

Hi-Lighter

November/December 2018



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Happy Holidays and Seasons Greetings!

The Village President, Village Clerk, Board of Trustees and Staff wish you a Peaceful Holiday and Happy New Year!



Select the "Notify Me" icon on the home page of our website to stay informed of current events and happenings in the Village by signing up for our eNews.



VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE



NOVEMBER 11TH AT 3PM
PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE - 2041 W. LAKE STREET

The Village of Hanover Park's Veterans Committee invites all residents to attend our Veterans Day Observance to honor and recognize Hanover Park veterans.

The Committee will be collecting items for our troops that will be sent to them through Operation Airlift. A list of needed items can be found on the Village's website www.hpil.org under Government Committees and Commissions, Veterans Committee.



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Community Events

Hanover Park Branch Library

1266 Irving Park Road,
Hanover Park



Family Time with Mayor Craig

Monday, November 12
11:00-11:30 a.m.

Bring the whole family for stories, toys and a craft with Hanover Park Mayor Rod Craig and other special guests from the community. No registration necessary.

ESL Conversation Club

Tuesdays, November 6th,
13th, 20th and 27th
5:30-6:30 p.m.

A free discussion group for intermediate students who want to use and improve their English speaking skills.

Giardiniera Jarring

Monday, November 12
7:00-8:30 p.m.

Chef Allison Platt will show you how to make giardiniera. Prepare your own jar and have the finished product ready to take home. Registration required.

Snowman Paper Towel Holder Ceramics

Saturday, December 1
10:30 am-1:00 p.m.

This paper towel holder snowman may find it hard to keep his mittens on, but that doesn't diminish his undeniable charm! Contact Library for registration information.

Sonya Crawshaw Branch Library

4300 Audrey Lane
Hanover Park

Children's Movies

Thursdays at 10:45 a.m. and
Saturdays at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for popcorn and children's movie at the Branch Library. No registration required—just drop in!

Diwali: Festival of Lights

Sunday, November 4
1:00-3:00 p.m.

Come celebrate Diwali at the Main Library located in Streamwood! Enjoy a sampling of authentic Indian food, henna tattoos, music, crafts and more! Patrons are encouraged to come dressed in their traditional clothing. All ages and ethnicities are welcome to attend. No registration required.

Paws & Read

Tuesdays, November 13 &
December 11
7:00-8:00 p.m.

Read to the dog is a program through Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy, Inc. where children in grades K-6 can come and practice reading aloud to a licensed therapy dog. Paws & Read helps children build the confidence needed to be successful readers. The program is for children who already know how to read in grades K-6.

Family Concert Series Presents: Random Ringers Handbell Choir-Holiday Concert

Sunday, December 16, 2 p.m.

The Random Ringers Handbell Choir return to the Main Library located in Streamwood for their seasonal inspired performance! All ages welcome! Register online or call 630-483-4910.

November

1	Board Workshop.....	5:30 pm / Room 214
1	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
3	Veterans Committee.....	9:00 am / Room 214
7	Special Events Committee...	11:30 am / Room 212
8	Development Comm.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
11	Veterans Day Observance....	3:00 pm / PW Garage
13	CONNECT Committee.....	12:30 pm / Room 214
13	CIDC Leadership Event.....	6:00 pm / Room 214
13	Sister Cities Committee.....	7:00 pm / Room 123
15	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
17	HCP CPR (BLS).....	8:00 am / Fire Station #1
20	CIDC.....	6:15 pm / Room 123
21	Water Bills Due	
22	Village Hall Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday	
23	Village Hall Closed	
27	Historical Commission.....	6:00 pm / Village Hall
27	Environmental Comm.....	7:00 pm / Room 214

December

1	Veterans Committee.....	9:00 am / Room 214
5	Special Events Committee....	11:30 am / Room 212
6	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
7	Tree Lighting Ceremony.....	6:00 pm / Municipal Ctr.
11	CONNECT Committee.....	12:30 pm / Room 214
11	Sister Cities Committee.....	7:00 pm / Room 123
13	Development Commission..	7:00 pm / Room 214
15	Heartsaver CPR/AED.....	8:00 am / Fire Station #1
18	CIDC.....	6:15 pm / Room 123
20	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
21	Water Bills Due	
24	Village Hall Closed - Christmas Eve	
25	Village Hall Closed - Christmas Day	

MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR



As 2018 comes to a close, I would like to thank all those involved in making the Village of Hanover Park's 60th Anniversary year-long celebration a special one. We hosted several great community events such as Pedal the Preserve, Movies in the Park, Family Fest and our most recent Corks & Crafts Festival. We hope you were able to join us for these fun, family celebrations. A big thank you for the hard work of Elected Officials, Village Staff, our Special Events Committee and all others who assisted with planning or volunteering at these activities.

Happy Holidays from the Village of Hanover Park! Take time to enjoy your family and friends during this special season and count your many blessings. Join us on December 7th at 6:00 pm for our annual Tree Lighting event. We will continue the tradition of welcoming a "special visitor", who will flip the switch to light up the Village's holiday decorations.

"Happy Holidays to you and my best wishes for a safe, peaceful holiday season and Happy New Year!"

Interested in volunteering? Think Environmental Committee for solar, stormwater and climate opportunities. Think Sister Cities as we build our relationships with Ghana, Africa and Valparaiso, Mexico. Think Cultural Inclusion and Diversity Committee as we pursue our civic responsibilities. Think Veterans Committee as we highlight

Veteran contributions to the community. Think Historical Committee for preserving our Village's history. Residents, business people, and/or service agencies who reside or do business in Hanover Park are encouraged to serve on one of the Village's many committees and commissions. Call my office at 630-823-5609 to learn more about serving your community.

We have been pursuing environmental sustainability and solar initiatives; therefore, I am proud to announce that Hanover Park was recently awarded the Gold designation by Solsmart. We are making it easier, faster and more affordable for homes and businesses to go solar with our updated policies and ordinances. Read more about it in this issue.

In Hanover Park, we annually honor our Veterans and the sacrifices they have made. Join us on November 11th at our Veterans Day Observance as we honor those who have served. The event will take place at 3:00 pm in our Public Works Garage. We are honored to welcome Colonel Kevin Wiley as the keynote

speaker. Col. Wiley has a long, distinguished career and will share his thoughts and insight this Veterans Day. Congratulations are in order as we just received the Governor's Hometown Award for our collaboration with Habitat for Humanity. DuPage Habitat has been exceptional working with our residents. Read more about it later in this issue.

Finally, it continues to be my pleasure to represent the people of Hanover Park, our hometown. We cannot do it without you! Take time to volunteer and give back to our wonderful town, at the schools, churches or assisting on the playing field. We are a Village that believes all youth are capable of success, NO Exceptions! Together we are finding ways to believe in our youth and together we are making a difference in Hanover Park!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rodney A. Craig".

Mayor Rodney Craig

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Clerk's Corner:



Eira Corral Sepúlveda, Village Clerk

Important Election Dates

- 11/1/2018 Last day to request a mail ballot, including military and overseas voters
- 11/5/2018 Last day of early voting
- 11/5/2018 Last day of grace period registration and voting
- 11/6/2018 Last day mail ballots can be postmarked
- 11/6/2018 Election Day

Village Receives Solsmart Gold Designation

Let the Sun In!

Have you considered solar heat for your home or business? The Village has received a Gold designation from the national Solsmart program for making it faster, easier, and more affordable for



homes and businesses to go solar. Solsmart is led by The Solar Foundation and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) and funded by the U.S.

Department of Energy Solar Energy Technologies Office. More than 200 cities, counties, and small towns have achieved SolSmart designation since the program launched in 2016.

To receive this designation, in July 2018, the Village amended the Zoning Code to encourage solar energy growth and to remove obstacles to solar development. As part of the process, the Village received no-cost technical assistance to help with the amendment of Chapter 110 of the Zoning Code; the update set standards for solar installations. Information on solar installations for your home or business property can be found on the Village website at: <http://il-hanoverpark.civicplus.com/200/Solar-Power-in-Hanover-Park>.



THE CULTURAL INCLUSION & DIVERSITY COMMITTEE (CIDC) PRESENTS

Leaders Reception: Demographics and Policy Series

The Aging and Immigrant Population of Illinois

Tuesday, November 13, 2018
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Village of Hanover Park Council Chambers Room 214
2121 Lake St. Hanover Park, IL 60133

RSVP: dscott@hpil.org or 630-823-5662



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Important Telephone Numbers: Police, Fire & Ambulance: 9-1-1

Main Number630.823.5600
Police Information630.823.5500
Public Works Dept.....630.823.5700
Comm. Development....630.823.5780
Finance Department.....630.823.5790
Water Billing630.823.5799
Fire Department.....630.823.5800
Inspectional Services.....630.823.5860
Police Department fax ..630.823.5499
Public Works fax630.823.5704
Municipal Building fax ...630.823.5786

Code Enforcement Hotline
630.823.5572

Village Board Meetings:
Meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2121 Lake Street. The public is encouraged to attend.

Call the Village Clerk's Office at 630.823.5601 or visit our website for dates, times and locations of the following regularly scheduled meetings:

- CONECT Committee
- Cultural Inclusion & Diversity Comm.
- Development Commission
- Environmental Committee
- Historical Commission
- Sister Cities Committee
- Special Events Committee
- Veteran's Committee

Curfew hours:
For those under 17 years of age - 10:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday
11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Neighborhood Watch:
Interested in becoming a Neighborhood Watch block captain? Contact 630.823.5635 for more information.

For questions or concerns regarding Village services, call 630.823.5600.

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Corks & Crafts Festival A Fun Time for All

The Village held the Corks & Crafts Festival on September 27th, which was the final event celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the Village. This event was held at Ontarioville Park behind the Metra station and featured music by the Thompson Duo and The Moods, as well as wine and craft beer tastings, food trucks, craft vendors and a Paint n' Sip tent.



Hanover Park Project Wins Governor's Hometown Award

Presented continuously from 1983 to 2014 and then 2017 to present, the Governor's Hometown Awards (GHTA) program gives formal recognition to those who contributed to projects that improved their community's quality of life. These projects are sponsored by local units of government that had strong volunteer support, met a need, and made a definitive impact, thereby generating a positive outcome in the community, and by extension, the state. The program is administered by the Serve Illinois Commission, the Governor's Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service.

Thanks to a collaborative grassroots process to bring positive change, our Greenbrook Tanglewood Neighborhood Revitalization project has won the Governor's Hometown Award in the category of economic opportunities!

Embracing an integrated approach to community development, the Village of Hanover Park and DuPage Habitat for Humanity have been working in coalition with neighborhood residents and partners to address the many elements that contribute to a higher quality of life,

including health care, safety and economic development, affordable housing and community pride & inclusion. School districts, churches, banks, and community organizations have been working hand-in-hand with the Village and Habitat, holding neighborhood clean-up events, barbeques, job fairs, and service days.

Following submission of an application, the Village and DuPage Habitat for Humanity made a presentation to a panel of judges in Springfield on September 25th. Projects from across the state were scored based on need, collaboration, use of resources, and impact.

The award will be presented in November in Springfield. We are Hometown Proud!



Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year Award Applications Now Being Accepted



Are you a resident of Hanover Park, a member of the graduating class of 2019, and plan to continue your education at a university, community college or technical school? If you answered yes, then apply for the Village of Hanover Park's Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year Award!



Named after Michael H. Coleman, a young Hanover Park resident who passed away in 2011, this scholarship program is designed to recognize and encourage excellence in the young people of Hanover Park. Students are judged on academic initiative, career initiative, leadership initiative and community initiative. Each year, a high school senior is selected as the Hanover Park "Youth of the Year." You can download the brochure and application for the 2018-2019 Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year Scholarship from our website at www.hpil.org/youthoftheyear.

The Youth of the Year Scholarship was established by the Village of Hanover Park to honor and recognize the contributions of graduating high school students who reside in Hanover Park. Each year, Hanover Park high school seniors are invited to participate in this program. Although considered, academics are secondary to the student's involvement in serving the Hanover Park community. The Village knows there are several ways in which youth are involved in improving both themselves and the Village of Hanover Park and acknowledge those achievements by awarding a \$1,000 scholarship and four \$500 runner-up scholarships.

The deadline to apply for this scholarship is December 7, 2018. Please contact Sue Krauser with questions at 630-823-5609 or via email at skrauser@hpil.org.

Holiday Light Recycling

The Hanover Park Environmental Committee, in cooperation with Elgin Recycling, Inc., is collecting used holiday lights and extension cords for recycling. Bring in your entire strands, including lights that no longer work, to the Hanover Park Public Works Department, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. The Village will collect these items through the end of March.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Christmas trees will be recycled throughout the Village on Saturday, January 5th and Friday, January 11th. Place your Christmas tree in the parkway and follow these guidelines:

- Do not put trees in plastic bags
- Remove the stand and all decorations including lights, garland, tinsel, and metal (such as nails)
- Dispose of artificial or natural wreaths in the regular household garbage
- Do not place artificial trees at the curb for recycling

Set your tree out on the above dates. However, if you miss the special collection dates, Groot Industries will collect Christmas trees along with your regular garbage and refuse collection. This service will be provided to the homeowners associations not regularly serviced by Groot.

Questions? Call the Village at 630.823.5700 or Groot Industries at 866.782.5161.



Do You Love the Environment?

If you answered yes, then the Environmental Committee needs your help as a volunteer.

The committee plans and assists with events, opportunities and public information related to the environment. They plan several events throughout the year:

- Apiary Open House
- Storm Drain Labeling
- Recycling Event
- River Sweep

The Environmental Committee works to provide residents of the Village with information and opportunities related to environmental practices. Positive environmental programs go beyond basic recycling to minimize or mitigate pollution and waste. Residents can take similar steps in their own home and make a big difference. The committee meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in room 214 at Village Hall. If you are interested, contact Village Engineer/Assistant Director of Public Works Andy Sikich at 630-823-5650 or come to a meeting and see if it is something you would be interested in. Join today!

Holiday Trash Pick-Up

Due to the approaching holidays, residential trash pick-up will be collected according to the following schedule:

- Thanksgiving - Pick up will occur on Saturday, November 24th
- Christmas - Pick up will occur on Saturday, December 29th
- New Years - Pick up will occur on Saturday, January 5th

Please note that the final curbside yard waste collection will be on Friday, November 30th.

Free Leaf Collection in November

No Yard Waste Sticker Required for Leaf Collection in November!

As a benefit to the residents of Hanover Park, leaf collection in November will not require a yard waste sticker to be collected by Groot Industries. This is during the month of **NOVEMBER ONLY**. Leaf collection in all other months will occur as it has previously. All you have to do is rake your leaves, put them into a recyclable yard waste bag, and set them at the curb on your normal trash pickup day. If you have any questions please contact the Public Works Department at 630.823.5700 or Groot Industries at 866.782.5161.

Welcome New Businesses

The Village of Hanover Park would like to welcome the following new businesses to town!

Barber by Nature
Men's Salon
5650 Arlington Dr. E.
779-548-1271

Care Memorial LLC
Cremation Services Office (only)
7225 Longmeadow Ln.
866-912-9822

Just Ship It, Inc.
Mail, Ship & more
1752 E Lake St.
630-673-3266

Bluestar Services
Transportation company
5654 Arlington Drive E.
312-929-7133

Color Wheel Playhouse
Childrens Activities and Parties
2000 Army Trail Rd.
847-284-9625

Tacos Los 3 Principes Inc
Restaurant
5682 Arlington Dr. E.
630-855-2585

Boost Mobile
Cell Phone Retailer
2017 W. Irving Park Rd.
630-289-6088

J & S Glamour Hair Salon
Beauty Salon
7207 Orchard Ln.
630-372-2137

Tax Community Services
Income Tax Services
1601 Tanglewood Ave, Suite 105
847-323-8525

Boost Mobile by A & B
Cell Phone Retailer
7456 N. Barrington Rd.
630-823-8545

Jasmeen Beauty Salon
Beauty Salon
2422 Army Trail Rd.
773-964-8793

Business Spotlight



ALIANZA HISPANA INC
Professionalism – Integrity – Legendary

Alianza Hispana Inc., Income Tax and Travel
2023 Irving Park Rd.
Hanover Park, IL 60133
Phone: 630-233-1460
Fax: 630-233-1466

Alianza Hispana Inc., a family-owned and operated business located in the Village of Hanover Park since 2000, specializes in income tax preparation, travel agency, and other services. Alianza Hispana integrates highly skilled tax preparation with reliable and confidential service, to help you achieve your financial goals.

The Travel Agency offers plane tickets, hotels, travel packages and bus service within the U.S. and Mexico, as well as train service within the U.S. Other services include auto insurance, SR22, notary public services, translation services, email, fax, scan, copies, authorization forms for minor children traveling, help filling out any type of form or papers service, wire money transfers, letter writing, testaments, power of attorney, divorce, lease contracts and real estate contracts.



Just Ship It, Inc.
1752 E Lake St.
Hanover Park, IL 60133
Phone: 630-855-6308
Email: mail@justshipitnmore.com

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- Mail Boxes – Digital and Regular
- Passport Pictures and application assistance
- Lamination Services
- Rubber Stamps while you wait
- Computer use and WiFi access

Business of the Year Award

Nominate your favorite business for the Business of the Year Award. This award honors contributions made by Hanover Park businesses benefiting the community.

All residents and businesses are encouraged to nominate outstanding local businesses. Entrants must be in Hanover Park and will be judged in several categories including, but not limited to:

- Community Involvement
- Excellence in Customer Service
- Positive Image and Appearance

The deadline for receiving nominations is Friday, November 30th. C.O.N.E.C.T. Committee Members will evaluate nominations to determine the winners.

- Winners will receive an award at a 2019 Village Awards Presentation at Village Hall.
- Winners will be featured on the Village Facebook page.
- Winners will be featured in the Hanover Park Hi-Lighter Newsletter.
- Exhibitor fees for the Local Business Expo will be waived.

You can nominate a business on our website at: <http://il-hanoverpark.civicplus.com/658/Business-of-the-Year-Award>

Shop Local and Shop Small

Help Hanover Park Stay Strong! 10 Great Reasons to Shop and Do Business Locally

1. Hanover Park businesses create local jobs.
2. Local Businesses invest in our community.
3. Local independent shops support local charities, sports teams, schools & community events.
4. Local shops sell a wide range of great products at affordable prices. Check local first! You'll be surprised by the range of products and gifts available.
5. Everyone benefits! Local business owners tend to purchase from other local businesses and service providers, helping grow other local businesses, as well as our Village tax base.
6. Local Business Owners usually live here, are less likely to leave, and are vested in our future.
7. Shopping local retains our distinctiveness. Just look at the global diversity of our independent shops! Hanover Park offers a unique shopping experience. Our businesses bring goods from across the world and can respond quickly to your needs. Can't find what you want? Just ask!
8. Why drive? Save the gas money and help reduce our global footprint
9. Local sales tax revenue is used by the Village to provide services for you and your family - like roads, police and emergency services.
10. Local shops value you more. Local businesses survive by their reputation and repeat business, which means you get a higher standard of service. Truth!



Don't forget services too. Insurance, medical, attorneys, health and beauty — Find your local business on the Village Website Business Directory: <https://www.hpil.org/255/Business-Directory>.

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Mark your calendars! Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 4th at 2:00 a.m.! Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour. While you are doing that, now is a great time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors!



Village Hall Holiday Closings

The Hanover Park Village Hall and Public Works buildings will be closed on the following days in observance of the Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day holidays:

- Thursday, November 22nd
- Friday, November 23rd
- Monday, December 24th
- Tuesday, December 25th
- Tuesday, January 1st

Our Police and Fire Departments will remain open 24/7.

Fire Department Receives Specialized Training and Tools

Hanover Park roadways are busy. Over 200,000 vehicles each day travel Lake Street and County Farm Road/Barrington Road, not including the vehicles operating on the I-390 expressway. These roadways are conduits for a high number of commercial heavy vehicles such as buses, box trucks, gravel haulers, tractor-trailers, tankers, and

cement trucks. In addition to vehicle traffic, Hanover Park also has two major railways carrying passengers and freight trains, as well as aircraft from Schaumburg and Chicago O'Hare airports. To address the increasing challenges associated with large vehicle rescues, the department has recently trained and certified 14 Vehicle and Machinery Rescue Technicians. Training focused on stabilizing large overturned vehicles and construction equipment, creating openings for proper patient removal, extrication and disentanglement techniques for victims caught in various types of equipment and machinery.

In addition to receiving specialized training, the Fire Department also purchased over \$45,000 in new lifting and stabilization equipment required to mitigate complex accidents involving these large vehicles. The equipment is comprised of a variety of air lifting and stabilization struts. Along with heavy vehicle and machinery rescue, these tools can be used for trench rescue as well as structural collapse.

The new tools are carried on the department's heavy rescue squad (Squad 15) which operates from the Headquarters Fire Station on Barrington Road.



Paratech® tools being used during training.

Keep Warm....Keep Safe This Winter Season

According to the National Fire Protection Association most home fires are preventable, and it's not too early to protect your loved ones and your home from fire damage. The Hanover Park Fire Department suggest following these simple winter safety tips to keep your home and family fire safe:



- **Test smoke alarms.** Make sure batteries are fresh and place smoke alarms in the kitchen, laundry room and in bedrooms.
- **Have your furnace checked.** It's worth the money to hire a professional to inspect and service your furnace once a year.
- **Have your chimneys and vents checked.** Fireplaces produce creosote which can ignite. If you light fires frequently, you need a chimney sweep service once a year. When you burn wood, make sure it's dry and seasoned so that it produces more flame and less smoke.
- **Cover the fireplace with a screen.** Tempered glass or a metal screen helps protect sparks from leaving the fireplace. Even so, make sure that children and pets sit at least three feet away when you light a fire.
- **Beware of lit candles.** Candles can set the mood for relaxation, and that's how they get forgotten or knocked over by kids or pets. Light candles only when you're around to watch them and blow them out when you're ready to leave the room.
- **Beware of space heaters.** The name should give you a clue - space heaters need space. Like fireplaces, people and pets should not be allowed to sit any closer than three feet. Don't put space heaters near curtains, tablecloths or other fluttering fabrics. Make sure the space heaters you buy have automatic shut-offs before reaching dangerous temperatures.
- **Know how to put out kitchen fires quickly.** Water doesn't help a grease fire, which can get out of control. Keep salt and baking soda on hand to sprinkle liberally on pan fires. Keep lids handy to put on top of pots and pans that get too hot.
- **Practice an escape route.** Businesses have fire drills, your family should too. Teach your family to crawl to the nearest exit from every room. Show them how to drop and roll if their clothes were ever to catch on fire.
- **Fire extinguishers can be life-savers.** Store one under the kitchen sink, and in the hall closet near the bedrooms. Make sure you use the correct setting - "A" for paper, wood and trash; "B" for grease and flammable liquids; "C" for small electrical fires.

Keep the Wreath Red

The "Keep the Wreath Red" program is used to raise fire safety awareness during the holiday season. Each of the two Hanover Park Fire Stations has a wreath that is wrapped with red lights. The wreaths remain lit twenty-four hours a day during the holiday season. If a fire occurs that is determined to be the result of a holiday decoration, a white bulb replaces a red bulb on the wreath. The hope is the wreath will serve as a constant reminder to practice fire safety during the holiday season. Some suggestions for holiday fire safety are:

- Needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches, and the needles should not break if the tree has been freshly cut. The trunk should be sticky to the touch.
- Do not place your tree close to a heat source, including a fireplace or heat vent. The heat will dry out the tree, causing it to be more easily ignited by heat, flame or sparks.
- Never put tree branches or needles in a fireplace or woodburning stove. When the tree becomes dry, discard it promptly.
- Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets, and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up. Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory.
- Do not link more than three light strands, unless the directions indicate it is safe. Connect strings of lights to an extension cord before plugging the cord into the outlet.
- All decorations should be nonflammable or flame retardant and placed away from heat vents.
- Ensure that trees and other holiday decorations do not block an exit way. In the event of a fire, time is of the essence. A blocked entry/exit way puts you and your family at risk.
- Wrapping paper in the fireplace can result in a very large fire, throwing off dangerous sparks and embers that may result in a chimney fire.



Holiday Lights Ordinance

Just a reminder that pursuant to Village Code 30-1(590.3B) holiday lights must be taken down within 90 days of the holiday. Christmas lights must be down by April 1, 2019.

Don't Be A Victim..... Stay With Your Vehicle

With winter coming, it's typical for one to start their vehicle to let it warm up and leaving it unattended. Most vehicle thefts that occur within the Village are crimes of opportunity where the victim leaves their vehicle running and unattended while they run in for that cup of coffee at the convenience store, gas station, or simply leave it unattended in their driveway. Help us lower crime rates and protect your investment by staying with your car while it warms up, turn it off when at the convenience stores & gas stations and lock it.

****NOTE**** (new change to the law)
If you have a remote start and there are no keys in the locked vehicle, it is OK to let it run.

(625 ILCS 5/11 1401) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11 1401)

Sec. 11 1401. Unattended motor vehicles. No person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle shall permit it to stand unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition, removing the key from the ignition, effectively setting the brake thereon and, when standing upon any perceptible grade, turning the front wheels to the curb or side of the highway. An unattended motor vehicle shall not include an unattended locked motor vehicle with the engine running after being started by a remote starter system.

Winter Driving Safety Tips

As we head into winter and some less than ideal road conditions, please remember to exercise some caution and remember these few safety tips:

- Don't drive when you're tired! Your reaction times will be slowed and you want to be alert if you encounter wet or icy roadways.
- NEVER run your engine in an enclosed garage. Car fumes are DEADLY! Also, if you do get stranded, don't run your engine for long periods of time with the windows up – only run it for a few minutes at a time to keep warm.
- Always keep at least a half a tank of gasoline to avoid gas line freeze up, and in case you get stranded.
- Slow down and increase the distance between your car and the car in front of you.
- Steer the direction you want to go. When you are skidding, ease your foot off of the accelerator.
- Make sure your windshield wipers work are in good condition, and make sure that you have plenty of windshield washer fluid.
- Keep emergency supplies in your car (blanket, travel shovel, snack, jumper cables, etc.)

We are sure that you are also continuing to follow the other safe driving laws, such as always wearing a seat belt, never texting and driving, and obeying the speed limit! Let's enjoy this holiday season by staying safe, warm and healthy.



Winter Parking Regulations

With winter around the corner, just a reminder that winter parking regulations will soon be in effect. There is no parking on village streets after a TWO inch snow fall.

62-11-1323. Limited parking for snow removal.

(a) It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on any public street in the village at any time within 24 hours after a snowfall of two inches or more has occurred, except on those streets where late night parking is permitted in section 62-11-1327(b), that within 24 hours after a snowfall of two or more inches vehicles shall be parked only on the side of the street on the day during which late night parking is permitted.

Holiday Safety Tips

The holiday season is upon us and we will find our schedules filled with many seasonal activities. Unfortunately, this is also a time when the criminal element uses our schedules and softening of our safety techniques to take advantage. We need to take a moment to remind ourselves of some general crime prevention techniques.

- Make sure to keep your car doors locked. The vast majority of thefts from motor vehicles occur from vehicles with unlocked doors.
- Place bags, packages, electronics, and change in your truck or out of sight. Do not make the burglar's job easy.
- Make your house look as if someone is always home. Keep lights on the inside and outside, using timers to achieve this when no one is home. Make sure your interior garage door is locked and that you close the exterior door.
- When shopping, do not overburden yourself with too many packages or bags, your purse or wallet could be an easy mark for thieves. Be aware of your surroundings.
- Keep records of the serial numbers for all big-ticket purchases – take pictures of them - inscribe each item with something that will help it to be identified. Your initials or address for example. (Also - break down the boxes these items come in before you place them out on the curb. What you put out will advertise what you have in your home.)
- Be a "Nosy" Neighbor. Call 911 whenever you see or hear any suspicious people or activity. Try to get a description, license plate, direction of travel, and description what they are doing.
- If you are going on vacation, contact the Police Department at 630.823.5500 and have your house placed on the vacation watch list.



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