



# The Borough of

# Montvale

The Official Newsletter of The Borough of Montvale

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## DAY IN THE PARK PHOTOS



Photos from the 2017 Montvale Day in the Park are available by visiting [Montvale.org/pictures](http://Montvale.org/pictures). In addition to Day in the Park, be sure to view all of the photos that have been taken throughout the year, including the Street Fair, Memorial Day Parade, Cleanup Day, and more!



## Mayor's Message

Welcome to the Town of Montvale. Offering a bucolic setting in northern Bergen County, Montvale is the idyllic home to residents and many business entities. Located less than 35 minutes from midtown Manhattan, Montvale offers the very best of Bergen County – proximity to NYC coupled with easy access to the many amenities of suburban life. Noted for its top rated public schools and highly skilled workforce, the town continues to attract corporate entities from Fortune 500 companies to nascent start-ups.

Quality of life is a priority amongst town residents. While the historic family farms have largely given way to a modern suburban economy, the town still boasts a wooded environment with attractive housing options for all ages and life stages. The family-oriented town offers a large stock of single family housing on lots ranging from less than one-half acre to multiple acres, but also offers attractive options for recent graduates, couples and empty nesters, including gated communities, townhouses and apartments. All public schools are located in town starting with the Memorial Elementary School, the Fieldstone Middle School and ultimately Pascack Hills High School. Pascack Hills is home to many leading-edge initiatives - its one-to-one laptop technology program for all enrolled students and world champion robotics team are just a few examples of the cutting edge education that is offered. Montvale is also home to the well-respected St. Joseph High School for those seeking a private high school experience. In addition, numerous other private schools are within a 10-15 minute car or bus ride such as Bergen Catholic High School, Don Bosco Academy, and the Academy of Holy Angels.

The town is managed by a publicly elected mayor and town council along with seasoned administrative professionals. Montvale boasts a first class volunteer fire company, a professional police department, and a top notch library. The volunteer Montvale Athletic League promotes and manages youth sports for children ages 3-14 in baseball, basketball, soccer, softball, track and field, football, and cheerleading. Residents can take advantage of the town-owned tennis courts, basketball courts, baseball and soccer fields. Houses of worship are within walking distance in the center of town.

Montvale is well stocked with shopping and dining options ranging from family owned businesses and restaurants to nationally known enterprises. The new Wegman's supermarket scheduled to open in September will be the first of its kind in northern New Jersey and will be complemented by several new shopping and dining establishments. Busy families and individuals can take advantage of multiple child care, fitness, pharmacy and personal service providers, all located in town.

Easy access is a hallmark of Montvale's location as it is bisected by the Garden State Parkway (Exit 172) which provides direct access to NJ Route 17, I87 and I287, the Tappan Zee Bridge as well as the George Washington Bridge and Lincoln Tunnel. Commuter bus services are provided from the Park and Ride Lot located in the Montvale Service Area on the Garden State Parkway and rail access to and from NYC is provided along the Pascack Valley train line at the Montvale train station.

Montvale is a growing and vibrant community of over 9,000 residents with a focus on maintaining the historic character of its town while at the same time working cooperatively with our corporate partners. The recent arrival of entities such as Memorial Sloan Kettering and Sharp Electronics along with the decision by KPMG to significantly expand in town are a testament to the fact that Montvale continually lives up to its slogan of "Montvale For Business".

Offering a small town feel with historic homes and buildings, wooded lots and family owned businesses coupled with a town leadership that is both progressive and focused on the future, we are truly able to offer the best of all worlds – a premiere place to both live and work. Come and explore all that we have to offer in this northern corner of Bergen County. We are sure you will be impressed.

## Montvale Police Department

Hello Montvale,

First, I want to welcome the two newest officers to the Montvale Police Department, Russell DiLauri and Joseph Werba. Both officers have graduated the Bergen County Police Academy and are currently in our Field Training Program. Congratulations!

For summer - There are a number of tips to help keep your home safe while you are on vacation.

- Stop routine deliveries to your house. The mail, paper, water, and similar home deliveries piling up outside your door are sure giveaways that no one is home.
- Keep a light on inside the house in the evening. But put it on a timer. The same light on all night will look curious to thieves.
- Do not broadcast on social media that you are away. Your posts on Facebook, Twitter LinkedIn, Snapchat, Instagram and other accounts where personal details are routinely shared and often can be accessed by thieves combing the internet for potential targets.
- The spare key you keep in the fake rock fools no one. Thieves will check for the hidden spare key under your doormat, under the potted plant or in one of the other common hiding places people use. Remove the spare if you are away. Leave it with a neighbor or relative.
- Let the police know that you will be away. We have a registry where the patrol division will be notified that a residence is supposed to be unoccupied. This also provides us with the ability to contact you or a person you designate in the event of an emergency.
- Have a trusted neighbor, friend or family member keep an eye on your house while you are away.

Along with traditional municipal police services, the Montvale Police Department also offers the following to Montvale residents:

- Infant car seat installation and checks
- Vacant home checks
- Unused / unwanted prescription drop box at the police department building
- Home security checks
- Notary public service
- Free gun locks available
- Crime prevention lectures
- Facebook and twitter notifications
- Reverse 911 notifications
- Firearms permits

Stay safe,  
Chief Jeremy Abrams



## July 2017 Trash & Recycling Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26 East Zone Trash Pickup	27 Central Zone Trash Pickup	28 West Zone Trash Pickup	29 Recycling: Districts 1&2 Yard Waste Collection	30	1
2	3 East Zone Trash Pickup	4	5 Central Zone Trash Pickup West Zone Trash Pickup	6 Recycling: Districts 3&4 Yard Waste Collection	7	8
9	10 East Zone Trash Pickup	11 Central Zone Trash Pickup	12 West Zone Trash Pickup	13 Recycling: Districts 1&2 Yard Waste Collection	14	15
16	17 East Zone Trash Pickup	18 Central Zone Trash Pickup	19 West Zone Trash Pickup	20 Recycling: Districts 3&4 Yard Waste Collection	21	22
23	24 East Zone Trash Pickup	25 Central Zone Trash Pickup	26 West Zone Trash Pickup	27 Recycling: Districts 1&2 Yard Waste Collection	28	29
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### Montvale Officials

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### Upcoming Meetings

#### Mayor & Council Meetings

July 11 - 7:30pm  
July 25 - 7:30pm

#### Planning Board Meeting

July 18 - 7:30pm

#### Library Board Meeting

July 22 - 7:30pm

#### Environmental Commission Meeting

July 17 - 7:45pm

#### Library Board Meeting

July 1 - 7:30 pm

### Reminders

**Borough offices will be closed on Tuesday July 4th.**

# RECREATION

## Summer Camp Emails

If you have registered your child for camp, you should have already received at least one email regarding camp procedures. If you have not received an email from recreation and your child is registered for camp, please email [MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org](mailto:MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org) as soon as possible. to volunteer.

## Summer Camp News

### Food for Friends Friday

This year, we are proud to be introducing Food for Friends Friday. Every Friday, we will be collecting non-perishable food items to donate to the Tri-Boro Food Pantry. A recommended or specific-foods-needed list will go home with campers at the beginning of the week. Any camper who would like to participate should bring in items from this list on any Friday. Each group will collectively compete against the other groups to see who can bring in the most items by the end of camp. The group who wins will receive a special treat on the last day of camp! We look forward to allowing the opportunity for children to give back to their community in a fun way.

## Talent Show and Movie Under the Stars Night

The camp talent show will be on Friday, July 21st at 7:30pm this year. Your little ones will be practicing at camp in the weeks leading up to this tradition and we are so anxious to see what they come up with this year! Immediately following the talent show, Recreation will be hosting a free Movie Under the Stars night! Bring a lawn chair or blanket to view a movie on an outdoor projection screen. We'll have lawn games, contests, giveaways and more as you set up your viewing area and grab some food from Big Daddy's Snack Shack! All Montvale Residents are welcome!

## Tennis Court Badges

Each year residents who wish to use the courts must register to receive their new access card. Badges for the 2017 season, which runs from March 1st - December 31st, may be purchased at the Borough Hall (during normal business hours beginning) OR online: [www.montvale.org/recreation](http://www.montvale.org/recreation)  
The 2017 tennis fee schedule is

CATEGORY	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Adult	\$30	\$60
*Student (14-18)	\$10	\$20
Family	\$50	\$100
Senior Citizen	FREE	\$10

\*Students between the ages of 13 and 18 who are registering alone, must register as an adult

## Special Events Committee

Looking to give back to your town in a way that benefits residents of all ages through fun family-oriented events? Recreation is currently seeking volunteers to assist in the planning and coordinating of Montvale's annual events such as Day In The Park, the Halloween Carnival, the Holiday Tree Lighting, the Egg Coloring and more! Join the Special Events Committee today to be a part of keeping these events successful, memorable and a tradition for Montvale. Please call 201-391-5700 ext. 251 or email [MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org](mailto:MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org) for more information.

## Talkin' Baseball

If talking about Baseball as it was in years past is your thing, please join us at our monthly meetings. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 8:15pm in the Recreation Center (entrance is behind the community center) There is no fee for this program.

## Field Use

Applications and Hold Harmless forms must be completed and returned to the Borough Hall Building Dept. c/o Jeff Fette, with Liability Insurance and payment. Forms are available on line and at the Borough Hall front counter. Permits will be given according to availability.

## Day in the Park Photos



*View more photos from Day at the Park by visiting [Montvale.org/pictures](http://Montvale.org/pictures)*

# July Highlights at The Library

## Adult Department

### July 1

"The Taming of the Shrew" at 1:00p.m. Perennial favorites The Next Stage Ensemble (part of the Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey) returns to delight our audience.

### July 13

"Strictly Sinatra Concert" at 7:00p.m. Local singer Tony D'Anna will perform popular Sinatra favorites in a musical tribute to "Ol' Blue Eyes" upstairs in the Council Chambers.

### July 16

"Break Lights Concert" at 2:00p.m. outside on the Great Lawn (or inside in the Council Chambers if it rains). Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy this young, alternative rock band from New Jersey.

## Library News

July 1 is the first day to donate items for the Friends of the Library Book Sale in September. Final day to donate is August 25.

All Montvale residents are encouraged to "Build a Better World" this summer by joining one of the Library's Summer Reading programs.

We have reading programs for newborns through adults—and lots of prizes, too!

So stop in at the Library and sign up!

For additional information about these or any other Library programs and services, please call the Library at 201-391-5090 or stop by and visit us.



## Tri-Boro Food Pantry

**For this month, The Tri-Boro Food Pantry is looking for donations of:**

- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Fruit
- Breakfast Cereals
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Bottled Juice



PLEASE CHECK EXPIRATION DATES ON ITEMS. - THANK YOU!

## Tri-Boro Volunteer Ambulance Corps



The Tri-Boro Volunteer Ambulance Corps, established in 1938, has been answering the call for help from the residents, businesses and visitors within our communities of Woodcliff Lake, Montvale and Park Ridge for 79 years. TBVAC is an All VOLUNTEER organization. Our Volunteers provide compassionate, professional care in your most difficult moments. You can also find us at community events lending a hand when needed.

Our 2017 Fund Drive is currently underway. You should have received our mailing during EMS week (May 21 – 27, 2017). If you did not receive the mailer and would like to make a donation, you can do so through the PayPal link on our website: [TriBoroAmbulance.org](http://TriBoroAmbulance.org) or you can mail your check to TBVAC, PO Box 204, Park Ridge, NJ 07656.

All donations are greatly appreciated. We are a 501(c)(3) corporation making your donation fully tax deductible. The majority of our operating budget comes from the thoughtful donations we receive from our community during this fund drive.

Did you know??

- Always pull over when you see a blue light. EMS personnel are trying to answer a call for help.
- Safety helmets are required for children ages 4 to 17 whenever riding bicycles, scooters, rollerblades or skateboards.
- Your local police department can assist with the proper installation of child car seats.
- Help Save Lives: Don't Text and Drive.
- Display your house number prominently to avoid delaying emergency personnel.

The members of Tri-Boro Volunteer Ambulance Corps wish you all a safe and happy summer!

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- \* National Constitution Center
- \* Betsy Ross House
- \* Performance of "Freedom Rising"
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3 DAYS – 2 NIGHTS

*The sample itinerary described below is approximately like the itinerary your group will be following during your stay with WHITE STAR TOURS. However, the exact times, days, and destinations may vary for your group.*

- DAY 1** A morning departure has you heading into **Philadelphia—the City of Brotherly Love**. Upon arrival, you will meet your guide at the Visitor's Center, then depart on a 3-hour **historic tour**. Founded and laid out by William Penn, the city was the second largest, but most prominent of the early English colonies. Following your tour, you will check into your accommodations and have a chance to freshen up before enjoying your evening activity. A fantastic dinner has been arranged at a local restaurant, followed by an evening with a **Founding Father**. A historic figure from Philadelphia's past will join the group for an **entertaining evening** of enlightenment.
- DAY 2** Enjoy breakfast before continuing to the **National Constitution Center**. America's most interactive history museum, it is the first-ever honoring and explaining the U.S. Constitution and the story of "**We, the People**." You can take the Oath of Office and walk among life-size bronze statues in **Signers' Hall**. Also, included will be a rousing performance of the multi-media presentation, "Freedom Rising". Later, enjoy lunch on your own at The Bourse, before a visit to the **Betsy Ross House**. The Betsy Ross House, the birthplace of the American flag, is alive with the sights and sounds of the 18th century. Tour the house and then stay a while longer to learn more about Betsy and her exciting life and times. There will be time to freshen up at your hotel, then depart for a **Philadelphia Casino** where you can spend an exciting evening trying your hand at the games of chance. Dinner is on your own at the casino this evening.
- DAY 3** Following breakfast, it's time to check out and depart for **Independence National Historical Park**. Spanning over 55 acres on 20 city blocks within the historic district of the City of Philadelphia, the park preserves and interprets many of our country's most important resources associated with the establishment of the United States of America. Additionally, the park tells the story of Philadelphia's most famous citizen, Benjamin Franklin, in Franklin Court, where Franklin's home once stood. You are welcome to visit the historic buildings, such as **Independence Hall** (free admission ticket required), **Old City Hall**, **Congress Hall**, **Liberty Bell Center** and much more. Before leaving the city, a stop will be made at Philadelphia's historic farmers market, **Reading Terminal Market**. An exhilarating selection of baked goods, meats, poultry, seafood, produce, flowers, ethnic foods, cookware and eclectic restaurants are peppered throughout the Market. Depart for home after your visit.

THANK YOU FOR TRAVELING WITH WHITE STAR TOURS TO PHILADELPHIA!

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