

The Borough of **Montvale**

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



Memorial Day 2022

The Borough of Montvale offices will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day. The Memorial Ceremony will begin at Veteran's Monument Park at 9:00am. The Tri-Boro Memorial Day Parade starts in Montvale at 10:30am, transit through Park Ridge and ending in Woodcliff Lake.

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I am excited to inform you that Valley Health System will be occupying 60,000 Square feet of a new medical building to be built on the far northwest side of North Market, next to exit 172 off the Garden State Parkway. Valley Health System's mission is to serve the communities of northern New Jersey

and southern New York with exceptional, world-class healthcare in a regional healthcare setting. Montvale's convenient location and the existing presence of other world class medical doctors aligned perfectly with Valley Health System's goals.

It was only in 2015 when Mercedes Benz decided to leave for Georgia. After they fully vacated the property in 2017, the future of about 30 prime acres was in question. I believe we are now on a good footing with a modern, mixed-use development and a strengthening reputation of being an exciting new medical hub. Montvale is well-

The Mayor's Corner

positioned to compete with many other great towns for top world class medical and professional tenants.

On behalf of the Montvale community, we welcome Valley Health System to town. Many thanks to the S. Hekemian Group for the diligent work they have done to acquire and maintain quality, long-term tenants, which benefits all of the Montvale community.



With summer approaching, we are preparing for several upcoming events and looking forward to seeing you there. On Saturday May 21 will be Eid celebration and the Memorial Day Parade on Monday May 30. The Street Fair this year is going to be on Sunday June 12, and the Montvale Day in the Park is scheduled for Saturday August 27.

I hope you enjoy your summer, please stay safe and as always, feel free to reach out to me if you think I can be of any assistance.

Mayor Mike Ghassali

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Montvale Police Department

The annual National Highway Traffic Safety Association Click It or Ticket campaign will be happening from May 23rd through June 5th this year. Officers will be looking specifically for individuals whom are not wearing their seatbelts. Please wear your seatbelt, and ensure that all of your passengers do as well. Drive safely, as the nice weather brings out more pedestrians, bike riders, etc.

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I have mentioned this before, but it bears mentioning again-The State, and Bergen County in particular, has seen an astronomical increase in vehicle thefts. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR KEY/KEY FOB IN OR NEAR YOUR VEHICLE, AND LOCK THE

DOORS. Also, do not leave your vehicle running in your driveway, in the street, or while you run into a store. There is no pattern to when vehicles are being taken. Some have been in the middle of the night, and some in broad daylight in the middle of the day.

From the Tax Department

Homestead Rebate/Credits have been applied to your May taxes, a revised tax bill was mailed to eligible recipients. Please call the NJ Division of Taxation directly, with questions and/or concerns regarding your Homestead Rebate at 1-888-238-1233

Property taxes are due May 1. Grace period is 10 days. After May 10, interest will revert back to May 1

Borough Hall is open to the public from 8:30-4:30 Monday-Friday. For your convenience, a dropbox is located curbside by the main entrance of the Library. You may pay online through the borough website at www. montvale.org, or you can mail your payment to the Borough at 12 DePiero Drive, attn: Tax Collector. If you would like your bill returned stamped PAID, please enclose your entire bill with payment and include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

As always, if you have any questions, please call Fran Scordo, Tax Collector at (201) 391-5700 ext. 254 or email fscordo@montvaleboro.org

Curbside Collection



Montvale Senior Club Activities - May 2022

MONDAY

Healthy Bones, 10:00am-11:15am, HARP Chair Exercises, 11:00am-12:00pm (video tape), Micki Keller/Rani Mooriani Mahjong, 1:30pm-3:30pm, Kitty Stern

TUESDAY

Bocce, 10:00am-12:00pm, John Rotante/Vinnie Alfano Canasta, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Fran Ohayon Tai Chi, 1:30pm-2:15pm, Lisa Dent

WEDNESDAY

Healthy Bones, 10:00am-11:30am, HARP Bocce, 10:00am-12:00pm (co-ed), Jane Green Chair Exercises, 11:00am-12:00pm, Micki Keller/Rani Mooriani Mexican Train/Cards, 1:30pm-4:00pm, Louise & George Boothby

THURSDAY

Pickleball, 8:00am-10:00pm, Kurt Birkenmaier/Joe Fasio Savory Seniors Potluck Lunch, May 26, 11:30am-1:00pm, Louise Boothby/Banoo Irani

FRIDAY

Cards – 'Five Crowns', 11:00am-1:00pm, Diane Carfora/Pat Casciano Bocce/Cornhole/Games, (women) 10:00am-12:00pm, Diane Carfora/Jane Green Chair Exercises, 11:00am-12:00pm, Rani Mooriani Bocce, (men), 1:00pm-3:00pm, John Rotante/Vinnie Alfano

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

- Senior Club Business Meeting, Thursday, May 5, 12:00pm-2:00pm. Speaker will be Brianna Greenberg, Care Coordinator for the Bergen County Division of Senior Services. Topic: Resources Available to Bergen County Seniors
- Book Club, Thursday, May 12, 12:30pm Book- "All Creatures Great and Small" by James Herriot; Ree Hopper /Linda Queller
- Bingo, Friday, May 13, 5:00pm-7:00pm (\$8.00), Micki Keller/Jodi Miller
- Senior Social Meeting, Thursday, May 19, 12:00pm-2:00pm, "Bellissimo Luncheon" with entertainment by the Pettit Family
- Gym Open, Mon/Wed/Fri, 8:00am-12:00pm, Joel Stern
- Our nurse will be visiting us on the first Monday and the first Thursday for blood pressure readings.

NEWPORT, RI TRIP - DATE CHANGE! June 21-23. Balance due 5/5. Contact Rosemarie Kelly.

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Property Maintenance/Code Enforcement

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all residents that the posting of any type of sign on utility poles, street signs, or any borough right-of-way is strictly prohibited. There has recently been a plethora of various signs posted on utility poles seeking the return of a lost pet or an impending garage sale. Being a pet owner myself, I shudder to think how I would feel if it was my pet that was lost and my heart goes out to those who experience that loss. Please be advised that any and all such signs will be removed, however. The posting of these signs leads to garbage on the streets and utility poles covered with unsightly signs at well-traveled intersections. As for garage sale signs, these are permitted to be posted as per section 45A-5 of the Montvale Code but are prohibited from being posted on utility poles. I would appreciate the cooperation of all residents so that we can keep Montvale looking clean.

Spring is here and if you are cleaning out or moving remember that storage PODs require a permit from the Building Department.

Montvale Public Library

Montvale Library Virtual Programs - May 2022

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 not meet in May. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 2nd at 7:30pm. Please go to the Friends website www.montvalelibrarynj.org/friends for more info. New members are always welcome.

The Friends would like to thank everyone for their continued support of the library and our ongoing books sale. We are now accepting one bag or box worth of donated books per patron.

Adult Programs

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

May 2, 9, 16, 23 2022

7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Virtual Program

Virtual Guided Meditation Series

Join us for four relaxing virtual guided meditation sessions led by certified instructor Amy Rutledge. No experience necessary. Register for as many sessions as you want! This is a virtual program.

May 3, 2022

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Children's Activity Room

Tuesday Movie Matinee: King Richard

Will Smith won an Oscar for Best Actor for his portrayal of Richard Williams, father of tennis icons Venus and Serena Williams, who coached his daughters to tennis superstardom. This program will take place in the Children's Activity Room.PG-13. 2 hours, 24 minutes.

May 5, 2022

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Montvale Council Chambers

Screening of Drift, a Barnegat Bay Documentary

In celebration of their 50th anniversary, Save Barnegat Bay is pleased to present DRIFT, a documentary that tells the story of Barnegat Bay through the voices of those who cherish the Bay as a natural, recreational, and

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Adult Programs

May 10, 2022 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Children's Activity Room

Tuesday Movie Matinee: Here Today

This story of a touching friendship between a comedy writer and street singer that defies the generation gap stars Billy Crystal. This program will take place in the Children's Activity Room. Rated PG-13. 1 hour, 57 minutes.

May 11, 2022

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Virtual Program

How to Cut Costs in Difficult Times

Learn how to drastically reduce your budget with consumer advocate Richard Nathan. Topics covered include buying used & new cars, reducing your home, car, and life insurance, investing in no-load mutual and index funds, and the benefits of credit unions. This is a virtual program.

May 16, 2022

8:00pm

Virtual Program

Grab-N-Go Craft

Join us for our May Grab-N-Go craft for adults. Register for this program via the library calendar and pick up your craft materials before May 16th when you receive your confirmation email. You will also receive a link to join Ms. Giulia on ZOOM for a brief craft demonstration.

May 17, 2022

1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Children's Activity Room

Tuesday Movie Matinee: Dear Evan Hansen

This film adaptation of the award-winning musical tells the story of Evan Hansen, a high school student with social anxiety disorder. This program will take place in the Children's Activity Room. Rated PG-13. 2 hours, 17 minutes.

May 17, 2022

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Hybrid Program

Winslow Homer: American Vision, Close to Nature

Winslow Homer's illustrations, watercolors, and oil paintings are among the most powerful and expressive of late 19th-century American art. This talk will acquaint you with this extraordinary American artist and many of his works and will prepare you well to enjoy the Metropolitan Museum of Art's retrospective Winslow Homer: Crosscurrents, on view from April 11 through July 31, 2022. This hybrid event will take place in the Children's Activity Room, and will also be streamed online.

May 19, 26, June 2, 9 2022

10:00 - 10:40 a.m.

Virtual Program

Strength Training for Seniors

Join us for Strength Training for Seniors, a virtual program that increases flexibility, strength & endurance using easy-to-follow movements. Register for as many sessions as you want. Taught by Leena Kalle, certified senior strength training instructor. This is a virtual program. Please note that the time has changed from 1 p.m. to 10 a.m.









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Adult Programs

May 24, 2022 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Children's Activity Room

Tuesday Movie Matinee: The Eyes of Tammy Faye

An up-close look at the rise, fall, and redemption of televangelist Tammy Faye Bakker. This program will take place in the Children's Activity Room. Rated PG-13. 2 hours, 6 minutes.

May 31, 2022 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Children's Activity Room

Tuesday Movie Matinee: Yellow Rose

The story of a Filipina teen who must choose between her family and her dreams of being a country music singer. This program will take place in the Children's Activity Room. Rated PG-13. 1 hour, 34 minutes.

Literacy Volunteers of Pascack Valley

Volunteer to teach English as a Second Language at the Montvale Library! Literacy Volunteers of Pascack Valley is offering a Tutor Training Workshop. This four-week workshop will be offered on Zoom on Tuesday nights in May from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.: May 10th, 17th, 19th, and 24th. To learn more or sign up for the workshop, please email literacyvolunteersspv@gmail.com or call Lorissa Lightman at the Montvale Library at 201-391-5090.

Upcoming Book Groups

May 9, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Monday Morning Virtual Book Group: CROSSROADS by Jonathan Franzen

May 9, 2022 12:00 p.m.

Monday Afternoon Book Group: THE SECRET KEEPER OF JAIPUR by Alka Joshi

Group meets in person with a Zoom option.

The Montvale Cookbook Supper Club will meet on Monday, May 23rd at 6:30 pm to discuss the cookbook "Vegetables Unleashed: A Cookbook" by Jose Andres, chef and founder of World Central Kitchen. This will be a hybrid program in person and Zoom. The book group meets monthly to discuss a preselected cookbook available through the BCCLS system and all things food related. Please email Therese. Jones@montvale. bccls.org if you have questions or if you would like to attend virtually.

Children's Department

Babies in the 'Brary

Bring your baby to the library on the first Friday of the month! On May 6th at 10:30 am for a lap-sit program! Created for our youngest patrons (ages 0-12 months) and their grownups, this fun, engaging program will focus on activities that enhance early literacy skills (precursors to reading!) Together we will sing songs, learn fingerplays, read books, and more! Space is limited and we ask only one grown-up to attend per child. Registration is required.









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Tot Time

Children ages 18 months-2 and a grown up are invited to sing songs, read stories and have fun at the library Tuesdays, May 3, 10, and 17 at 10:30 am! Space is limited and we ask that only one grown up per child attend. Registration is required for each class. Registration will open a week prior to the class.

Little Learners Preschool Storytime

Are you looking for a fun activity for your early learner? On May 5, 12, and 19th your 3–5-year-old can explore their independence in this session of sharing, exploring, and discovering through books, activities, singing songs and having fun! Little Learners will take place on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm. Registration is required for each session and will open 1 week before each session.

Read to Ms. Mary

Ms. Mary loves to read her bedtime stories, but she is a great listener too! Emerging readers K-2nd can come and read to Ms. Mary on Wed. May 4th from 4-5:00. Each session is 10 minutes and registration is required.

First Chapter Fun

Love reading but not sure what book to choose? Want to find a new author or genre to sink your teeth into? Join us for First Chapter Fun and let us do the work for you! On May 18th at 4:00 pm we will reveal a new book and give you a sneak peek by reading the first chapter aloud! All you have to do is sit back and listen!

After-School Stories and Crafts with PHHS Future Educators

Pascack Hills High School's Future Educators are back on May 25th @ 4 pm. Join us for an afternoon of stories, crafts and fun! Registration is required. Grades K-4.

Honor System Paperbacks

Did you know that we still have honor system paperback books? They are located in the left rear of the library. We offer a variety of romance, mystery, and fiction titles. No library card needed- no due date either. Just stop at the circulation desk to tell them how many you are taking and bring them back when you are done!

Muesum 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.

eBooks and Other Online Materials

The Montvale Library now subscribes to Kanopy, a movie 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.

Ancestry is now available to Montvale Patrons at home! Please email movlcirc@bccls.org for login information to access this resource remotely. Please check our website and social media pages for updates as we are constantly providing new virtual services.

Contact:



www.Montvale.org



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.

Summer Camp

Summer Camp for children entering grades 1-5 in September of 2022, will run June 27 through July 22, 2022 (Closed on Monday, July 4 for the holiday). Camp hours will be 9:30 am to 2:30 pm on Memorial Drive. At this time, registration has closed due to the maximum number of campers being reached in all groups.

Adventure Camp

Adventure camp is for children entering grades 6 and 7 in the September 2021-2022 school year. As part of this camp, campers will spend time off site learning and discovering. Each week campers will venture on trips to explore and above all, have fun! Please note that this camp begins 30 minutes earlier than Rec Camp. Campers must arrive by 9:00 am and will be released at 2:30 pm. Earlier drop off will allow for campers to safely load onto the busses and have more time on their many trips during camp. Adventure Camp has is also closed at this time as the maximum capacity has been reached for all groups.

Adult Volleyball

Memorial School Gymnasium Tuesdays 8:00-10:00 pm February 15 – May 31

Resident Fee: \$210 Non-Resident Fee: \$230 Open Registration: Online or In-Person at Any Class

Pick-up style play open to all skill levels. Volleyballs are provided for all those who attend. Up to 2 games at a time.

Tuesday Yoga

Montvale Community Center Atrium- 1 Memorial Drive 1 Memorial Drive Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 pm 4-week sessions

Resident Fee: \$40 (Only \$10/class!) Non-Resident: \$50

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 fifteen 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.



TAI CHI

Senior/Community Center Atrium: 1 Memorial Drive

Tuesdays 1:30pm - 2:15pm

April 5 - May 24 Resident Fee: \$80

Non-Resident Fee: \$100 (space permitting)

Residents Who Belong to the Montvale Seniors Club: \$40

Tai Chi/Qigong is a gentle slow moving meditative martial art that began in China thousands of years ago. It is intended to strengthen and relax the body. Tai Chi requires little effort with circular and flowing motions to provide stretching that help the body and mind relax. Benefits include assistance with, preventing falls, Osteoarthritis, Parkinson's, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, Depression, Cardiac Rehab, Stroke, Dementia, Fibromyalgia, Hypertension, Anxiety. Tai Chi is also known to improve balance, aerobic capacity, flexibility, sleep and many more...

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 2022 season will be available at Borough Hall, 12 Mercedes Drive, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm starting January 17.

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
Sellior Citizens (62+)	FREE	Sellior 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 authorized use of the facility. Individuals who fail to present a valid badge shall immediately leave the court.

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.

Field Use

Applications and Hold Harmless forms must be completed and returned to the Recreation Department, Attn: Lisa Dent, 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 Dent prior to any field use.

THE DEADLINE FOR FALL (AUGUST-DECEMBER) FIELD USE APPLICATIONS IS JUNE 1

MontvaleRecreation@montvaleboro.org

Contact:



201-391-5700





Tennis Court Badges

Each year residents who wish to use the courts must register to receive their new access card. Badges for the 2022 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

Residents		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

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.

Pickleball 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 2022 season will become available starting January 1 at Borough Hall,12 Mercedes Drive, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm.

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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 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.







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