

# Hi Lighter

Hanover Park

September/October 2005

## Hanover Park Public Safety Officers Deployed to Assist With Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Efforts

All of us have watched with a sense of horror and disbelief as Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast, leaving death and destruction not seen since the Civil War in her wake.

Everyone wants to help. So when the request from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) came, asking for 2,000 firefighters from United States metropolitan areas to go to the Gulf Coast region, "Seventeen of our 32 full time firefighters were ready to go on a moment's notice," said Fire Chief Craig Haigh. Two were chosen: Firefighter/Paramedics Rick Herzog and Brandon Matheny. Herzog and Matheny were chosen based on their experience, personality and qualifications. They will serve in the hurricane ravaged area for 30 days.



*Hanover Park sends two firefighters to help: Firefighter/Paramedics Rick Herzog and Brandon Matheny with Fire Chief Craig Haigh.*

Over the weekend of September 16, two additional Hanover Park firefighters left for the Gulf Coast. Firefighter Garrett Kody and Lt. Jim Larsen will serve in the area until early October.



*Task Force Illinois: Hanover Park Police Officers Steven Stotz and Jennifer Smith are currently serving in the Gulf Coast area.*

Additional police officers are also needed in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) coordinated the deployment of 150 law enforcement officers to Louisiana to support local officers. ILEAS is now coordinating the second wave of over 100 officers to relieve the first group. The senior Louisiana State Police command has asked "Task Force Illinois" to keep its 148 officers in the area to assist, based on its professionalism, command structure and performance.

"Every member of the Hanover Park Police Department's Crisis Resolution Team volunteered to go," said Police Chief Ron Moser. Patrol Officers Steven Stotz and Jennifer Smith were selected to represent Hanover Park. They left on September 16 and are scheduled to return October 1.

Hanover Park is extremely proud of its public safety officers and their commitment to helping others in need.

## Reaching Out to Hurricane Katrina Victims: Here's How You Can Help

Hanover Park is a drop off point for donations to be sent to areas affected by Hurricane Katrina. The Northern Illinois Food Bank, a member of American's Second Harvest—The Nation's Food Bank Network, is coordinating the collection.

Food and grocery items that are needed include:

- ▲ Bottled water and gallons of water (no glass)
- ▲ Single serving snacks such as cereal and energy bars
- ▲ Pop Tarts
- ▲ Nutrition Bars
- ▲ Non-refrigerated nutrition drinks such as Success or Slim Fast
- ▲ Peanut butter
- ▲ Heat and eat foods such as chili, stews, canned soups, canned vegetables, and canned meats like Spam, corned beef, and sausages
- ▲ Lunchables or other single serving foods that do not require refrigeration
- ▲ Meal replacement entrees
- ▲ Paper goods such as plates, napkins, cups, tissues, and diapers.

Drop boxes are located in the Village Hall main lobby.



## Minute with the Mayor . . .

“Faster than a speeding train” is a phrase we’re all familiar with, but every year dozens of foolish children and unthinking adults find out too late that a speeding train is fast, indeed. Fast enough to seem to appear out of nowhere as you walk along the tracks or try to beat a train across the tracks. So here are some important reminders to keep you safe around trains, train tracks, and train stations.

- o Never take a shortcut across tracks. The railroad right-of-way is private property. Cross only at designated railroad crossings.
- o Look both ways before crossing tracks at outlying train stations and grade crossings-even if the warning devices are not activated. If warning devices activate as you approach a crossing, do not rush across the tracks.
- o Stand at a safe distance from the tracks when warning devices are activated, as trains may extend three feet or more outside the rails.
- o Do not cross the tracks immediately after a train passes, as another train may be approaching on adjacent tracks. Wait until there is a clear view in both directions.
- o Remember there is a gap between the tracks and crosswalk areas. Avoid stepping on them and walk bikes across.
- o Freight trains do not travel on predictable schedules; schedules for passenger trains can change.
- o Never walk down train tracks it is illegal and dangerous.
- o Trains can be very quiet. Stereo headphones should not be worn near railroad tracks. They will prevent you from hearing an oncoming train. Don’t be caught off guard, as trains cannot stop quickly. **Look, Listen and Live!**

Throwing rocks or placing objects on the track is dangerous and against the law. Objects of any size, even small debris on the track, can be propelled from the steel wheel with the force of a bullet, injuring those standing nearby. Larger objects can cause a train derailment, injuring or killing passengers and crew members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Irv Bock".

Irv Bock, Village President

## Congratulations 2005 CERT Grads!

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) trains members to take action in case of a disastrous event where the community’s professional response members may be overwhelmed. CERT members have been trained to provide emergency response within the first 72 hours of any disaster. Their training includes knowing how to work as a team to apply basic fire suppression, basic first aid, set up a treatment area, conduct basic search and rescue operations and recognize acts of terrorism. The Village of Hanover Park is pleased to have its citizens trained to be ready and able to respond when necessary. Congratulations to the 2005 CERT graduates: Bruce Elmore, Vito Giardino, Rosalie Hursey, Robert Pitsenbarger, Shirley Pitsenbarger, Nikki Russ and Eddie Wade.





## Six Smart Tips for Saving Gas and Money

The price of gasoline today has all of us thinking about ways to spend less at the gas pump. Here's a double bonus: you can save money and reduce air pollution at the same time by modifying the way you drive.

- ▲ Avoid jack-rabbit starts and sudden stops. These use fuel at a much higher rate than easy accelerations and steady stops.
- ▲ Combine errands and carpool. Short trips can eat up fuel because engines become most efficient after they have warmed up.
- ▲ Reduce engine idling. For any stop that you expect to last more than a minute or two, shut off your engine rather than letting it idle. Don't bother warming up your engine if it's not necessary.
- ▲ Keep your tires properly inflated. Under-inflated tires cause fuel consumption to increase by 6%.
- ▲ Watch your speed. The faster you drive, the more fuel you use. Driving at 65 miles per hour, rather than 55 miles per hour, increases fuel consumption by 20%.
- ▲ Remove extra weight. Avoid carrying unneeded items, especially heavy ones. An extra 100 pounds in the trunk reduces a typical car's fuel economy by 1 to 2%.

Using these tips will help us all breathe easier and save money in the process.

## Community Development Offers Evening Hours

As a convenience to Hanover Park's residents and businesses, the Community Development Department will maintain extended hours (8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.) the first Thursday of every month beginning October 6, 2005 until April 2006. Regular Department hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you have questions, please call (630) 372-4260.

## Could the Trees on Your Property Survive a Storm?

Solid as an oak, strong and unyielding in the wind, reaching for the sky describes trees of strength, size and longevity. However, unmanaged trees can fail in severe weather. That's why the Village of Hanover Park Forestry Division performs annual inspections to check for improperly growing branches, broken branches or damaged main trunk, poor structure or rotting, which can weaken a tree. Every parkway tree is trimmed every three to seven years depending on their size, class and/or location.

**Emergency Storm Damage:**  
call 630/372-4444  
to verify if an emergency brush pick up is scheduled

Parkway or public trees are not the only trees that need scheduled maintenance and proper trimming. During last July's wind storm, numerous trees on private property came crashing down, causing major damage to homes, vehicles, power and telephone lines. A closer inspection revealed that the vast majority of failed trees and branches were due to little or no maintenance (trees that were not pruned or trimmed while they were growing and/or inspected on a scheduled basis). In contrast, only branches were lost from parkway and public trees that received scheduled maintenance. Proper tree trimming helps ensure the safety of your and your neighbor's property and the health of your trees.

The fall season is a good time to inspect all the trees in your yard. Pay special attention to trees close to your home or near any structures that may be targets for trees (either your home or your neighbor's home). If the trees in your yard are taller than your house and have not been trimmed for more than seven years, they are more likely to fail in a windstorm, hard rain, or ice storms. Large trees between homes or next to driveways should be checked especially carefully for potentially hazardous conditions. We strongly recommend calling a tree expert or a certified arborist to inspect the trees, remove branches and prune as necessary to reduce the chance of tree failure as well as to keep trees healthy and property safe. In some cases a tree expert may suggest the removal of a tree for safety reasons.

## Officials Break Ground for New Library

Big plans are underway for the Hanover Park Branch Library, which will have a new home next year just down the road from its current site.



**Senator John Millner, President Bock, Schaumburg Library Trustees and Elected Officials participated in the groundbreaking.**

Ground was broken on August 21 for the new facility at 1266 Irving Park Road, and construction has begun. With 9,263 square feet, the building will provide more than 2,600 square feet for the adult area, 1,600 square feet for youth services and 618 square feet for teens. Tables, lounge areas, computers, a 50-seat meeting room and quiet adult reading room with a fireplace will also be included.

## Village Currently Accepting Applications For Full and Part-time Firefighters

The Village of Hanover Park is seeking applicants to establish eligibility lists for both full and part-time firefighters.

Full-time Firefighter/Paramedic  
STARTING SALARY: \$39,422.09/year

Part-time Firefighter/EMT (POC)  
STARTING PAY: \$8.75/hour

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTH POSITIONS:

- Age 21 at time of written exam with a high school diploma or GED; or age 20 with 2 years of college course work in Fire Science or related field
- Valid Driver's License
- EMT-B Certification
- No Felony Convictions
- No Residency Requirement

For full time firefighter/paramedic positions, a Firefighter II Certification is required. Applicants must also have an EMT-Paramedic license or be currently enrolled in a paramedic course approved by the Village's EMS Resource Hospital (Sherman Hospital in Elgin, IL) by date of hire.

### SELECTION PROCESS:

The selection process includes an orientation, physical agility exam, written exam, background investigation, oral interviews, psychological exam, polygraph, and a medical exam.

### TO APPLY:

The application deadline is 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 27, 2005.

Application packets and further information may be obtained from [www.HanoverParkIllinois.org](http://www.HanoverParkIllinois.org) or from the Village of Hanover Park, Human Resource Department, 2121 W. Lake Street, Hanover Park, IL 60133, (630) 372-4250.

The Village of Hanover Park is an Equal Opportunity Employer

## What to Do – And Not to Do – When You Rake and Dispose of Leaves This Fall

Autumn, although beautiful, requires leaf disposal. Leaves generated from parkway trees in public streets are collected by Village crews. Trees and leaves on private property are the homeowner's responsibility.

Depositing leaves on public property is prohibited. Violators face a minimum \$100 fine. Raking leaves into streets strains Village street-sweeping efforts. Vast quantities of leaves in the street also increase the potential for flooding because storm sewer inlets become clogged. Residents can choose from three options to properly dispose of leaves:



1. Create a backyard composting area
2. Mulch leaves by running over them with a lawn mower (you may wish to use the mulch for landscaping purposes, such as around shrubs); or
3. Place leaves in a yardwaste container, attach a yardwaste sticker (\$1.81 per sticker), and have them collected by Allied. If you have a scavenger other than Allied, please contact them for yardwaste collection information.

The Village recommends options #1 and #2. The escalating cost of disposing of leaves at a landscape waste facility is greater than disposing of garbage at a landfill.

BFI's final yardwaste collection day is Saturday, November 26, 2005.

### Mark Your Calendar for Final Brush Pickup in October

The Hanover Park Village Brush Pickup Program will take place in October.

#### **Collection Date**

#### **Collection Area**

October 3

Streets north of Lake Street and west of Barrington Road

October 10

Streets north of Lake Street and east of Barrington Road

October 17

Streets south of Lake Street and north of Lawrence Avenue

October 24

Streets south of Lawrence Avenue

Questions regarding the Village Brush Pickup Program should be directed to the Public Works Department at 372-4440.



### Sump Pumps Now Required to Discharge 5 Feet from Lot Line

The Village Board recently approved a new regulation regarding the discharge of water from sump pumps.

Section 18-92(r) was added to the Hanover Park Municipal Code to provide that any new or existing sump pump shall not discharge water closer than 5 feet from any lot line. Residents are asked to check their sump pump discharge line and move it at least 5 feet back from any lot line. This regulation allows more water to soak into the yard prior to entering a drainage swale and reducing the chance it would become a nuisance on an adjoining property.

If you have questions please contact the Village's Code Enforcement Division of the Police Department at (630) 372-4484.

## Village to Award Minority Scholarship

**H**anover Park will be awarding its Minority Scholarship at the 2006 Village Awards Night. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to an individual pursuing college level undergraduate studies.

In order to be considered for this award, you must submit:

- ▲ Proof of at least one year's residency in Hanover Park
- ▲ A completed scholarship application form (available in person at the Village Manager's Office or online at [www.HanoverParkIllinois.org](http://www.HanoverParkIllinois.org))
- ▲ A separate essay written by the applicant describing in 300 words or less what "community" means to him/her
- ▲ Two completed Applicant Appraisal forms from teachers, coaches, employers, etc. Appraisals may not be submitted by family members. A letter of recommendation does not replace this form.

For further information, a brochure detailing the program, and/or to obtain required forms, contact the Village Manager's office at (630) 372-4210.

**Applications are due by December 2, 2005.**

## Youth of the Year to Receive \$1000 Scholarship

Hanover Park, is for the most part, a community of young families with lots of terrific kids! In honor of the many fantastic young people in Hanover Park, each year one young person is selected as the "Hanover Park Youth of the Year." This honor is bestowed on a high school senior (Class of 2006) and is accompanied by a \$1,000 scholarship. The winner of the Youth of the Year will be announced at the 2006 Village Awards Night.

The panel of judges includes the Mayor, Village Clerk and Village Trustees. Judging will be based on academic merit, community service, or special achievement. The scholarships must be applied to undergraduate studies.

For further information on the Youth of the Year program or to obtain an application, please call (630) 372-4210.

**The deadline for applications is December 2, 2005.**

## Nominate a Worthy Individual for Humanitarian Award

**H**anover Park is seeking nominations for the 2005 Humanitarian Award. The award will be presented to an individual who either resides or works in Hanover Park who has demonstrated a commitment to the community, the spirit of multicultural fellowship, and/or a philanthropic effort worthy of commendation.

The Committee is seeking nominees for this award whose conscientious and unselfish efforts benefit the Hanover Park community at large and who exemplify the highest ideals of humanitarianism.

Please take the time to nominate a deserving individual. To obtain a nomination form, contact the Village Manager's office at (630) 372-4210 or visit the Village's web site at [www.HanoverParkIllinois.org](http://www.HanoverParkIllinois.org)

Nomination forms must be returned no later than **December 2, 2005.**

## Congratulations to Our Community Appearance Award Winners!



The Village of Hanover Park recently honored the 2005 Community Appearance Award winners. Winners in both the single and multifamily categories will receive a \$100 gift certificate, a plaque and will be recognized at the Village Awards Night to be held in early 2006.

Congratulations to our winners:

Single family category: The Jaros Residence - 1570 Andover Drive East

Multifamily category is: The Palacios Residence - 1486 Sutter Drive.

## Thanksgiving Closings

The Village will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday and Friday, November 24th and 25th.

The Police and Fire Departments will remain open.



# Hanover Park - Calendar of Events

Police 9-1-1 Fire/Ambulance 9-1-1 Village Hall (630) 372-4200

## OCTOBER

| SUNDAY                           | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY   |
|----------------------------------|---|---|-----------|---|--|--|
|                                  |   |   |           |   |  | 1  |
| 2                                | Brush collection for Area #1 7:00 a.m. Citizens Police Academy, 6:30&8:00 p.m.                                      | 4   | 5         | Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m                              | 7  | 8  |
| 9                                | Columbus Day 10<br>Brush collection for Area #2 7:00 a.m. Citizens Police Academy, 6:30&8:00 p.m                    | 11<br>CONNECT Comm, 12:00 p.m.<br>Sister Cities 7:30 p.m. | 12        | Development Commission Meeting 7:30 p.m. Room 214.          | 14   | 15   |
| 16                               | Brush collection for Area #3 7:00 a.m. Citizens Police Academy, 6:30&8:00 p.m                                       | 18  | 19        | Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m                              | Cycles 1,2,5,6,7,8<br>Water Bills Due<br>Healthcare provider<br>CPR, 6:30-10:00 p.m. | 22   |
| 23<br>Daylight savings time ends | 24<br>Brush collection Area #4, 7:00 a.m.<br>Citizens Police Academy<br><del>Trick or Treat 3-7:00 p.m.</del><br>31 | 25  | 26        | Elected Officials Call-in Program 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. 372-4205 | 28   | 29<br>Change Your Clock-<br>Change your Battery<br>Pizza Program<br>6:00-9:00 p.m. |
| 30                               |   |   |           |   |  |  |

## NOVEMBER

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                        | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|--------|---------|-----------|---------------------------------|--------|----------|
|        |        | 1       | 2         | Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. | 4      | 5        |

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|----|--|----|----|--|---|--|
| 13 | 14<br>Citizens Police Academy.<br>6:30-8:00 pm | 15 | 16 | 17<br>Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m       | 18<br>Cycles 3 & 4 water bills due First Aid Class, Station 1, 6:30-10:00 PM; Must register with Fire Dept. | 19   |
| 20 | 21<br>Citizens Police Academy.<br>6:30-8:00 pm | 22 | 23 | 24<br>Thanksgiving Day Village Hall closed | 25<br>Thanksgiving Holiday Village Hall closed No Allied pickup   | 26<br>Allied holiday schedule/ trash pickup today Curbside yardwaste collection ends |
| 27 | 28   | 29 | 30 |  |   |  |

# DECEMBER

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY  | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY             |
|---|---|--|-----------|--|---|----------------------|
|   |   |  |           | <sup>1</sup><br>Last day to register for Holiday Lights Tour Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. | <sup>2</sup><br>Applications due for Youth of the Year, Minority Youth Scholarships Humanitarian Awards | <sup>3</sup>         |
| 4   | 5   | 6<br>Mayor's Choice Business awards nominations due        | 7         | 8<br>Development Commission Meeting 7:30 p.m. Room 214                                       | 9   | 10                   |
| <sup>11</sup><br>Tree Trimming with Lions Club, 2:00 p.m. at Village Hall | <sup>12</sup><br>Holiday Lights Tour, 6:30 p.m.                   | 13<br>CONNECT Committee 12:00 p.m. Sister Cities 7:30 p.m. | 14        | 15<br>Village Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.  | <sup>16</sup><br>CPR Class, Station 1, 6:30, - 10:00 p.m. Must register with Fire Department            | 17                   |
| 18  | 19  | <sup>20</sup><br>Cycles 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, water bills due  | 21        | 22   | <sup>23</sup><br>Christmas Holiday observed Village Hall closed   | 24<br>Christmas Eve  |
| 25<br>Christmas Day   | <sup>26</sup><br>Christmas holiday "observed" Village Hall closed | 27   | 28        | 29   | <sup>30</sup>   | 31<br>New Year's Eve |

# We are proud to recognize . . .

## Hometown Hero

Sgt. McDonnell recently returned to Hanover Park after one year of active duty with Charlie Company, 1st of the 131 Infantry Unit (Air Assault) Battalion out of Kankakee, IL. He was deployed to the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) to train units preparing to go overseas into battle. The JRTC was responsible for training over 10,000 Army, Navy, Marine, and Air Force in addition to some governmental law enforcement agencies, in the training in the year that Sgt. McDonnell was stationed at the JRTC. Sgt. McDonnell helped units learn the cultures, languages and religion, as well as what to look for from the modern day terrorists they are about to fight. Matt McDonnell is also a Police Officer for the Village of Hanover Park.



## New Police Officers

Hanover Park recently welcomed four new Police Officers. James Bafia received his Masters of Science Degree in Human Resources from DePaul University in 2003. Jason Harden is currently attending Oakton Community College majoring in Criminal Justice. He has worked for the Village of Skokie as a Community Service Officer since 2002. Matthew Riedel is attending Western Illinois University majoring in Law Enforcement. Joshua Singer received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration from Western Illinois University in 2004. He has worked as a Security Officer at Initial Security in Northbrook. All four officers graduated from the Police Academy at the end of September.



Welcome! Left to right: Joshua Singer, Matthew Riedel, Jason Harden, and James Bafia

## Heroes One and All

Several individuals who were instrumental in saving the life of a five year old boy were honored recently for their acts of heroism. Brian Ortiz, Daniel Ortiz, Richard and Megan Liebke were honored for pulling the child from the water retention pond at Ranger Park after he had been playing with his older brother and fell into the water. Brian and Daniel ran to the pond to help. Air bubbles assisted them in finding the spot where he had gone down. Brian jumped in and with Daniel's help pulled the boy out. Megan Liebke ran home to get her father, Richard. Mr. Liebke called 911 and rushed to the park to administer CPR. Firefighters and paramedics arrived shortly thereafter. Battalion Chief Jeannine Ames commended her crew for their quick action at the

Paul Rosenthal, Firefighter/Paramedics Scott Edwards, Brandon Matheny, Marc Montalbano and Tony Welnowski. When emergency personnel arrived at the park, the child lacked a pulse; by aggressively performing CPR, the crew regained a pulse prior to his arrival at the hospital.



## Helpful Hints for a Safe & Happy Halloween

Help keep your favorite ghosts and goblins safe this Halloween by reviewing these important safety rules with your children.

- ❑ NO candy should be eaten until it has been inspected by an adult.
- ❑ Discard any unwrapped items.
- ❑ Check all food wrappers for signs of tampering.
- ❑ Keep costumes simple. Costumes should be made of light, brightly colored or reflective material, so that your trick-or-treater can be easily seen at night. Costumes should not restrict either vision or movement.
- ❑ At least one person in the group should carry a flashlight while trick or treating.
- ❑ Trick or treat in groups whenever possible, accompanied by one or more adults.
- ❑ Instruct your children not to enter any home, and don't invite anyone else's child into your home.
- ❑ For safety's sake, trick or treat only at homes in your own neighborhood.
- ❑ Remind children to cross only at corners and to look both ways before crossing the street. Children should use sidewalks whenever possible, obey traffic lights, and walk – never run – across streets.

**TRICK OR TREAT  
HOURS ARE  
FROM 3:00-7:00 PM  
ON MONDAY**



## Spotlight on Business

### Printing Perfection

Printing Perfection was founded in 1989. The company's clients include small, medium and large businesses, as well as industrial and commercial companies and government facilities. Company employees pride themselves on their honesty, quality of workmanship, reasonable prices, and sensitivity to the needs of their customers.

Services available include everything from simple black and white copies for as low as \$.07 per copy, to four color brochures. Customers pay for only the copies that are acceptable to them. In and out fax service is also available. Customers may also send and receive Internet communications at Printing Perfection.

The company offers a business card special of \$20.00 per 1,000 business cards (restrictions apply). Customers are welcome to assist in the design of their cards.



*Printing Perfection*

All invitations are discounted 15%. The Regency line of wedding books offers invitations for both the contemporary and traditional bride. A complete line of wedding reception accessories such as personalized napkins, match book covers, candy bar wrappers and more is also available. Customers may also select from a wide variety of anniversary, graduation, birth and baptism announcements, in addition to invitations for corporate functions.

Printing Perfection is also a great resource for customized stamps (rubber and self-inking), letterheads, envelopes, flyers, invoices, work orders, newsletters, labels, and a variety of other printing needs. Estimates are always free, and first-time customers receive 10% off their order.

Printing Perfection, located at 2003 W. Irving Park Road, is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM-6:00 PM; and Saturday from 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. Call Cheryl or Lee at (630) 289-2400.

## Roll Up Your Sleeve for Blood Drive to Benefit Hanover Park Residents and Hurricane Katrina Victims on October 19

Heartland Blood Centers will be visiting the Hanover Park Village Hall on Wednesday, October 19th, from 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. In addition to providing blood to local patients, Heartland is sending blood to areas affected by Hurricane Katrina. As a result of this relief effort, the community blood supply has somewhat depleted.

Heartland has informed us that all blood types are urgently needed to help return the blood supply to normal levels. Please consider giving blood on October 19th. You can sign up in advance by calling Heather Nelson at (630) 372-4254 or e-mailing [hnelson@hanoverparkillinois.org](mailto:hnelson@hanoverparkillinois.org).

**Nominate Your Favorite Business for ...**

**THE 'MAYOR'S CHOICE BUSINESS OF THE YEAR' AWARD**

The Village of Hanover Park is proud to honor an outstanding community business each year. The annual Mayor's Choice Business of the Year award competition is designed to honor exceptional Hanover Park businesses. Judging will be conducted by the Village of Hanover Park CONECT Committee. Awards will be presented by Mayor Irv Bock and the Hanover Park CONECT Committee at the 2006 Village Awards Night.

- ▲ Nominated businesses will be judged in several categories, including:
  - longevity within Hanover Park
  - community involvement
  - excellence in customer service
  - positive image/appearance
- ▲ Nominations may be submitted by anyone; businesses are encouraged to nominate themselves. This nomination form is due December 5, 2005. Upon receipt of the nomination form, notification will be sent directly to the nominated business along with an entry packet.

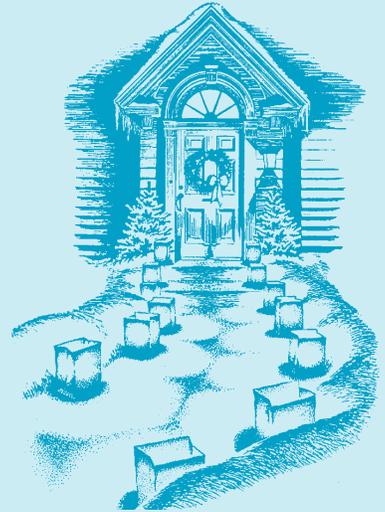
**Deck the Halls . . . And You Could Win an Award!**

It's almost time to start preparing for the "Deck the Homes" contest. Remember to call and nominate the homes with the best holiday decorations.

Winners will be chosen in both single family and multifamily categories. Call (630) 372-4412 for more information or to nominate a home!

All homes will be judged on December 12 during the Holiday Lights Tour. (See below for Tour registration information).

**Enter today!!!**



**THE 'MAYOR'S CHOICE BUSINESS OF THE YEAR' AWARD**

**Nominations are due December 5, 2005**

Complete and mail or fax this form to:  
Village of Hanover Park • Attn: Wendy Holtz  
2121 W. Lake Street • Hanover Park, IL 60133  
Phone: 630-372-4282 • Fax: 630-372-4265

**INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINEE**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINATOR (optional)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Celebrate the Season with Holiday Lights Tour December 12**

Register now for a night of holiday cheer with the Hanover Park Police Department. On December 12 the Police Department will host a Holiday Lights Tour and take residents around the Village to see the holiday lights. Participants will also have the opportunity to act as judges for the annual "Deck the Homes" holiday decorating contest.

After the tour, refreshments will be served at Village Hall along with plenty of caroling! The tours will take place from 6:30 – 9:00 PM. This event is FREE. The deadline for registration is December 2. Please contact Cindi Leon at (630) 372-4412

**The deadline for registration is December 2nd.**

**HOLIDAY LIGHTS TOUR REGISTRATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ adults \_\_\_\_\_ children

Please clip and mail to the Hanover Park Police Department,  
2121 W. Lake Street,  
Hanover Park, IL 60133  
Attn: Cindi Leon





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### Important telephone numbers

Village Hall (630) 372-4200  
Police Information (630) 372-4400  
Public Works  
Department (630) 372-4440  
Fire Department (630) 736-6800

Village Information  
Hotline (630) 372-4290

Code Enforcement  
Hotline (630) 372-4262

TDD (630) 372-4430  
Village Hall fax (630) 372-4215  
Police  
Department fax (630) 372-4420  
Public Works  
Department fax (630) 372-4462

### Police, fire and ambulance 9-1-1

**Village Board meetings** are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Complex on Lake Street. The public is encouraged to attend.

### Standing committee meetings:

Call the Village Clerk's office at (630) 372-4220 for dates, times and locations of the following regularly scheduled meetings:

- Development Commission
- Hanover Park CONECT Committee
- Sister Cities Committee

**Curfew hours** for those under 17 years of age are 11:00 PM Sunday-Thursday, and 12 AM on Friday and Saturday.

**For questions or concerns regarding Village services, call (630) 372-4200**



## Hanover Park Indians Win Senior League Championship

The Hanover Park Indians were recently congratulated by the Village Board for their championship title. The high school aged players, 15 or 16 years old, beat teams from several communities to capture the Senior League Championship title.

As he proudly introduced his team, Coach Rick Roberts said, "What they achieved is great for Hanover Park. The Senior League runs during the high school summer vacation. The Indians played a 22 game schedule in 30 days; a very demanding schedule for an extremely talented group of boys."

### Pay your water bill online!

[www.HanoverParkIllinois.org](http://www.HanoverParkIllinois.org)

### Look under "Services/Finance/Direct Pay"

**MasterCard, American Express and Discover may be used to pay bills online. Visa may only be used when paying in-person at the Village Hall.**



## Got a question or concern? Elected officials hope you'll call to talk to them about it

Village of Hanover Park officials want to make it as easy as possible to talk to them about anything of special interest or concern to you. That's why they offer a special resident call-in program on the fourth Thursday of the month from 7:00-9:00 PM to answer your questions or hear your concerns. The phone number to call is (630) 372-4205.

The next call in date is **October 28**. We'd love to hear from you!



# Change Your Clock, Change Your Smoke Detector Batteries

**D**aylight savings time is going to change back to standard time at 2:00 AM on Sunday, October 30th. That's also the date that you need to make another change – a change that could save your life – by changing the batteries in your smoke detectors.

Nonworking smoke detectors disarm residents of the protective benefits which home fire safety devices were designed to provide. The most commonly-cited cause of nonworking smoke detectors: dead or missing batteries! Approximately 900 children die each year in home fires, and 80% of those deaths occur in homes without working smoke detectors.

Changing smoke detector batteries at least once a year is one of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce these tragic deaths or injuries. In fact, working smoke detectors reduce the risk of death or injury in home fires by nearly 50%.

The “Change your clock, change your battery” campaign urges you to change smoke detector batteries when changing clocks back to standard time each fall, this year on October 30th. It's a change that could save your life!

## Take time to ensure your home is fire hazard safe.

- Don't allow junk items to accumulate.
- Remember to store boxes away from heat sources
- Recycle old newspapers, books, magazines.
- Store flammable liquids outside your home in well ventilated areas and always in approved safety containers.
- Electrical safety around your home means never overloading circuits or outlets, using extension cords with the proper rating for the job, and replacing old worn out cords immediately.



## You could win a free pizza or free smoke detector on October 29. Here's how!

On Saturday, October 29, the Hanover Park Fire Department will team up with Rosati's Pizza to promote the “Change your Clock, Change your Battery” campaign.



From 5:00 to 9:00 PM firefighters will randomly follow the delivery crew from Rosati's Pizza. If the residence has a functioning smoke detector, the residents will receive their pizza free of charge. If the residence has a smoke detector that is not functioning, or if there is no smoke detector at all, the residents will be given a new smoke detector from the Fire Department.

## Village of Hanover Park

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### VILLAGE HALL HOURS:

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday** 8:00 AM-4:30 PM  
**Thursday** 8:00 AM-7:30 PM

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