



The Borough of

Montvale

The Official Newsletter of The Borough of Montvale

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Recreation Department Egg Coloring



Recreation Department News

Join our Recreation Department for the egg coloring event on 4/1/17 from 10am - 12pm at the Memorial School Cafetorium. Bring your own hard-boiled eggs. Coloring supplies are provided! Open to all Kindergarten - 4th-grade kids. Join us for coloring, crafts, contests, and entertainment! Please email Montvalerecreation@montvaleboro.org with any questions.

There is still time to sign up for spring recreation programs and tennis registration is now available online by visiting www.Montvale.org. View pages 6-7 for a full list of programs that are still available, as well as important dates for upcoming events and programs.

March Highlights at The Library

Adult Department

March 5 – “The Kootz Band in Concert” at 2:00p.m. Come enjoy the easy listening sounds of this popular band that will entertain you with classic rock, blues, and contemporary sounds. Register now.

March 12 – “Home Staging Talk” at 2:00p.m. Home design specialist Lori Carbone will offer a free talk on how to stage your home. Register now.

March 25 – “Pysanky Workshop” at 12:30p.m. Instructor Patty Wiszuk-DeAngelo will teach a beginner/intermediate class on the Ukrainian art of egg decorating. In person registration required; class size limited. Non-refundable \$25 cash materials fee due at registration.



Children's Department

March 6 – In person registration begins for Spring Story Hour.

March 11 – “Afternoon Movie and Meet a Princess” at 12:30p.m. Ages 4 and up are welcome to come and meet Belle and see her movie. In person registration required.

March 14 – “St. Patrick’s Day Craft” at 3:45p.m. for ages K and up. In person registration required.

March 23 – “Cooking Club” at 4:00p.m. Also known as “Chemistry in the Kitchen.” In person registration required. Ages 1st grade and up.

March 24 – “Pysanky Egg Decorating Workshop” at 3:45p.m. for ages K and up. \$10 cash non-refundable materials fee due at time of in person registration.

For additional information about these or any other Library programs and services, please call the Library at 201-391-5090, visit the Library’s web site at montvale.bccls.org, or stop by and visit us

Tri-Boro Food Pantry

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

- Canned pineapple
- Pancake mix
- Pancake syrup
- Tea
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper

PLEASE CHECK
EXPIRATION DATES ON
ITEMS. THANK YOU!



Thank you Wegmans! The Tri-Boro Food Pantry would like to express gratitude for their kind donation of food to our pantry.

Police Department

This past week Montvale had a burglary occur at one of our residences. The homeowner had been out, returned home to find the thief in her house loading a garbage bag with items he was stealing. The homeowner ran out of the house, got in her car and called the police. She was able to provide a great description of the suspect and his direction of flight to responding officers. Our officers along with officers from the surrounding towns set up a perimeter around the neighborhood. Police followed footprints in the snow along with a trail of dropped loot from the theft to a house under construction a few blocks away. The suspect found pretending to be part of the construction crew, but was quickly identified and arrested at that location. The burglar was in handcuffs in under 15 minutes. Our patrol officers, detectives and officers from the surrounding towns did an outstanding job solving this crime.

Also as a reminder, home and business burglar alarms must be registered with the Police Department. You can download a registration form on the Borough website, www.montvale.org or pick one up at the police station. You can also download Vacant Home Registration and Firearms Permit forms and connect to the Orange and Rockland Street Light repair via a link on the website.

Stay safe,

Chief Jeremy Abrams



Mayor's Message



We are now well into the budget meetings, I commend the Council Members for the diligent work and the passion they do to ensure our tax dollars are well spent. Special thanks to our Finance Committee Chairman Councilman, Tim Lane for lending us his expertise in finance and the intricate insurance options. Our roads and the Fieldstone field turf are the largest ticket items in the budget for this year, along with the routine items that have to be maintained, replaced or rotated out of inventory. A full budget presentation will be scheduled in April and hopefully, you can attend and present your questions before the approval of the final budget.

I also would like to extend my thanks to the Pascack Valley Regional High School Board and staff for approving the recording and broadcasting of their board meetings in the spirit of transparency and accountability.

The road program is in progress with major improvements to the intersections at Summit Avenue and Spring Valley Road, and at Grand Avenue and Spring Valley Road. Both intersections will have a dedicated left turn signals and added turn lanes. The High School will have a dedicated right turn off Grand Avenue into the parking lot. The flow of traffic inside the High School parking lot is being reviewed by our Borough Engineer and a proposal will be recommended to the School Board.

You will notice trees being removed and trimmed around town in the next few months. This is an initiative from Orange and Rockland in an effort to maintain their grid lines, it just happened to be about the same time as our work on the intersections.

Looking forward to the spring in few weeks, and please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Mayor Mike Ghassali

March 2017 Trash & Recycling Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
27 East Zone Trash Pickup	28 Central Zone Trash Pickup	1 West Zone Trash Pickup	2 Recycling: Districts 3&4	3
6 East Zone Trash Pickup	7 Central Zone Trash Pickup	8 West Zone Trash Pickup	9 Recycling: Districts 1&2	10
13 East Zone Trash Pickup	14 Central Zone Trash Pickup	15 West Zone Trash Pickup	16 Recycling: Districts 3&4	17
20 East Zone Trash Pickup	21 Central Zone Trash Pickup	22 West Zone Trash Pickup	23 Recycling: Districts 1&2	24
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Upcoming Meetings

Mayor & Council Meetings

March 14 - 7:30pm
March 28 - 7:30pm

Planning Board Meeting

March 7 - 7:30pm
March 21 - 7:30pm

Library Board Meeting

March 23 - 7:30pm

Environmental Commission Meeting

March 20 - 7:45pm

Board of Health Meeting

March 6 - 7:45pm

Reminders

Mayor Ghassali has open office hours on Tuesday 3/7 from 4pm - 7pm. No appointment is necessary.

The Board of Health Announces Pet Canvassing

The Board of Health in conjunction with Tyco Animal Control would like to remind the residents the importance of licensing your dogs and cats. New Jersey law requires that all dogs and cats be licensed as a rabies control measure. Registering your pet and attaching a current tag to the pet collar is the best insurance of having your pet returned to you in case the pet escapes your yard or is lost. When a licensed pet is picked up and impounded by an animal control officer, the officer checks the Borough license system, identifies and then notifies the owner. A pet license also provides rabies vaccination information in the event of an incident or bite.

During the Spring of 2017, Tyco Animal Control will be conducting door-to-door canvassing of all the residences to assure that all pets are licensed. If your dog or cat is unlicensed, please do so prior to February 28th to avoid a late fee. Animal license applications and instructions can be found on the Borough website and Borough Hall.

If you have any other questions about licensing, or no longer own your pet, contact Janet Russo, Board of Health Secretary at (201) 391-5700 ext. 257 or by email jrusso@montvaleboro.org.

Public Works Pothole Information

No one likes them. They seem to pop up overnight. In reality, potholes are created in a number of ways. When water seeps into cracks on the road's surface and is combined with the vibration of traffic it causes the asphalt to fail. This is why there are more potholes after it rains. Potholes are also created when trucks and buses stress the roadway causing a movement of the subsurface. Once there is a weak spot, every car that travels over it worsens the problem, and eventually a section of the material will fail. The most common cause is the freeze/thaw cycle. The ice/snow melts during the day filling cracks with water. At night the water freezes and expands, popping out the asphalt.

To report a pothole, please complete an online DPW road maintenance form on our website at www.Montvale.org or call the Pascack Valley Department of Public Works @ 201 664-2346 X 1400. All municipals roads are done through the Department of Public Works. The Department of Public Works will report all potholes on county roads to the Bergen County Road Department.

Office of Emergency Management

Montvale now has an Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Facebook & Twitter page. Please follow the links below and don't forget to click "Like" for Facebook and "Follow" for Twitter.

<https://www.facebook.com/montvalenjoem/>
<https://twitter.com/montvalenjoem>

Did you know?

Radio communications is a core component of emergency management. In the of event a disaster, a power outage will impact your ability to use your phone and get on the internet. Even cellular communications could be affected making your cell phone useless. During times like this, you can use amateur radio to listen for local updates. A license is not required to buy or listen to amateur radio. A license is only required if you wish to transmit. There are some extremely affordable, hand held amateur radios that can function as a scanner. These radios can be purchased for around \$30. If you are interested in learning more about this, the Montvale OEM can help you purchase one and program it.

Learn more...

If you are a licensed amateur radio operator or would like to learn more about amateur/ham radio, please send an email to: montvaleoem@montvaleboro.org

IMPORTANT RECREATION DATES

Day in the Park - June 17 - Memorial Drive

If you are involved in a non-profit organization, and would be interested in having a table for your organization at Montvale's Day in the Park (where you can sell items/create an activity for kids), email us at montvalerecreation@montvaleboro.org. Please include the following items in your email:

*Name of non-profit organization

*Your name and affiliation with the organization

*What you would like to sell (items must be approved by the Rec Dept. so organizations do not sell the same items) and what kind of activity you would like to have at your table

*Contact info (email and cell phone #)

Recreation Summer Camp

July 3rd – July 28th (No Camp on Tuesday, July 4th)

Monday-Friday

9:30AM-12:30PM

Memorial Drive

Summer Camp is open to all boys and girls who will be entering Grades 1-7 in September 2017. Campers will participate in a variety of activities to include bowling, arts & crafts, inflatables, water activities, sports, contests, theme days and more! Registration information will follow in the March Newsletter. Although we do our best to keep camp open, in the event of severe inclement weather there is the possibility that we may have to close Camp.

Resident Fee: \$200 per child (family max \$650)

Non-Resident Fee: \$250 per child (family max \$800)

The parks on Memorial Drive will be closed to the public from 9:30AM-1:00PM during summer camp season.

Camp Counselor Interviews

If you returned an application by March 1st, all counselors must be interviewed on one of the following days of their choice: March 9th 4:30-6:30PM, March 10th 6:00-8:00PM and March 11th 9:00-10:30AM at the Recreation Center. You do not need to sign up ahead of time, please just attend one of the aforementioned days. Please call or email the Recreation Director, Lisa Dent, with any questions: 201-259-6840 ldent@montvaleboro.org

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SPRING ADULT PROGRAMS

Tennis Badges

A magnetic locking system is installed on the court gates of both the Memorial Drive and Chestnut Ridge tennis courts. This system has proven to be an effective way to reduce the number of non-registered people using our courts. Each year residents who wish to use the courts must register to receive their new access card.

The Recreation Department is in the process of updating the tennis courts magnetic card reader to a proximity reader. Badges will no longer need to be swiped, but rather just moved within a close proximity to the reader. Badges for the 2017 season, which runs from March 1st - December 31st, may be purchased at the Borough Hall during normal business hours beginning in March. 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
There will be a \$10 fee for the need of a replacement badge		

Registration is still open and ongoing for our programs. Attend a class to register

30+ Basketball

This program is for men and women 30 years of age and older. This program is held on Monday evenings from 8:00-10:00PM in the Memorial School gymnasium. This pick-up game style program began in September and will continue through May 2017. Fee: \$75 for residents; \$95 for non-residents if space permits.

18+ Competitive Basketball

Residents 18 years of age and older can participate in this competitive style pick-up game format. This program begins on January 11, 2017 and will continue through May. Games are played on Wednesday nights from 8:00-10:00 PM in the Fieldstone School gymnasium. The fee for this program is \$50 for residents and \$75 for non-residents.

Adult Volleyball

This program is for men and women 18 years of age and older. Adult volleyball will be held in the Memorial School Gymnasium "B" from 8:00-10:00PM. The program began January 10, 2017 and will be held on Tuesday evenings through May. The fee for Residents is \$50 and the Non-resident fee is \$75.

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.

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.

Montvale 2017 Cleanup Day!

Saturday, April 29, 2017

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**ALL RESIDENTS YOUNG AND OLD ARE INVITED
TO HELP THE COMMUNITY GET READY FOR SPRING**



*Bergen County Clean
Communities Program*

We start with **FREE Coffee/Juice and Bagels** before you set off with a group to clean specific areas around town. **ALL RESIDENTS OF MONTVALE INVITED** to meet us at the Red Shed on Memorial Drive (near ball fields) at 9:00 am and return with garbage bags around 12:00. Gloves and garbage bags provided.

- Time counts for community service hours, forms available.

COME HAVE FUN WITH US!

This Event is being held with support from the following organizations:

- Montvale Environmental Commission
- Montvale Boy Scout Troop 334
- Montvale Cub Scout Pack 336
- Montvale Girl Scouts

For more information please contact Bob Hanrahan at:

12 Mercedes Dr. Montvale NJ
Phone: 201-286-4250

E-mail:
rhanrahan@montvaleboro.org





3 DAYS - 2 NIGHTS - 5/8/2017 - 5/10/2017 - \$395.00 per person based on double occupancy

For more information and reservations, contact: Rosemarie Kelly at (201) 391-8718.

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

2 Nights lodging

2 Breakfasts

Dinner at the La Forge Restaurant

Newport Harbor Cruise

Historic Tour of Newport

Tours of: The Breakers, Marble House, Touro Synagogue

Tour and wine tasting at local vineyard

Newport Grand Slots

Brick Marketplace

Olde Mistick Village

Souvenir gift

Luggage handling

All taxes and meal gratuities

Motorcoach transportation

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 - Depart from your hometown and travel to Rhode Island, stopping for a rest break and lunch on your own at Olde Mistick Village. Arrive in early afternoon in the Newport area and enjoy a guided tour of historic Newport. Check into your lodging for the next two nights. Dinner is on your own this evening at Applebee's, located at your lodging.

Day 2 - Breakfast at your lodging, then board your bus and depart for a day in Newport. Visit the Touro Synagogue (the oldest synagogue building still standing in the United States). Board a cruise boat and depart for a cruise on the harbor. See Newport at its picture-perfect best as your narrator gives you close-up views of the lighthouses, America's Cup yachts, grand estates and much more. Lunch is on your own at Brick Marketplace, with time to browse the shops. Continue this afternoon to a local vineyard for a tour, followed by wine tasting. Prepare for your evening, then depart for dinner at the popular La Forge Restaurant, located on the grounds of the International Tennis Hall of Fame. After dinner, depart for the nearby Newport Grand Slots for some gaming fun. Return to the motel afterward for a restful night.

Day 3 - Breakfast at your lodging, then check out and depart for audio tours of two of Newport's magnificent mansions. "The Breakers" is the grandest of Newport's summer "cottages," and a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's social and financial preeminence in turn-of-the-century America. "Marble House" was built between 1888 and 1892 and was inspired by the Petit Trianon at Versailles. After your visits, enjoy lunch on your own in the area and depart for home - taking with you wonderful memories of your vacation in the timeless elegance of Newport.

Cancellation insurance information available at www.Montvale.org

Join the MONTVALE SENIOR CLUB
Wednesday, April 19th, 2017

for

A Guided Tour of the Culinary Institute of America

A Guided Tour of the Franklin D. Roosevelt
National Historic Site

A Three Course Lunch at American Bounty
Restaurant

(entrée selection is pan-roasted sea bass)

\$79.00 members. \$89.00 non-members.

Bus departs from Senior Center at 8:00 a.m.

Departs from Hyde Park at 4:00 p.m.

**For information, contact Marie Dineen at 201-391-1831 or
mdineen118@aol.com. Checks only to Montvale Sr. Club.**



2017 Annual Community Dinner and Raffle

Friday March 31, 2017 at 6:30 PM
Fieldstone Middle School
Hosted by Montvale Boy Scout Troop 334



Come out and **JOIN YOUR COMMUNITY** for a fun filled evening of food, friends, music, a tricky tray raffle, and more! Dinner includes a full Pasta and Meatball entree including salad and fresh garlic bread. After dinner enjoy a dessert and coffee table, followed by the raffle. Prizes include Sports Tickets, a Sightseeing Flight over NYC for 3, and much more. Children will enjoy Balloon Art from our CLOWN!

Tickets at the Door:

Adults: \$8.00, Seniors: \$7.00, Children: (under 12) \$6.00

Pre-Event Tickets: \$6.00 for All Ages

For Tickets or Information:

Phone:
201-802-0252

E-mail:
troop334mail@gmail.com

PO Box 641
Montvale, NJ 07645



Proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop 334 – Sponsored by American Legion Post 153

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Montvale Street Fair Sunday June 11th!



The Montvale Chamber of Commerce Wegmans Market Street Fair

Sunday June 11th
Paragon Drive
Montvale

"Be a Part of an Amazing Community Event that attracts
People from all over the Region"

Sponsorships range from \$1,250 - \$10,000a sponsorship for every level!

For more information visit our web-site at www.MontvaleChamber.com

Over 125 People Attend Chambers January Business Kick-Off



Photo courtesy of JAS Photo. Pictured from L to R: Dr. Richard Barakat, Linda Mitchell, Scott Forman, Mike Marusic, Doug Albrechts, Doris Sutich, Paul Jordan, Todd Ferrera, Tom Hartel Tom Davey, Steve Fox



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Spring Membership Drive: Join the Chamber!
www.MontvaleChamber.com