

JULY 2024

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Montgomery & Beyond

There is a lot going on in our community this year, but we simultaneously are looking towards the future and where we must go as a Village.

Mayor's Message - Matt Brolley

We are halfway through the summer which means our Village operations are in full swing. Staff and elected officials are gearing up for the beloved Montgomery Fest, which is set for August 16, 17, 18 in the newly renovated Montgomery Park (301 N. River St.). Once again, we will have three days of family-fun, carnival rides, entertainment, parade, car show, fireworks, carp derby, and more.

Pardon our dust, as our water main and capital improvement projects for FY25 are well on their way to meet deadline goals before the first frost. Our primary investment in the next several years will be the change in water source. It is imperative that we push forward to switch to Lake Michigan water as the region's deep sandstone aquifers continue to deplete. To make this transition requires lots of planning, manpower, and money. The Village must replace all its aging water infrastructure, mitigate water loss, and prepare for building new infrastructure required to source water from the DuPage Water Commission by 2032. The Village is currently undergoing a rate and fee study to address funding needs and long-term sustainability. Elected officials are working hard in reviewing funding options to ensure fiscal sustainability and responsibility. We must not only plan for today, but for the community our younger residents will inherit years from now.

I urge residents to get out and explore Montgomery with the remaining summer days. Walk along the Fox River, visit the monuments at Montgomery Park, stop by one of the National Night Out locations on August 6, or visit the team at Montgomery Fest. All events and happenings are on our website at montgomeryil.org.



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NEWS BRIEFS

Yard and organic waste sticker sales will begin on July 15 at Village locations (Village Hall and the Police Department) during regular business hours. Stickers are \$2.50. One sticker is required for each yard waste bag or container. Weight not to exceed 50lbs.

In observance of Independence Day, Village Admin. Offices will close on Thursday, July 4. As a result, trash collection is delayed by one day after Thursday. If your regular pickup is Thursday, it will move to Friday, and so on. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday's collection will remain as scheduled.

Residents may only perform landscape watering and fill swimming pools between 6-9A or 6-9P. Even-numbered addresses may water on even calendar dates, and odd-numbered addresses may water on odd calendar dates. Restrictions do not apply to handheld watering devices, small pools (less than 50 gallons), or washing cars.

Please care for planted parkway trees by refilling the watering bags or soaking them with a hose for 15 minutes one or two times per week.

Join seniors (55+) for lunch at Village Hall on the 2nd Tuesday, September through December. The cost is \$8 per resident; tickets can be purchased in advance at Village Hall during regular business hours. For questions, email rboeing@montgomeryil.org or call Rosie at 331-212-9008.

View the 2023 Water Quality Report online at <https://bit.ly/MontgomeryCCR23>. Paper copies are also available at Village Hall.

Timken Aurora Bearing is "Montgomery Made"



Founded in 1971, Aurora Bearing moved to Montgomery in 1997. Acquired by Timken in 2020, the global company celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2024.

Timken Aurora Bearing is one of several manufacturing facilities that create high-quality bearings for customers worldwide, specifically the rod end, spherical plain, and journal bearings. Three years ago, this facility helped design a spherical plain bearing used on an "arm" that gathered samples on Mars from the Perseverance Rover for a study.

The Montgomery facility is home to 225 employees who fulfill the mechanical needs of various markets, such as textile and packaging, recreation and exercise equipment, agricultural, off-highway vehicles, commercial transportation, high-performance racing, military, and commercial air and aerospace.



Congratulations Volunteer of the Year Honorees



On Monday, June 10, the Village of Montgomery presented four awards to individuals and groups for their impact in and around the Village. The first Volunteer of the Year Awards opened for nominations in April. Those recognized were honored at the board meeting and received a plaque from the Village. They are pictured on the newsletter cover photo (from left to right).

- Youth Impact** | OHS Band Booster Co-Presidents - Steve & Marge Griest
- Active Adult Impact** | Senior Luncheon Volunteer - Patti Bulat
- Group Impact** | Special Stars, Inc. - Stephanie Clay, Tania Pope, Kayla Lindlow
- Family Impact** | Rotary Club Food Pantry Donor - Stacy Krutilla (not pictured)

Adventures of "Flat Monty"

Before summer break, the Montgomery Police Department launched a summer engagement campaign focused on our elementary students. Many have read the book *Flat Stanley* by Jeff Brown, and this summer your youngest residents can take "Flat Monty" with them on all of their summer adventures. If you don't have your copy yet, pick up one from Village Hall or the Police Department or download one from montgomeryil.org. Kids of all ages can color Monty, cut him out, and take him along on their summer adventures. Show us where "Flat Monty" goes by tagging @MontgomeryPDComfortDog or @MontgomeryILPD on social media or email your photos to communications@montgomeryil.org.



Don't forget to visit the summer Montgomery Police Department events to catch the real Monty in action.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT | August 6 | 6-8P | Various Locations
CHALK WITH A COP | August 17 | 10A-12P | Montgomery Fest



**TUESDAY,
AUGUST 6**

We are coming to your neighborhood with vehicle tours, activities, and fun from 6-8P. In conjunction with the local fire districts, the Montgomery Police Department will visit seven locations throughout the Village.



**FRIDAY-SUNDAY,
AUGUST 16, 17, 18**

Three days of entertainment, food, carnival, and fun, Montgomery Fest begins Friday, August 16 at 4P through Sunday, August 18 at 9P, followed by our firework show closing tradition. Now seeking craft vendors, volunteers, and parade entries. Find out more at montgomeryil.org.



**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 5**

The River Run, a scenic race along the west and east banks of the Fox River, is a timed race that includes a long-sleeved tech race shirt. Registration is open for the 5K, 10K, and Kids Dash! Learn more and sign up at montgomeryil.org/187/River-Run.

QUESTIONS? WE ARE HERE TO HELP.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING 844-NEED-LRS montgomery@LRSrecycles.com	PERMITS 331-212-9023 M-F 8A-3:30P	POLICE DEPARTMENT 630-897-8707 M-F 8A-4:30P	PUBLIC WORKS 630-896-9241 M-F 7A-3:30P	UTILITY BILLING 630-896-1357 M-F 8A-4:30P	VILLAGE HALL 630-896-8080 M-F 8A-4:30P
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