# The Borough of

## October 2017



# Montvale

# The Official Newsletter of The Borough of Montvale

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# Halloween Carnival - 10/27



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# **Borough Notes**

# **Free Paper Shredding Event**

Residents of Montvale and River Vale Saturday, October 14, 2017 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Montvale DPW Building Memorial Drive

# **Property Tax Information**

Property taxes are due November 1st, 2017. In observance of Veterans Day, administration offices will be closed, Friday, November 10th, therefore the last day to pay taxes will be on Monday, November 13th. Payments received after November 13th will accrue interest which will revert back to November 1. For your convenience, a drop box is located curbside by main entrance of Library or you may pay online at www.montvale.org



# Montvale Police Department

The Halloween Season will be here. Use extra caution operating your vehicle on Halloween. The Trick-or-Treaters may be preoccupied in the pursuit of goodies and forget proper safety measures when out that evening. Unfortunately "Mischief Night", "Cabbage Night", "Goosey Night" or whatever one wishes to call the evening of vandalism the night before Halloween is also upon us. Do not mistake the evening's events as innocent. In the past our police officers confiscated fireworks, spray-paint, nail polish remover, Nair, pepper-spray, lighter fluid, knives, BB guns, paintball guns as well as the more traditional toilet paper, shaving cream and eggs. These items were in the possession of a number of different kids. There is no free pass for littering, vandalism or criminal mischief on that or any other night. Damaging the property of others is not a "rite of passage" for teens. Let the vandals stay on their own property and damage their own mailboxes, cars, and houses. There will be a Zero Tolerance Policy in effect from the police department. We will charge anyone caught committing unlawful acts.

As a reminder, Montvale PD has a permanent drop box for unwanted, unused and expired drugs and prescriptions located in the lobby of the Police Station. Old or unused medications and prescriptions can be disposed of safely.

You can follow the Montvale Police Department on Facebook and on Twitter Montvale Police @ MontvalePD.

You can also sign up for the Borough's Emergency Notification Service, Swift911, by going to the Borough of Montvale website – www.montvale. org. The tab labeled "Swift 911 Signup" on the left side of the homepage will bring you to the Bergen County OEM webpage to sign up for the service. It is free.

Recently the PD had two promotions. I want to congratulate Jason Szabo for his promotion to Lieutenant and Chris Hawken for his promotion to Sergeant.

Stay safe,

**Chief Jeremy Abrams** 

## Mayor's Message

As we close the summer and start to prepare for the upcoming winter months, I was presented with an idea by our longtime resident, Mrs. Carolee Adams to help elderly neighbors with snow clearing. The program is called Snow Angels. If you have teenagers who would like to volunteer for this program and help an elderly neighbor, let me know. We have a community member who would like to donate snow shovels to the program and in November will announce the volunteers and issue them these snow shovels.

On the affordable housing front, we have been discussing our obligations along with the Council Members and our Borough Attorney, Special Counsel and other professionals. As the Governing Body continues to work through this uncertain process - a process forced upon us by the Legislature and the Courts - I can assure you that I am working hard to protect and promote the interests of our town.

Montvale residents answered the call with their generosity by donating essential items to fellow residents of Houston, those who were affected with Hurricane Harvey. Many thanks to all the donors but special thanks to Benjamin Moore and Maser Consulting for donating \$4,500 to cover the cost of the shipping to Houston, and our thanks go to these volunteers:

Amaya Estrella Belle Barnes Fran Ohayon Joan Niederauer Julie and Jennifer Bunce Lilian Crowley Madhavi Gogineni Margo Vlahinich Marie Dineen Maryann Ghassali Neil Tonelli Patricia Molina Persia Barile Sherry Silk Suzanne Prado Belle Degenaars Pat Donahue Jackie Moore

and drivers: Marilynn & John Congedo Ray Hutchison Frank Musco Denis Donohue

## October 2017 Trash & Recycling Calendar

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

# **Contact Information**

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# **Montvale Officials**

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# **Upcoming Meetings**

**Mayor & Council Meetings** October 10 - 7:30pm October 30 - 7:30pm (New Date)

**Planning Board Meeting** October 3 - 7:30pm October 17 - 7:30pm

Library Board Meeting October 26 - 7:30pm

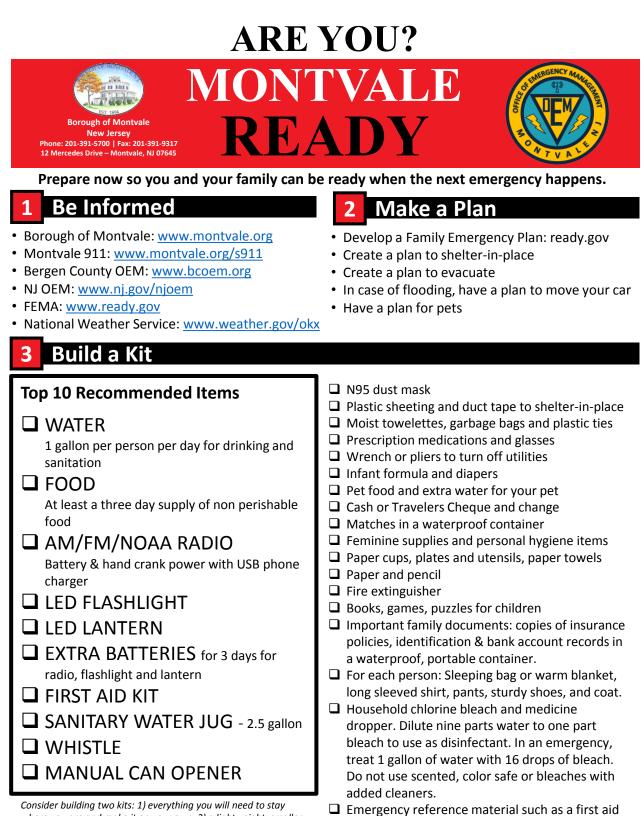
**Environmental Commission Meeting** October 16 - 7:45pm

Historic Preservation Meeting October 5 - 8:00pm

# Reminders

Mayor Ghassali has open office hours on Tuesday 10/3 from 4pm - 7pm. No appointment is necessary.

Borough offices will be closed on October 9th in observance of Columbus Day.



where you are and make it on your own. 2) a lightweight, smaller version you can take with you if you have to evacuate.

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The information and suggestions listed herein are not all inclusive, and there is no guarantee that any particular action will be successful under all circumstances. This notice is intended to help with emergency preparedness. It offers no guarantees and warrants no particular outcomes under any circumstances.

# RECREATION

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## **Special Events Committee**

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## **Holiday Tree Lighting and Gift Giving**

Montvale's Holiday Tree Lighting and Gift Giving will be held on Friday, December 1st at 7:00PM on Memorial Drive. Detailed event info to follow.

# **A**dult **P**rograms

#### **Monday Yoga**

Montvale Community Center Atrium 1 Memorial Drive Mondays 7:30-8:30PM October 25th – November 20th Resident Fee: \$80 (Only \$10/class!) Non-Resident: \$100 Registration: ONLINE: www.montvale.org/recreation

Begin the week with a yoga practice that restores well-being into your life. Yoga's many benefits include improved flexibility, muscle strength, preventing cartilage and joint breakdown, increased bone health, as well as increased focus, balance, self-esteem and inner strength. Classes begin with short meditation, a warm up, yoga poses and relaxation at the end of class. Debra Broadman has over ten years of experience empowering her students while she has also specialized in working with addiction and PTSD students. All levels are welcome, registration is ongoing and takes place online or at each class.

No Class: October 10th- Columbus Day

## **Friday Yoga**

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## **30+ BASKETBALL**

Memorial School Gymnasium Mondays 8:00PM-10:00PM October – May Resident Fee: \$75 Non-Resident (if space permits): \$95 Registration: Attend a class to register 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.

#### **18+ COMPETITIVE BASKETBALL**

Fieldstone School Gymnasium Wednesdays 8:00PM-10:00PM January - May Resident Fee: \$50 Non-Resident: \$75 Registration: Attend a class to register Men or Women18 years of age and older can participate in this competitive style pick-up game format.

## 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.

## **TAEKWON-DO**

Recreation Center: 1 Memorial Drive Tuesdays & Thursdays 7:00-8:00 PM October 12th – November 14th Fee: for this 16-session class is \$120 for residents; \$180 for non-residents (space permitting) Registration: ONLINE: www.montvale.org/recreation Instructor: Mario Liriano; 5th Degree Black belt.

TaeKwon-Do, the Korean Art of Self-Defense, is the scientific use of the body through physical and mental training for self-defense in unarmed combat. Program will be offered two days per week for all age groups (children to Adults). Classes will be divided up according to the students that register (K-4 grade/5-8 grade/HS/Adults).

No Class: October 21st, October 31st or November 9th.

# **TENNIS COURT BADGES**

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Residents		Non-Residents		
Adult	\$30.00	Adult	\$60.00	
Child/*Student	\$10.00	Child/*Student	\$20.00	
Household Maximum	\$50.00	Household Maximum	\$100.00	
Senior Citizens (62 & Over)	FREE	Senior Citizens (62 & Over)	\$10.00	

<u>FEES</u>

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

#### 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.

# October Highlights at The Library Adult Department

October 8 – "Fall Crafts Class." Registration required; class size limited.

October 12 – "Home Design for Aging in Place," presented by Taplynn Dugan of Ridgewood Interiors.

**October 19** – "Cover Bridge Concert" featuring Montvale resident Gordon Roehrer and Nancy Dochartaigh.

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

# **Montvale Senior Club**

Are you age 55 and over and a resident or past resident of Montvale? Montvale has an active Senior club which meets at our Community center located at One Memorial Drive. We are looking for new members and would like to meet you. Our Business meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 12 noon; our Social meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at noon. Our renovated center is located at One Memorial Drive and our annual dues are only \$10.00 per year. We offer opportunities to socialize with new friends and renew old acquaintances. In addition, our club boasts a wide array of activities, trips, elegant lunches, card games, canasta, mahjong, board games, book discussion club and bocce games and tournaments. Our bocce court is new this year donated as an Eagle Scout project by Evan Michales. The court is open and games are played Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 to noon . This activity has become very popular. We also conduct chair exercises which are very popular and offer a well-appointed exercise room. Our HUMC nurse is available for a "Health & Wellness" program. Our members receive a detailed monthly calendar describing all events and activities.

Do you have an idea, passion or interest in trying something new? Let us know and possibly we can create a new activity, class or discussion group. We are also fortunate to have the skills of two trip planners for day trips and overnight excursions. We serve refreshments at our meetings for a nominal fee of \$2.00. A committee member attends a monthly meeting at the Bergen County Senior Citizens Coordinating Council, and reports back with any proposals or agendas that affect seniors of Bergen County. Moreover, we have interesting speakers and entertainment at many of our meetings. Come and attend a Business meeting on the first Thursday of the month; bring a friend if you like. We look forward to meeting you.

# **Tri-Boro Food Pantry**

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

- Oatmeal
- Cake mixes/ baking supplies
- Ground Coffee
- Personal hygiene items such as shampoo,
- conditioner and shaving cream



Pascack Valley Meals On Wheels is in need of volunteer drivers to deliver meals to homebound seniors in Montvale and Park Ridge. This commitment is for two hours a month. If you have the time please contact Meals on Wheels at 201-358-0050

PLEASE CHECK EXPIRATION DATES ON ITEMS. - THANK YOU!

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# **The Montvale Chamber of Commerce**

## Chamber Donates Money for Fire Bell at Montvale's New Firehouse



Pictured from L to R: Tom Hartel, Doris Sutich, Fire Chief Clint Miller, Steve Fox and Scott Forman

Coming Soon: Montvale Chamber of Commerce's New Web-Site



Join the Chamber! www.MontvaleChamber.com

# **CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT**

As we approach the end of the summer months and move into the fall, please keep in mind that when collecting and removing leaves from your property they should not be left in the street awaiting pickup. It is important that all residents that use a landscape contractor to remove leaves makes sure their contractor is aware of this policy. Leaves that are left in the street will get washed into storm sewers during a rainfall and also clog streets in the event of an early season snowfall.

Also, please keep in mind that when planning to remove any number of trees on your property, the borough requires the filing of a Tree Removal Review form. This form is available at the borough website under "Forms & Applications" and no fee is required. This form will help my office determine if the proposed removal of trees will trigger additional permits that the property owner may not be aware are needed. This also helps us track the number of trees removed and replaced in the borough and the reasons for the removal.

These are just two of the ways we manage activity in the borough so we are able to keep Montvale looking good and maintain property values. We appreciate your assistance and cooperation.





The Tri-Boro Volunteer Ambulance Corps has been busy answering calls, expanding our fleet and welcoming new members to better serve the corporations, residents, and guests of Montvale, Park Ridge, and Woodcliff Lake. If you or someone you know would like information on joining our organization please contact us at <u>membership@tbvac.org</u> or come to the building on the second Wednesday of any month at 8pm. We always need members and encourage you to get involved in your community!!

Our 2017 fund drive is still underway. If you have already made a donation, we would like to take this opportunity to THANK you for your support. If you have not already made a donation, a second mailing is coming in mid-October. Your donation helps us to support our goal as an all-volunteer ambulance corps which is to never bill for our services!! If you prefer, you can make your donation on our website via the PayPal link. You can always make a donation by mailing your check to -

TBVAC P.O. Box 204 Park Ridge, NJ 07656.

We appreciate your generosity and support!!

We would like to thank the members of the Montvale Free Evangelical Church and Wegman's for their generous donation to help us purchase our newest fleet vehicle "225" which is an "ATV" all-terrain vehicle. The medical cart has been out-fitted to carry medical supplies and has already been very useful. It was used within the first week at the Park Ridge Condominium fire scene. We were able to transport supplies closer to the scene and transport one patient safely from the fire scene to a waiting ambulance. You will see this vehicle used at town picnics, 5k races, sporting events, the Memorial Day Parade and the Montvale Street Fair. We are excited to add this new additional vehicle to our fleet.

Tri-Boro Volunteer Ambulance Corps will be hosting our annual Military Bridge on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at the Reformed Church on Pascack Road in Park Ridge. If you would like tickets please call Judy Miller at 201-391-1620. Our grand prize will be four tickets to the 2018 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Please come and support our fundraiser.

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