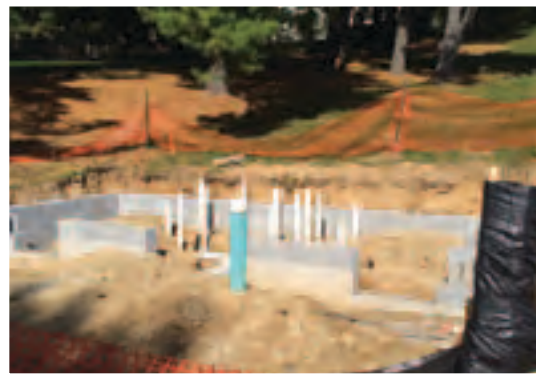
- Drilling of soil borings
- Installation of monitoring instrumentation in the dam, and
- Pressure washing and video inspection of the internal metal drain pipes.

Drilling on the crest and slopes of the Lake Whetstone Dam will start soon, pending approval of the Maryland Department of Environmental.

Field work is scheduled to begin at the end of the month and will take place between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays. Work will be completed in about four weeks. One lane of Montgomery Village Avenue will be closed during drilling equipment unloading and set-up time on the crest of the dam, to provide sufficient space and a safe working environment. Lane closure will only be 3 to 5 days during the working period and won't be full work hours of each day.

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (DOT) approved the Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan designed by Gannett Fleming, Inc. to control traffic in the road during the lane closure.

PROJECT UPDATE South Valley Park Restrooms and Concession Stand



photos by Ron Schroers

Construction on the restrooms and concession stand facility in South Valley Park is underway and moving along.

Crews have partial walls and water and sewer lines in place, with more added each day. The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year.

Residents are reminded that this is a construction zone and are asked to stay clear of the work site.



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The Great Pumpkin Race and Fall Festival

RACE RESULTS

PUMPKIN RACER DIVISION WINNERS

Children 10 and Younger

Ayane Fernandez "Owl"

Youth 11 to 18

Alivia Allen "Cat"

Community Groups

Homegrown Homeschool

Community Leaders

Carol Goddard, Principal, Watkins Mill High School

Open Category

The Ahlman Family "Gordo II"

DECORATED PUMPKIN CONTEST WINNERS

Best Decoration

Alyssa Holt "Popcorn with Movie Tickets"

Most Innovative Design

LJ Chang "Red Fire Engine"

Funniest

Keri King "Snail"

Scariest

Millie Fredes "Cobra"

Prettiest

Jessica Lennon and Angelina Fagnani "Flamingo"

Best Animal Look-a-like

Ayane Fernandez "Owl"

Best Cartoon Character

PJ Maneval "Snoopy"

Best Themed Racer Duo

Andrew O'Brien "Police Cruiser"

PUMPKIN PIE AND BAKED GOODS CONTEST

Adult Winners (16 and Up)

Katie Hunter - Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Bread

Alexandrine Froger - Pumpkin Pie

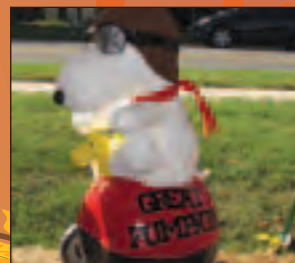
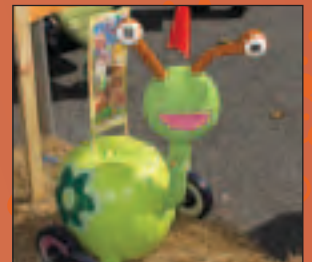
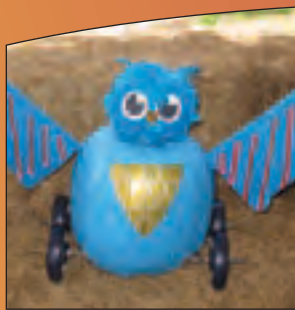
Youth Winners (15 and Under)

Tyler Shuttles - Cheesecake Filled Pumpkin Roll

Lauren Shuttles - Pumpkin Patch Biscuits



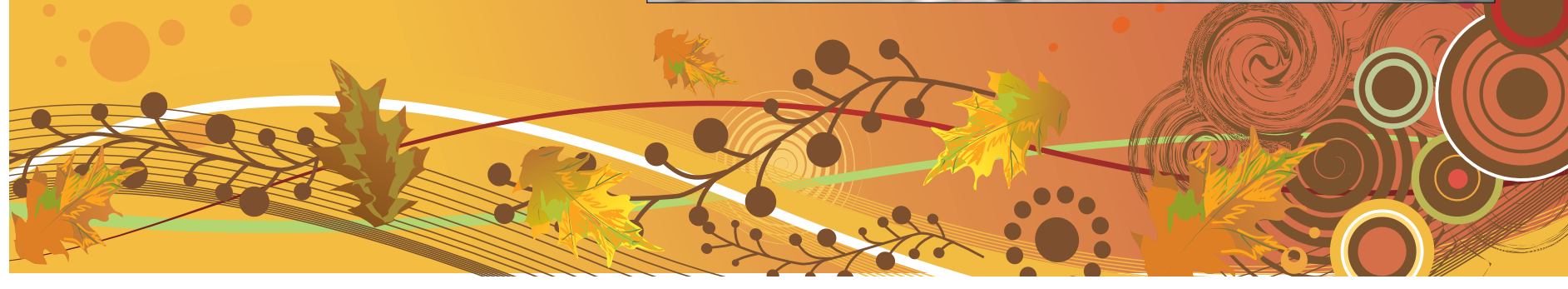
1st Place Winner
Ahlman Family, "Gordo II"





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- Urban Bar-B-Que
- Watkins Mill High School
- Window Nation



IN THE NEWS

Leaf Removal Schedule

Below is the anticipated leaf removal schedule for most homes corporations in Montgomery Village. Crews are expected to be in the subdivisions/communities listed on the weeks listed (weather permit-

ting). Please be sure that your leaves are raked to the curb in time for removal on the scheduled week. In the event of a rain delay, the calendar will shift to the next calendar day; therefore, the entire schedule

will shift for each community as well. We will make every effort to update the website with any weather related changes to the schedule.

EASTGATE

Thursday, Nov. 5, Friday, Nov. 6, and Monday, Nov. 30 to Wednesday, Dec. 2.

EAST VILLAGE

The weeks of Nov. 16 and Dec. 14.

HORIZON RUN

Monday, Nov. 9 and Monday, Dec. 7.

MARYLAND PLACE

Thursday, Oct. 29, Friday, Oct. 30 and Monday, Nov. 30.

NORTHGATE

Mid-November and mid-December.

NORTH VILLAGE

Ongoing throughout the season.

PATTON RIDGE

Monday, Nov. 2 to Thursday, Nov. 5 and Thursday, Dec. 3 to Friday, Dec. 4.

SOUTH VILLAGE

Ongoing throughout the season.

STEDWICK

Beginning the week of Nov. 9.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

Thursday, Nov. 19, Friday, Nov. 20 and Friday, Dec. 18.

WHETSTONE

Tuesday, Nov. 10 to Friday, Nov. 13 and Tuesday, Dec. 8 to Friday, Dec. 11.

Note: If you miss your scheduled date for curbside leaf removal, you may place your leaves in approved paper bags, to be placed at the curb and removed at no charge by the county on your recycling day. Please do not place leaves in plastic bags, as they will not be removed by either the county recycling or your trash contractor. If you have any questions regarding leaf removal, please contact your community manager.

Staying Aware in the Village

The following is information taken from the Recent News Summaries of the Montgomery County Police Department. The report is not a complete listing of every incident.

BURGLARY

A school burglary occurred at South Lake Elementary located at 18201 Contour Road on Sept. 19 at 6:56 p.m. No forced entry; property taken.

The suspects were arrested. Arrested: 2 B/Ms, ages 12 and 13

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential burglary occurred in the 8600 block of Welbeck Way on Sept. 26 at 2:30 a.m. Forced entry; nothing taken. The suspect was arrested.

Arrested: W/M, age 19, of Gaithersburg

A residential burglary occurred in the 18000 block of Feathertree Way on Oct. 3 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Unknown entry; property taken.

STRONG-ARM ROBBERY

A strong-arm robbery occurred in the 18300 block of Lost Knife Circle on Sept. 23 at 5 p.m. The victim was assaulted by the suspects and property was taken.

Suspects: 4 W/Ms, ages unknown; 1 B/M, age unknown

THEFT FROM VEHICLES

Three unrelated thefts from vehicles occurred between Sept. 22 and Sept. 26. Force used; property taken. Affected streets include Rothbury Lane and Worsham Court.

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred in the early morning hours of Sept. 28. No force; property taken. Affected streets include Sparr Spring Road, Battleridge Place and Watkins Mill Drive.

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Architectural Standards

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**MVF REVIEW OF REQUESTS
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
October 7, 2015**

KEY	
AApproved
AWMApproved w/modifications
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PENDPending

EASTGATE
7822 YANKEEHARBOR DR - Fence and Gate, A
7812 HERITAGE FARM DR - Deck, A
7502 SAWGRASS TER - Fence and Gate, A
3 BATTERY BEND CT - Exterior Paint, AWM
20300 OYSTER BAY TER - Patio, A
20300 OYSTER BAY TER - Retaining Wall, A

EAST VILLAGE
20112 HARRON VALLEY WAY - Downspout/Gutter, A
20112 HARRON VALLEY WAY - Downspout, A
20112 HARRON VALLEY WAY - Miscellaneous, A
20112 HARRON VALLEY WAY - Gutter Guard, AWM
8405 HARRON VALLEY CT - Replacement Windows, AWM
8201 GALLERY CT - Roof, AWM
20000 GIANTSTEP TER - Exterior Paint, AWM
20000 GIANTSTEP TER - Miscellaneous, A
20032 GIANTSTEP TER - Fence and Gate, AWM
8503 SILVERFIELD CIR - Deck, A
19908 SILVERFIELD DR - Roof, A
8306 FRONTWELL CIR - Roof, AWM
8303 FRONTWELL CIR - Cupola, D
8654 FOUNTAIN VALLEY DR - Replacement Windows, AWM
8520 HAWK RUN TER - Fence, AWM
20403 IVYBRIDGE CT - Roof, A
8602 DELCRIS DR - Replacement Windows, AWM
8602 DELCRIS DR - Deck, A
8602 DELCRIS DR - Fence and Gate, A
8620 DELCRIS DR - Storm Door, AWM
8658 DELCRIS DR - Skylight, A
8658 DELCRIS DR - Roof, A
8658 DELCRIS DR - Trim, AWM
8658 DELCRIS DR - Gutter, AWM
8900 SPRING BERRY CT - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A

8908 CLEWISTON PL - Walkway, A
8908 CLEWISTON PL - Railing, A
20412 OAK BLUFF DR - Fence and Gate, A
8706 DREXEL HILL PL - Front Door Replacement, A

MARYLAND PLACE
19331 KEYMAR WAY - Roof, AWM
19397 KEYMAR WAY - Replacement Patio Door, A
9523 TIPPETT LN - Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM
9523 TIPPETT LN - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A
9523 TIPPETT LN - Downspout/Gutter, AWM
19547 TRANSHIRE RD - Fence and Gate, A
9603 MARSTON LN - Roof, AWM
19300 THOMAS FARM RD - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM
19326 TRANSHIRE RD - House Numbers, D

MIDDLE VILLAGE
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Free Standing Shade Structure, D
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Front Door Replacement, AWM
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Storm Door, AWM
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Exterior Paint, D
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Gate, D
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Mailbox, D
10139 RIDGELINE DR - Replacement Patio Door, A
10122 RIDGELINE DR - Deck, AWM
9755 BRASSIE WAY - Storm Door, AWM

NORTHGATE
20236 GRAZING WAY - Storm Door, A
20324 ASPENWOOD LN - Deck, A
9444 BETHANY PL - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM
9980 FOREST VIEW PL - Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM
9951 FOREST VIEW PL - Roof, AWM
9951 FOREST VIEW PL - Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM

20157 DARLINGTON DR - Exterior Paint, AWM
10068 MAPLE LEAF DR - Vinyl Siding and Trim, A
10068 MAPLE LEAF DR - Exterior Paint, A
10068 MAPLE LEAF DR - Storm Door, A
20442 MEADOWPOND PL - Fence and Gate, A
20411 SHADOW OAK CT - Balcony, AWM
20401 SHADOW OAK CT - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM
9721 SHADOW OAK DR - Front Door Replacement, A
9721 SHADOW OAK DR - Storm Door, AWM
9721 SHADOW OAK DR - Sidelight, A
9601 SHADOW OAK DR - Walkway, A
20331 SWALLOW POINT RD - Storm Door, A
9604 OYSTER POINT WAY - Roof, A

NORTH VILLAGE
9108 BAKERHILL CT - Replacement Windows, AWM
9108 BAKERHILL CT - Replacement Patio Door, A
9108 BAKERHILL CT - Gutter Guard, A
20333 PLEASANT RIDGE DR - Garage Door, AWM
20661 HIGHLAND HALL DR - Storm Door, A
20661 HIGHLAND HALL DR - Replacement Patio Door, A
9217 CHADBURN PL - Heat Pump, A
20505 STERN CROFT CT - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM
8800 WELBECK WAY - Replacement Patio Door, AWM
8800 WELBECK WAY - Replacement Windows, AWM

PATTON RIDGE
9920 SHREWSBURY CT - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM
9908 DELLCASTLE RD - Shed Resubmit, A
10024 DELLCASTLE RD - Replacement Patio Door, AWM
20024 DOOLITTLE ST - Front Door Replacement, AWM
20024 DOOLITTLE ST - Sidelight, AWM
9206 WEATHERVANE PL - Shutters, AWM

9206 WEATHERVANE PL - Front Door Replacement, AWM
9206 WEATHERVANE PL - Storm Door, AWM
19801 BILLINGS CT - Solar Systems, A
19809 BAZZELLTON PL - Walkway, A
9381 BREMERTON WAY - Shutters, AWM
19921 SPUR HILL DR - Walkway, A
20008 HOFFSTEAD LN - Storm Door, AWM
19932 SPUR HILL DR - Exterior Paint, AWM
19932 SPUR HILL DR - Front Door Replacement, AWM
19932 SPUR HILL DR - Replacement Windows, AWM
19932 SPUR HILL DR - Replacement Patio Door, A
20000 HOB HILL WAY - Roof, A
20000 HOB HILL WAY - Downspout/Gutter, A
20000 HOB HILL WAY - Downspout, A
20000 HOB HILL WAY - Gutter Guard, A
20002 HOB HILL WAY - Vinyl Siding, A
20002 HOB HILL WAY - Front Door Replacement, A
20002 HOB HILL WAY - Storm Door, A
20002 HOB HILL WAY - Replacement Windows, AWM
20002 HOB HILL WAY - Replacement Patio Door, AWM
9554 BRIARGLENN WAY - Replacement Windows, AWM
9521 BRIARGLENN WAY - Roof, A
9618 DUFFER WAY - Walkway, AWM
9520 DUFFER WAY - Roof, A
9551 DUFFER WAY - Miscellaneous, A

SOUTH VILLAGE
9819 SAILFISH TER - Replacement Windows, A
9819 SAILFISH TER - Replacement Patio Door, A
9819 SAILFISH TER - Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM
9745 LAKE SHORE DR - Garage Door, AWM
19060 MONTGOMERY VILLAGE AVE - Roof, AWM
19060 MONTGOMERY VILLAGE AVE - Gutter, AWM

18731 WALKERS CHOICE RD - Fence and Gate, AWM
9945 LAKE LANDING RD - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

STEDWICK
10417 KARDWRIGHT CT - Miscellaneous, A
10007 BATTLERIDGE PL - Fence and Gate, AWM
10620 SENECA RIDGE DR - Roof, AWM
10617 SENECA RIDGE DR - Shed, Withdrawn
10617 SENECA RIDGE DR - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM
19313 DUNBRIDGE WAY - Solar Systems, A
19335 FRENCHTON PL - Gutter, AWM
19335 FRENCHTON PL - Gutter Guard, A
19334 FRENCHTON PL - Garage Door, A
19224 RACINE CT - Vinyl Siding, AWM
19224 RACINE CT - Miscellaneous, AWM
10739 WAYRIDGE DR - Vinyl Siding, AWM
10613 WAYRIDGE DR - Deck, AWM
10505 WAYRIDGE DR - Roof, AWM
10505 WAYRIDGE DR - Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM
10505 WAYRIDGE DR - Downspout/Gutter, AWM
19624 CLUB LAKE RD - Roof, AWM
10301 ROYAL WOODS CT - Garage Door, AWM

WHETSTONE
9740 WHETSTONE DR - Roof, A
9729 LOOKOUT PL - Solar Systems, AWM
9501 APPEALS PL - Shutters, A
9316 JUDGE PL - Front Door Replacement, A
9316 JUDGE PL - Garage Door, A
9324 JUDGE PL - Replacement Patio Door, A
9301 GUNPOWDER PL - Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A

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WHETSTONE WATCH

North Dock and Gazebo, what's next?

by Edwin Stennett

Earlier this year, the Whetstone Homes Corporation contracted with an engineering firm to inspect our aging dock and gazebo. The report was what we expected: the structures were at end of life and not safe. Consequently we obtained bids for demolition, and the demolition was completed about a week ago.

The view from our dock has, like Montgomery Village itself, changed markedly over the 48 years since it was first built. In the early 70s, the island just across from our dock was in grass, and once a week during the summer, a young man put a mower on a small boat and motored to the island to cut the grass. Today, of course, the island is heavily treed, and you are likely to see herons roosting. Also in the early days, the Fourth of July fireworks display was set

off from the island, and Whetstone's residents gathered on the hill above the gazebo to view the display. In those days, nearly all of Whetstone consisted of young families with children, and the atmosphere at the fireworks display was much like a giant family reunion.

With the structures declared unsafe, we had no choice: we had to remove the dock and gazebo. The next step, however, involves a choice: do we want to replace the dock and gazebo? The default position, as with all community assets, is to replace them with something comparable. But the choice is not obvious. As the view from the dock has changed over the years, so have the people visiting the dock. This is particularly true after dark. Our signs say the gazebo and dock are off limits after dark, but visitors from outside our

community ignore the signs.

In recent years, vehicles from outside the Village have been routinely observed parked near the gazebo entry road. These visitors not infrequently behave in a manner that would be very objectionable to anyone living near the gazebo. They are sometimes noisy; they litter the area with discarded beverage bottles; and they sometimes leave used condoms lying around—even on the lawns of private homes.

Since the gazebo was fenced off earlier this summer, the vehicles parked near the entry road after dark have virtually disappeared. This outcome argues for not replacing the dock and gazebo. However, against this argument we must weigh the benefit that replacement would bring to Whetstone residents: in the past Whetstone children could occasionally be seen fishing from our dock, and during nice weather women practicing yoga could be seen on the dock. Ultimately the choice will be decided by Whetstone residents in a formal referendum.

It is not likely that the replacement structures would be copies of the original. Such an approach would simply invite more distress for the residents living near the gazebo. If we replace the dock and gazebo, the new design must minimize attractiveness to undesirable visitors. The replacement must be very open, perhaps just a dock, and must have very bright motion sensitive lights to discourage people from ignoring our signs.

Over the next several months, the Whetstone board will consider various design options as well as the form of the referendum. Your input is welcome.

Whetstone Watch: for residents of The Courts, Goshenside, Lakeside and the Ridges of Whetstone.

PATTON RIDGE REPORT

Taking ownership

by the Patton Ridge Board of Directors

The two most frequent complaints that the board and the community management staff receive from Patton Ridge residents revolve around issues of trash and motor vehicles. The surprising part of this situation is that as residents, we are doing this to ourselves. Trash on community property doesn't just materialize out of thin air. It is either placed there deliberately, or blown there from improperly secured trash on private property. Improperly parked vehicles or those with expired tags are likely owned by one of your neighbors. Why do we do this to ourselves?

These problems are compounded because few residents take responsibility for helping to eliminate the trash and vehicle issues.

While it's easy to see and walk by these eye sores, it's just as easy to say, "that's not my problem, that's for the board or community management to fix." Unfortunately, we can only do so much to mitigate bad behavior. We cannot afford to inspect community property every day to pick up loose trash, and it doesn't disappear as a result of magic. It gets picked up by our maintenance contractor and charged to our operating budget. In the end, we all pay for it—to the tune of \$4,000 annually—to pick up discarded trash. So as the problem continues, your assessment will go up again in 2016, thanks in part to cover the cost of trash removal.

There are two things that residents can do to help eliminate community property trash. First, try to identify who is at fault and report them by address to community management. When possible, a picture of the culprit would help. Having this information enables imposing fines possible. Second, take ownership and chip in and pick up the trash. Sure, it is "not yours" per se and it's a messy proposition, but if you go the extra mile,

you'll be helping to improve the appearance of the community property near your home.

We can sticker and tow vehicles that are in violation of our policy, subject to restriction of Maryland and Montgomery County laws. We need you to report those vehicles that are inappropriately parked or with other problems such as expired tags or unauthorized trucks. Our security staff is limited in scope, and often does not have the time or knowledge to identify every problem vehicle during their routine patrols.

Our community management staff can be contacted at 301-948-0110, ext. 2326 or e-mail pattonridgehc@mof.org. Our trash and auto policies can be viewed on our web page at www.montgomeryvillage.com. Click "Communities," then "Patton Ridge," then "Policies."

You can make a positive difference. Take ownership and don't let the few continue to mar our community for the many.

LEAF PICKUP

Our maintenance contractor will conduct the first of two fall leaf pickups in early November. The schedule is published on the website and in this issue of the *Village News*. Please remember that only leaves raked to the front curb will be picked up. We will not pick up leaves from the back of homes. Those leaves must be raked to the curb or placed in paper bags for pickup by the county recycle program on Wednesdays.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Patton Ridge Homes Corporation board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Residents time is from 7 to 7:30 p.m.; please limit your remarks to no more than five minutes.

Patton Ridge Report: for residents of Arrowhead, Fairway Islands, Fairidge, Greentee I, II, Highfield and Partridge Place I and II.

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NORTHGATE NEWS

Fall Updates

by Jane L. Hatch

A significant amount of work is going on or has been completed throughout Northgate. Sidewalk areas have been replaced with new concrete sections and the Williams Range paving and curb replacement was finished. The removal of dead and diseased trees is ongoing. Standard Striping has finished all the parking and curb painting. The entry sign lights at Williams Range have been replaced.

At its October meeting, the Northgate board approved the addition of several curb cuts, enhancement of the island areas on Meadow Pond Place and over-seeding of certain greenspace areas in the community.

The Meadow Pond project involves removing the remaining problematic Hawthorn trees and the addition of nine Crepe Myrtles across the island areas. The initial curb cut work will be in Dorsey's Regard. Other areas will be assessed in the spring. Over-seeding will be in select areas. Some jut-outs that we anticipated seeding now will be done in spring while we get the soil tested. There is concern that areas that previously held the white pines may be too acidic. If so, they will get treated prior to seeding.

Currently, leaf removal is scheduled for mid-November and mid-December. Please watch for posted signs notifying you of the leaf pickups. If you see leaves being removed prior to any signs being posted, that is an extra effort to clean things up, and not part of the two removals you will be notified of in advance.

WIGHTMAN ROAD

The first Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) work session on the Montgomery Village Master Plan (MVMP) was held October 1, and it was announced in advance that Wightman Road would be included in the board discussions. During the work session, a representative for those communities opposed to any widening of Wightman or Brink roads was invited to speak. He summarized the objections and problems previously presented in letters and then requested that the Wightman Road widening project be removed from the Draft Plan and that the master plan category of Wightman Road be changed from a 4-lane Arterial to a 2-lane Arterial, the present form and function of this road. The discussion between board members and staff went on for more than 30 minutes and exposed a number of issues and differences, but the discussion remained civil, even if at times

confused. The final position of the board is as follows:

1. Although the M-NCPPC board sees no present intent to widen Wightman Road, and the serious community damage that would result from such a widening is apparent, it is too late in the process to modify the Traffic Model that predicts future traffic levels for critical roads and intersections. Such models are a major tool in determining whether or not to approve new development or changes in master plans. This model assumed a 4-lane Wightman Road, so the CIP project that would be required to make this assumption a reality has to stay in the Montgomery Village Master Plan. The model drives reality.

2. However, the board wants a statement inserted into the text of the plan to the effect that the board does not favor widening Wightman Road and, if circumstances change, widening Wightman Road should be considered only as a last resort, and only after a careful consideration of community impacts.

The efforts of the communities affected by any widening of Wightman Road have helped tremendously. There is more work to be done as the MVMP moves forward. We will keep you informed and ask for your assistance at the appropriate times. Please stay tuned.

Northgate News: for residents of Apple Ridge, Dorsey's Regard, McKendree I & II, Overlea, The Points, Shadow Oak and Williams Range.

EAST VILLAGE ECHO

Montgomery County Airpark Community Meeting Wednesday, Nov. 4

by Scott R. Dyer

Please mark your calendars for this important meeting that is open to the entire community. The public meeting will be hosted by Montgomery County (organized by County Executive Ike Leggett), and is scheduled from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Montgomery County Service Park, in the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Training Room, 16641 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville. Those wishing to speak will need to sign in upon entering the meeting, and each speaker will have up to three minutes to pose questions or express their concerns. There will be a cut-off and a waiting list to permit allocation of time. The remaining people wishing to speak will be given index cards to submit questions that will be considered along with the recorded spoken questions. This meeting will be televised on the Montgomery County Cable network.

The purpose of this community meeting is provide a forum for community feedback and to pose questions and concerns that have been raised by the surrounding community for years (noise, flight patterns, low altitude aircraft over residential areas, airpark operations, touch-and-go training flights) and including, but not limited to, the concerns over the tragic plane crash into the Hunters

Woods community and the loss of life and property damage. This meeting is not intended to release any results of the NTSB report on the crash; a future community meeting will be held after that report is released.

At this meeting, the county will also be distributing FAQs related to the Airpark, the December 2014 incident and the Airpark practices and policies.

Community attendance is important; please attend and encourage others to attend as well. Montgomery County Council President George Leventhal and District 2 Councilmember Craig Rice have both already confirmed their attendance.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next East Village Homes Corporation (EVHC) Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. The EVHC budget and assessment for 2016 will be approved at this meeting.

As always, these meetings are open to public, and each meeting begins with residents time for residents to ask questions or make comments; comments are limited to three minutes to allow time for all residents to speak. Each board meeting is followed immediately by a separate Closed Session not open to residents (Pursuant to Section 11B-111(4),

Real Property, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Maryland Homeowners Association Act) to - (iv.) Consultation with staff, personnel, consultants, attorneys, board members, or other persons in connection with pending or potential litigation or other legal matters. (viii.) Discussion of individual owner assessment accounts .

EAST VILLAGE COMMUNICATIONS

Sign up to receive e-mail communications (upcoming events, news, important notices, etc.) from East Village Homes Corporation by e-mailing eastvillagehc@mof.org and include the subject, "Register." Also check out the EVHC facebook page by visiting www.facebook.com/eastvillagehc, or searching "East Village Homes Corporation;" be sure to "Like" our page to receive updates. Our Community Manager and the EVHC Board of Directors always want to hear from residents; if you have questions, suggestions or just kudos, please e-mail eastvillagehc@mof.org, or call 301-948-0110, ext. 2344.

East Village Echo: for residents of The Downs, The Reach, The Estates, Essex Place II, Candle Ridge, Gablefield, Glenbrooke, Meadowgate, Ashford, Holly Pointe and Wethersfield.



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STEDWICK SIGNALS

Budget update and volunteering your time

by Michael J. Gronsky

Last year, your Stedwick board was able to keep your assessment increase to a modest 92 cents. For the year! This year, we are asking for a bit more. No one likes to pay more, including me. Keep in mind that all Stedwick board members are residents of our communities as well, so we all pay exactly what you pay each quarter in assessments (for some reason there is this rumor that has gone around for years that board members either get paid and/or board members get a discount on their assessments). So why do we increase assessments?

We have known fixed costs that are passed along from our contractors to us each year (landscaping, trash, private security) and then we have to plan to put funds into reserve accounts. What are reserve accounts? Those are the accounts that we take funds from for larger expenditures, such as tree removals (which seem to be happening a lot lately), concrete repairs, retaining walls or the paving of our streets. We want to ensure that these accounts are financially sound should these large expenditures occur.

So now it comes to you and your thoughts on the budget, which is published in this issue. Again, it is more than the 92 cents from last year, but the board believes that it is reasonable to ensure upcoming expenditures and also healthy reserve accounts. We look forward to hearing from you, should you have any comments. The board will take into consideration any comments prior to approving the budget and setting the annual assessment for 2016.

YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU

Do you want to have an active say in your community? Do you have a desire to get involved? Then we are look-

ing for you. Each year, three positions become available on the Stedwick Board of Directors. Directors serve for a three year term, and the board meets monthly (with the exception of July and December). No special skills or qualifications are necessary, just a desire to enhance your community and make your voice heard. Further details can be found in this issue of the *Village News* in the Homes Corporation Call for Candidates section. We are always looking for fresh faces and new ideas.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Just a quick reminder that next weekend the streets will be filled with all sorts of witches, ghosts, goblins and vampires. So please take the time to drive slowly through our neighborhoods and use extra caution – sometimes these trick-or-treaters seem to pop out of nowhere, including between parked cars. Parents, also please be cautious and stay close with those little ones who get especially excited on this ghoulish night and run around.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

As a reminder, the board does not meet in December, so the next and final meeting of 2015 is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18 at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. Residents time is the first order of business, which is your time to share any ideas, comments or concerns on the community in which you live. In the meantime, if you have an issue, please contact your Stedwick Homes Corporation community management team at 301-948-0110, ext. 2326, or e-mail stedwickhc@mof.org.

Until next time, folks...

Stedwick Signals: for residents of Club Hill, Clusters of Stedwick I, II, III, Forest Brooke, Frenchton Place, The Heights and The Ridges of Stedwick.

SOUTH VILLAGE SCENES

Negative response threatens FiOS cancellation

by the South Village Board of Directors

Recently the South Village Homes Corporation (SVHC) sent out information regarding proposed installation of Verizon's Fiber Optic Service (FiOS) to the community. FiOS promises to bring competition for phone, TV and Internet service and to improve service levels. But just like when we converted from CATV to Montgomery County Cable almost 20 years ago, we need all homeowners to approve the project.

Yes, there will be some construction and temporary inconvenience. But after years and years of petitioning and negotiating with Verizon to bring this improved infrastructure to South Village (bringing SVHC up to the standards already available elsewhere in Montgomery Village), a small number of homeowners are apparently indicating that they are willing to block service for the entire community. In effect saying, "I'm not interested, and I'm willing to take away my neighbor's service so I'm not bothered."

Let's be clear – the notice you may have recently received in the mail (you do at least open the mail from SVHC, right?) asks you for your permission to proceed, not whether or not you want to switch providers, but whether or not you will permit construction and easements that are required for all the community.

For those people who worry about maintaining property values, fiber optic cable is a plus come sales time, and for those consumers interested in

competition, it will add price and quality alternatives to the existing Comcast/Xfinity lash-up. It offers the chance to improve your ability to work at home with easier telecommuting, faster response when children are doing their homework and even improved communication for medical monitoring.

Even if you're not interested in any of these and are delighted with Comcast/Xfinity or no service at all, please don't take away your neighbors' or friends' ability to enjoy the benefits. This will be our only chance in the next decade to improve our communications infrastructure. Please return a positive response.

COUNTY COUNCIL PROPOSES MANDATORY RADON TESTING FOR HOMEBUYERS

Bill 31-15 has been introduced in the county council with Councilmembers Rice and Katz as lead sponsors. It would require: "Before completing the sale of a home located in the County, the living quarters of the home must be tested for radon. The radon test results must be performed less than one year before final settlement. Both the seller and the buyer must receive a copy of the results."

High levels of radon gas can cause serious illness, but it is more likely to be present in older homes that were built when the dangers of radon were not considered. Many homes meeting that description can be found in Montgomery County.

Under Maryland state law, Radon is listed as one of the hazardous materials that a seller must disclose to the buyer of a single family home if the seller has actual knowledge of its existence. However, state law does not require a seller to determine if radon exists.

For more information, contact the county council office or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council.

DEER INVASION

As development increases, deer habitat is exploding! They're not forest dwellers suffering from a shrinking environment; deer occupy "edge" environments between green spaces and woodland.

We're hearing more and more reports of deer actually entering our community, mostly along the watersheds that cross our lands. We're just at the end of the rutting season, when the male deer (the ones with antlers) can be dangerous to humans and other animals. These deer are wildlife, with all of nature's drives, instincts and reactions – including reactions to threats (real or not) from humans.

These deer are not cartoon characters, but real live animals with powerful defense and offense mechanisms. They can also carry deer ticks, which are the chief means of Lyme disease being transmitted to people. Give them respect, and avoid direct contact if at all possible.

South Village Scenes: for residents of Center Stage, Dockside, Grover's Forge, Hamptons, Millrace, Nathan's Hill and Walker's Choice.

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NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

North Village Homes Corporation 2016 Budget

by the North Village Board of Directors

Our North Village Homes Corporation (NVHC) budget season began on August 13, with the entire board present for our annual budget meeting. At the October 15 meeting, the board approved the following budget for publication, in preparation for a final vote at the November 2015 meeting. The accompanying table provides a brief summary of the draft budget for 2016, and the corresponding assessment rate the board proposes for 2016.

The proposed assessment on each of the 888 homes in the NVHC community represents a 4 percent increase from 2015. Nearly all of this increase is to

support an improved security presence in North Village. Our budgeted expenditures, over time, except for trash and security, are limited to the change in the Consumer Price Index for "Urban Consumers – All Items" for the greater Washington-Baltimore Metropolitan Area. This increase was barely above zero the past year. Our security costs are exempted from the ceiling under the amendment to our by-laws which authorized us to acquire security for the community. Fortunately, we have experienced considerably lower security costs in recent years than the average for Montgomery Village communities and elsewhere, but

we are increasingly aware that our security company's performance is not adequate.

BUDGET ANALYSIS

For those of you interested in more budget detail, the following information about the budget process and components of the summary categories may be helpful.

Maintenance costs are the largest part of the budget. We were able to include funding for both spring and fall fertilization/seeding and for some landscaping. We increased our tree removal budget again as more aging trees need to be removed for safety reasons. We are budgeting for a modest number of new ornamental trees, and we can apply

a Pepco reimbursement for trees Pepco has removed to acquiring other trees. We were hit with a budget-busting set of storms again in early 2015. After two bad years, we have increased our snow budget somewhat.

We are in the process of evaluating our security needs. Information to date indicates we must be prepared to pay up to twice our recent budgeted amounts. We are budgeting approximately a 50 percent increase and hope we can reduce that slightly as negotiations proceed and before 2016 assessments are finalized. Our contract costs for trash collection by Potomac Disposal have remained very stable the last several years.

Non-maintenance costs include our management contract with Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF), as well as audit and legal, insurance, postage and printing, and bad debt expenses. They also include costs of electricity for street lighting. We are keeping most at 2015 budgeted amounts or lower. Given the weak economy, assessment collection remains a daunting problem and bad debt expense is expected to creep up along with accounts receivable balances.

In 2015, we benefited greatly from the state's reduction in the "rain tax." Our streets are now exempt from the tax on impervious services, as

county-owned streets are. We are reducing our budgeted amount for the water quality tax accordingly.

The planned contribution to Capital Reserves for 2016 of \$130,000 is a moderate increase over 2015. In addition, we will likely transfer a significant amount of our undesignated reserves to designated reserves. We are working with Design Management Associates on a new reserve study and will have that available shortly to guide us in capital improvement decisions and appropriate funding of our investment reserves. Following the major roadwork project in 2015 and a number of smaller projects, we do not plan major capital improvements in 2016.

We encourage residents to comment on the proposed budget. Please provide questions or comments to Community Manager April Steward at 301-948-0110, ext. 2344, or e-mail asteward@mvf.org before our next board meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 23 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. Plan to attend residents time at the beginning of the meeting to voice your opinion.

North Village View: for residents of Essex Place, Highland Hall, McRory, Perry Place, Picton, Pleasant Ridge and Salem's Grant.

Comparison of Proposed NVHC Budget for 2016 with Prior Years

	2016 Draft Budget	2015 Budget	2014 Actual
Operating Costs			
• Maintenance	\$191,000	\$183,500	\$198,745
Security	60,000	37,500	36,405
Trash	55,000	56,000	53,280
• Total Security and Trash	115,000	93,500	89,685
• Non-Maintenance	171,150	181,350	165,219
Total Operating Costs	477,150	458,350	453,649
Contribution to Reserves	130,000	125,000	119,000
Total Expenditures	\$607,150	\$583,350	\$572,649
Annual Assessment	\$683.73	\$656.93	\$643.63
Quarterly Assessment	\$170.93	\$164.23	\$160.91

HOMES CORPORATIONS - 2015 & 2016 BUDGET INFORMATION

Homes Corporation	Year	Income	Administration & General Expenss	Utilities (Included in Admin)	Maintenance	Reserves/Capital Expenses Contrib.	Number of Units	Annual Proposed Assessment including trash
East Village	2016	774,284.00	437,692.00	34,000.00	357,572.00	161,129.00	1389	\$557.44
	2015	758,311.00	323,739.00	40,000.00	332,172.00	149,241.00	1389	\$545.94
Eastgate	2016	301,060.00	112,631.00	12,000.00	134,500.00	52,429.00	443	\$639.64
	2015	299,825.00	119,819.00	12,000.00	136,750.00	43,257.00	443	\$621.00
Maryland Place	2016	157,585.00	73,227.00	6,000.00	48,110.00	40,463.00	276	\$570.96
	2015	152,727.00	73,246.00	6,500.00	45,573.00	39,135.00	276	\$553.36
North Village	2016	607,150.00	171,150.00	25,000.00	183,500.00	607,150.00	888	\$683.73
	2015	583,350.00	181,350.00	27,000.00	191,000.00	583,350.00	888	\$656.93
Patton Ridge*	2016	781,453.00	186,130.00	33,990.00	290,825.00	162,105.00	1072	728.96
	2015	765,380.00	201,760.00	38,000.00	275,534.00	161,170.00	1072	713.96
South Village*	2016	735,280.00	211,811.00	30,000.00	440,370.00	141,675.00	1010	\$728.00/\$832.00
	2015	708,079.00	232,269.00	30,000.00	424,932.00	155,875.00	1010	\$720.00/\$824.00
Stedwick*	2016	936,707.00	216,864.00	30,000.00	395,480.00	191,536.00	1260	\$759.29
	2015	920,612.00	227,894.00	32,000.00	395,180.00	185,726.00	1260	\$730.64
Whetstone	2016	484,431.00	100,270.00	4,500.00	170,050.00	248,948.00	447	\$1,083.74
	2015	477,189.00	109,895.00	4,500.00	170,140.00	228,154.00	447	\$1,067.54

*Includes private security

HOMES CORPORATIONS

HOMES CORPORATION CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Volunteers needed for homes corporation boards of directors

Each year, the Village homes corporations seek candidates for election to their boards of directors. Interested residents are invited to submit applications for candidacy to the Nominating Committee of their local homes corporation.

Directors of homes corporations are responsible for setting assessments and managing the maintenance of all open spaces, streets, paths and lights that belong to the individual homes corporation.

Basic qualifications for board membership are time and interest, but whatever other knowledge, training, skills or experience one has will almost certainly be used in some capacity.

1. According to the documents, a candidate is not required to be a resident of Montgomery Village, except in Whetstone Homes Corporation and North Village Homes Corporation, where the candidate is required to be a resident homeowner. However, resident candidates must be in good standing with the Montgomery Village Foundation and their respective homes corporation with regard to covenants and must be current in all assessment payments.

2. To apply for candidacy, a prepared statement of the

applicant's qualifications and interests must be delivered to any member of the Nominating Committee or to the Montgomery Village Foundation office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, no later than 5 p.m. on the closing dates stated in the box.

3. A candidate may be solicited or may volunteer. A resident nominating another resident must secure his/her written consent.

4. The number of candidates is unlimited.

5. All nominees will be requested to submit a single page (typewritten, double spaced) statement, which will be reproduced in the December, January or February issue of the Village News and will be sent to all voters along with the ballots (standard form will be supplied to board nominees).

6. Also, per a new Montgomery County Law, effective January 1, 2016, if elected, candidates must participate in a Montgomery County Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC)-approved board member training class, to be scheduled and completed within 90 days of the start of their term of service.

Ballots will be mailed to the electorate either in December, January or February, depend-

ing on the specific corporation's election calendar.

In addition to electing directors, each homes corporation also elects a representative and an alternate representative to the MVF for one-year terms. Suggested names for the position will appear on the ballots.

Each board of directors consists of nine directors who serve three-year terms. The terms are staggered, creating three vacancies every year.

Applications for candidacy must be received by a member of the respective nominating committee or by the Foundation Office by 5 p.m. on the specific dates for each association (to be displayed in the next issue of the Village News).

Note: While the word count for candidates' statements varies among homes corporations (check with your community manager), the word count for candidates' statements for the Montgomery Village News must not exceed 200 words per candidate. To view Village News guidelines, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com, select Press Room, select Village News, then Village News Editorial and Submissions Policy (see #4 under Homes Corporations/Condominium Associations).

EASTGATE

Nominating Deadline: Mon, January 4, 2016
Nominating Committee: Edward Stockton, Darren Manning, Jeffrey Amtmann, Eric Olson, Dina Sigano

EAST VILLAGE

Nominating Deadline: Tuesday, January 12, 2016
Nominating Committee: Scott Dyer, Terry O'Grady

MARYLAND PLACE

Nominating Deadline: Tuesday, January 5, 2016
Nominating Committee: To be appointed at the November 2015 board meeting.

NORTH VILLAGE

Nominating Deadline: Tuesday, November 24, 2015
Nominating Committee: James Andary, Barathwaj Bala

PATTON RIDGE

Nominating Deadline: Monday, November 30, 2015
Nominating Committee: Mike Finn, Brian Post, Kimberly Monnig, Bill Evans

SOUTH VILLAGE

Nominating Deadline: Monday, November 23, 2015
Nominating Committee: To be appointed at the November 23 board meeting.

STEDWICK

Nominating Deadline: Thursday, January 7, 2016
Nominating Committee: To be appointed at the November 18 board meeting.

WHETSTONE

Nominating Deadline: Thursday, January 14, 2016
Nominating Committee: To be appointed at the November 12 board meeting.

SCHOOL NEWS

WMHS Marching Band starts new era

Under its new director, the Marching Wolverines last week took second in their division at the Reservoir High School band competition. The marching band's success testifies to not only their own dedication, but also to renewed support from the community at large.

On a brisk fall day, the Watkins Mill High School Marching Band performed its new show "Icarus" at the USBands "Music in Motion" competition. From the first moment, when drum major Kayleigh Yankee brought the band to attention, the audience was enthralled.

The band's performance is particularly exemplary in light of its rough start this year. After the former band director left to take another job last spring, students took responsibility to keep the band going all summer. Under the guidance of Color Guard Co-Directors Patricia Blink and Rehani Brahmhatt, they held practices throughout the summer. New Band Director Peter Kielar joined Watkins Mill High School, and the band, just in time for band camp before

the start of the new school year.

The high schoolers were bolstered in their efforts by new levels of support from community businesses. Hillmuth Automotive, in recognition of the grit and determination of the group, pledged a significant amount. "I'm really proud of our kids and their hard work. It couldn't happen without all the support they receive," said band parent Courtney Arnold.

Other businesses have also joined in. The Sunoco at Goshen Plaza has generously provided space and supplies for car washes. Subway at Goshen Plaza fed them one night before a home football game, as did Ledo Pizza, both Montgomery Village businesses. Arcely Reyes of Ledos noted "we are always happy to support our students, our music program, our school and our community."

In addition to taking second place, the marching band exceeded its score from last year's competition. There are rumors that this means Kayleigh will be dyeing her hair blue, after having challenged her bandmates to

achieve that goal. Sources close to Kayleigh say this could happen as soon as next week.

VMS fall trip to Water's Orchard

Only six weeks into the school year, the children at Village Montessori School (VMS) are already settled in, making and renewing friendships and participating in great learning activities. One of those activities was a recent trip to Water's Orchard. Although it was a rainy, soggy afternoon, the older children (ages 4 1/2 to 6), their parents and teachers enjoyed a fun afternoon that included a hay ride to the orchard where they picked apples.

The children were invited to pick an apple to enjoy on the spot; especially gratifying was watching apple naysayers voluntarily try an apple and decide it was good! The children picked many apples and took them back to school for cooking and craft projects with their younger classmates.

Dr. Maria Montessori wrote,



"The hands are the instruments of man's intelligence" and this activity provided a hands-on opportunity for the children to learn about the farm-to-table process. Discussions involving

the growth cycle of an apple tree, nutrition and sharing with friends rounded out the experience. Thank you to everyone at Water's Orchard for a great field trip!



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Braeburn – Firm, crisp bite with a pleasing balance between sweet and tart. Good for baking or eating just as they are.



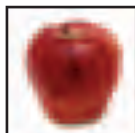
Golden Delicious – Sweet and mellow. Excellent for snacking, salads and all cooking purposes.



Jonagold – Blend of tart Jonathon and sweet Golden Delicious. One of the world's most preferred varieties for flavor.



McIntosh – Juicy and slightly tart. Great for eating fresh and baking.



Red Delicious – Sweet and juicy. A favorite for snacks and salads. Best for eating fresh out of hand.



Granny Smith – Bright-green skin, hard feel, crisp bite, and extremely tart taste.

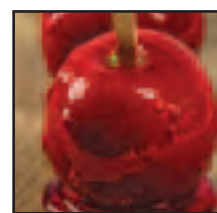


Cortland – Sweet-tart, soft apple, functions as an all-purpose apple, which means you can bake it, cook it, or eat it raw.

www.epicurious.com



Apples are a delicious and healthy snack just as they are, but here are some fun fall things you can do with apples to shake things up a little bit: top sliced apples with peanut butter, bake cinnamon apples, sip warm apple cider stirred with a cinnamon stick or try a candy or caramel apple.



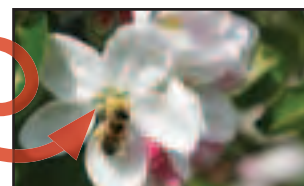
Fun Apple Facts

The science of apple growing is referred to as pomology.

Apples are a member of the rose family, along with pears, peaches, plums and cherries.

Apples are not self-pollinating. They need bees to pollinate the flowers to form the fruit.

It takes the energy from 50 leaves to produce one apple.



25% of an apple's volume is air, which is why they float.



One apple has 5 grams of fiber. They're also fat, sodium and cholesterol free.

The largest apple picked weighed four pounds.

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AT YOUR LEISURE

Make a holiday centerpiece using oasis in a tuna can

It's November and the holidays will soon be upon us! The Montgomery Village Garden Club will host a guest speaker and invites the community to participate in this holiday project.

Montgomery County Master Gardener Joan O'Rourke will demonstrate how to make a holiday centerpiece using oasis in a large tuna can plus greens from your yard. She will demonstrate handy techniques to change the centerpiece to be appropriate for Thanksgiving and December holiday themes. Bring greens from your yard, a large tuna

fish can and holiday decorations!

O'Rourke has been working at Brookside Gardens as a horticulturist for over 25 years in the area of plant propagation. She is a member of the Master Garden's Speakers Bureau and also teaches many classes at Brookside Gardens.

The demonstration and project are scheduled for 7:15 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 9 at Whetstone Community Center, 19140 Brooke Grove Court. For information, contact Barbara Stellar at 301-740-8566. Guests are welcome and refreshments will be served.

Croydon Creek Nature Walk

The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club is sponsoring a Croydon Creek Nature Walk in Rockville on Saturday, Oct. 31. There are three trails: 11km (rated 2C), 7km (rated 2A) and 5km (rated 2A). The 11km trail has both paved and natural surface sections. There are some short steep climbs along the creek. The 7km trail goes to the Glenwood Mansion grounds where there are several short sets of steps in the garden. The 5km trail bypasses both the Nature Center and Glenwood Mansion but goes through the Twinbrook neighborhood and along the Rock Creek Park trail, as do the other two trails.

The terrain is not suitable for strollers or wheelchairs. Restrooms and water are available

at the Start/Finish point. Walking sticks are recommended for the 11km trail. Pets may be taken on the trail but they must be leashed. You must clean up after your pet.

The Start/Finish point is at the patio between Caseys Coffee and Urban Bar-B-Que, Rock Creek Village Shopping Center, 5550 Norbeck Road, Rockville. Parking is available in and behind the shopping center. The walk is free unless Volksmarchers want to register for IVV credit for \$3. The start time is between 9 and 11:30 a.m. and must be finished by 3 p.m.

For more information, contact Event Coordinator Alice Filemyr at 240-753-0009 or e-mail alice.filemyr@gmail.com.

3rd Annual Halloween Hustle 5K and Fun Run

Family Services, Inc., along with The Montgomery Village Rotary Club, is presenting the 3rd Annual Halloween Hustle 5K & Fun Run on Saturday, Oct. 31 at 8:30 a.m. beginning in the parking lot of the Montgomery Village Shopping Center (near Global Food). The Challenge Yourself 5K event is held on a fun, yet challenging course that will take you along the ghostly trails of Watkins Mill Road. The Fun Run is a spooky mini trail for all ages. Parents are invited to push their little gremlins along the course in strollers. While Halloween costumes are encouraged, they are not required.

The main objective of the Halloween Hustle is to promote an active lifestyle, encourage families to spend quality time together and get involved in their community. The Halloween Hustle is focused less on ability and much more on just having fun with friends and family. Runners of all different ages, shapes, sizes, and ability levels are invited to come out and have some Halloween fun. Immediately following the race, runners and spectators alike are invited to partake in a special "I Survived the Halloween Hustle" awards ceremony and



festivities. Special awards will be given for the Best Individual Adult Costume, Best Individual Children's Costume and Best Family/Group Costume. The festivities will include trick-or-treating at all vendor tables, a moon bounce, music, face painting, food and much more!

TO REGISTER

Visit www.active.com/gaithersburg-md/running/distance-running-races/halloween-hustle-5k-2015?int.

Race day registration will also be available beginning at

7 a.m. Cost is \$30 for the 5K race through Friday, Oct. 30 (\$35 on race day) and \$10 for the Fun Run. Payment can be made by check, credit card or cash. All checks should be made out to: Family Services, Inc.

For more information or sponsorship opportunities, contact Erica Henze at 301-840-3225 or e-mail erica.henze@fs-inc.org. For more information about Family Services, Inc., visit www.fs-inc.org. For more information about the Montgomery Village Rotary Club, visit their www.mvrotary.org.

Covenant UM Holiday Marketplace

The Covenant United Methodist Women's Holiday Marketplace, scheduled from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 14, will be your chance to shop local, support missions in the commu-

nity and get a head start on your holiday gift list! All residents are invited to come and shop!

Artists from the community will be selling handmade jewelry, textiles, photography,

hair accessories, candles and much more. Popular direct sales companies will also be represented, including: Scentsy, Thirty-One Bags and Tastefully Simple. The CMUC facebook page will have a preview of the vendors and silent auction items.

Every year our "Silent Auction" offers more exciting items for bid and purchase. It has grown substantially over the last several years, and many people look forward to it as an opportunity to early Christmas shop.

But the Holiday Marketplace is more than just gifts and crafts. The CMUC Women's group will sell tasty lunch items and baked goods. Get your holiday shopping done, grab

lunch and take some homemade baked goods home with you. The Holiday Marketplace will have something for everyone.

Fifty percent of the Holiday Marketplace proceeds will go toward children and family outreach missions in the local community, including "Coats for Kids" and "Food for Schools."

Covenant United Methodist Church is located at 20301 Pleasant Ridge Drive. For more information, contact Mariana Uhrlaub at 301-926-8920, e-mail office@covenant-umc.org or visit www.covenant-umc.org.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Eagle Scout project adds to Village signage

On September 26, Village resident and Boy Scout of Montgomery Village Troop 1429 Ian Franke successfully completed his Eagle Scout project. Franke noticed that Montgomery Village Foundation had recently renovated the sign at William Hurley Park and that the area around the sign needed landscaping.

For his Eagle project, Ian illustrated what improvements needed would be made to the area; what flowers and plants

would successfully grow in the area during this time of year; purchase all materials or gain donations; and lastly, carry out the project and have the project completed by the deadline.

Ian demonstrated many characteristics during this project that really made him stand out as an individual. Ian showed a great amount of initiative, friendliness, professionalism and cooperation throughout his task. He also gained professional knowl-

edge while completing this project; he expanded his role as a team leader, supervisor and project manager with this experience that will be beneficial to him throughout his career.

A huge thank you to Brickman for the donation of plants, bushes, mulch and professional guidance and also to Ian Franke and Troop 1429 for the hard work and ingenuity they demonstrated with this project. Congratulations on completing your Eagle project, Ian!



Eagle Scout hopeful and Village resident Ian Franke directed scouts and volunteers in an effort to add flowers and landscaping to the new William Hurley Park entrance sign.

Hospice Caring forming bereavement groups

Hospice Caring's bereavement peer support groups allow participants to meet others who are going through a similar experience, share their stories and learn from one another.

A new group, Coping with a Suicide Loss, is scheduled to meet on Thursday nights for eight weeks from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the office, 518 S. Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg (day of the week subject to change based on group

availability). Groups are provided at no charge and county residency is not required.

Space is limited and a pre-group registration phone call is required for all groups. Additional groups are being formed for spousal loss, adult child loss, parent loss, and more. For more information or to register, call Penny Gladhill at 301-990-8904 or e-mail pennnyg@hospicecaring.org.

Food for Schools program starts seventh year

by Jane L. Hatch

Food for Schools started its seventh year delivering bags of food to local schools. Children with little access to food outside the meals provided at their schools receive a bag with some staples to help tide them over.

In the beginning, volunteers anticipated that the program would be necessary for two school years, yet here we are. According to the schools we are working with, the need for assistance has not lessened over the course of the program.

We have some targeted requests for food items if you are able to assist; residents are asked to please stay within the noted requests. Large-sized cans, boxes of cereal, etc. cannot get packed into the

bags we deliver; nor can we deliver anything in glass jars. Specifically, there is a need for: canned spaghetti sauce; small cans of tuna; boxed macaroni and cheese; canned ravioli; Pasta Roni; ramen noodles; 18 oz. jars of peanut butter; 12 to 20 oz. boxes of cereal; and 18 oz. oatmeal canisters.

In addition, Wegman's gift cards would be very helpful. Volunteers purchase food in bulk from Wegman's to supplement individual food donations, and the Germantown store has been wonderful with its assistance. Gift Card and food donations may be left at the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

A special thank you from all the Food for School volunteers for your support and caring.

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RECREATION

Creative Playtime celebrates fall



photos submitted by Melanie Maggi

Creative Playtime 3's and 4's are celebrating all the things fall has to offer! Students have enjoyed creating a racer for the Great Pumpkin Race, examining acorns, decorating pumpkins and collecting brightly colored leaves! Later this month, the Creative 4's will have a special Autumn Outing to North Creek Lake where they will take a scenic "hike" and explore the Nature Center.

Homework, Hockey and Hoops

Homework, Hockey and Hoops is a program designed to help participants develop their sports skills through drills and scrimmages, build an understanding of team work and game rules and emphasize academic and athletic success.

Whetstone Elementary School students will have the option of choosing a full afternoon session or the sports only session on Mondays and Wednesdays after school. The full program is scheduled for 3:30 to 6:15 p.m. from Monday, Nov. 9 through Wednesday, Dec. 16; the sports only session is scheduled from 5 to 6:15 p.m. The full session costs \$95/Resident and \$105/Non-

resident; sports only costs \$45/Resident and \$55/Non-resident.

MVF staff will supervise and lead academic study time and athletic activities. Snack will be provided for full program participants. MVF will also provide the necessary sports equipment for hockey and basketball; participants should bring their own mouth guard for hockey.

Full program participants will be escorted by staff from Whetstone Elementary School to the community center via the tunnel and path system and not across roadways. For more information,



contact Avery Watkins at 240-243-2367 or e-mail awatkins@mof.org. Register online at www.montgomeryvillage.com.

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Tickets at \$7 and a food table to benefit a local charity (tickets are free)

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Wine and Paint

Don't miss out! Whether it's date night, ladies night or just a fun outing among friends, Wine and Paint is a great way to wind down after a busy week! An experienced instructor will guide you step-by-step through this fun and easy painting with acrylics. No experience necessary! Each participant will leave with his or her very own masterpiece, with no two looking exactly the same.

Wine and Paint will be held on Friday, Nov. 6 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road, and costs \$28/Resident or \$38/Non-resident. Price includes all supplies and two glasses of wine.

For more information or to register, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com or call 301-948-0110.



Breakfast with Santa

Santa Claus has scheduled a visit to North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, on Saturday, Dec. 12 to visit the good little boys and girls of Montgomery Village! Children ages 6 months to 8 years, accompanied by a parent/guardian, will enjoy a magical morning consisting of a light breakfast, arts and crafts, and of course, a visit with the jolly fellow himself! Each child will leave with keepsake crafts and a photo to

remember their morning with Santa.

Space is limited, so be sure to register early for this popular MVF holiday event! The cost of this program is \$12 per child for Village residents, \$17 per child for non-residents and \$6 per accompanying adult. Participants must pre-register by Thursday, Dec. 10.

For more information or to register, visit www.montgomeryvillage.com or call 301-948-0110.

Halloween Concert

The Montgomery Village Community Band will delight and haunt during this special Halloween concert. This performance will feature a mix of spooky-themed music from movies and performances as well as jazz and marches.

Enjoy the eerily-beautiful sounds of the band at this free event, scheduled for 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Join many of the band members and don your costume. Who says Halloween is just for kids?



RECREATION

Holiday Craft Bazaar – limited vendor spaces available

The annual Holiday Craft Bazaar is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Vendor registration is underway, and there are only 15 spots still available. If interested in selling your one-of-a-kind crafts at this year's bazaar,

e-mail photos to edavis@mrvf.org or call 301-948-0110 today!

The Holiday Craft Bazaar will allow shoppers 6 hours to browse and buy perfect holiday gifts for that special person, just in time for the holiday season. Concessions will be sold on site and admission is free. See you there!



Argentine Tango

Argentine Tango classes are underway! This beginner level class is for those who have never taken Tango before or for people with little Argentine Tango experience. Classes are held on Wednesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. through Dec. 16 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. To try it out for yourself, drop in for only \$12! Individuals or partners welcome.



ProsToYou offers new tennis program



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Register now for the fall session which runs through Sunday, Nov. 8. To register, visit www.ProsToYou.com or call 1-800-654-9972.

Basketball Express—new session beginning

Improve your child's basketball skills by registering for an all new session of Coach Charlie's Basketball Express Youth Training. Experienced referee and coach, instructor Charlie Williams provides quality basketball training for children ages 4 to 12 who aspire to learn the fundamentals of basketball while enjoying a fun and energetic atmosphere.

The next sessions are scheduled for Sundays, Nov. 15 to Jan. 17, 2016 (no class on Sunday, Dec. 13 or Sunday, Jan. 3, 2016), and Mondays, Nov. 16 to Jan. 4, 2016. On Sundays, ages 4 and 5 meet from 10 to 10:50 a.m.; ages 6 to 8 from 11 to 11:50 a.m.; and ages 9 to 12 from noon to 12:50 p.m. On Mondays, ages 6 to 8 are on court #1 and ages 9 to 12 are on court #2. All classes will be held at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Fees are \$115 for residents and \$125 for non-residents.

For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

Stroll and Stride with your child around Lake Marion

Time is short to fit in exercise when you're keeping up with a toddler. Parents can combine the two by joining MVF staff

and other parents in the community in the new Strollers & Striders Program, designed to give participants an op-

portunity to exercise, socialize and enjoy the green spaces in Montgomery Village.

Meetings will begin with basic stretching and a brief warm up before hitting the paths around Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. The program is scheduled from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.



Drop-In Basketball opportunities—update

The second session of drop-in basketball programs is scheduled to tip off at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

Children and teens, ages 7 to 18 will have a chance to play pickup style games from 4 to 7 p.m., followed by adults 18 and older from 7:30 to

10 p.m. The session will run until Wednesday, Dec. 30, allowing residents nine weeks of indoor gym time.

The cost is \$40/Resident and \$50/Non-resident; however participants can play on a drop-in basis for \$6 a day. For more information or to register, call 301-948-0110 or visit www.montgomeryvillage.com.

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MV SENIORS

seniors in action

Seniors in Action Fall Session

through Friday, Dec. 18
No meetings: Nov. 26 or Nov. 27

REGISTRATION

Not a member of Seniors in Action? Sign up today at any SiA program, the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, or online at www.montgomeryvillage.com today!



Caring Hands Fall Food Drive

Seniors in Action is collecting canned food for the Food for Schools program through the month of October. Please donate any canned food that is not expired. Collection boxes will be out at every SiA program. Each week we will be collecting canned foods based on a theme. Theme for the week of October 26: Italian—bring in your pasta and sauces to donate (no glass jars, please).



Steering Committee

On the second Wednesday of every month, the Seniors in Action Steering Committee meets to plan field trip ideas, socials, programming and more. Meetings begin at 9 a.m. We are looking for your input, ideas, suggestions and more!



Potluck and Guest Speaker

On the last Wednesday of every month, SiA members bring in their favorite dish to share for a potluck luncheon! For the month of October, our guest speaker during the potluck will be presenting on the topic of fall prevention!



Arts and Crafts

Looking to get in touch with your creative side? SiA offers a variety of craft projects for you to get involved with! Past projects have included: card making, water color workshop, scarf making and much more! Feel free to donate the crafts you have made if you are tight for space, but enjoy the hands-on projects!

Toby's Dinner Theatre Field Trip



On October 7, SiA members and friends boarded the bus to head to Toby's Dinner Theatre for a fabulous buffet lunch followed by an emotional showing of "Ragtime!" Keep an eye out for our next trip coming up this spring!

Calendar

MONDAY



Arts and Crafts 10 a.m. to noon

Work side-by-side with other members while you each explore your creative side
Oct 26: Salt leaf bowls
Nov. 2: Painting salt leaf bowls
Nov. 9: Water color with Sue Kay



Book Discussion Group

10 to 11 a.m. - third Monday each month
Nov. 16: "Those Angry Days" by Lynne Olson
Dec. 21: "Galileo's Daughter" by Dava Sobel



Pickleball

11 a.m. to noon
Pickleball is a racquet sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis. Join the game every Monday!

TUESDAY



Light Cardio Workout 9 to 10 a.m.

Work out with exercise videos, light weights and resistance bands.



Seated Tai Chi Noon to 12:45 p.m.

Instructor Marcy takes you through the low impact movements of Tai Chi.

WEDNESDAY



SIA Games / Social Hour 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Enjoy a variety of card and board games, conversation and refreshments.
Oct. 28: Potluck and Guest Speaker
Nov. 4: Games and Social Hour



Pickleball 11 a.m. to noon

One day isn't enough! Join your SiA members for another round of the friendly game!

THURSDAY



Light Cardio Workout 10:15 a.m. to noon

Work out with exercise videos, light weights and resistance bands.



SiA Games / Social Hour Take 2 10:15 a.m. to noon

Games, socializing and table tennis with your friends.

FRIDAY



Caring Hands Community Outreach 11 a.m. to noon

second Friday each month
Help plan a variety of projects to benefit individuals and families in the community



Brown Bag Lunch & Bingo Noon to 2 p.m.

second Friday each month
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