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Dyer, Franke and Marsh elected to 2016 MVF Board of Directors



SCOTT DYER

Montgomery Village Founda-

tion (MVF) Board of Directors

have been vying for three seats

on the Board since late January.

After about six weeks of cam-

paigning, meet and greet events

and a candidates' forum, the

results have been tallied.

Four candidates for the

JIM MARSH



LAURA FRANKE

Franks received the most votes,

respectively.

Marsh and Franke will replace outgoing board members Linda Moore and Ricardo Camacho, who opted not to seek re-election. Dyer was re-elected to a another three-year term.

Candidate Neville Levi fin-

2016 Board of Directors Election Results

Scott Dyer3,230Jim Marsh2,982Laura Franke2,316Neville Levi1,512

On Saturday, March 5, the Election Committee, community volunteers and MVF staff counted ballots received in the weeks prior to the deadline. Counting began around 9 a.m. and was completed by noon. Of the four candidates, Scott Dyer, Jim Marsh and Laura

ished fourth; Levi previously served on the Board from 2004 to 2008.

Dyer, Franke and Marsh will be officially installed as Board members on Thursday, March 31 during the MVF Annual Meeting. Each will serve a three-year term.

Celebrate Arbor Day with nature in mind

Each year for Arbor Day, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) plants trees in common locations around the Village. This year, as part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration, we are connecting more with our natural surroundings and history. Join friends and neighbors to celebrate Arbor Day on Saturday, April 23 at the North Creek Nature Center, 20300 Aspenwood Lane. Enjoy family nature activities and service opportunities from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

MVF will re-open the doors to the Nature Center for this

fun-filled day! Originally, the building was used as a bus stop for commuting to Washington, D.C., before it was moved to the current location. Since then, it has been used for nature camps and programs along North Creek Lake.

Begin the day at 9 a.m. with MVF staff and members of the Committee on the Environment to "Rake the Lake" at North Creek Lake. This important community service project involves removing litter and

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MVF Summer Camp and Program Fair

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winners!

Pre-K Head Start registration has begun

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MVF ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, March 31
at approximately 8 p.m.
North Creek Community Center
20125 Arrowhead Road

Residents are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting to welcome newly elected Board members to their positions, receive a financial update, hear the President's address and congratulate community members awarded for outstanding service.

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MVF MEETING AGENDAS

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The MVF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 in the North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. The Annual Meeting will be held at 8 p.m., with a review of 2015 and a look ahead, with newly elected Board members and 50th Anniversary keychain give-away to attendees!

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6 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.

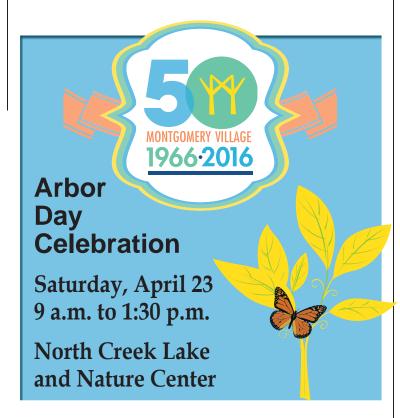
COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Committee on the Environment (COE) meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 4 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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CENTER COURT CONDOMINIUM

The Center Court Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 at the Heron's Cove office, 19101 Mills Choice Road.

MIDDLE VILLAGE

The Middle Village Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19402 Brassie Place. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

NORTHGATE

The Northgate Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This meeting includes the Annual Meeting.

PATTON RIDGE

The Patton Ridge Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 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, March 23 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. This includes the reconvened Annual meeting.

THOMAS CHOICE CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Condominium meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, April 11 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road.

THOMAS CHOICE GARDENS CONDOMINIUM

The Thomas Choice Gardens Condominium meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12 in the Thomas Choice Party Room, 19401 Brassie Place.

WHETSTONE

The Whetstone Homes Corporation meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 14 in the North Creek Board Room.

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Peter Webb

Executive Vice President David Humpton EVP'S MESSAGE

Spring is here!



by David Humpton

MVF Executive Vice President

CHANGING OF THE MVF BOARD

The voters have cast their ballots. Two new MVF Board members were elected, Jim Marsh and Laura Franke, and one incumbent, Scott Dyer, returns for another term. Thank you to the Nominating and Election committees and all the volunteers who participated in the vote count on Saturday, March 5. Special thanks go to the MVF staff for coordinating and supporting the nominations and election process as well.

Linda Moore and Ricardo Camacho should be recognized for serving on the MVF Board. They gave of their time and talent and truly made a difference to our community. The three recently elected Board members will be installed during the MVF Annual meeting at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 31 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road. See you there.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Several legislative initiatives that affect our community continue through the county process. These include:

Montgomery County Bill 50-15 Update (Changes to the **CCOC)** - At a joint committee work session on March 10, members of the Planning Housing and Economic Development Committee, and the Public Safety Committee met with representatives from the County Executive's Office, the Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA), the Office of Consumer Protection (OCP), and the Commission on Common Ownership Communities (CCOC) to further discuss matters raised at a public hearing before the full county council on January 21.

At the committee hearing, the two committees discussed and affirmed their support of two primary aspects of the bill.

First, the committees supported changing the county department responsible for overseeing and staffing the CCOC from the Office of Consumer Protection to the Department of Housing and Community Affairs. The current position supporting the CCOC would move to DHCA, and additional staff would be determined through DHCD's budget process.

Second, the committees supported the provision in Bill 50-15 requiring mandatory mediation. The rationale for this support appeared to be that the bill formalized the long-standing current practice of the commission, based on testimony from OCP.

The committees rejected the other primary change suggested in Bill 50-15, i.e., to add a third category of commissioners – members generally representing the public – to the two current categories, which are (i) residents of common ownership communities, and (ii) members of the professions serving community associations. The proposal to change the composition was accompanied by a proposal to have the five general public members serve as the Panel Chairs of the dispute resolution panels, instead of the current practice of having volunteer attorneys chair the panels.

While the committees rejected this change, retaining the two membership categories and the volunteer attorney panel chairs, there was consensus to add a provision to the bill prohibiting attorneys who serve as panel chairs from representing clients in disputes before the commission.

There was also consensus to add a provision to the bill requiring CCOC commissioners to complete the training that is now required by county law for HOA and Condo board members.

The full county council is expected to consider the revised Bill 50-15 at one of its Tuesday sessions in the next few weeks.

Montgomery County Bill 2-16 and ZTA 16-03 (Permitting short-term rentals) - This legislative package, Zoning Text Amendment 16-03 and Bill 2-16, would permit short term rentals in Montgomery County, such as those being arranged through the internet sites Airbnb and HomeAway. At its February 2016 meeting, the MVF Board adopted a position opposing the bill, unless it could be amended to protect property owners from negative impacts such as insufficient parking, and effects of exceeding occupancy limits.

The county council's public hearing on the bills was held on March 8. The approximately 17 opponents who testified included the Planning Board;

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MVF BOARD AGENDA

MVF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Thursday, March 31, 2016 North Creek Community Center - 7:00 p.m. AGENDA

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.

- Call Meeting to Order
- 2. President's Remarks
- 3. Review and Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting February 25, 2016
- 4. Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements
- 5. Executive Vice President's Report
- 6. Information Items:
 - A. Receive 2016 Election Report
- 7. Acceptance of Action List

ACTION LIST

Decision Items:

- A. Consider 2015 Audited Financial Report
- B. Authorize EVP to negotiate and execute a contract and lease agreement for landscape services
- C. Consider appointment of 2016 Scholarship Committee and Chair
- 8. Committee Reports barring any questions, these reports will be accepted as a group:

2015-2016 Committee Liaisons

- 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
- 9. Adjourn for Annual Meeting
 - . Convene 2016-2017 Board
 - A. Decision Items
 - i. Elect Officers and choose Executive Committee with alternate
- ii. Approve Draft 2016-2017 Corporate Calendar
- 11. Board Member Issues
- 12. Adjournment

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MONTGOMERY VILLAGE Calendar of Events



Tuesday Sunday Monday

Wednesday Thursday Friday

Saturday

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Pros to You Tennis Mixer

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18 Lego Block Party March

19 MVF Home Show

MVF Summer Camp Fair

Spring Break Camp Begins

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MVF Annual Meeting

9 Pros To You Tennis Mixer

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Lego Block Party

7 to 9 pm – NCCC

(Pre-registration required)

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Home Show 9 am to 3 pm - LMCC

Spring Begins Palm Sunday MVF Summer Camp Fair

2 to 4 pm - LMCC

22 21 Center Court Condo 7 pm - Heron's Cove Office Middle Village HC 7 pm – TCPR (Annual Mtg.)

Patton Ridge HC

7 pm - NCBR

Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm - SCC

April

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MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC

South Village HC 7 pm – NCBR (Ann. Meeting reconvened)

Good Friday

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Easter

27 28 Spring Break Camp Spring Break Camp 9 am to 4 pm – LMCC 9 am to 4 pm – LMCC (Pre-registration required) (Pre-registration required)

30 Spring Break Camp 9 am to 4 pm - LMCC (Pre-registration required)

Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm – SCC

MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC

31 Spring Break Camp 9 am to 4 pm – LMCC (Pre-registration required)

MVF Board of Directors

(Annual Mtg. – 8 pm)

April Spring Break Camp 9 am to 4 pm – LMCC

(Pre-registration required)

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3 4 Recreation Committee 7:30 pm - NCBR

Seniors in Action 10 am to 1 pm - SCC ARB

5 pm - NCBR

MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC

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11 am to 1 pm Apple Ridge Tennis Courts

10 12 11 13 14 Thomas Choice Condo Thomas Choice Gardens Seniors in Action Whetstone HC 6:30 pm – TCPR 10 am to 1 pm - SCC 7 pm – NCBR 7:30 pm - NCBR Northgate HC

MV Community Band 7 pm - SCC

Committee on the Environment 7:30 pm - NCBR

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

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

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E-mail letters to mvnews@mvf.org.

Letters to Editor



Editor:

The following letter was submitted as part of the Special Olympics "Spread the Word to End the Word" campaign. Residents are encouraged to show their support by taking the pledge at www.R-Word.org and sharing what "R word" they are on social media using the hashtags #WeRMD and #RWord.

"We the athletes of Montgomery County Special Olympics and athletes around the world, like myself, once and for all want to end the word 'retarded' from our vocabulary, and from daily use. The use of the word is offensive.

It should not be used at all, as we the athletes are capable of achieving many great things in life. We do this by doing our best and never giving up, no

matter how difficult the circumstances may be, we always rise to the occasion.

Remember it's our moral duty and responsibility to create a better world full of dignity and respect for all of us. Thank you kindly."

David Godoy Brito Special Olympics Maryland Global Ambassador Northgate

EVP

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many representatives of single family communities who echoed MVF's concerns; and condominium owners who mentioned express security and financial concerns for condominiums. Several opponents also testified that the basis of their opposition was that the county would be facilitating business for Airbnb, who was criticized for operating in the West Bank of Israel, contributing to the conflict in that area.

Supporters of the bill included the online travel booking service Expedia, represented by prominent lobbyist Bruce Bereano; two residents

who felt their Airbnb rental properties near NIH provided valuable affordable housing options; a developer planning a bed and breakfast facility in the county; and a business that promotes internet commerce.

Recognizing the number of issues raised, the need to study solutions and the need to address current operation of Airbnb in the county, Council President Floreen assured residents that the county council would allow sufficient time for more input, and that a work session on the bills would not be scheduled until sometime in June.

MVF celebrates 25th annual scholarship fund drive for Village high school seniors

Since 1991, the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF), in partnership with Gaithersburg and Watkins Mill high schools, has awarded scholarships to deserving Village high school seniors totaling more than \$47,000.

Scholarships are awarded to Watkins Mill and Gaithersburg high school students who have demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and participated in community or civic activities. Applicants are screened by a committee at each high school, with MVF's Scholarship Committee making the final selections in May. As

established by the MVF Board of Directors, all contributions are voluntary, and no assessment dollars are used to fund the program.

The scholarship fund was launched by the MVF Board of Directors to coincide with the 25th anniversary of Montgomery Village and MVF. This year's fund totals and recipient names will be announced in late spring at school ceremonies and in the *Montgomery Village News*.

Donations by check must be made out directly to either Watkins Mill High School PTSA Scholarship Fund or to the Gaithersburg High School PTSA Scholarship Fund. To make a tax-deductible contribution to the fund for either school, fill out the form below and return it to MVF at the address indicated.

The MVF Scholarship Fund is an excellent opportunity to bring Village residents and the WMHS and GHS school communities closer together. The impact these scholarships can make goes beyond financial assistance. They represent a commitment to our young people, a recognition of achievement and an investment in our future.

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Please mail to:

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IN THE NEWS

Arbor Day

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debris from the park, lake and lakeshore, in an effort to maintain the environment for the wildlife that live there and the aesthetic for visitors and passersby.

At 10 a.m., join the MVF Board of Directors for an Arbor Day Tree Planting at the lake. The planting is part of Montgomery Village's commitment to remaining a Tree City USA. MVF's landscaping contractor, The Brickman Group will donate the tree.

Following the tree planting, enjoy workshops on tree

planting, creating a Monarch Butterfly waystation and Monarch Butterfly tagging. Families can take part in a nature walk around North Creek Lake, plant seeds to create a waystation, make butterfly-inspired crafts and take home seeds and seedlings to plant.

Don't miss this great opportunity to reconnect with nature in your own backyard. For more information, visit www. wmontogmeryvillage.com.

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.

STRONG-ARM ROBBERY

A strong-arm robbery occurred in the area of Contour Road and Horizon Run Road on Feb. 25 at approximately 7:50 p.m. The suspects assaulted the victim and took his property. Suspect: 2 B/Ms, ages unknown; B/F, age unknown

A strong-arm robbery occurred in the area of Stedwick Road and Watkins Mill Road on Feb. 27 at 5 p.m. The suspects assaulted the male victim and took his property. Suspects: 2 B/Ms, ages unknown

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY

A residential burglary was reported in the 8200 block of Gallery Court on Feb. 26 at approximately 4:15 p.m. No forced entry; nothing taken. The suspect was arrested.

Arrested: W/M, age 16, of Gaithersburg

THEFTS FROM VEHICLES

Multiple thefts from vehicles occurred between Feb. 27 and Feb. 28. No force; property and cash were taken. Affected streets include Elger Mill Road, Whetstone Drive and Judge Place.





MONTGOMERY VILLAGE FOUNDATION

Department of Recreation, Parks & Culture

Senior Pool Manager/Supervisor* Starting at \$17.50/hr.

Must have at least five seasons of experience as a pool manager for MVF, or seven seasons as an operator at multi-lifeguard facility elsewhere, or minimum three years of full-time work experience requiring related skills and a current Montgomery County pool operator's license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required. Current lifeguard instructor certification is preferred.

Lifeguard*

Starting at **\$10.30/hr.****

Must be at least 15 years of age. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

Pool Manager* Starting at \$14.00/hr.**

Must be at least 18 years of age, have at least one season of experience in an assistant pool manager position and current Montgomery County pool operator license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

Assistant Pool Manager*

Starting at \$12.26/hr.**

Must be at least 18 years of age, have at least two seasons of experience in a lifeguarding position and current Montgomery County pool operator license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

Contact Petra Padilla at 240-243-2363, or e-mail ppadilla@mvf.org.

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Senior Lifeguard* Starting at \$11.26/hr.

Must be at least 17 years of age, have at least two seasons of experience in a lifeguarding position and current Montgomery County pool operator license. American Red Cross lifeguarding, CPR/ AED for lifeguards and first aid certificates required.

Desk Attendant* Starting at \$8.40/hr.

Must be at least 15 years of age, be able to work independently, learn all

policies associated with the position and a have ability to effectively convey the information to public. Working outdoors as a pool slide attendant may be included as part of the duty.

Display your Village pride with custom license plates

There is an exciting opportunity to promote your community pride in Montgomery Village, through a special logo license plate, just in time for celebrating Montgomery Village's 50th Anniversary. Organizational license plates with the Montgomery Village logo on them will be able to be ordered through the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) for interested residents.

The cost per vehicle is only \$25 (no annual fee or any other additional registration fees to replace your current plates). Eligible Vehicles are: passenger cars, multi-purpose vehicles, trucks (10,000 lbs. or less) and mo-

torcycles. Once an initial group of residents is established, production can begin and the plates will be available for future purchase through the MVA.

Interested residents can contact either Peggy Mark at 240-243-2337 or e-mail pmark@mvf.org, or Mike Conroy at 240-243-2331 or e-mail mconroy@mvf.org. You'll need to provide your name, current tag number and the make and model of your vehicle.



IN THE NEWS

Local artists display their talents

The 42nd Annual Art, Craft and Photography Show was held at North Creek Community Center on March 12 and March 13. Approximately 228 works were entered by over 82 different artists. The artists ranged in age from 7 to over 70. Members of the community enjoyed viewing the show over the weekend. The show was topped off with an Artists' Reception on Sunday afternoon.

The MVF Department of Recreation, Parks and Culture

would like to extend a special thanks to the wonderful volunteers from the Gaithersburg Fine Arts Association for their help in registering and hanging the entries, and for hosting an exhibition of their own work. The Art Show was a great success due to the efforts of our volunteers.



BEST IN SHOW

Best of Show (Youth)
Michelle Zhu



"This artist showed a mature understanding of color theory in the execution of this painting. The use of multiple colors in the highlights and shadows creates interest and movement. The artist effectively used pink, purple and yellow tones in the background to emphasize the blue and brown tones in the bird's body. A strong contrast is created between the fluff of the bird's body, the sleek tail feathers and leathery feet through texture made by controlled brush strokes. A strong white highlight on the eye makes the viewers feel as if the bird is looking directly at them. The artist handled the subject matter and medium with great proficiency."

Best of Show (Adult)

Joan Eames



"The best of show piece is about balancing differences. The artist has captured light at a specific time of day, yet depicts water movement over an extended period of time. The artist is also balancing enough detail to create a complicated visual experience but leaving out information and blending the paint to make the viewer see the

boat drifting as you gaze. The layering of color looks bold and is actually close to what one experiences on a bright sunny morning. Well done!"

RIBBON WINNERS

OIL/ACRYLIC

8 to 12: 1st Candace Wei; 2nd Rachel Cheung; 3rd Alanna Li; Honorable Mention (HM) Angela Wu

13 to 17: 1st Albert Zhang; 2nd Michelle Zhu; 3rd Vincent Ma; HM Katherine Zhao

18 to 25: 1^{st} Katie Yang; 2^{nd} Christopher Francisco; 3^{rd} Olga Paz

Over 25: 1st Xiu Hua Yan; 2nd Maryann Holleran; 3rd Ted Dalziel: HM Joan Fames

Professional: 1st Darla Tagrin; 2nd Jennifer Carinci; 3rd Jeanne Powell; HM Natalya Parris

WATER COLORS

8 to 12: 1st Katie Yuan; 2nd Eric Lei; 3rd Alanna Li; HM Annie Dong

13 to 17: 1st Jennifer Duan; 2nd Albert Zhang; 3rd Sarah Di; HM Sarah Di

18 to 25: 1st Katie Wang; 2nd Katie Wang

Over 25: 1st Ann Pielert; 2nd Ben Jackson; 3rd Roz Price; HM Ben Jackson

Professional: 1st Amy Fox; 2nd Jeanne Powell; 3rd Estelle Zorman; HM Estelle Zorman

PASTELS

8 to 12: 1st Annie Dong; 2nd Candice Wei; 3rd Dhruv Narang

13 to 17: 1st Melanie Roberts

Over 25: 1st Roxanne Jones; 2nd Roxanne Jones; 3rd Joy Dyer

Professional: 1st Walkiria Torrealba; 2nd Estelle Zorman

CRAFTS/TEXTILES

Over 25: 1st Natalya Parris; 2nd Laurie Kreitzer; 3rd Laurie Kreitzer; HM Natalya Parris

POTTERY/SCULPTURE

13 to 17: 1st Zoey Dodge; 2nd Zoey Dodge

18 to 25: 1st Christopher Francisco

Over 25: 1st Karen Henderson; 2nd Anthony Dodge; 3rd Anthony Dodge; HM Karen Henerson

DRAWING/PRINTING/ GRAPHICS

8 to 12: 1st Annie Ming; 2nd Kylie Gong; 3rd Rachel Cheung; HM Lillian Zhu; HM Candace Wei

13 to 17: 1st Albert Zhang; 2nd Yuwel Yang; 3rd Yuwel Yang; HM Michelle Zhu

18 to 25: 1st Olga Paz

Over 25: 1st Roxanne Jones

Professional: 1st Jennifer Carinci; 2nd Walkiria Torrealba; 3rd Jennifer Carinci: HM Walkiria Torrealba

DIGITAL ART

13 to 17: 1st Rose Griffin

Over 25: 1st Claudio Ferreira

Professional: 1st Sandi Atkinson; 2nd Sandi Atkinson

MIXED MEDIA / MISCELLANEOUS

8 to 12: 1st Alanna Li; 2nd Katie Yuan; 3rd Candace Wei; HM Dhruv Narang

13 to 17: 1st Sarah Di; 2nd Carissa Wei; 3rd Yuwei Yang; HM Ruma Dewal

18 to 25: 1st Caitlin Connolly; 2nd Caitlin Connolly; 3rd Caitlin Connolly

Over 25: 1st Brenda Connolly; 2nd Payman Jazini

BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPHY

13 to 17: 1st Dora Kreitzer

18 to 25: 1st Letty Salamanca

Over 25: 1st Dick Rabil; 2nd Ellie Smith; 3rd Claudio Ferreira

Professional: 1st Jim Stephenson; 2nd Howard Clark

COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY

13 to 17: 1st Dora Kreitzer; 2nd Dora Kreitzer; 3rd Dora Kreitzer

Over 25: 1st Linda Golantin; 2nd Dick Rabil; 3rd Priya Ban; HM George Tobin; HM Michael Brown

Professional: 1st Michael Meyerson; 2nd Howard Clark; 3rd Jim Stephenson; HM Michael Meyerson

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For more information, call Humberto Benitez at 240-243-2359 or e-mail hbenitez@mvf.org.

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ARB DECISIONS



Architectural Standards

The Architectural Standards Department is here to answer your questions about making changes to the exterior of your property. Architectural Standards is responsible for approving exterior changes—anything from replacing a door to building a deck or shed, to additions on your home. Call Heather Sharpless or Erika Hottinger at 301-948-0110, ext. 2355 or 2351 or e-mail <code>hsharpless@mvf.org</code> or <code>ehottinger@mvf.org</code>. Questions may also be mailed to Montgomery Village Foundation, 10120 Apple Ridge Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886, or faxed to 301-990-7071. Specific architectural standards criteria for each community in Montgomery Village is available at <code>www.montgomeryvillage.com</code>.

MVF REVIEW OF REQUESTS ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MARCH 2, 2016

EASTGATE

5 HANCOCK BRIDGE CT - Garage Door, A

EAST VILLAGE

19926 SILVERFIELD DR -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

19926 SILVERFIELD DR -Replacement Patio Door, A 8205 RAINBOWVIEW PL -Deck, A

8205 RAINBOWVIEW PL -Walkway, A

8205 RAINBOWVIEW PL -Patio, A

8205 RAINBOWVIEW PL -Privacy Screen, A

19907 WAXMYRTLE WAY -Patio, A

20304STRINGFELLOW CT-Fence and Gate, A

8716 DREXEL HILL PL -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A

8703 FERRYSBURG WAY -Front Door Replacement, AWM

8703 FERRYSBURG WAY - Storm Door, AWM

8703 FERRYSBURG WAY -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

8703 FERRYSBURG WAY -Replacement Patio Door, AWM

MARYLAND PLACE

19325 KEYMAR WAY -Mailbox, A 19431 TRANSHIRE RD - Solar Systems, A

MIDDLE VILLAGE

10238 RIDGELINE DR -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM 10348 RIDGELINE DR -Replacement Windows with

Capped Trim, AWM 59 BRASSIE CT Replacement Patio Door, A

NORTHGATE

9313 GRAZING TER -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A

9541 ASH HOLLOW PL -Replacement Windows, A 9433 BETHANY PL -Roof, AWM

9433 BETHANY PL -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 9421 BETHANY PL -Replacement Windows, D

9424 BETHANY PL -Window Modification, AWM 9914 BROOKRIDGE CT -Front Door Replacement, A 9914 BROOKRIDGE CT -Vinyl Siding, D

20157 DARLINGTON DR -Shed, AWM

9919 TAMBAY CT - Solar Systems, AWM

NORTH VILLAGE

20401 RYECROFT CT - Roof, A

20637 HIGHLAND HALL DR - Roof, A

9279 CHADBURN PL -Roof, A

9279 CHADBURN PL -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 9279 CHADBURN PL -Downspout/Gutter, AWM

20528STRATHHAVENDR-Replacement Windows, A 20528STRATHHAVENDR-

Replacement Patio Door, A PATTON RIDGE

19909 MASTENBROOK PL-Play Gym, A

9222 WEATHERVANE PL - Shed, A

9304 FROSTBURG WAY -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, AWM

9304 FROSTBURG WAY -Roof, A

9304 FROSTBURG WAY -Replacement Patio Door, A 19836 BAZZELLTON PL -

Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A with

20009 HOB HILL WAY -Replacement Windows, AWM 9638 DUFFER WAY -Garage Door, A

19803 GREENSIDE TER - Exterior Paint, A

19803 GREENSIDE TER -Front Door Replacement, A 19803 GREENSIDE TER -Sidelight, AWM

19803 GREENSIDE TER -Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A KEY

AApproved

AWMApproved w/modifications

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19803 GREENSIDE TER -Exterior Light, A

PEND.....Pending

19803 GREENSIDE TER -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM 19801 GREENSIDE TER -Vinyl Siding and Trim, AWM

SOUTH VILLAGE

9982 LAKE LANDING RD-Front Door Replacement, A 9982 LAKE LANDING RD-Replacement Patio Door, A 9960 LAKE LANDING RD-Roof, AWM

9960 LAKE LANDING RD-Replacement Windows, AWM 18074 ROYAL BONNET CIR - Garage Door, A

STEDWICK

19021 STEDWICK DR -Miscellaneous, A

 $10319\,\text{WATKINS}\,\text{MILL}\,\text{DR}$ - Shed, A

10557 CAMBRIDGE CT -Replacement Windows, AWM 10200 BATTLERIDGE PL -Gutter, AWM 19307 DUNBRIDGE WAY -Front Door Replacement, A 19307 DUNBRIDGE WAY -Sidelight, AWM

19325 FRENCHTON PL - Miscellaneous, AWM

10528 WAYRIDGE DR -Play Gym, D

10628 WAYRIDGE DR -Oil Tank Above Ground, AWM 19519 DESMET PL -Shed, AWM

WHETSTONE

19112 BROOKEGROVECT-

18929 WHETSTONE CIR - Shed, AWM

9525 WHETSTONE DR - Shutters, AWM

9525 WHETSTONE DR -Replacement Windows, A

9525 WHETSTONE DR - Roof, A

9525 WHETSTONE DR -Replacement Patio Door, A 9608 WHETSTONE DR -

Replacement Windows with Capped Trim, A

ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGHETTI DINNER

Saturday, March 19 & Saturday, April 16

4 to 7 p.m.

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\$9 Adults \$5 Kids 5-11 Kids under 5 eat FREE!

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for more information

HOMES CORPORATIONS

HOMES CORPORATIONS & CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS

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NORTHGATE NEWS

Annual meeting review

by the Northgate Board of Directors

Northgate's Annual Meeting was held on March 8 at the North Creek Community Center. After the meeting was called to order with a quorum present, a review of some of the 2015 accomplishments was given, as was thanks to the volunteer board members, management personnel and residents. Gratitude to the board members' families for their support was also expressed.

In 2015 all reserved parking spaces, curbs and firelanes were repainted; Williams Range was repaved; sidewalks were replaced throughout the community; a number of problematic trees were removed; and homes within the community were inspected for maintenance violations.

Also in 2015, considerable volunteer time was spent by Northgate Board President Jane Hatch, board member Sarah Albert and residents Virginia Nuta and Neil Lerner,

testifying before the county council and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission regarding Wightman Road. The board will remain vigilant regarding any proposed widening.

Northgate remains in good financial condition and was within budget in 2015. Reserve accounts were fully funded per the 2012 Reserve Study.

BULK TRASH REMINDER

If you need a bulk trash pickup, please place your items out on the following schedule:

Thursdays: Overlea and The Points

Fridays: Apple Ridge, Dorsey's Regard, McKendree I & II, Shadow Oak and Williams Range.

All bulk pickups must be placed curbside. Residents of Overlea and McKendree I & II must bring their bulk items to the curb. No recyclable items will be taken as bulk nor will construction material generated by a contractor. If a resident places a rug or carpet out for bulk pickup it is acceptable. If a homeowner has a carpet or rug contractor replacing rugs or carpet in the home, the contractor is responsible for the removal of the carpet or rugs.

If your trash pickup is missed, please call Potomac Disposal at 301-294-9700.

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

Lighting outages on Ridgeline Drive

by the Middle Village Board of Directors

MIDDLE VILLAGE VOICE

The contractor is continuing the lighting project that includes replacing pole lights and underground wiring throughout the community. There have been numerous complaints regarding the lighting outages on Ridgeline Drive. The outages are due to a delay by Pepco in completing the power connections. Pepco has been contacted on numerous occasions. We thank you for your continued patience, and please know that everything possible is being done to resolve this issue as soon as possible.

ASSESSMENTS

We live in a community that requires every homeowner pay assessment fees. Assessments are used to pay contractors for landscaping, snow removal, trash collection, collection of illegally dumped trash, lighting, repairs on community property, etc. If you are a homeowner, you were provided with this information during closing.

Reminder: assessments can be paid monthly, quarterly or annually. If you are paying monthly or quarterly, your payment must be received by ComSource on or before the 15th of the month to avoid late charges. If you are paying annually, your payment is due in January, on or before the 15th of the month to avoid late charges. Your regular payments allow us to continue providing services to our community.

Homeowners who are delinquent with their assessment payments must pay their past due balance in full or make arrangements to pay them. The first step to making payment arrangements is contacting Delphine Matthews at ComSource. Ms. Matthews can be reached at 301-924-7355 or dmatthews@comsource.com.

2016 PARKING TAGS

Towing for expired 2015 parking tags has begun. Many residents have not picked up their 2016 parking tags. You are able to pick up parking tags from ComSource throughout the month; contact ComSource

at 301-924-7355 prior to going to their office. If you have questions, e-mail Delphine Matthews at *dmatthews@comsource.* com. Towing for expired parking tags has begun throughout the community. Big Tow will continue to tow vehicles for all other parking violations.

TRASH

Trash continues to be an issue in our community. Scheduled trash removal is on Tuesday and Friday each week, and recycling collection takes place on Wednesday. It is the responsibility of each resident to place their trash can in the appropriate location for pickup and to collect their trash cans/recycling containers and place them back on your property on the day that trash/recycling is collected.

Unmarked trash cans and recycling containers are often left in common areas all week. This attracts rodents, and has a negative impact on the appearance of our community and our property values. Any trash cans or recycling containers that are not marked with an address will be collected and disposed of. If you see a resident dumping bulk or loose trash and you know their address, you can report them to ComSource anonymously.

CONTACTING COMSOURCE

ComSource is our management company. If you have a comment or complaint please include your name, address, phone number, location of issue/problem and specific details in your correspondence or when you are leaving a phone message for the property manager. Contact ComSource at 301-924-7355 or e-mail dmatthews@comsource.com or sumali@comsource.com.

The next MVHC board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 at the Thomas Choice Clubhouse, 19401 Brassie Place.

Middle Village Voice: for residents of Thomas Choice West and Clubside.



Share Your Milestones With Village Residents

Send your announcements, achievements or other good news to *mvnews* @*mvf.org* or complete the Milestones form online at *www.montgomeryvillage.com*.



NORTH VILLAGE VIEW

North Village draft audit report

by the North Village Board of Directors

Last week we received the draft audit report for North Village Homes Corporation for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. Once the board of directors has reviewed the draft audit report, the final report will be issued.

REMINDERS

Remember that our next assessments are due on Friday, April 1. Payments to both the Montgomery Village Foundation (MVF) and to the North Village Homes Corporation are paid with a single check to MVF. There is no reminder notice sent out since you were given a booklet for the entire year containing payment coupons for quarterly assessments.

The phone number of our new security company, U.S. Security, is 301-384-7777. Please post it in a visible location such as a bulletin board or the refrigerator door so that you can easily find it in the event of an emergency.

Now that we are in daylight saving time, please be careful when driving into North Village after work since children will be at play. Also keep an eye out for suspicious activity and report anything you see to the police and our security service. And do make an effort to keep your exterior lights on when it gets dark.

DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM OF TRASH

As winter is winding down, we need to deal with the problem of trash in North Village. Lately there has been an excessive amount of trash and debris in our community, and it is something that we all need to tackle in order to maintain the beauty of North Village. We are also seeing that some dog owners are failing to pick up after their dogs. Remember that this is a county offense and a threat to public health and is subject to a large fine.

Both the county and North Village use the Potomac Disposal Company for pickups, but they represent two different contractual arrangements and work on two different schedules in North Village. What one will pick up, the other will not touch. Potomac Disposal picks up trash on Monday and Thursday each week. Please be aware that they will not accept items such as building materials,

cardboard boxes, etc. Potomac Disposal will also not pick up tree limbs, this is a recycling matter.

The county provides for the recycling pickup on Friday for Picton and Wednesday for the rest of North Village. Recycling is required for metal objects such as cans, plastic and glass bottles, cardboard boxes, paper, etc. The county recycling truck also picks up tree limbs but they must be bundled, no longer than 4 feet in length, must be bound with twine and cannot be more than 45 pounds or exceed 30 inches in diameter. It is important that you do not put out your recycling over the weekend. Put your blue recycling boxes and other yard waste out the night before pickup or early on the morning of pickup. You also need to call Montgomery County at 240-777-6410 or 240-777-6400 if you have any large metal items for recycling. Call no later than Monday for a Wednesday pickup and in Picton no later than Wednesday for a Friday pickup. A list of what can and cannot be recycled is found on the county website at www. montgomerycountymd.gov/SWS/ programs.

Pickup of large trash items (bulk trash) must be arranged with Potomac Disposal by telephone or internet. You can call Potomac Disposal at 301-294-9700 or visit www. potomacdisposal.com/bulkpickup. Bulk trash pickup occurs on Thursdays only. Potomac Disposal charges a fee for large bulk items such as anything with metal, sleeper sofas, recliners and televisions larger than 50 inches. Mirrors should be "duct-taped" to prevent any injuries. Please call Potomac Disposal for a Thursday pickup of such items and do not put them out on the curb until after 7 p.m. the night before.

THE NEXT MEETING

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 21 in the North Creek Board Room, 20125 Arrowhead Road. If you have any questions, call Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2344, e-mail asteward@mvf.org.

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

EAST VILLAGE ECHO

Private Property Maintenance and Architectural Standards Inspections

by Scott R. Dyer

East Village Homes Corporation's (EVHC) Private Property Maintenance (PPM) inspections have begun throughout the community. PPM inspections focus on the upkeep and maintenance of private properties.

Montgomery Village Foundation's (MVF) Architectural Standards inspections have also begun throughout East Village. These inspections focus on compliance with the set design criteria for the exterior of each property per the covenants that each homeowner agreed to when purchasing a home in the Village. Questions regarding these inspections should be handled directly with MVF by calling 301-948-0110, and requesting to speak to someone in the Architectural Standards Department. EVHC has no control over the inspections or process.

In follow-up to both inspections, notifications will be provided to homeowners detailing what is required to be fixed and the timeline for completion, as well as the process of any applicable fines or other actions that will occur if the items are not properly addressed. Both inspections, along with proactive efforts by residents to upkeep their properties, help to keep property values up and contribute to an overall higher quality of life for all residents.

MAINTENANCE UPDATES

Tot Lot Inspections – Our contractor, Brickman, performs monthly safety inspections of each of East Village's five tot lots. The tot lot in The Reach is scheduled to be replaced with new equipment this year, per the Reserve Study.

Trash Rules and Regulations - East Village Homes Corporation (EVHC) reminds residents that both the county and EVHC require all trash to be placed in "vermin-proof" containers. All homeowners agreed to these rules and policies upon the purchase of their homes, and are also responsible for ensuring that any renters or guests of their property are also aware and compliant. A "vermin-proof" ontainer is a trash can tightly fitting lid. Loose trash bags left curb-side are not vermin-proof! EVHC trash collection days are Tuesday and Friday mornings, recycling collection is only on Friday mornings, and trash and recycling containers should be placed out after 7 p.m. the night before collection. Please

report any violators to EVHC Community Manager April Steward at 240-243-2344 or eastvillagehc@mvf.org .

EVHC ELECTION RESULTS IN NEXT ISSUE

The EVHC annual meeting was held on Tuesday, March 15. With the annual meeting having occurred after the print deadline for this column, the results of the EVHC election will be posted on Facebook (go to www.facebook.com/east villagehc, or search "East Village Homes Corporation") and will also be printed in the next issue of the Montgomery Village News.

MONTGOMERY VILLAGE LOGO LICENSE PLATES

Help celebrate Montgomery Village's 50th Anniversary and help promote this great planned community wherever you drive, by signing up for a special Montgomery Village logo license plate, which costs only \$25 and has no other fees to replace your current license plates. For more information or to sign up, call 301-948-0110, e-mail mconroy@mvf.org or visit the MVF Office, 10120 Apple Ridge Road.

BOARD MEETING APRIL 19

The next EVHC Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19 at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

As always, these board of directors 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.)

The EVHC Board of Directors meetings are held the third Tuesday of January, March, April, May, July, September and November, at 7:30 p.m., at Lake Marion Community Center.

EAST VILLAGE COMMUNICATIONS

Sign up to receive e-mail communications from EVHC by e-mailing eastvillagehc@mvf. org and including the subject, "Register." Also check out the EVHC Facebook page at www. facebook.com/eastvillagehc, or search "East Village Homes Corporation;" be sure to "Like" our page to receive updates. Our community manager and the EVHC Board always want to hear from residents. If you have questions, suggestions or just kudos, e-mail east villagehc@mvf.org, or call 240-243-2344.

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.



HOMES CORPORATIONS

STEDWICK SIGNALS

The state of Stedwick – Annual Report to our residents

by Michael J. Gronsky, President

This has once again been both an interesting and challenging year for the Stedwick Homes Corporation.

We completed a large-scale replacement retaining wall project in Forest Brooke. This neighborhood had the original retaining walls from Kettler Brothers (which were 20 years old), and they were coming to an end of their lifespan. We are confident that the new replacement walls will provide years to come for retaining the soil and preventing further erosion to the areas.

We reviewed and revised the Resident Handbook, which is useful for both existing residents and new members to our community. The handbook addresses what happens at our regular board meetings, what committees make up the board, how to understand the assessment payment coupon and parking and trash/recycling information. This handbook is available on the Stedwick section of the Village website, www.montgomeryvillage.com.

We renewed our landscaping contract with J.B. Kline, the company currently responsible for landscaping our community, and also for plowing our streets. This contract runs through December 31, 2018. Having three year contracts allows us to better budget for upcoming years.

Our maintenance committee

completed a comprehensive Sign Inventory of each and every street sign, stop sign, No Parking Fire Lane sign and towing sign throughout the community. We now know which signs are on metal posts and which are on wooden posts. This will assist the committee in making recommendations to the board for signs that need replacement. As always, if you see a missing or damaged sign, please contact the office.

Pupkar Property Maintenance completed tree pruning in our Club Hill neighborhood. The initial schedule had been pushed back due to the winter weather. Neighborhood pruning is done on a scheduled basis, and Club Hill was on the schedule for this year.

Although the temperatures have been warmer lately, who can forget the "Blizzard of January 2016" which dumped nearly three feet of snow in this area. We budgeted \$50,000 for snow removal for 2016 and have more than doubled the spending on this line item (\$103,481 to date). Unfortunately, this means less money to put into our reserve accounts at the end of the year. Also, keep in mind that we work on a calendar year budget, so we still have the potential for snow in November and December of

One upcoming item to look forward to is the painting of all the fire lanes in the community. This will take place from the beginning to middle of April (weather permitting). This always gives our neighborhoods a "fresh look."

Every year, one of my goals is to have an article in every issue of the Village News, which is our best way of communicating information to our residents. I am pleased once again to have accomplished this goal. Although I encourage you to read all of the newsletter, as there are interesting things happening throughout the Village, if you read nothing else, please read the "Stedwick Signals" column. I want to especially thank each and every board member who has written columns throughout the year

I would like to thank Larry Denicola, from Clusters II, who is leaving the board this year. Larry has been steadfast in not only providing his insights into his own neighborhood, but to Stedwick as a whole. He has also served as a member on the government and public relations committee. His dedication and expertise have truly made a difference to all of us as a community.

I'd like to thank all our residents who call or e-mail the Foundation, and especially those who attend board meetings. Remember that you are the "eyes and ears" of your community and you may be bringing important things to our attention, and we truly welcome that feedback and information.

Leaving the Stedwick board as both a member and serving as President, I am confident that the current board members and newly elected officers and board members will serve the community well, and I wish them all the best.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20 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 vour Stedwick Homes Corporation community management team at 240-243-2326 (please note this is now a direct number instead of going through the front desk), or e-mail stedwickhc@mvf.org.

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

WHETSTONE WATCH

Not voting is a 'no' vote for change in Whetstone

by Chris Carew

There is an opportunity to change Whetstone this spring season. And the opportunity is yours. But for change to happen in Whetstone, the people in Whetstone will, ourselves, need to change.

Specifically, we'll need to change our own behavior. More specifically, we'll need to change our failure to participate in the voting process in our community.

Are you willing to change, to make change happen?

The Whetstone Homes Corporation Board of Directors is proposing several changes to our covenants. In order for these changes to take place, it will require a historical precedent in voter participation. The board members are hopeful that however you decide to vote on the issues, you take the 5 or 10 minutes (or less, or more) to understand the issues and vote on them.

Just vote. Take the time. Make the time. And vote. Please vote!

"Oh, come on," you may be saying. "One vote doesn't matter. Besides, I'm busy!"

The idea that a single vote doesn't matter, and that it is not worth the time, is the inexcusable excuse for people not voting in our national, state and even municipal elections. It's our excuse to blame others on the inertia and undesirable outcomes created on Capitol Hill, our statehouses and our town halls—even though we, ourselves, do nothing to make change happen.

More than 60 percent of Americans don't vote in national elections. More than 80 percent of young people and low-income Americans don't vote. Abraham Lincoln's vision of a country "of the people, by the people, for the people" is disappearing before our own

Here's a statistic we should all be embarrassed about: the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance ranks the United States 120th in the world for average national voter turnout. Aren't we supposed to be the world's beacon for democracy?

Whatever happened to the idea of leadership by example?

We complain, or shrug our shoulders, or ignore the problems altogether. We don't participate in a democratic process countless Americans have died to enable and protect. We rationalize our profound lack of gratitude and responsibility.

And we fail to acknowledge that if we want change to happen, we ourselves need to change what we do, and don't do.

More importantly, we need to change how we think about what we do, and don't do.

Do we really believe our vote doesn't matter? Even on matters impacting our own neighborhood, where our own homes are located; on matters decided by, at most, a few hundred people?

This great failure of American democracy is the great failure of positive change, generally. And the failure, simply stated, is this: we all want things to change positively, but we don't want to positively change. The failure is our own—and we all, therefore, own the failure.

As the great Russian writer Leo Tolstoy once put it, "Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing one's self."

We're not asking people to commit one evening a month to attend board meetings. We're not asking you to join a committee, or help clean Lake Whetstone, or bring a neighbor's recycling container from the curb to their garage door.

We're asking you to exercise your privilege to exercise your own opinion, and vote for what you believe to be in the best interest of your own neighborhood.

However you decide to vote for Whetstone, please, vote for Whetstone.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Winter happenings at Village Montessori School

On Saturday, Feb. 20, the Village Montessori School (VMS) had their first open house for the enrollment season, as well as participated in the Montgomery Village Baby Bazaar. The turnout for the open house was great and prospective families seemed very interested to learn about the programs at VMS. Besides School Director Sally Robinson, a number of staff members were

on hand to chat with parents about the school and the Montessori method of education in general. Another Open House is scheduled from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22 at VMS, 20301 Fulks Farm Road.

While the snow and ice may have slowed things down a bit over the last month or so, the children and staff at VMS kept busy with lots of special events, discussions and activities. Among those were Mar-



tin Luther King, Jr. Day; the Lunar New Year; Valentines/Friendship Day; the 100th Day of School; Dr. Seuss' birthday; a visit from storyteller Baba Jamal Koram; and a field trip to Imagination Stage. Each classroom was pleased to invite Moms, Dads and Grandparents to spend the morning working with their child(ren). And what would winter be without building snowmen? Spring will bring many more

fun learning activities!

Besides accepting enrollment applications for the fall, the VMS summer program, Little Villagers, has also begun registering for summer. A fun, relaxing camp-like program, Little Villagers runs from Monday, June 13 to Friday, Aug. 12.

Information about and registration forms for both Little Villagers and VMS school-year programs can be found at www. vms-md.com.

Stedwick Elementary School students learn lessons in breaking barriers

This year, the third graders in Mary Ruth McGinn's Stedwick Elementary School class are tackling a very real topic with their school opera project—breaking barriers. For the last several years, McGinn's class has created and performed its own original opera, giving students the opportunity to learn and come together in a unique way.

From the first day of school, a common element of masks and being your true self has emerged. This made it easy for the class to name their opera company "Taking off the Mask" and incorporate the barrier topic into their production, "Bigger Than Our Barriers."

The class studied various real life jobs that are needed to create a successful production, and applied for positions they desired to fill. Once each job was granted, the class took a field trip to Washington, D.C. to study the setting for their opera, the Lincoln Memorial. The class decided this setting represented freedom from barriers; they also toured the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memo-

rial, another great inspiration for breaking barriers.

Throughout the process, the class has received help and guidance from many professionals and has worked hard to spread the positive message of their production. Along the way, they have also learned some valuable lessons, through success and failure. Teamwork, leadership, perseverance, decision making, responsibility and support are just a few of those lessons.

The production is scheduled for 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, and for 2:15 and 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 5, at Stedwick Elementary School, 10631 Stedwick Road. This year, the classes' hard work is being rewarded with a special performance at the Kennedy Center is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8.

For more information or volunteer opportunities, contact Mary Ruth McGinn at 301-840-7187, e-mail Mary_R_McGinn@mcpsmd.org or visit www.mymcmedia.org/partner/learning-for-real or www.facebook.com/LearnforReal.

Pre-kindergarten Head Start registration has begun for 2016-2017 school year

Registration has begun for preschool Head Start programs for Montgomery County residents with age/income eligible children.

In order to be eligible, students must be 4 years of age by Sept. 1, 2016 to enroll for the 2016-2017 school year. The following documents must be presented:

- 1.) U.S. Birth Certificate or U.S. Passport. Children who are not U.S. citizens MUST first register with the Residency and International Admissions. Call 301-230-0686 for an appointment.
- 2.) Family Income Verification: Parents/Guardians working or receiving income in household.
 - 2015 1040 tax statement, including all W2's and three current pay stubs for each job; if SELF-EMPLOYED, submit copy of Schedule "C" (Profit or Loss from Business) and Form 1099;
 - Proof of additional income (i.e., child support court order or notarized letter, unemployment

benefits, Temporary Cash Assistance, rental income, Social Security benefits, notarized financial support letter showing dollar amount, etc.)

- 3.) Acceptable Proof of Montgomery County Residence:
 - Current property tax bill or deed and current utility bill (if HOME-OWNER)
 - Copy of current lease and utility bill (if RENT-ER) and HOC letter, if applicable
 - Notarized Shared Housing Disclosure: MCPS
 Form 335-74 (if sharing housing and/or living with others); AND Copy of Homeowners' property tax bill or deed, or Renters' current lease; AND owner's utility bill; AND three documents mailed to the parent/guardian at the shared housing address.
- 4.) Parent/Guardian's Photo Identification
- 5.) Additional Supporting Documents (i.e., child care

provider name, address, and telephone number; child's medical insurance information; food stamp letter; WIC; child care subsidy vouchers; rental/utilities assistance; Individualized Education Program (IEP); court documents for custody/guardianship/foster care), if applicable.

Walk-in applications are accepted daily Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the center Rocking Horse Road, 4910 Macon Road, Room 141, Rockville. More convenient to Montgomery Village is the Upper County Community Center, 8201 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg; Germantown Community Center, 18905 Kingsview Road, Germantown; Plum Gar Community Center, 19561 Scenery Drive, Germantown; or Fox Chapel Elementary School, 19315 Archdale Road, Germantown. Other centers are available; registration is ongoing. For more information and specific registration times call 301-230-0676 or visit www. montgomeryschoolsmd.org.



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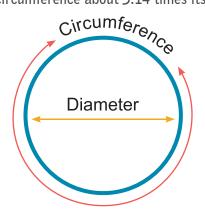


MV Kids Learn About Pi

Pi $(\pi$) is the mathematical constant which is the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter. And that number begins with 3.14 and then goes on forever without a pattern. They call that an irrational number.

What does that formula mean?

The ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter. So, any circle has a circumference about 3.14 times its diameter.



Pi Symbol

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Pi Jokes

What do you get when you cut a jack o'lantern by its diameter?... Pumpkin Pi! What is the sun's circumference divided by its diameter?...Pi in the sky. 3.14% of Sailors are PI rates!

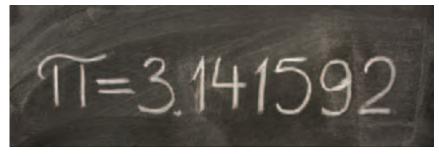


National Pi Day

The first large celebration of Pi Day was organized by Larry Shaw in 1988 at the San Francisco Exploratorium. The Exploratorium continues to hold Pi Day celebrations. (www.exploratorium.edu/pi)

On March 12, 2009, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a non-binding resolution (HRES 224) recognizing March 14, 2009, as National Pi Day.

Pi Day is observed on March 14 (3/14) because 3.14 are the first three digits of π in the decimal form.



Find out more about pi day at www.piday.org.

Celebrating Pi Day

Make your own pi pie and watch the movie "Life of Pi."













COMMUNITY SERVICE

Free spay/neuter services available

The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWLMC) has received funding from the Maryland Department of Agriculture to provide 100 free spay/neuter procedures for low-income area pet owners. For residents who qualify, the program will pay the entire cost of spaying or neutering their cat or dog. A rabies vaccine will be included for pets that are not up-to-date. Eligibility is based on residency and household income (under \$53,500 for a

The application process involves applying online through the AWLMC website and sending in proof of eligibility (income and residency). The services will be available until the grant is depleted. Pet owners who do not qualify for the free program may be eligible for AWLMC's low-cost spay/neuter program.

For information or to apply for the free spay/neuter program, visit www.AWLMC.org.



AT YOUR LEISURE

Good Friday and Resurrection Services at Northgate Community Church

Northgate Community Church, a Church for All Nations and a Fellowship of Living Grace, joyfully invites Village residents to celebrate Resurrection weekend with the congregation during several special services.

Friday, March 25 - Good Friday Candlelight Communion, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 27 - Resurrection Sunday Worship, 10 a.m.

Northgate Community Church is located at 20300 Pleasant Ridge Drive. For more information, call 301-840-9830 or visit *www.northgatecc.org*.



MILESTONES

Former Village resident publishes first novel

Seth Dymond, former Village resident and current New York lawyer, recently published his first novel, "Exonerated." This murder-mystery thriller with a surprise ending is available online both as an e-Book or hardback from Amazon, Barnes & Noble, I-Books and *kobo.com*.

Seth was born and raised in Montgomery Village, attended Montgomery Village schools and graduated from Watkins Mill High School in 1996. He graduated from James Madison University in 2000 and graduated from New York Law in 2003. He is currently a partner in a Manhattan law firm and lives in the New York area with his wife and children. His parents, Ross and Bobbi Dymond, have lived in Montgomery Village since 1975.

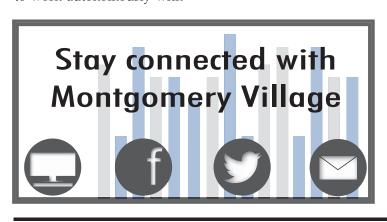
County seeks volunteers for Long Term Care Ombudsman Program

Montgomery County's Long Term Care Ombudsman Program is seeking individuals interested in helping to enhance the quality of life for nursing home residents as long-term care advocates with the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services. Volunteers will be assigned to make regular visits to residents in nursing homes and assisted living facilities at convenient locations throughout Montgomery County. Ombudsmen representatives work to promote the highest quality of life for residents in nursing home settings and help to resolve problems.

This volunteer opportunity demands flexible daytime hours during the work week and creativity in developing problem solving strategies. It is an advanced level of commitment and requires the ability to work autonomously with

support and guidance. Training and on-going technical assistance are provided by experienced professionals.

The intensive orientation program for volunteer candidates is a comprehensive training focused on promoting resident rights in nursing home and assisted living systems. Using advocacy skills and applicable laws, volunteers will work to resolve complaints. The orientation will be held Monday, March 28 through Friday, April 1 at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. The course meets daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and full attendance is required. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required. To learn more, call 240-777-3369 or e-mail hhsltcombudsman@montgomery countymd.gov.







RECREATION

Youth Leadership Workshop for ages 13 to 17

Get on the fast track to MVF's Counselor in Training program! Youth Leadership Workshop is a development program that combines interactive workshops with the fun atmosphere of a summer day camp! Those who successfully complete this workshop will be given priority during the Counselor in Training (CIT) selection process in April.

The goals of this program are for youth to learn skills to effectively lead others in activities and feel confident in their program solving skills,

both independently and in a team setting. Youth Leadership Workshop participants will have the opportunity to earn up to 12 SSL hours planning activities and interacting with campers at MVF's Spring Break Camps on Friday, April 1.

The workshop is open to 13-year-olds; however, 2016 CTT/LIT candidates must be 14 before Friday, Aug. 5, 2016. The Youth Leadership Workshop is a great opportunity for 13-year-olds to earn SSL hours, and still give them priority in the CIT/

LIT selection process next year without needing to attend the workshop a second time!

Youth Leadership Workshop is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30 and Thursday, March 31 at North Creek Community Center, 20125 Arrowhead Road, and at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, on Friday, April 1.

For more information or to register, contact Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338 or e-mail *mmaggi* @mvf.org.

Tiny Tots Playtime

Bring your tiny tot, ages 5 and under, to Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, for playtime in the gym! Have fun with balls, hula hoops and scooters – even bring your own riding toys!

This session meets Tuesdays, April 12 to May 17 from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. Fees per

session are \$40/Resident and \$50/Non-resident with a \$12/ additional child per family fee. Please note that parents must supervise their children at all times.

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

Aerobics

Lose weight, burn calories, reduce stress, and more! Jacki Sorensen's Aerobic Programs offer a wide variety of classes to fit just about anyone's busy schedule.

Morning Aerobic Dancing is scheduled for 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, April 11 to June 13 (no class on May 30). Aerobic Dancing Workout is scheduled for 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 5 to June 9. Aerobic Workout is scheduled for 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Saturdays, April 2 to June 11. Body Sculpting is scheduled for 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 5 to June 9. All classes are held at the Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue.

Fees are as low as \$8 to drop-in a class at any time! Fees for one, two or three classes per week are also available for the session, and vary based on the class you would like to attend.

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

Basketball Express – new session to start!

Sharpen your basketball skills with Coach Charlie! Basketball Express provides quality basketball training for children ages 4 to 12 who desire to learn the fundamentals of basketball while enjoying a fun and energetic atmosphere.

This class is taught by experienced instructor and referee Charlie Williams, and is held at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. Our next session begins soon! Sunday classes are scheduled from April 24 to June 26 (no class on May 8, May 22, May 29

or June 19). Ages 4 and 5 will 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. Monday classes are scheduled from April 25 to June 20 (no class on May 30) from 6 to 6:50 p.m. Ages 6 to 8 will be on court #1 and ages 9 to 12 will be on court #2. Fees are \$115/Resident and \$125/Non-resident.

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

American Red Cross Lifeguarding Course

The American Red Cross Lifeguard Training course will certify you in Lifeguard Training, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer, and First Aid. **Students must be 15 years old by the last day of the course** (proof of age required) and **pass a prescreen test** (300-yard continuous swim with rhythmic breathing using front crawl or breast stroke; 10 lbs. brick retrieval within one minute forty seconds; and tread water using legs only for two minutes) on the first pool day in order to continue participation in class. If you do not pass the pre-screen, you will be issued a full refund. Space is very limited. Class sessions will be held at the **Rockville Swim & Fitness Center** (355 Martins Lane, Rockville). A detailed course schedule/syllabus will be provided on the first day of class. **Students MUST attend all class sessions as scheduled. Class is co-taught with the City of Rockville.**

Lifeguard Training Course

(Includes CPR/AED and First Aid)

Montgomery Village Resident: \$185, Non-resident: \$195

4015.202 (Registration closes on Thursday, March 24) MCPS Spring Break

DATE	TIME	
Monday,	0 0 m to 1 n m	
March 28	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	
Tuesday,	0 o m to 1 n m	
March 29	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	
Wednesday,	0 o m to 1 n m	
March 30	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	
Thursday,	O o m to 4 n m	
March 31	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.	
Friday, April 1	10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	

Successful class participants are encouraged to apply for lifeguard positions with the Montgomery Village Foundation. We offer competitive pay, a completion bonus and training course reimbursement opportunities—call for details.

To apply for aquatic positions, visit www.montogmeryvillage.com.

Free fitness class demonstrations

30 Minute Core and POP Pilates instructors Tara Smith and Alysha Cunningham will be offering free demonstration classes prior to the start of the spring session. The 30 Minute Core demo class is scheduled for Tuesday, April 12, and the

POP Pilates class is scheduled for on Thursday, April 14. Both classes will be held from 7 to 7:30 p.m. at Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one. Limited mats are available for new participants.





RECREATION

Primetime Basketball for Ages 18+

Maintain your basketball skills and stay fit! Adults ages 18 and over are invited to sign up for Adult Basketball. Play pickup style basketball going full or cross-court, depending on the number of participants.

This program is held at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue, on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Our next session runs from April 13 to June 1. Fees are only \$40/Resident, \$50/Non-resident or \$7 to drop-in per evening.

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



Wine & Paint

Participants of the Wine & Paint event on Friday, March 4 had a great time creating beautiful acrylic paintings of Washington, D.C.'s famous cherry blossoms! Due to popular demand, additional Wine & Paint dates will be offered in the spring and summer months. Check out page 23 of the Spring Recreation Guide for upcoming dates and scenes to be painted.

Early registration is encouraged, as these events fill up quickly!



Karate for ages 3 ½ and older

Instructor Michael Tull of Champion Karate provides karate classes for all ages 3½ and older. Classes are held Friday evenings, April 15 to June 10 at

Stedwick Community Center, 10401 Stedwick Road.

For specific class information and times, check out the Spring Recreation Guide or visit www.montgomeryvillage. com. For more information, call Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338.

Friday Night Futsal

MVF Futsal (indoor soccer) is kicking off a new season Lake Marion Community Center, and we are calling out all teams who think they have what it takes to win the gold! Futsal is a quick paced game of soccer on a hard court that will challenge player's improvisation, creativity, technique and ball control in small spaces.

Teams will take the pitch for 40 minute games, playing 5 on 5. This league is welcome to all skill levels; however, knowledge of the sport is encouraged. MVF Recreation staff will develop teams from those registered to participate in each league and select team colors. Uniforms are not distributed for this league; members of each team must wear the same color shirt.

League kick-off is Friday, April 22 at 7p.m. at Lake Marion Community Center, 8821 East Village Avenue. The cost per team is \$450 if registered with minimum of 7 players by Friday, April 8, and \$500 per team if registering after Friday, April 8. Individual or additional players to a team roster cost \$50 each.

Call 240-243-2361 to register today!



Creative Playtime Open House and registration

Join Creative Playtime teachers Kathi Hufnagel and Christine Zeman from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20 to experience MVF's recreational and supplemental educational program for preschool-age children.

Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays for Creative 3's, and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for Creative 4's. Students explore reading, writing, science, math, music, drama, movement, crafts, nature and playtime.

Interested families and their children are encouraged to at-

tend the Open House. The teachers will go over the daily routine

with perspective stu-

dents and answer any questions. If you can't attend the Open House, call Melanie Maggi at 240-243-2338 to set up a personal tour of the facility during class hours. Detailed information and pricing regarding the 2016-2017 school year can be found online at www.montgomeryvillage.com or in the Spring Recreation Guide.





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Holy Cross Balance Testing

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Holy Cross Germantown Hospital will be conducting another balance assessment on Wednesday, May 4 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This assessment utilizes the state-of-theart Biodex Balance System and gait and balance testing to determine your personal falls risk. Please e-mail *Ihydorn@mvf.org* for your timeslot; members who walk-in the day of will be added to the end of the list if time is available.



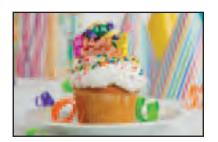
Pickleball

Mark your calendars! Pickleball returns to Seniors in Action starting Monday, March 21. We will return to the outdoor Pickleball courts every Monday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon. Must be a SiA member to use the courts at this time, and limited equipment is available for use.



Arts and Crafts

Sue Kay is back! Join your SiA friends on Monday, April 11 for our seasonal watercolor session during arts and crafts, from 10 a.m. to noon. All supplies are included; SiA members only.



Birthday Celebration

Join your SiA friends and celebrate those who have had birthdays in January, February and March at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 30 during our monthly potluck luncheon. Bring your favorite dish to share, and we'll provide the birthday cake!



Spring Field Trip

Our Cherry Blossom Lunch Cruise trip scheduled for Wednesday, April 6 is currently full. If interested in attending, a waitlist is currently being generated. For more details or to be put on the waitlist, contact Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2314 or e-mail lhydorn@mvf.org.

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!

Calendar

MONDAY



Arts and Crafts 10 a.m. to noon

Work side-by-side with other members while you each explore your creative side **March 21:** Spring Fabric Wreaths

March 28: Mosaic work (2 weeks)



Book Discussion Group

10 to 11 a.m. - third Monday each month

March 21: "The Tipping Point" by Malcolm Gladwell

April 18: "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee



Pickleball 11 a.m. to noon

Pickleball is a racquet sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis. Join the game with your SiA friends 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.

THURSDAY



Light Cardio Workout 9 to 10 a.m.

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



SiA Games / Social Hour Take 2 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Games, socializing and table tennis with your friends.



Pickleball 11 a.m. to noon

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

FRIDAY



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

second Friday each month

Free for SiA members, \$2/Non-member. Bring a lunch (beverages will be provided) and play bingo with friends. Members may bring friends and family to join in the fun.

The Seniors in Action program offers convenient and affordable activities to seniors 55 years and older, Monday through Friday. For more details on any Seniors in Action activity, contact Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2314 or e-mail *Ihydorn@mvf.org*.

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YOUTH CORPS WORKERS

Motivated individuals ages 14 to 16 spend six weeks learning skills related to outdoor work at recreation and park facilities. Candidates will need a work permit (if age requires) and must be available to work from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, from June 28 to August 6. Youth Corps Workers will be required to work July 4. Workers may earn an hourly rate or workers earn Student Service Learning hours.

Application deadline is Friday, April 1. Interviews will be scheduled in mid-April. For more information contact Amy Roswurm at 240-243-2303 or e-mail aroswurm@ mvf.org. EOE

SEASONAL SWIM INSTRUCTORS

Seeking experienced swimmers with good command of the basic swim strokes interested in working with children and/or adults. Hours are limited with weekday morning, evening and/or Sunday evening hours available. Must be at least 16 years old to apply. Red Cross certification is preferred but not required. Current and former competitive swimmers are encouraged to apply. Training is available.

Apply online at www. montgomeryvillage.com. For more information contact Lauren Hydorn at 240-243-2314 or e-mail Ihydorn@mvf.org. EOE

CLASS INSTRUCTORS

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garage – finished basement w/new flooring, recreation room and bonus room. Walk-in attic and tons of storage.

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SHADOW OAK

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Brick front, 3 BR, 2.5 BA 3-level TH. Completely renovated inside and out. All new siding, windows, front and storm doors, floors, baths, kitchen & lighting. Newly finished basement w/recessed lighting in FR. No-maintenance exterior w/composite trim, vinyl siding. Fenced back yard. Move-in ready!

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THE POINTS

\$405,000

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WHETSTONE

\$535,000

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