

Hi-Lighter

JULY/AUGUST 2026



Hanover Park ^{USA}
America's Global Village

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Holiday Closure

Village Hall will be closed Monday,
July 3 for Independence Day.

Police & Fire will remain open 24/7.



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events and happenings in the
Village by signing up for our
eNews.

SUMMER Soirée



with a
**COUNTRY
TWANG**



Hanover Park ^{USA}

**Saturday
August 15th**

Ontarioville Park

1900 Ontarioville Road
Hanover Park

Begins at 5:30 pm

Petty Union
6:00 pm - 7:45 pm

The Country Night
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm

**LASER LIGHT SHOW IS BACK!
FREE PARKING IN METRA LOT**

**Cowboy Boots and
Hats Welcome!**

LIVE MUSIC • FOOD TRUCKS • CRAFT BEER • WINE

Calendar of Events

Poplar Creek Public Library
1405 S. Park Avenue
Streamwood
630-837-6800

Visit pplib.org for the latest updates.

Local History Scavenger Hunt July 1-July 31

Help celebrate America's 250th by visiting notable places in the library district! Register and pick up a booklet from the library with 10 historic sites. Take selfies with 7 sites, then head back over to the library to pick up your prize!



Summer Lunches at the Library Tuesdays-Thursday July 1-August 13

Stop by the library to pick up free lunches from the Northern Illinois Food Bank for those under 18.

Lunches must be eaten on-site. Supplies are limited.

Studio1405 Drop In:

Rainbow Loom & Pony Bead Bracelets June 1-June 30

Show your true colors and make a rainbow bracelet. While supplies last.

Make a Flower Pen August 1-August 31

Get ready to go back to school by making a flower pen. While supplies last.

Hanover Park Branch Library
1266 Irving Park Road
Hanover Park
630-372-7800

Visit www.schaumburglibrary.org for the latest updates.

Free Summer Meals Monday, June 8 – Friday, August 7 • ages 18 and younger

Stop by our Hanover Park Branch for a free, nutritious lunch. Meals are available to all children 18 and under, Mondays - Fridays, June 8 through August 7.

The Library has partnered with the Greater Chicago Food Depository to be a summer meals distribution site. The federal Summer Meals program requires that children eat their meals on site. Activities will be available for children to enjoy in the Library during meal distribution.

Summer Meals are part of the Summer Food Service Program

funded through the U.S. Department of Agriculture and administered by the Illinois State Board of Education.

"Plant a Seed READ" Summer Challenge 2026 Tuesday, May 26 through Saturday, August 1 • All Locations • All Ages

Come to any Schaumburg Township District Library location to register and pick up a reading log or register online. Find all the details at: schaumburglibrary.org/challenge.

Celebrate America's 250th Birthday Monday, July 13 • 3-4:30pm • Ages: 5-12

Celebrate America's 250th birthday with bingo game, crafts and cupcakes. Registration required.



July

- 3** Village Hall Closed - Independence Day Observed
- 8** Special Events Committee 11:30 am / Room 212
- 9** Development Commission.... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 11** Veterans Committee..... 9:00 am / PD Comm Rm
- 14** Economic Dev. Committee... 12:30 pm / Room 214
- 16** Village Board Meeting 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 17** COPS Day/Movie in the Park.. 5:00 pm / Community Park
- 21** CIDC Committee..... 6:15 pm / Room 123
- 21** Water Bills Due
- 23** Sister Cities Committee..... 7:00 pm / PD Comm Rm
- 28** Historical Committee..... 6:00 pm / Room 214
- 28** Environmental Committee.... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 31** Movie in the Park..... 7:45 pm / Community Park

August

- 1** Veterans Committee. 9:00 am / PD Comm Rm
- 6** Village Board Meeting..... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 11** Economic Dev. Committee... 12:30 pm / Room 214
- 13** Development Commission.... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 15** Summer Soiree,..... 5:30 pm / Ontarioville
- 18** CIDC Committee..... 6:15 pm / Room 214
- 20** Village Board Meeting..... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 21** Water Bills Due
- 25** Historical Committee..... 6:00 pm / Room 214
- 25** Environmental Committee.... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 27** Sister Cities Committee..... 7:00 pm / PD Comm Rm

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MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR



Don't miss our COPS Day Picnic on July 17th at the Park District on Walnut Avenue! It's a great time for the whole family — and when the sun goes down, stick around for our Movie in the Park featuring Bad Guys 2!

As another school year ends, I want to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2026 and to all of our students, teachers, and families for completing a successful year. One of the greatest joys of serving as Mayor has been spending time in our schools, visiting classrooms, and reading to students throughout the community. Seeing the curiosity, creativity, and enthusiasm of our young people is a wonderful reminder of the bright future ahead. I am proud of all that our students have accomplished this year and wish everyone a safe, fun, and well-deserved summer break as we celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2026 and look forward to all that lies ahead.

A big thank you to every resident who contacted their state legislators to share concerns about the BUILD Act — our voices were heard! While the series of housing bills proposed in the Illinois General Assembly may have intended to address housing concerns, the one-size-fits-all approach raised serious concerns among local officials throughout our region. The bills proposed to shift decision-making away from local communities, disregarded the careful planning communities have conducted, and did not fully address the long-term impact or costs to the communities and their infrastructure capacity. Increased density in

neighborhoods not originally designed for it could have led to the need for substantial investment in our stormwater, sewer, and water systems. These costs ultimately would have fallen on our local taxpayers.

Hanover Park is in the process of updating our Comprehensive Plan, which calls for substantial housing construction. We understand the needs of our own community and are working tirelessly to have them addressed. Decisions about local zoning and development should remain at the local level, where residents are ensured the opportunity to speak about proposed changes to their neighborhood. Local review and community engagement aren't bureaucratic hurdles — they are essential parts of the process. I am hopeful that, during the next legislative session, Mayors and local officials are brought to the table to collaborate with our State representatives to find solutions that address the need for expansion of attainable housing options while preserving local authority, ensuring that growth aligns with community-specific needs.

Additionally, a reduction to the municipalities' share of the State income tax revenue was deferred, more commonly known as the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF). The rate remains frozen at

6.47%. While this is still a reduction from the 10% municipalities once received, we are grateful to not face another reduction. We remain deeply concerned about the continued unfunded mandates that push costs onto municipalities without providing the additional revenue needed to support them. Hanover Park continues to be represented by Legislators in the General Assembly who are caring leaders; however, I ask them to continue to work with their local elected officials so that municipal voices are part of every conversation that impacts our communities. As always, it is our commitment to continue to work in partnership with our members of the General Assembly to ensure our voices are heard.

Finally, I encourage everyone to find time this summer to volunteer and give back to our wonderful hometown, whether at our schools, places of worship, or assisting on the playing field. Together we are finding ways to believe in our youth and together we can make a difference in Hanover Park! It remains my honor to represent the people of Hanover Park, our hometown. We cannot do it without you!

Mayor Rodney Craig

BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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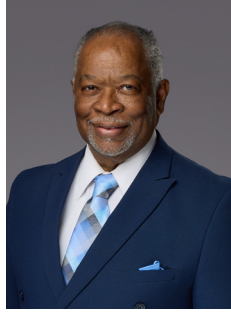
Jenni Broccolino



Liza Gutierrez



Jon Kunkel



Herb Porter

Clerk's Corner:



Kristy Merrill
Village Clerk

Understanding Special Event & Block Party Applications in Hanover Park

Did you know that if you are planning a Special Event or Block Party, you will need to complete the proper application? What is the difference between the two you ask?

Block Parties are for Hanover Park residents who live on a residential street and wish to have a party with their neighbors. Streets may be closed (if available and approved). All applications for a Block party should be submitted to the Clerk's office 30 days prior to the party. There are no fees associated with a block party application.

Special Events are for businesses and organizations in Hanover Park to promote business through sidewalk sales, live entertainment, festivals, and more. These events require a Village permit submitted 60 days prior to the event. The fee for each special event permit is \$35.00.

Applications for both are available at www.HPIL.org. Questions? Please contact the Village Clerk's Office at 630-823-5602.

Garage Sale: There is NO permit needed for Garage Sales. We ask that you adhere to our sign regulation if you choose to host a garage sale. Signs may be erected one day in advance of the sale and must be removed at end of the sale. Banners are prohibited. Illegal signs will be removed and disposed of by Village personnel. Property owners may receive citations based upon repeat offenses.

First Annual Village-Wide Garage Sale

Friday July 31- Saturday August 1st
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

The Village of Hanover Park is excited to announce its first annual Village-Wide Garage Sale, bringing residents together for a community weekend of bargain hunting and neighborhood fun.

Residents interested in participating can register their home at no cost by visiting www.hpil.org/garagesale! Registered addresses will be included on the Village's interactive garage sale map to help attract shoppers throughout the community.

Beginning July 25th, shoppers will be able to visit the Village website at www.HPIL.org to access a map and plan their shopping routes in advance, making it easy to discover sales across town.

The Village-Wide Garage Sale is intended to encourage community engagement, promote reuse and recycling, and create a fun event for residents and visitors alike.

VILLAGE-WIDE Hanover Park ^{USA} America's Global Village

GARAGE SALE

FREE PARTICIPATION



Scan the QR code to register your home to be added to our garage sale map. Register by July 24th to be included!



FRIDAY, JULY 31 -
SATURDAY, AUGUST 1
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

A GARAGE SALE LOCATION FINDER WILL BE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE (WWW.HPIL.ORG) BEGINNING ON JULY 25TH TO HELP SHOPPERS PLAN THEIR ROUTES!

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Hanover Park, IL 60133

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

Graffiti Hotline
630.823.5705

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 W. 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:

- Cultural Inclusion & Diversity Comm.
- Development Commission
- Economic Development Committee
- Environmental Committee
- Historical Committee
- Sister Cities Committee
- Special Events Committee
- Veterans Committee

Are you interested in serving on one?
Visit www.HPIL.org.

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.

www.hpil.org



Tasty Cool Summer Treats!

Warm weather is here, and Hanover Park is full of cool treats to enjoy this summer! From ice cream and milkshakes to smoothies, boba tea, frozen refreshers, aguas frescas, and other sweet treats, there's something for everyone at our local businesses.

Whether you're cooling off after an outdoor activity, treating the family, or looking for a fun after-dinner stop, be sure to check out these great Hanover Park spots and support our local businesses this summer!



Chicago Pros Restaurant – 7310 Barrington
Country Style Donuts – 1519 Irving Park
Crave Café – 1053 Lake
Dunkin' – 7450 Barrington
La Michoacana Premium – 1300 Irving Park
La Michoacana Azteca – 2380 Walnut
La Colmena Cafe – 1645 Irving Park
Real La Michoacana – 2101 Irving Park
Smoothie King – 7460 Barrington
Starbucks – 1057 Lake & 1788 Lake
Tiger Chicken & Boba – 7452 Barrington

For a full list of Hanover Park businesses, go to our business directory at <https://www.hpil.org/BusinessDirectoryii.aspx> and choose a category to search.

2025 Consumer Confidence Water Quality Report

The Village of Hanover Park is dedicated to providing our residents with safe drinking water. As part of this effort, we have prepared the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). This report is a requirement of the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act amendments. It summarizes where your water came from, what it was made of, and how it compared to the standards established by regulatory agencies.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants-viruses and bacteria that may come from septic systems, livestock, or wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants – salts and metals that may be naturally occurring or result from stormwater runoff, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides – these chemicals come from a variety of sources such as agriculture and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants – by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production.
- Radioactive contaminants – can be naturally occurring or a result of oil and gas production.

One important item to realize is that these materials can be found throughout nature to some degree. Their presence does not necessarily mean that there is a health risk associated with our source water. The most important factor to consider is how much of the contaminant is found in the Village's water supply.

To view the CCR report go to <https://www.hpil.org/327/Water-Quality-Report> or for a paper copy please feel free to contact the Village of Hanover Park's Public Works Department at (630) 823-5700.

COPS Day Picnic & Movie in the Park

Mark your calendars, Hanover Park! The Hanover Park Police Department is thrilled to invite you and your family to our 28th Annual COPS Day Picnic. This long-standing tradition is our favorite way to celebrate the vibrant community we serve while building lasting friendships between neighbors and officers.

Date: Friday, July 17, 2026

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Movie at dusk)

Location: Hanover Park Park District, 1919 Walnut Avenue

A Night Full of Fun

We've packed the evening with attractions for all ages. Whether you're interested in public safety gear or just want to enjoy a summer night out, there is something for everyone:

- Touch-a-Truck & Emergency Vehicle Car Show: Get an up-close look at the vehicles that keep our town safe.
- Police Canine Demonstration: Watch our K9 team show off their impressive skills and training.
- Family Activities: Enjoy a petting zoo, face painting, caricature artists, games, and music from our live DJ.
- Community Resources: Meet with representatives from numerous social services agencies to learn more about the support available in our area.

Dinner is on us!

Come hungry! The Hanover Park Police Administration will be at the grill all evening. We are proud to serve free hot dogs, chips, and beverages to all attendees while supplies last. We will also have Gringos on the Go Tex Mex Food Truck, Kernel Dan's Kettle Corn, Kona Ice, and Milkhouse Ice Cream available for purchase.

Support a Great Cause: The "Cops & Kids" Raffle

During the picnic, we will be hosting a raffle to raise funds for our Cops & Kids Program. Every dollar raised goes directly toward our annual Shop with a Cop event. This program pairs officers with local children who could use a little extra holiday joy. Together, they head out on a shopping spree, with children given a spending limit to pick out gifts. It's a wonderful way to brighten the holidays and strengthen the bond between our youth and the officers who protect them.

Movie in the Park: "Bad Guys 2"

Stick around after the picnic! As the sun goes down, grab your blankets and lawn chairs for a special screening of DreamWorks' Bad Guys 2. The movie will begin at dusk, providing the perfect end to a day of community spirit.

28th Annual HANOVER PARK COPS DAY PICNIC & MOVIE IN THE PARK!
July 17 Starting at 5pm

Picnic Activities 5-8:30 PM

- Emergency Vehicle Car Show and Touch-a-Truck
- Petting Zoo
- Mobile Gaming Unit
- Face Painting
- Photography Station, and Games
- Live Music with a DJ
- Community Resource & Information Fair
- Complimentary Hot Dogs, Chips, and Lemonade
- Food Trucks: Gringos on the Go Food Truck, Kona Ice, Milkhouse, Kernel Dan's Popcorn
- 6:30 PM: Demonstration of Police K9s
- 7:30 PM: Raffle Drawing
- 8 PM: Fire Variety Show by RC Juggles
- Dusk: Movie Begins

FREE MOVIE AT DUSK
POPCORN & DRINKS FOR SALE!

the BAD GUYS 2

HANOVER PARK PARK DISTRICT 1919 WALNUT AVE.

TONY'S, Apple's, SHERIFF MARSHALL, SCHOOL DISTRICT 54, WOODMAN'S, HANOVER PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Help Keep Our Neighborhoods Clean on Garbage Day

If possible, place your garbage on the curb on the morning of your scheduled pick-up day, or after 5 p.m. on the day prior to collection. This prevents potential animals and weather-related scattering of contents.

Do not store cans in the front yard of your residence. Cans may be stored in the rear or side yards if screened from public view.

Use totes provided by Groot when placing garbage at the curb.

For larger items such as furniture, appliances, and mattresses, contact Groot to schedule a residential bulk pickup. (847-260-7724)

When placing appliances out, remove all doors for safety purposes.

If you have any questions about garbage regulations, contact Groot or Hanover Park Code Enforcement at 630-823-5570.

New Businesses Now Open

Crave Café – 1053 Lake Street
(burgers, Italian beef, chicken, hot dogs, boba teas, smoothies, milkshakes)

Hangry Food Now – 1222 Lake Street
(carryout fast food items using food apps)

Hopeful Beginnings – 1515 Lake, #105
(non-profit assisting expectant mothers)

IFlowers – 7201 Olde Salem
(floral shop also offering custom orders for special events)

La Colmena Cafe – 1645 Irving Park
(coffee shop with bakery items, protein shakes, coffee, waffles, popcorn, and snacks)



Parking and Storage of Recreational Vehicles in Residential Areas

Summer is here with RVs and boats being enjoyed by many of our residents. The following are reminders about storage at your homes:

Recreational vehicles shall not be used for storage of goods, materials, or equipment other than those items considered to be part of the unit or essential to its immediate use.

Recreational vehicles shall not be connected to utility services (water, sewer, electric) except for temporary connection to electric service for battery charging.

Recreational vehicles shall not be temporarily occupied for more than 14 days in any six-month period to accommodate visitors. Use of internal cooking and sanitary facilities shall not be permitted.

Recreational vehicles may be parked in the rear yard of a principal building on a temporary surface including but not limited to gravel, patio blocks, or similar materials. Recreational vehicles parked in the required side or front yard of any principal building shall only be permitted to be parked on a hard surface (concrete or asphalt).

No more than one recreational vehicle shall be parked per residence.

If you have any questions about storage of RVs, contact Code Enforcement at 630-823-5570.



small business
SPOTLIGHT



ExtraSpace Storage
1555 Hunter
630-425-0528

Welcome to this new Self Storage business in Hanover Park!

Declutter your home, garage, and basement - store your belongings at Extra Space Storage and give yourself more space! They have a large selection of storage units, exceptional security, a covered loading bay, multiple entrance/exit gates, security access to your floor only, wide drive aisles and helpful staff make finding the right self-storage unit for you easy and hassle-free.

What size unit do you need? Choose a unit as small as 4ft x 5ft and as large as 25ft x 9ft or 20ft x 10ft - with first-floor access and are all climate-controlled to keep your belongings safe and dry.

Experience the professionalism, cleanliness, and commitment to exceptional customer service that Extra Space Storage is known for. Contact them today to reserve your storage unit or set up a time to stop by and take a tour of the facility (at Schick and Hunter). Stop by their facility or visit their website to see what you can store in this brand new, beautiful facility!





Participate in the 2026 Citizen Police Academy: Continuing to Build Stronger Community Connections

In a time when collaboration between law enforcement and the community is more important than ever, the Hanover Park Police Department remains committed to strengthening

those relationships through transparency, education, and engagement. Building on the success of our previous academies, we are proud to announce the upcoming 3rd session of the Hanover Park Police Department Citizen Police Academy.

The Citizen Police Academy continues to serve as a cornerstone of our community policing efforts, offering residents and members of the Hanover Park business community a unique, behind-the-scenes look at modern law enforcement. This program is designed to foster meaningful connections, enhance understanding, and promote open dialogue between our officers and the community we proudly serve.

What is the Citizen Police Academy?

The Citizen Police Academy is an interactive, educational program that provides participants with a comprehensive overview of police operations, procedures, and responsibilities. Led by experienced members of the Hanover Park Police Department, the academy combines classroom instruction with hands-on experiences to give participants a realistic perspective on policing in today's environment.

The upcoming academy will follow a structured multi-week format, with sessions held once a week in the evening. The Citizen Police Academy will be a 10-week program. Participants will be required to attend Wednesdays from 6:30PM to 9:00PM. The scheduled start day is September 16, 2026, and participants will graduate on week 10, on Thursday November 19, 2026. Please note: Graduation day will be on the Thursday of week 10 to coincide with the Village Board Meeting.

What to Expect

Participants in the academy will have the opportunity to:

- Learn about the various divisions within the Hanover Park Police Department, including patrol operations, investigations, K-9, drone operations, and community policing initiatives.
- Gain insight into law enforcement tactics, decision-making processes, and daily responsibilities of police officers.
- Participate in interactive and scenario-based training exercises that highlight real-world policing challenges.
- Explore important topics such as use of force, crisis intervention, and crime prevention strategies.
- Engage directly with officers and command staff to ask questions and build lasting relationships.

Who Can Participate?

The Citizen Police Academy is open to individuals aged 18 and older who either reside in Hanover Park or are employed by a Hanover Park-based business. The program is ideal for those interested in gaining a deeper understanding of law enforcement and contributing to a stronger, more connected community. No prior law enforcement experience is required.

How to Apply

Applications will be accepted until August 31st, 2026. Interested participants are encouraged to monitor the Hanover Park Police Department website or contact the department directly for updates. As space is limited, early application is strongly encouraged once registration opens.

Continuing the Mission:

Building Trust Through Engagement

The Hanover Park Police Department remains dedicated to fostering trust, transparency, and collaboration through meaningful community engagement.

We invite residents and members of the local business community to take part in this rewarding experience and join us in our ongoing mission to build a safer, stronger, and more unified Hanover Park.

For more information, please visit the Hanover Park Police Department website at <https://www.hpil.org/1044/Police-Department> or contact LT. Hendry at 630.823.5500.

3rd Quarter Area Response Team (ART) Meeting Wednesday, July 15th | 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM | Green Valley Golf Range

The Hanover Park Police Department invites all residents to our 3rd Quarter Area Response Team (ART) Meeting. This community event is designed to build stronger relationships between our officers and the residents we serve.

This family-friendly gathering offers a relaxed setting for neighbors to connect with the officers who patrol their streets. Attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Meet and speak directly with local officers

- Ask questions about police operations and crime trends in the area
- Explore a police squad car and learn about the equipment and technology officers use daily
- Enjoy a free ice cream cone while hearing about ongoing efforts to keep Hanover Park safe

The ART meeting format promotes open, two-way conversation. We encourage residents to share their concerns, feedback, and ideas — all of which help

us work together to create safer, more connected neighborhoods.

Whether you've lived here for years or just moved to the Village, everyone is welcome. Events like this are a key part of our commitment to proactive, community-oriented policing and building lasting trust between the police department and the public.

Come for the conversation. Stay for the ice cream. Help us shape the future of public safety in Hanover Park.

A History of the Hanover Park Historic Committee

Written by Lisa Mueller, Poplar Creek Public Library Local History Librarian



The Hanover Park Historic Committee began in 1973 and its goal has always been the same: to preserve the history of Hanover Park and the Ontarioville Historic District. The Committee has worked on many projects over its 50-plus years, including renovating the 19th-century Chamberlin House in the 1970s; publishing books to share the Village's history with the community; collecting and digitizing photographs and documents that date back to the 1800s; and using plaques to recognize properties of historical significance. Those buildings include the ones currently housing Raíz Salon and the A & A Music & Art Academy, which were built around 1926 and 1875, respectively.

The library's digital history collection at pclib.org/localhistory shares items provided by the Hanover Park Historic Committee. If you are interested in helping save Hanover Park history, the Historic Committee meets at Village Hall every fourth Tuesday of the month. The Historic Committee also presents archiving events where the community can take part in safeguarding the village's past.

Poplar Creek Public Library is now interviewing Hanover Park residents! We'd love to hear your Hanover Park story and preserve it for future generations. Email history@pclib.org or call (331) 808-3535 with questions or if you would be interested in recording an oral history with us.



COPS & CONES



HANOVER PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS
AND POLICE OFFICERS
AT OUR 3RD QUARTER
ART MEETING TO
ENJOY AN ICE CREAM
CONE AND
CONVERSATION!

**WEDNESDAY
JULY 15th
7:30-8:30PM**

**GREEN VALLEY
GOLF RANGE**

**26W101 LAKE STREET,
HANOVER PARK, ILLINOIS
60133**



FREE SCHOOL YEAR DROP-IN



OPEN TO GRADES 5-12!

Come hang out after school,
play games, enjoy snacks,
get homework help, and make
new friends in a welcoming,
teen-led space.

**NO SIGN-UP NEEDED!
JUST DROP IN!**

DROP-IN HOURS	TUES-THURS 2:30-6:00PM
HW CAFE & TUTORING	EVERY WED 2:00 - 6:00PM

**TEEN ADVISORY BOARD
APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**






CONTACT

ALEX@ALIVECENTER.ORG | 219-308-5304
FOR ANY QUESTIONS/MORE INFORMATION



1211 CATALINA DR. HANOVER PARK, IL
INSIDE GREENBROOK TANGLEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER



BE ALARMED! (In A Good Way)



What's better than peace of mind? FREE Peace of mind, with a beep you can trust. The Hanover Park Fire Department is proud to be teamed up with the "BE ALARMED!" Smoke Alarm Installation program through Camp I Am Me by Illinois Safety Alliance and the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal, to bring life-saving protection right to your

doorstep. It's easy to forget about your smoke alarms – until you need them most. When seconds matter and visibility is low, that simple beep can be the difference between a close call and catastrophe. Through this partnership, we offer FREE smoke alarms to Hanover Park Residents – because every home deserves a working alarm, and every family deserves to feel safe.

Why It Matters:

Smoke Alarms can cut the risk of injury/fatality in a home fire by half. But here is the catch – Smoke alarms only work if they are installed properly and maintained. That's where we come in!

What We're Offering:

The Hanover Park Fire Department will help ensure your home has properly installed, working smoke alarms, at NO COST to you. We will handle the installation, placement and safety test to ensure your home is up to current standards.

How To Get Started:

It's easy! Residents of Hanover Park can fill out a quick form online at www.HPIL.org/BeAlarmedForm or call (630) 823-5800 to request their FREE smoke alarm installation. Once submitted, someone from our team will reach out within 3 business days to schedule your upcoming installation.

Important Note: This program does not apply to rental properties. If you are renting a home in Hanover Park, please contact your landlord or property management company to install smoke alarms in your home.

Pro Tip: Test your alarms monthly to ensure they are still working adequately.

Let's Keep Hanover Park Safe, one beep at a time.
DON'T WAIT FOR SMOKE – BE ALARMED TODAY!

For More Information :

<https://www.hpil.org/BeAlarmed>
630-823-5800

To register for the program, use this QR Code:



Comprehensive Pool Safety: Essential Protection for Families

Drowning remains a leading cause of unintentional death for children, occurring silently and in as little as 25 seconds. To ensure a safe environment, safety organizations like the U.S. Fire Administration and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommend a "layers of protection" approach.

Layer 1: Active and Constant Supervision
The most effective way to prevent drowning is unwavering adult supervision.

- **The Water Watcher Rule:** Designate one responsible adult to monitor the pool at all times. This person should not be reading, texting, or socializing. For groups, use a "Water Watcher" card or whistle and rotate every 15–20 minutes to maintain focus.
- **Touch Supervision:** For infants and toddlers, an adult should remain within arm's reach at all times.
- **The Buddy System:** Ensure that even proficient swimmers always swim with a partner.

Layer 2: Physical Barriers and Alarms
Physical barriers act as a backup when supervision fails, especially during "non-swim" times.

- **Isolation Fencing:** Install a four-sided fence at least four feet high that separates the pool entirely from the house and yard.
- **Self-Closing Gates:** All gates should be self-closing, self-latching, and open outward (away from the pool).
- **Door and Window Alarms:** If the house serves as the fourth side of a barrier, install alarms on all doors and windows leading to the pool area.
- **Clear the Deck:** After swimming, remove all toys, balls, and floats from the pool so children are not tempted to reach for them.

Layer 3: Electrical and Mechanical Hazards
Hidden dangers include suction entrapment and electrical shock.

- **Drain Safety:** Teach children to stay away from pool drains and suction outlets. Only use pools that have compliant, anti-entrapment drain covers.
- **Electrical Inspection:** All pool wiring (pumps, lights, and heaters) must be installed by a qualified electrician. Keep electrical appliances at least 10 feet away from the water.

- **Tingle Warning:** If any swimmer feels a tingling sensation in the water, everyone must exit immediately without using metal ladders and shut off all power.

Layer 4: Emergency Preparation
Preparedness can significantly improve the outcome of an accident.

- **Learn CPR:** Ensure all parents and caregivers are certified in CPR; immediate action can save lives while waiting for emergency responders.
- **Proper Flotation:** Only use U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets for weak or inexperienced swimmers. Never rely on "floaties," water wings, or inflatable toys for safety.
- **Poolside Equipment:** Keep a phone and rescue equipment, such as a shepherd's hook or a life ring, permanently located by the pool.

We hope that everyone has a fun and safe summer around the pool!!

Home Remodeling Projects

If you are planning a residential remodeling project this summer, please keep in mind the guidelines for disposal of the building materials.

Collection Guidelines

Certain building materials can be disposed of on your regular collection day when these guidelines are met:

- Residents can dispose of a maximum of two cubic yards of building materials weekly. Any additional building materials may require a special collection date to be scheduled with associated fees through Groot.
- No materials from a commercial contractor will be collected. Only building materials from a do-it-yourself project.
- All loose building materials must be bagged or bundled and weigh no more than 50 pounds. Loose piles of building materials at the curb will not be collected.
- Building materials must not exceed four feet in length or two feet in diameter.

Unacceptable Materials

- Earth
- Sod
- Rocks
- Cement or concrete
- Logs or tree limbs exceeding four inches in diameter. Commercial tree trimming should be removed by the contractor.

Disposal of these materials will require a special collection day by Groot, which is subject to a fee.

Special Collection Estimates:
Residents wanting an estimate for a special collection can contact Groot at (847) 429-7370 a minimum of 24 hours in advance of their regular collection day. Once a Groot supervisor determines an estimate, the resident will be informed of the associated fee. If the resident agrees to the fee, the special collection will be scheduled for one of their regular collection days. If the resident chooses another collection day, an additional trip fee will be charged.

2026 Hydrant Flushing

It is that time of year again! From Monday, August 24th, through September 10th, our crews will be out in your neighborhood between 6:00 am and 2:00 pm to conduct routine fire hydrant flushing. While it might look like we are just turning on giant sprinklers, this process is crucial for keeping our community and drinking water safe.

Think of flushing as a much-needed workout for our hydrants. Releasing water at high speeds improves overall water quality and flow by clearing out mineral deposits that naturally build up in the mains. It also lubricates the hydrant's internal mechanisms and gives our team a chance to identify any maintenance needs, ensuring every single hydrant is in top-notch shape and ready to perform in a fire emergency.

While we are busy testing the hydrants, you might notice a few temporary changes at home. It is normal to experience a temporary drop in water pressure while crews work on your street. You might also notice some discolored or rusty-looking tap water. If this happens, don't panic! Simply run cold water- preferably from your bathtub or an outside spigot- for a few minutes until it runs clear again. Avoid using hot water until the cold water is clear to prevent rust from entering your hot water heater. We strongly advise against washing laundry during your neighborhood's flushing hours, as the temporary discoloration can stain your clothing. Additionally, if your home has a water softener, please check your settings to ensure the unit does not regenerate during this daily window. Finally, please keep an eye out for crews and drive safely when you see them working in the streets.

Hydrant Flushing

	August 24-26 - South of Irving Park Rd, North of Lake St, West of Barrington Rd
	August 27-28 - South of Irving Park Rd and East of Barrington Rd
	September 1-3 - North of Irving Park Rd
	August 24-27 - South of DuPage County Line, North of Stearns Rd
	September 1-3 - South of Stearns Rd, North of Schick Rd
	September 4-10 - South of Schick Rd

To help you plan ahead, we have divided the Village into a rolling schedule. To view the Hydrant Flushing Map, visit www.hpil.org/hydrantflushingmap. In Cook County, the flushing begins August 24th through the 26th for areas South of Irving Park Road, North of Lake Street, and West of Barrington Road. On August 27th and 28th, we will move to the Hanover Highlands and Longmeadow South areas, which are South of Irving Park Road and East of Barrington Road. We will wrap up the

Cook County side from September 1st through the 3rd for all neighborhoods North of Irving Park Road.

In DuPage County, the action kicks off from August 24th through the 27th for the area South of the DuPage County Line and North of Stearns Road. Next up, from September 1st through the 3rd, crews will cover the neighborhoods South of Stearns Road and North of Schick Road. Finally, we will finish up the DuPage County areas located South of Schick Road on September 4th and will conclude the annual event from September 8th through the 10th.

Please keep in mind that this schedule is a general guide and may change due to weather or unforeseen emergencies. If you have any questions or concerns or would like to discuss the process, please call our Public Works Department at (630) 823-5700. Thank you for your patience as we work to keep our Village's water system in tip-top shape!





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