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## Mayor's Message .....

I am proud to announce that the grand opening of the new Paul Jr. Designs Dog Park will be December 12th at noon at the Pleasure Ground Parkland behind the tennis court.



At that time there will be a plaque presented to Paul Teutul Jr. and Rachael Biester (representing Paul Jr. Designs). They designed the dog park and procured more than \$50,000.00 in donated materials to make the facility a reality.

There will be two areas, one for large dogs and one for small dogs with a dog wash as well for a fee of \$10.00. Thanks to Paul Jr. and Rachael for all their hard work and generosity. They are truly unbelievable.

Thanks also to Eamon Andolsek for coming up with the idea to have a dog park in the Village and helping with the planning process. Trustee Darlene Andolsek also helped considerably.

D.P.W. Superintendent Bud Nelson and Foreman Mike Ford deserves so much praise for all the hard work and dedication they provided as well as the rest of the D.P.W.

Wes Lake graciously spent many hours excavating the site (as did Bud Nelson). Their benevolence is amazing.

Dennis Matthews is also to be thanked for his kindness. Dennis generously donated his labor to side the dog wash building.

The Village Board deserves thanks for its support of this project. Thanks also to Joe Neumann for handling the insurance. There are many more individuals and companies to thank, and that will happen on December 12, at 12pm.

A fund raiser is also planned for that day. Any donations made would be greatly appreciated. Trustee Andy Roepe, Eamon Andolsek and David Griffith plan to have some fund raising events to help pay the Village share and purchase future dog park amenities.

Try to attend on December 12th, it should be a fun day all the way around.

Paul and Rachael will be there as well as Santa Claus. Howard Garrett (dressed in colorful regalia), possibly Senator Larkin and many others.

It is with deep regret that I report the passing of two wonderful ladies in the past two months. Gertrude Miller passed away on October 8th at the age of One Hundred, and her sister, Mary Horak passed away in November at the age of Ninety Three. These ladies were lifetime Village residents who made such a great fabric for our history during their many fruitful years. Gert (as she was affectionately called) had seven children, twenty grandchildren, twenty five great grandchildren and five great, great grandchildren. She was simply the kind of person you wanted to be around. She had a good sense of humor and told it like it was. Mary was similar in the "Conroy Way", especially the dry humor. Both ladies left the Village a better place with so many memories. Thanks for being a special part of Montgomery.

## Old Fashioned Holiday Weekend

On December 12 and 13, the Montgomery Business Association (MBA) in conjunction with "Be The Movement" is presenting an Old Fashioned Holiday Weekend.

Participating retail shops, galleries, museums, eateries and others will be open both days: 10am - 8pm on Saturday and 12pm - 6pm on Sunday.

Attractions will include once-a-year sales, discounts and special events, a walking tour of Montgomery that includes a holiday brunch at historic Ward's Bridge Inn.

Additionally, a hosting tent will be erected adjacent to the municipal parking

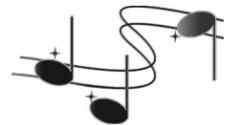
lot. This location will serve as the weekend's activity hub, featuring Girl Scouts selling holiday ornaments and Boy Scouts hawking traditional poinsettias.

During the two-day festival participants will distribute business cards to visitors who will mark them and deposit them for raffle under the hosting tent.

Activities will be held throughout the two day event for children under the tent. The festivities will culminate on Sunday evening, 6pm, with the lighting of the ready-to-plant holiday tree, yuletide caroling and a jolly Santa announcing raffle and decoration winners.

## Grand Montgomery Chamber Music & Theater Series

### 2010 Schedule



**Senior Center**  
36 Bridge Street  
Montgomery NY 12549



For more information and a complete listing of this year's schedule, visit [villageofmontgomery.org/gmcmts](http://villageofmontgomery.org/gmcmts)

**January 3, 2010 at 3pm .....Lincoln Mayorga, pianist**

Lincoln is a nationally known pianist and entertainer. He was the staff pianist in the Walt Disney studios for years, contributing to the music score of many films such as Chinatown, The Competition, The Rose, and Ragtime. He has concertized in more than two hundred cities over the years.

**March 28, 2010 at 3pm .....The Dancing Crane Ensemble**

This wonderful group of musicians has entertained at our series a few times now. The group consists of a number of professional musicians from the country of Georgia who now live in the U.S. They perform traditional and city songs, romances and church songs wearing the costumes of their native country and accompanied by traditional instruments.

**May 16, 2010 at 3pm .....Trio Tenero**

This trio consists of Joel and Joanna Simon, oboists, and Hollis Kellogg, pianist. They will play a variety of delightful 16th to 19th century music.

