

st. pat's ramble raffle

**1st Prize Trip for two to Ireland
(or \$4,000. Cash Value)**

2nd Prize \$2,000 Cash

3rd Prize \$500 Cash

Drawing will take place at the Grand Marshal's Reception on March 13 from 6-8 pm at the Senior Center.

There are only 150 chances to win, and approximately 60 tickets left.

Please buy a chance for \$100 because the proceeds help pay for the bands for the St. Pat's Ramble Parade. Your tax-deductible check can be made out to the Orange County Firefighters Museum.

Historian's Corner

Marion Mohr Wild, Historian

Your Village Museum has again enjoyed many visitors to its historic doorway in 2013, some tourists from distant states, and even European shores. A large audience appreciated Celtic Cultural Day learning Irish history and memorabilia, Welsh families cookery and artifacts, and Scottish genealogies. Bagpipe-ballads and youngsters' tiny, but well trained dancing steps in colorful costumes pleased patrons. The theme for patriotic holidays was World War II enlarged by the Anthony Skibitsky family's donation of his large U.S. Navy collection for the Veterans' showcase.

"Monty," our Mastodon, still brought enthusiasm from adults and school children, learning from their annual history tour. There is support for a memorial honoring Mr. William O. Hall, music director and instructor

of the 20th century (local hero).

F. Edward Devitt will be honored throughout March. He is one of the Museum's dedicated promoters and, like his entire family before him, has contributed time and talents toward the betterment of our community and historic artifact preservation.

Come by Saturday afternoons in



Museum Hours
March - December
Saturday's 1 to 4 pm
and by appointment, call 457-5135.

2014 from 1-4 pm to learn from displays, which are ever-changing.

Water Meter Reading

April is coming! That means our faithful meter reader will be reading the water meters.

If he is unable to read your meter, he will leave a card on your door

asking you to read your meter and send or call in the reading.

Please do! If we do not have an accurate reading, we will have to estimate your bill.



For Village event information and updates, visit
www.villageofmontgomery.org/events



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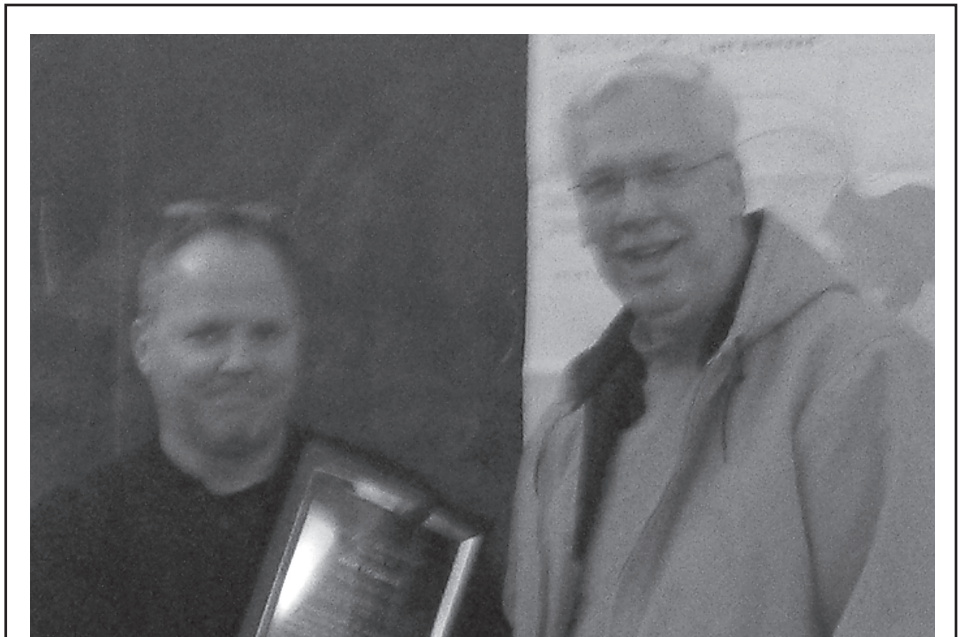
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Mayor's Message.....

It gives me great pleasure to announce that F. Edward Devitt is the Grand Marshal for the second annual St. Pat's Ramble. Ed has done so much for Montgomery having dedicated his entire life to community service. The Orange County Firefighters Museum is his brainchild, as well the purchase of the Pleasure Ground Parkland. Ed also served as a Village Trustee and an Orange County Legislator. Also notable are the numerous village parcels that he developed in historic fashion, such as the Patchett House, Montgomery Sporting Goods, Stratton Mill and Ward Street Shops to name a few. A lifetime Montgomery Fireman and a member and officer of so many non-for-profits such as the O.C. Citizens Foundation, Walden Rotary Club, Town of Montgomery Chamber of Commerce, and the O.C. Water Authority, Ed has spent a lifetime as a volunteer and activist in promoting a great quality of life for all in Orange County.

F. Edward Devitt, with his rich Irish heritage, is a perfect choice to represent the Village of Montgomery as Grand Marshal for our big event on March 22nd. There will be a Grand Marshal's Reception from 6pm to 8pm on March 13th at the Village Senior Center to honor Ed. If you are interested, tickets can be purchased for \$30. Please call 457-9666. Please



Brian Fitzpatrick was presented with a plaque on January 21st by the Village Board for his many years of community service. Fitzpatrick has been instrumental in the Memorial Day Parade, St. Pat's Ramble, Summer Music Series and so many volunteer events in the Village as well as being a catalyst for local business initiatives. His dedication is exemplary.

join me in congratulating Ed for his well deserved honor.

It is with much sadness that I report the passing of John Sibley on Sunday, February 23rd. John lived and worked most of his life in the Village of Montgomery and was a lifelong member of Montgomery Fire Department. He leaves behind a large family in Montgomery and will be remembered for his dedication.

On behalf of the Village Board I would like to thank Gerald D.

Gust for saving Bob DuVall and Richard Champion after their boat overturned in the Rondout Creek in October 2013. Gust witnessed the distressed boat, and he quickly took action to commandeer a boat at a nearby marina and rescue DuVall and Champion. Had it not been for Gerald's decisive action, both many would have faced a horrible fate. We are so thankful to Mr. Gust for saving our longtime residents and friends. The Champion and DuVall families are also grateful for Gust's heroism.

Village of Montgomery Happenings

Registration forms for Summer Rec.

Registration forms for summer camp can be picked up at Village Hall beginning April 1, 2014. Camp is open for children ages 5-12.

Fees are as follows:

- 1 Child: \$375
- 2 Children: \$700
- 3 Children : \$975
- 4 Children: \$1200

Counselors and CIT's can pick up their applications now!

Montgomery Youth Concert Friday April 11, 2014 Senior Center

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 12, 2014

The Annual Easter Egg hunt will be on Saturday, April 12, at Veteran's Memorial Park, starting at 10:30 am.

Infants thru elementary school are welcome. *There will be NO rain date.*

Hydrant Flushing April 14-18, 2014

Hydrant flushing will be April 14 through the 18. You may experience sporadic brown water. Let the faucet run with cold water for five minutes, and it should clear.

Bike Rodeo May 4, 2014 10am - 1:30pm Village Police Station

The Village of Montgomery Police Department is sponsoring a Bicycle Rodeo for bike safety. There will be an obstacle course, food, bike raffles, and bicycle inspections by Village Police. Free to Valley Central School District residents; ages 3-12

Montgomery's Springtime Village Wide-Yard Sale May 17, 2014 10am-5pm

Yard Salers come to the Village and enjoy walking the streets and picking up items from baby clothes to computer equipment, books, furniture, antiques and trinkets.

Memorial Day Parade May 26, 2014

Time: Lineup 10:30 am
Parade step off 11:00 am

Place: Starts at the Orange County Firefighter's Museum
141 Clinton Street

Marching to Veteran's Memorial Park where there will be a ceremony and then a picnic immediately following. Come out and show your support for our veterans and our troops!

Summer Camp

June 30, 2013 to August 8, 2014

Camp is open for children ages 5-12. Arts & Crafts, Sports Program, Special Events, Talent Show.

26th Annual House Decorating Contest Winners

The Village of Montgomery would like to congratulate the following 2014 House Decorating Contest winners and the business that donated the prizes:

Most Beautiful:

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| 1st Place | Tim & Claudette Schaad | Gift Certificate: Walden Savings Bank |
| 2nd Place | Robert & Jill Winter | Gift Certificates: Benson's Deli & Montgomery Antiques |
| 3rd Place | Patrick & Helen Finn | Gift Certificate: & Borland House B&B |

Most Traditional:

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| 1st Place | Peter & Jane Nauta | Gift Certificates: Montgomery Village Pharmacy & Montgomery Village Luncheonette |
| 2nd Place | Greg & Karen Howe | Gift Certificates: Dragon City & Forget Me Not Gifts |
| 3rd Place | Mark Guido & Sandra Regis | Gift Certificates: Village Sampler & Hoeffner Farms |

Old Fashioned Christmas:

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| 1st Place | Mark & Patricia Giffen | Gift Certificate: Copperfield's Food & Spirits |
| 2nd Place | Harold & Loretta Johnson | Gift Certificates: Mike's Deli & Hoeffner Farms |
| 3rd Place | Jeanette Bucci | Gift Certificates: Hoeffner Farms & Recycled Style |

Most Original:

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| 1st Place | John & Kathleen Campanella | Gift Certificates: Winding Hills Golf Club & Montgomery Florist |
| 2nd Place | James & Johanna Sweikata | Gift Certificates: Quench & Phil's Barbershop |
| 3rd Place | Robert & Vernice Gerdvil | Gift Certificates: Fancy That Gift Certificates: Phil' Barber Shop |

Most Eye Catching :

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| 1st Place | Theresa Rodriquez | Gift Certificate: Iron Cafe |
| 2nd Place | David & Lisa Bell | Gift Certificates: Jill Hiller's Art & Antiques & Hoeffner Farms |
| 3rd Place | Sean & Tina Murphy | Gift Certificates: Ilir's Barber Shop & Vic's Pizzeria |

Children's Delight:

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| 1st Place | Jason & Liz Henry | Gift Certificate: Copperfield's Food & Spirits |
| 2nd Place | Michael & Susan Hembury | Gift Certificate: Garrison's Tavern & Wine Cellar |
| 3rd Place | Katherine Colella | Gift Certificates: Reanna's Closet & Montgomery Sporting Goods & Paintball |

Judges: Patricia Imbriani, Susan Casper, Mary Greene

Grand Montgomery Chamber Music & Theater Series



Senior Center
36 Bridge Street
Montgomery NY 12549

March 30, 2014.....3pm
The Amaranthus Trio. Piotr Kargul, viola, Rachel Lever, violin and Ron DeFesi, piano. A local trio of musicians who play delightful music. Free

May 18, 2014.....3pm

Ruthanne Schempf, pianist.- Ruthanne is a wonderful and popular Hudson Valley pianist who will give a rare solo recital. Free.

All concerts are on Sundays at 3 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

For more information and a complete listing of this year's schedule, visit villageofmontgomery.org/gmcmts

Sump Pump Drainage Notice

All residents are asked not to drain sump pumps into their sewer line(s) (house drains). Sump pumps should be run outside or to Village storm drains. By draining into house drains, it adversely affects the Village sewer system by increasing flows into the Sewer Treatment Plant. This has a negative effect on the plant and

can lead to increased sewer rents for residents. Please help the Village to run the plant effectively. It is a plus for the entire Village of Montgomery. In this same regard, residents are reminded not to flush napkins, sanitary wipes (such as Huggies, Cottonelle, Scotties, Pampers, etc.) down their toilets. Manufacturers

often say that they are flushable, but, more often than not, they do not break down in our sewer system. This type of material can cause blockages in our system and can cause damage to sewer pumps. Please be mindful and considerate and dispose of this type of material in your waste baskets. Thank you.

Notice to Pet Owners

Code of the Village of Montgomery; code §34-8 F
Article II "DOGS"
Adopted 10-7-1985 by L.L. No. 8-1985

No owner or haborer of a dog shall permit or allow such dog to urinate, defecate or commit any nuisance or damage to public property in any park, public building, street, parking lot, alley, sidewalk or on any private property of another without the consent of such owner.

Resident and Dog Owner

Village resident, Maria Beltrametti, has tried to make an effort to help. She regularly walks the Village and picks up dog waste that has not been picked up by respective dog owners. There was a large amount of such waste in the court yard next to the Village Museum. This was also picked up by Ms. Beltrametti.

Please be considerate of others, and pick up after your dog or pet. Not only is it the law, but it is merely common courtesy.

Village Compost Site & Recycling

The Village Compost Site is located at the D.P.W. Garage on Bachelor Street. The hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

This is for Village residents only and no commercial dumping is allowed.

The Village will pick up curbside for a nominal fee. Please make arrangement with the D.P.W. at 457-5321.

This applies for bulk pickup as well, which can be picked up curbside for a fee.

For more information, please visit villageofmontgomery.org/recycle