

Montgomery Parks Updates- October 2023

General Updates

- Mike Riley retiring December 2023
- Montgomery Parks at NRPA for Gold Medal Nomination

Montgomery County Planning Board

Five new Planning Board members appointed:

- Shawn Bartley (R) until June 14, 2024.
- Mitra Pedoeem (U) until June 14, 2025.
- James Hedrick (D) until June 14, 2026.
- Artie Harris (D) until June 14, 2027.
- Josh Linden (U) until June 14, 2027.

Grants

Federal

- \$18.5M RAISE Grant
- \$7.5M Safe Streets and Routes for All Grant

Community Projects Fund (CPF)

- \$500k SGRP trails
- \$500K Long Branch Prospect Street Bridge
- \$800K Pending Long Branch-Wayne Community Connector
- \$1.2M Pending Northwest Branch-Wayne Community Connector

State Funding

- \$5.5M Bond Bills for 13 Projects in 6 Districts
- \$1M for Long Branch-Wayne (LWCF)
- \$1M for Long Branch Local (LWCF)

Parks Speaker Series

Upcoming

Previous

- October 17, 2023, 1-2:30 p.m. [Freya McGregor Access Birding](#)
- September 2023: What a Pickle! Balancing the demand for pickleball and tennis in parks
- May 2023: Juneteenth: Celebrating the Past and Present
- April 2023: Tracking the Spotted Lanternfly: on the trail of the destructive insect
- March 2023: Birding in Maryland: Gabriel Foley, Atlas Coordinator, Maryland- D.C. Breeding Bird Atlas
- February 2023: Coming of Age: Post-Pandemic Public Art
- January 2023: On the Brink: Maryland's Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species
- December 2022: Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy TIDES Program
- November 2022: Miami's Underline: Meg Daly, Friends of the Underline Founder and Isabel Castilla, Principal at James Corner Field Operations
- October 2022: Denver Parks and Recreation: Navigating Social Issues impacting Parks.
- September 22: National Memorial Trail: From Vision to Reality

Events

- Native Plant Sale- September 2023
- Electric Equipment Showcase- September 2023
- Trail Ambassador Program Graduation- July 2023

MONTGOMERY PARKS October–November 2023 Events



55+ Programs

- Never Grow Up Socials - Oct 4, 18; Nov 1, 15
- Hike to Parks Unknown Seniors - Oct 13; Nov 10
- Gentle Park Bench Yoga - Oct 12; Nov 2

MoCoParks.org/55andbetter

Frankenskate

Ridge Road Recreational Park
Oct 28 | 10 am–1 pm

MoCoParks.org/Frankenskate



Maydale Community Celebration

Maydale Nature Classroom
Nov 4 | 1–4 pm

MoCoParks.org/MaydaleCelebration

Oakley Cabin African American Museum and Park

Guided Tours and Open House
Oct 14, 28

MoCoParks.org/OakleyCabin



Acoustics and Ales

North Four Corners Local Park
Nov 4 | 11 am–2 pm

MoCoParks.org/AcousticsandAles



Foodie Fridays Speaker Series

Josiah Henson Museum & Park Visitor Center
Oct 27 | 6:30–8:30 pm

MoCoParks.org/RegisterFF



Maryland Emancipation Days

Events throughout Montgomery and Prince George's counties
Nov 4 and 5

MoCoParks.org/Emancipation

Holiday BARKet

Cabin John Regional Park
Nov 18 | 11 am–2 pm

MoCoParks.org/HolidayBarket



Underground Railroad Experience Trail Guided Hikes

Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park
Oct 7, 21; Nov 4, 18

MoCoParks.org/GuidedHikes-UGRR



Fall Wedding Vendor Showcase

Brookside Gardens
Nov 19 | 11 am–3 pm

MoCoParks.org/FallShowcase



Co-Sponsored Events

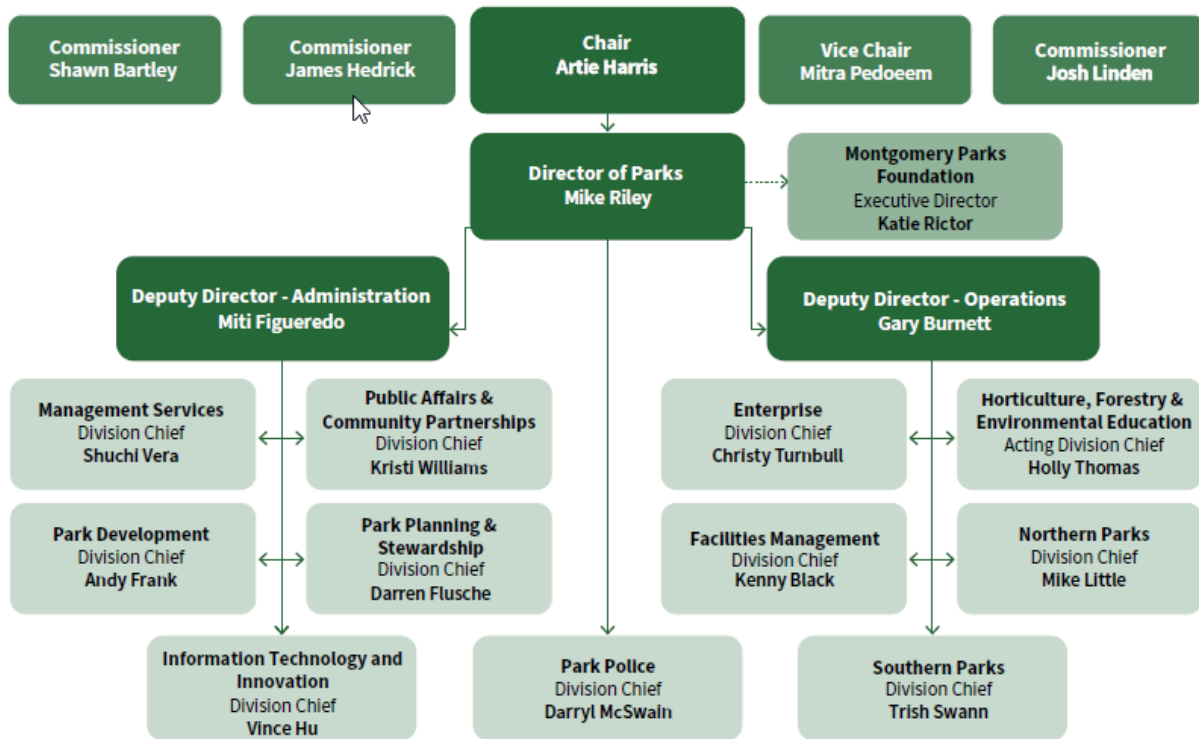
- Takoma Park Street Festival - Oct 1
Takoma Urban Park
- MoCoEpic - Oct 7 and 8
South Germantown Recreational Park
- Wheaton Arts Parade - Oct 15
Marian Fryer Town Plaza
- Pumpkin Rock N' Roll - Oct 28
Warner Circle Special Park

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