

Notification of News Release

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***(MONTGOMERY, Ohio)* – Montgomery Community Pool season opens May 28, aided by feathered friend.**

This spring, City staff members began preparing for pool season and were aided by a Canadian goose and her goslings. Each year, the same goose has come to the Montgomery Community Pool to nest and have her family. This year, the mother goose, named Cleopatra, had 7 goslings that now enjoy the pool and the gated, grassy area.

The City of Montgomery looks forward to her arrival each year. On occasion, Cleopatra and her family wander to the nearby Safety Center pond to say hello to the Fire Department staff. If anyone gets too close, the mother goose is sure to let them know.

Cleopatra can be seen perched on top of a tall spotlight or the bathhouse roof supervising the pressure washing of the bottom pool surface, the filling of the pool, cleaning of the lounges and chairs and other maintenance activities. When her supervisory work overseeing the preparation of the pool for the new season ends, she and her male companion, with their seven goslings, will depart for a nearby pond. Pool patrons will be able to enjoy her work and Cleopatra and her family will be able to enjoy the beautiful, serene Montgomery parks and ponds.

As a resident interested in joining the Montgomery Community Pool, a family full season membership with a referral is only \$180 or just .45 cents per day for each person in a family of 4. The pool is a great place to get to know other families. Join us for 101 days to relax, unwind, stay cool, catch some rays, have fun and make it a summer to remember!

According to Julie Machon, Montgomery's Assistant Recreation Director, "the pool is a great way to stay cool, catch some rays, meet new friends, and best of all; it's an activity that can be enjoyed by the whole family, not just our feathered friends."

Join the Montgomery Community pool for 101 days of summer fun. Sign up for pool memberships online at www.montgomeryohio.org. The Montgomery Community Pool opens on Saturday, May 28 at 11:00am.

- Preseason hours: May 31 – June 3, 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Midseason hours: June 4-Aug 24*, 11:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. *Please note, the pool will close at 5:00 p.m. during home swim team meets on June 23, June 30, July 7 and July 14.

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