

Youth Scoop

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Direct Dialogue

Happy New Year! A time to create new hopes, dreams, & resolutions? Maybe we should abandon the traditional practice of making “New Year’s resolutions”, and simply resolve to try and make this New Year better than the year before! So often we set ourselves up for disappointment by making resolutions we rarely keep...But if we resolve to laugh more, be good to others, and forgive with more ease; these practices should be plenty good enough as far as making resolutions is concerned!

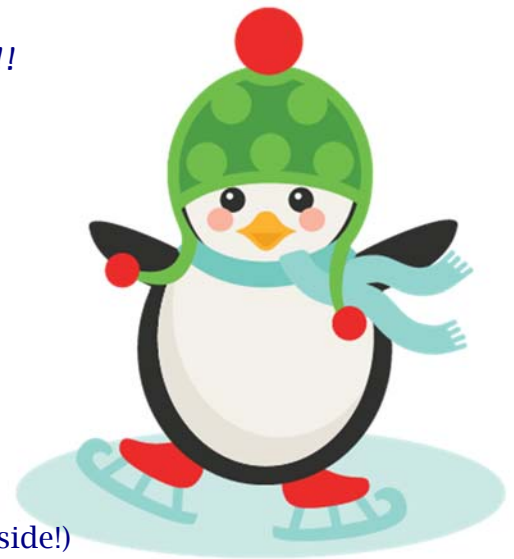
January is a month for new beginnings; taking the time to reflect on the memories of 2017, all the good ones & the not so good ones too, and focus on a positive new start! We can only offer one another support, hope, and friendship, which often are the best gifts we can give to anyone. So, as we reflect on our own tough times and those of others, this may help to put things perspective, and realize that we are built to persevere and overcome even the hardest of times! As I reflect on the past year, I would be remiss not to thank all of the families, kids, MYSB Staff, and MYSB volunteers and interns who made 2017 another successful & fun year for MYSB.

Our accomplishments, events & fundraisers, and programs cannot succeed without the support from all of you, and as the director of MYSB for the past 21 years I have been exceptionally fortunate to work with an amazing staff and Advisory Board. I appreciate the support of the Mayor’s office and enjoy working with other town departments, and the schools to bring out the

~ **“Very Best in Montville”** ~

Have a Joyful January!!

Barbara



Days to Remember:

January 26th- Penny Drive Kickoff Event (See inside!)

February 1st and 2nd- Half days of School- Close at 5:30pm

Thursday, March 1st- Dr. Ruth Potee at Tyl Middle School (See Inside!)

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Remember to stay tuned to The Youth Scoop, the Montville Events Magazine, our website: www.montvilleyouth.org and our Facebook page for up-to-date program, service & event information, or give us a call at 848-7724 to speak with a staff member. We will be happy to assist you in any way we can!

Things to Know!

Winter Wonderland Fundraiser!

Friday, January 26th

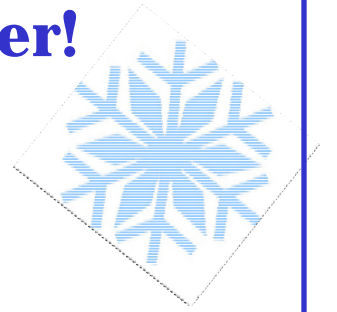
2018 Penny Drive Kick Off Event

\$5.00 per person



Hot Chocolate, Homemade Cookies & Goodies!

Middle School 3:15-4:00 pm and Elementary School 4:15-5:00 pm



The 2018 Penny Drive will benefit the Arthur C. Luf Burn Camp!

The Arthur C. Luf Children's Burn Camp is a safe, natural outdoor environment for kids ages 8 to 18 from around the world who have survived life-altering burn injuries. The Burn Camp is staffed by volunteers and is completely FREE for campers!

MYSB will be placing jars around town so keep your eyes out, or drop off your pennies & other loose change to MYSB to help support this amazing program.

Mark Your Calendars - the 2018 Penny Drive Play Day will be Friday, May 11th!!

Montville Community Conversation

Join Montville Youth Services, Montville Public Schools, & the Mayor's Orange Ribbon Community Coalition for a free community event.

Dr. Ruth Potee



A community conversation about Brain Development, Substance Abuse & Mental Health

Tuesday, March 1st at Tyl Middle School

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Stay tuned for more information!

Are you ready...?

This winter and spring we have some exciting events planned!! Here is a sneak peak at what's in store for the After School Program!

January~ Penny Drive Kickoff Event

February~ Heart Healthy Month & Valentine's Day Social

March~ Shamrock Shakes, March Madness & Kick Butts Day

April~ Penny Drive Fundraiser & Spring break

May~ Fun Days Week & Penny Drive Play Day

Where can you get more information about these events??

The Youth Scoop, Facebook, our website, text alerts, flyers on the sign in table, and as always, our staff!!

“Tell me Something Good!”

THANK YOU!!

MYSB would like to thank all of our families, Town of Montville Employees and the wonderful Montville Community for all their generosity this holiday season!

With your help, we filled the Montville Social Services Food Bank and collected over 200 gift cards to fill stockings for Social Services Holiday Program!

**Thank you for continuing to
“Make a World of Difference!”**

Kid of the Month

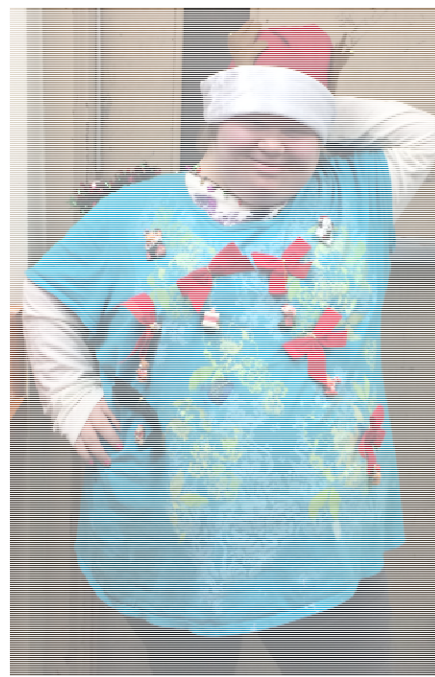
December 2017

Meghan has been part of our After School Family for quite a few years and she is one of our best! She is always up for a dance contest on the Wii, or ready to run around outside!

She is outgoing and sassy, but that is what makes her great! Meghan also has a great sense of style! She also participates in every event we have here! We have really enjoyed watching her grow up in our program!

Thanks for being so great Meghan!!

Meghan Melia



©Happy January Birthdays©

Xavier Jackson– 4th
Grace Walenczyk– 6th
Crystal Messer– 8th
Lilian Corrice– 22nd
Julia Sanger-Orts– 23rd
Antonio Vargas– 27th



January 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Happy New Year! 2018	2 ASP 2:00- 6:00	3 ASP 2:00- 6:00	4 ASP 2:00- 6:00	5 ASP 2:00- 6:00	6 Center Closed
7 Center Closed	8 ASP 2:00- 6:00	9 ASP 2:00- 6:00	10 ASP 2:00- 6:00	11 ASP 2:00- 6:00	12 ASP 2:00- 6:00	13 Center Closed
14 Center Closed	15 Center Closed MLK Day	16 ASP 2:00- 6:00	17 ASP 2:00- 6:00	18 ASP 2:00- 6:00	19 ASP 2:00- 6:00	20 Center Closed
21 Center Closed	22 ASP 2:00- 6:00	23 ASP 2:00- 6:00	24 ASP 2:00- 6:00	25 ASP 2:00- 6:00	26 ASP 2:00- 6:00 Penny Drive Kickoff!!	27 Center Closed
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Be sure to check out our website for other great programs we offer throughout the year www.montvilleyouth.org