

# Village of Montgomery

February 2013

## Water Bill Reminder

Please do not mail your water bill payments to the Village Hall. When mailing a payment, please use the mailing address provided on the water bills, which is P.O. Box 739, Montgomery, IL 60538. If you pay your water bill online through your bank account, please be sure that you give the bank the P.O. Box 739 address. This will ensure that your payments go directly to our bank to be credited to your account as quickly as possible. If you have questions, please call 630-896-1357.

## Voting Information

On April 9, 2013, Montgomery voters will have the opportunity to elect a Village President, Village Clerk and three Trustees. If you have changed addresses since you last voted, be sure to register at your new address. Please exercise your right to vote in this important local election!

### Voter Registration

You may register to vote at the Montgomery Village Hall from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday through March 12th, except on February 18th when Village offices are closed.

The Counties offer a grace period for voter registration at their offices from March 13th to April 6th. At the County Clerk's Office you will register and vote at the same time.

### Early Voting

Early voting for Kane County residents will take place at the Montgomery Village Hall from March 25th to April 5th from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., except for March 29th when Village offices will be closed. Other early voting locations can be found on the county websites.

### Absentee Voting

February 28th is the first day to apply for mail or in-person absentee ballots at the County Clerk's Office. The last day to request and mail an absentee ballot is April 4th. Contact Kane County at 630-232-5990 or Kendall County at 630-553-4105 for further information.

## Recycling Events

To help residents dispose of electronics and other recyclables, the Village hosts a recycling event on the third Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. until noon. You can bring electronics (and all items that plug in), batteries, car fluids and metal of all types to the Police Department. Recycling collection stations will be set up on Civic Center Avenue so you can drop off these items for recycling. It's quick and easy! Paint and tires are not accepted.

## Special Events

A free presentation is offered on the second Tuesday of each month at the Village Hall. These are offered as part of the Village's Senior Citizen Program, but is open to all ages. At 10:00 a.m. on February 12th, Jim Weren will do a presentation on spies of the Civil War. The presentation on March 12th at 10:00 a.m. will be the Legacy Girls performing as The Andrews Sisters in a fun musical show. These free presentations are open to the general public and are handicapped accessible.

A Senior Lunch and activities will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. The cost for lunch is \$4.00 and advance registration is required. To sign up for the Senior Lunch, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 1227.

## Presentation on Eagles



A free presentation all about eagles will be offered at the Montgomery Village Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5th. For the past several years, eagles have nested along the Fox River in Montgomery, and residents have been thrilled to see these gorgeous birds soaring overhead. This presentation by Margaret Gazdacka from Red Oaks Nature Center will share fascinating information about eagles and their habitats. Everyone is invited to come and learn more about these new residents of Montgomery.

## Easter Egg Hunt

The Village and Community Christian Church are pleased to announce that they will be hosting the second annual Easter Egg Hunt for kids aged 1-10 on Saturday, March 23rd from 10:00 a.m. until noon. This event was a hopping success last year!

The egg hunt will take place at Montgomery Park, while refreshments, games, crafts and other fun activities will be offered in the Multi Purpose Room at the Village Hall. Don't forget to bring a camera to take a picture with the Easter Bunny! Please call 630-896-8080 ext. 1116 for more information.

## NEWS BRIEFS

- *The price of trash stickers increased to \$2.60 instead of \$2.50 beginning January 1st. However, the trash stickers sold at the Village Hall have an expiration date of December 31, 2016 so they can continue to be used this year even if they were purchased in 2012. Check the expiration date on your stickers and call Allied Waste at 630-892-9294 with any questions.*
- *The price of the blue bags for the Senior Trash program are going up to \$1.55 from \$1.50. Bags purchased in 2012 can continue to be used in 2013.*
- *Many thanks to Gary Beyer, Gary Pregel and Rich Gaffino for donating interesting historic items and allowing us to copy old photos and newspapers.*
- *Senior Luncheons and activities are held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$4. To sign up, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 1227.*
- *Dime Jingle for seniors is being held on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall. No skills are needed for this simple game. Just come to have fun and enjoy refreshments!*
- *Coffee with the Mayor will be held on February 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Police Station at 10 Civic Center Avenue. Tours of the Police Station will also be available.*
- *Village Offices will be closed on Monday, February 18th, for Presidents' Day. Trash pickup will not be affected.*
- *Spring can't be too far away! Allied Waste/Republic Services will begin its 2013 yard waste collection season the week of April 1st.*
- *Public Works will also begin the Village's brush pickup service on April 1st. Brush (no grapevine or roots) should be neatly stacked at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Monday morning, April 1st. Please refer to the Village's website for brush pickup guidelines.*

## “Fab 40” Award

The Village of Montgomery recently received a “Fab 40” award from The Conservation Foundation in recognition of its on-the-ground conservation efforts over the past 40 years. To celebrate their 40th anniversary, The Conservation Foundation of Naperville selected 40 partners whose work has helped accelerate the foundation’s mission—to preserve and restore natural areas and open space, protect rivers and watersheds, and promote stewardship of our environment. Montgomery was specifically recognized for preserving the Dickson-Murst Farm and for its naturalized storm-water basins.

## New Restaurants

The Village is proud to announce that Rosati’s has opened its building expansion offering a dine-in pizzeria and pub. Rosati’s is located on Orchard Road just north of Mayfield/Caterpillar Drive.

We are also happy to announce a new restaurant in downtown Montgomery on the corner of River Street and Mill Street. Stop ‘N’ Go has been open for a few weeks and features drinks and gorditas, which are pocket tortillas stuffed with a variety of fillings.

## Special Olympics Polar Plunge

The Montgomery Police Department will be participating in the Polar Plunge, a fundraiser for Special Olympics, on March 3rd at Loon Lake in Yorkville. Participants will enter the icy waters of the lake to raise money for Special Olympics. This will be the third year that the Montgomery Police Department has participated. The Polar Plunge raised more than \$1.5 million last year. For more information, please check the Village of Montgomery website or contact Sgt. Palko at 630-897-8707 ext. 2231.



Montgomery’s Facebook page now has 1,144 followers! To sign up, just visit [www.ci.montgomery.il.us](http://www.ci.montgomery.il.us) and click the Facebook symbol at the bottom of the page. Once you “like” us, you will receive all of our news and announcements in your Facebook news feed.

## Route 30 Improvements

Roadway construction activities for the US Route 30 improvements are on target to commence in the spring of 2013, and there are two locations to the improvement. Location one is US Route 30 at IL Route 31, which involves the bridge structure carrying US Route 30 over IL Route 31 and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, all four ramps, IL Route 31, and Watkins Street. The contractor for this location is D-Construction.

The second location is US 30 from Briarcliff Road to US Route 34, where the roadway will be widened to four lanes. The contractor for this location is Plote Construction. The construction activities that are currently in progress or will be commencing shortly are utility relocations, such as ComEd, Nicor, AT&T, etc. All other activities, including drainage, sound walls, and pavement reconstruction will be part of the roadway reconstruction which will start in spring of 2013.

## Snow Parking Reminder

Please remember that parking on the street is prohibited when there is 2” or more of snowfall until the streets have been cleared from curb to curb. Vehicles parked on the street while snow removal is occurring make it much more difficult for snowplows to completely clear the roadway, thus creating potential traffic hazards. The Police Department will ticket, and possibly tow, vehicles parked on the street during these conditions.

## Upcoming Events



February 2	9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	Coffee with the Mayor & Tours	Police Department, 10 Civic Center Avenue
February 12	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Spies of the Civil War Senior Citizen Activity & Lunch (Cost: \$4)	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room\
February 16	9:00 a.m.-noon	Recycling Event (Electronics & More)	Police Department, 10 Civic Center Avenue
February 20	10:00 a.m.-noon	Dime Jingle for Seniors (Cost: \$2)	Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
March 5	7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Montgomery: Home to Eagles!	Village Hall Board Room
March 12	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	The Legacy Girls (The Andrews Sisters Show) Senior Citizen Activity & Lunch (Cost: \$4)	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
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March 23	10:00 a.m.-noon	Easter Egg Hunt—ages 1-10 Games, refreshments, crafts & prizes	Montgomery Park, River and Mill Street Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
April 9	All day	Consolidated Election for Village President, Clerk and 3 Trustees—Don’t forget to vote!	