

The Borough of Montvale

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A look at the Community, including upcoming events, important notices, meetings, and more.



Montvale/River Vale Shredding Event

Saturday, October 21 - 9:00 am - 1:00 pm - Memorial Drive, Montvale - This event is for Montvale and River Vale residents.

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Election Info

Please be advised that Tuesday, October 17, 2023 is the deadline for all new voter registrations for the General Election, November 7, 2023.

As a result of having new digital voting machines, it is beneficial to have all districts in one location, therefore district 4 will be moved from Borough Hall to the Senior Community Center starting with the upcoming general election on November 7th, 2023.

All districts will now vote at the Senior Community Center.

The Mayor's Corner

October is going to be another busy month with local meetings, hearings in Chestnut Ridge, and the beginning preparation for the budget season. We finished the resurfacing of the pickleball court and the bocce courts. I hope you find the time to play and enjoy the outdoors while you can.

The Mayor's Wellness Campaign has been a huge success with nine gyms and health facilities taking part in it, and more than 100 residents joining me. The Saturday walks will continue through November. Join us on Saturdays at 9AM; we start by the entrance of Borough Hall.

I would like to bring to your attention a warehouse project that is being proposed in the Village of Chestnut Ridge, NY, directly on the border of Montvale, north of Spring Valley Road and immediately adjacent to the Alexa townhouses in Montvale. It entails the construction of a 210,605 sq. foot warehouse with 14,000 sq. feet of office-mezzanine space, 25 loading bays as well as associated car parking, and trailer parking. The site consists of 6 tax parcels which includes approximately 16 acres of land.

I have been in direct contact with the mayor of Chestnut Ridge Village and I

will be testifying during their planning board meeting on October 12 in opposition to this plan. Based on traffic and narrow roadways constraints, this warehouse operation would have a



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negative impact not only on New Jersey residential units but also on the New York's upcoming residential units directly across from the proposed warehouse structure. The developer has been arguing that the truck traffic will operate northbound toward the Thruway and that trucks will not travel southbound on Spring Valley Road (a county road). I will continue to update you as the hearings progress.

There are a number of new businesses in town that will open before the end of the year, and that to me is extremely motivating, knowing that these businesses choose our town over so many others in the region.

Please stay safe and as always, don't hesitate to contact me if you think I can be of assistance.

Mayor Mike Ghassali

Montvale Police Department

Our Junior Police Academy started on September 19. The program is one night each week for a total of 10 weeks, and will allow 7th and 8th grade students to experience what it is like to become a Police Officer. Trainees will learn how to march, participate in physical training, observe and participate in staged motor vehicle stops, and learn valuable leadership lessons. For those who missed the opportunity to participate this year, we will be offering the program annually, so monitor the Montvale Police Department Facebook page for information.

It's a Sign!

Have you been looking for new ways to advertise your local business around town? Well, it's a sign! The Borough of Montvale has just introduced a new sign sponsorship program for local businesses. For the relatively-modest cost of \$600, you can sponsor new "Welcome to Montvale" sign to be placed at one of the many highly-visible entrances to the Borough. This is a great opportunity to partner with the Borough, help beautify our community, and provide high-visibility advertising for your business. Additional details about the program, including the application form, are available on the Borough website, www.montvale.org, and can be requested directly from cmanhart@montvaleboro.org.



Building Department / Code Enforcement

Fall is approaching which means the leaves will start falling here in Montvale. To all residents including commercial properties owners: Ordinance 332.3 Unlawful Dumping and Depositing, which includes leaves placed within the streets. Please do not pile leaves on the streets of Montvale or fines could be issued. This is a safety issue for drivers and pedestrians. Piled leaves can also cause drainage problems during storms when placed within the streets. Your cooperation with this ordinance benefits the whole town.

Curbside Collection This Month

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	3	4	5	6
East Zone Trash Pickup	Central Zone Trash Pickup	West Zone Trash Pickup	Recycling: Districts 3&4	Yard Waste
9	10	11	12	13
East Zone Trash Pickup	Central Zone Trash Pickup	West Zone Trash Pickup	Recycling: Districts 1&2	Yard Waste
16	17	18	19	20
East Zone Trash Pickup	Central Zone Trash Pickup	West Zone Trash Pickup	Recycling: Districts 3&4	Yard Waste
23	24	25	26	27
East Zone Trash Pickup	Central Zone Trash Pickup	West Zone Trash Pickup	Recycling: Districts 1&2	Leaf Pickup
30	31	1	2	3
East Zone Trash Pickup	Central Zone Trash Pickup	West Zone Trash Pickup	Recycling: Districts 3&4	Leaf Pickup



2024 LICENSES WILL BE ISSUED
STARTING JANUARY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

DPW GARAGE 1 MEMORIAL DR. MONTVALE

DOGS MUST BE ON NON RETRACTABLE LEASHES
12:00PM TO 1:00PM

CATS MUST BE IN CARRIERS

1:00PM TO 1:30PM

VACCINE IS VALID FOR 3 YEARS ONLY WITH

PROOF OF PREVIOUS VACCINATION.

September 2023 Montvale Senior Club Activities

Monday

- Healthy Bones 10:00am-11:15am HARP 551-996-2038
- Chair Exercises 11:00am-12:00pm (video tape) Micki Keller -201-669-9935 Rani Moraine 201-930-8950
- Mahjong 1:30pm-3:30pm Kitty Stern 201-802-0997

Tuesday

- Bocce/ games (co-ed) 10:00am-12:00pm John Rotante -201-391-4194 Vinnie Alfano 551-427-8143
- Canasta 1:30pm-3:00pm Fran Ohayon 201-391-4272
- Tai Chi 1:30pm-2:15pm Lisa Dent -201-391-5700-ext.251

Wednesday

- Bocce (coed) 10:00am-12:00pm John Rotante 201-391-4194
- Chair Exercises 11:00am-12:00pm Micki Keller 201-669-9935 Rani Mooriani 201-930-8950
- Mexican Train/ Cards 1:30pm 3:30 pm Louise & George Boothby 201-476-1319

Thursday

- Pickleball 8:00am 10:00am Kurt Birkenmaier 201-574-3020
- Savory Seniors October 26 11:30am 2:00pm

Friday

- Bocce- (women) 10:00am 12:00pm Pat Casciano- 201-307-9685
- Chair Exercises 11:00am-12:00pm Rani Mooriani- 201-930-8950
- Rummikub/ Games/ "5 Crowns" 1:30pm 3:00pm Dianne Carfora 201-314-0141

Upcoming Trips

 October 30 – Villa Roma Resort – food, activities and show - \$62.00 pp Dianne Carfora 201-314-0141

Over-night trips - Rosemarie Kelly 201-391-8718

- 10/9-12 3 night stay Castles of NY trip
- 11/27-29 2 night stay Sight and Sound Christmas Show in Lancaster, PA.

Monthly Activities

- Senior Club Business Meeting October 5 12:00pm 2:00pm
- Book Club Thursday, October 12 12:30pm The book this month is: "True Biz" by Sara Novic
- Ree Hopper-201-391-7386 Linda Queller 201-505-4850
- Bingo / Pizza October 13 5:00pm 7:00pm (\$8.00) Micki Keller 201-669-9935 Jodi Miller 551-427-4581
- Senior Club Social Thursday, October 19 12:00pm 2:00pm Octoberfest!!
- Gym Open Monday Wednesday Friday 8:00am-12:00pm Bob Daley 201-307-0393 Werner Hahnemann. 201-391-8399
- Our nurse will be visiting us on the first Monday and the first Thursday for blood pressure readings.

Montvale Library Virtual Programs - October 2023

Please check our website www.monvalelibrarynj.org for more updates. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook, and Instagram.

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Montvale Library will have their next meeting on Thursday October 5th at 7:30pm in the activity room. We are always looking for new members to help support the library, bring great ideas, and help with special fundraisers. Please visit the Friends website www.montvalelibrarynj.org/friends or email Bombace@montvale.bccls.org for more information.

Montvale Library - Adult Programs

Please visit www.montvalelibrarynj.org/calendar to register for any of the programs listed below unless noted otherwise.

October 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Activity Room

Ending Elder Abuse

Learn about the different types of elder abuse, what resources are available for help, and how to report it. Presented by the Bergen County Division of Senior Services.

October 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Activity Room

Cancer 101: An Open Conversation

Attendees will learn about the primary causes of cancer, cancer stages, most common types of cancer, treatment, and cancer prevention.

October 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Activity Room

Child of the Holocaust

Join Dr. William Reszelbach, a child of Holocaust survivors, as he shares his family's harrowing experiences at the hands of the Nazis, coupled with Holocaust history. Dr. Reszelbach will discuss his parents' will to survive and how these traumatic events affected their new life in the USA, as well as his own life, and his perspective on modern-day anti-Semitism.

October 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Library Activity Room

In the Shadow of Big Red Eye, The Sussex County Bigfoot

Join Mike Familant, the producer and lead investigator of "In the Shadow of Big Red Eye," as he discusses his pursuit of America's favorite cryptid, Bigfoot. Mlke will share the evidence he's amassed in his hunt for the elusive creature. A Q&A session will be held after the presentation.

October 30, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Activity Room

A Beginner's Guide to Tarot

Tarot reading is often written off as fortune telling or seen as something scary. In this workshop, Gretchen Corsillo of Anchors Aweigh Tarot will discuss common myths and misconceptions around the tarot, as well as a brief history. Attendees will have the opportunity to gain hands-on practice with real card decks. No experience necessary.

English as a Second Language

Volunteer to teach English as a second language- Transform lives in your community!

If you have any questions or would like to sign up for the workshop, please email: literacyvolunteerspv@gmail.com or submit a form at https://www.literacyvolunteerspv.org/tutor-training-workshop-form.html

If you have any questions or would like to become a student or a tutor, please inquire with the ESL manager, therese.jones@montvale.bccls.org or email: literacyvolunteerspv@gmail.com or submit a form at https/www.literacyvolunteers.org/tutor-training-workshop-form.html.

Upcoming Book Groups

Interested in joining our Monday afternoon book club? We meet in the activity room on the 2nd Monday of every month. They will be meeting on Monday, October 16th and discussing The Picture Bride by Lee Geum-yi. This program will take place in the Library Activity Room. Please email Bombace@montvale. bccls.org if you would like to attend or pick up a book.

Montvale Cookbook Supper Club will meet on Monday, October 23rd, 2023 at 6:30pm. They will be reading and cooking from Martha Stewart's Appetizers by Martha Stewart. Please register via our website calendar if you plan to attend. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please email Therese. Jones@montvale.bccls.org. This program will take place in the Library Activity Room.

Children's Department

Chess for Kids- October 3rd @ 4:00 pm

Chesswired will be back to offer kids' chess classes this October! No experience or supplies are needed. This class is for grades 2 and older. Registration is required for each class.

Little Learners Preschool Fun- October 5th at 1:30 pm

Calling all pre-schoolers! This class is for you with stories, activities, and more! All little learners ages 3 and older will experience this class on their own but don't worry grown-ups, you will be just on the other side of the door. Registration is required.

Babies in the 'Brary- October 6th @ 10:30

Join us for Babies in the 'Brary where we will sing songs, rhymes, and fingerplays, all building blocks for early literacy. Babies ages 0-18 months and a grown-up are invited to join us for all this and more!

Yoga Storytime October 12th & October 26th @ 11:00

Join us with Bozza Yoga Littles and enjoy creative yoga poses, movements, and storytime fun! Come, meet friends, and improve hand-eye coordination and motor skills through yoga! This class is for children aged 18 mths- 4 years. Registration is required for each class.

Author Visit- Maria Fitzgerald, Author of Turtles of the Midnight Moon Saturday, October 14th at 12:00 pm

The Montvale Library Children's Room is holding a special event on Saturday, October 14th at 12:00 pm. Maria Jose Fitzgerald will be visiting the library and sharing her debut novel, Turtles of the Midnight Moon. The story is "A heart pounding mystery with a hint of magic," according to the publisher. It "explores the power of friendship, community, and compassion...." The characters, two twelve year old girls, one living in Honduras, and the other in New Jersey, find themselves thrown together in Honduras where they are initially aloof but eventually become friends and work together with environmentalists to protect turtle nests on the coast.

The author herself grew up in Honduras. Her knowledge of twelve year old girls, the culture and the natural world of the country is evident in the book. The chapters switch between the two girls and their individual stories–first Barana, in Honduras, is introduced, and the next chapter introduces Abby, in New Jersey. Both girls have families and compelling stories. Using the voice of each girl allows the writer to develop her characters more completely. Readers will enjoy this technique as they become "book friends' with both Barana and Abby. Join us for an afternoon of conversation and inspiration. Registration is required. Purchasing a copy of the book in advance is recommended. Children coming in with their own copy of the book can get it autographed.

MAD SCIENCE October 25th @ 4:30 pm

Who loves science and fun? Make sure to register for our Mad Science performance! This is a dynamic 45-minute, interactive program where a trained scientist conducts live, amazing experiments that demonstrate chemical reactions, forces, and more! Come join the fun. This is suited for all ages. Children under 5 must be with a grown-up. Registration is required for the class.

eBooks and Other Online Materials

The Montvale Library subscribes to Kanopy, a streaming service with over 30,000 documentaries, classic and indie films. Patrons with a valid Montvale Library card can stream up to ten titles per month for a 72-hour checkout period.

Hoopla offers eBooks, movies, audiobooks, TV shows, music, and comics to Montvale residents. To sign up, go to https://www.hoopladigital.com/ or download the free Hoopla app and log in with your library card number (the 14 digit number above the barcode)!

Use the Libby app to borrow eBooks and audiobooks! Use your Montvale Library card to enjoy free content. For anyone who needs step-by-step help getting their device set up, please email movlcirc@bccls.org.

Museum Passes

Please check out our website https://www.montvalelibrarynj.org/museum-passes for updated information about how to obtain passes for the following museums:

Storm King, Guggenheim, Intrepid, and the American Museum of Natural History. Museum passes for the Intrepid and the American Museum of Natural History provided by the Friends of the Library.

Montvale Recreation 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 adult or high school volunteers to assist in the planning and coordinating of Montvale's annual events such as Day In The Park, the Halloween Carnival, the Christmas Tree Lighting, the Spring Fling 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 for more information.

Halloween Carnival

This year's Halloween Carnival will take place on Friday, October 27th from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Fieldstone Middle School Cafetorium and Gym. All young children, witches and goblins, Pre-K through 4th grade, are invited to attend this special event. Carnival booths are created by the Fieldstone students and are all games of fun and skill. Costumes are fun, but not required. Free donuts and cider for all! Due to the popularity of this event, we must limit participation to residents only. Please have your children wear sneakers. Parents of young ones are required to stay.

Fieldstone Middle School Students: Booth Applications will be available in the Fieldstone Wednesday folder beginning October 2nd. All applications must be returned to Borough Hall or the Montvale Library by Wednesday, October 11th.

Christmas Tree Lighting

The Montvale Special Events Committee will be hosting its Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Memorial Drive. The event will take place on Friday, December 1st at 7:00 PM. We would like to invite the Borough's residents to revel in the holiday spirit with a free hot cocoa bar (with yummy toppings) and candy canes all while keeping warm in a heated tent. All children are welcome to participate in our Gingerbread House Contest as well! Please bring your decorated gingerbread house (limited in size to 9" x 9" x9") to the tent where it will be displayed and then judged after the tree is lit!

Golf Lessons

Memorial Fields near the Tennis Courts 1 Memorial Drive

Beginning September 11

Resident: \$115 Non-Resident: \$135

Come tee it up with TGA Premier Golf – we bring the golf course to you! Beginner and intermediate players will have a blast building their golf skills, learning about the rules and etiquette of the game, and exploring how academic concepts like gravity, spin, and force apply to golf through fun games and activities. We provide all the equipment! For more information contact: Kevin Rooney krooney@playtga.com or (201) 375-7406.

Golf Schedule

SESSION	START DATE	START TIME	CLASSES
Grades K-2	September 11	4:00 PM	6 Classes
Grades 3-6	September 11	5:00 PM	6 Classes

Tennis Lessons

Memorial Drive Tennis Courts 1 Memorial Drive Beginning September 12

Resident Fee: \$115 Non-Resident Fee: \$135

TGA brings you tennis lessons for all ages and skill levels! Join this 6-week program to learn how to play, sharpen your skills or learn new strategies of play! All classes are 1 hour in length on either Tuesdays or Saturdays and all equipment is provided. For more information contact Christine Kostianis (applaytga.com or (917) 304-3986.

Tennis Schedule

SESSION	START DATE	START TIME	CLASSES
Tue: Gr. K-2	September 12	4:30 PM	6 Classes
Tue: Gr. 3-5	September 12	5:30 PM	6 Classes
Sat: Gr. K-3	September 16	12:00 PM	6 Classes
Sat: Gr. 4-8	September 16	1:00 PM	6 Classes
Sat: Adults	September 16	2:00 PM	6 Classes

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 7:00 pm in the Senior/Community Center Library. There is no fee for this program.



201-391-5700





Adult CoEd Soccer

Fieldstone Middle School- Field #2 47 Spring Valley Road Sundays 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm August 27 - October 29

Resident Fee: \$15 Non-Resident: \$20

This 10-week program is a great way to get back into the game of soccer! There will be co-ed pick-up style games played every Sunday evening. Participants must be 18 years or older. Registration is open and ongoing for this program, but it is only online (Montvale.org/recreation) or at Borough Hall (during operating hours). You will not be able to register at any of the classes for this program. Please call 201-391-5700 ext. 251 with any questions.

The Way

1 Memorial Drive

Tuesdays and Thursdays- Beginning September 26

6:00-7:00pm Kindergarten – Grade 4

7:00-8:00pm Grades 5 - 8

8:00-9:00pm High School and Adults

Resident Fee: \$120 Non-Resident Fee: \$180

Registration: Go to montvalerecreation.org or attend the first class with cash/check payment

"The Way" – The Art of Life, is the art of Self-Defense and Wisdom Living. It is the training of the Body, Soul, and Spirit for self-defense in the unarmed combat and daily healthy growth. Grow, get fit and learn to be disciplined while using the following qualities: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control.

Instructor: Mario Liriano; 5th Degree Black Belt and over 46 years of Martial Arts experience. Mr. Liriano has been teaching this program for over 18 years in Montvale and has produced many Black Belts (including his two daughters).

30+ Basketball

Memorial School Gymnasium Mondays 8:00 -10:00 pm September 18 – June 17

Resident Fee: \$75 Non-Resident (if space permits): \$95

OPEN Registration: Attend a class to register by cash or check at any point Sept - May

This program is for men and women 30 years of age and older. The pick-up game style welcomes all who have a passion for basketball.

Field Use

Applications and Hold Harmless forms must be completed and returned to the Recreation Department, Attn: Lisa Loranger, with Liability Insurance and payment. Forms are available online and at the Borough Hall front counter. Permits will not be issued if the application is incomplete. All organizations must receive an approved permit from Lisa Loranger prior to any field use.

THE DEADLINE FOR FALL (AUGUST-DECEMBER) FIELD USE APPLICATIONS WAS JUNE 1. Applications submitted after June 1 will be processed once all previously submitted permits are fully processed.

MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org

Contact:



201-391-5700





Pickelball Court Badges

Badges must be obtained to use the pickleball courts. Resident badges do not expire while non-resident badges must be renewed each year. Badges for the 2023 season will become available starting January 3 at Borough Hall,12 DePiero Drive, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm.

FEES .						
Residents			Non-Residents			
Adult (Ages 13+)	FREE		Adult (Ages 13+)	\$25.00		
Child (Ages 12 and younger)	FREE		Child (Ages 12 and younger)	\$15.00		
Senior Citizens (62+)	FREE		Senior Citizens (62+)	\$10.00		
Replacement Badge (1 per year max)	\$5.00		Replacement Badge (1 per year max)	\$5.00		

Badges must be worn in a visible location at all times while on the pickleball courts. Individuals using the pickleball courts must be able to present their own badge on demand by any Borough Official (Police Officer, Park Monitor, Municipal Employee, etc.) to verify authorized use of the facility. Individuals who fail to present a valid badge shall immediately leave the court.

Basketball Court Badges

Badges must be obtained to use the basketball courts. Resident badges do not expire while non-resident badges must be renewed each year. Badges for the 2023 season will be available at Borough Hall, 12 DePiero Drive, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm starting January 3.

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Adult (Ages 13+)	FREE	Adult (Ages 13+)	\$25.00		
Child (Ages 12 and younger)	FREE	Child (Ages 12 and you	inger) \$15.00		
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Senior Citizens (62+)	FREE	Senior Citizens (62+)	\$10.00		
Replacement Badge (1 per year max)	\$5.00	Replacement Badge (1	per year max) \$5.00		

Badges must be worn in a visible location at all times while on the basketball courts. Individuals using the basketball courts must be able to present their own badge on demand by any Borough Official (Police Officer, Municipal Employee, etc.) to verify au-thorized use of the facility. Individuals who fail to present a valid badge shall immediately leave the court.

Tennis Court Badges

Each year residents who wish to use the courts must register to receive their new access card.

Badges for the 2023 season, which runs from March 1 - December 31, may be purchased at the Borough Hall (during normal business hours beginning) OR online: www.montvale.org/recreation

There will be a \$10 fee for replacement badges

The Recreation Department has updated the tennis court's 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. If there is an issue with the use of tennis courts or the courts themselves, please report it: 201-391-5700 ext. 251.

<u>Residents</u>		Non-Residents	
Adult	\$30.00	Adult	\$60.00
Child/Student (Ages 17 and younger)	\$10.00	Child/Student (Ages 17 and younger)	\$20.00
Household Maximum	\$50.00	Household Maximum	\$100.00
Senior Citizens (62 & Over)	FREE	Senior Citizens (62 & Over)	\$10.00

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Chamber of Commerce



Board Meetings 1st Wednesday of Every Month at 4pm at Borough Hall

Chamber Co-Presidents

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Multi-Chamber Networking Event

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

Oct 4th | 5:30 – 8:30 pm El Asadero, Fort Lee NJ

Connect with business owners and professionals across Bergen & Hudson County!

Regional Networking Breakfast!

Hosted by Montvale Chamber

Nov 8th | 7:30 – 9:00 am

Davey's Irish Pub & Restaurant,

Montvale NJ

Bring plenty of business cards!



Learn more about the Chamber on our website WWW.MONTVALECHAMBER.COM