

# Hi-Lighter

March/April 2019



Hanover Park<sup>USA</sup>

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### Hydrant Flushing

Please note that the Hydrant Flushing Program, which normally takes place in May, has been pushed back to August.

Watch our July/August issue of the Hi-Lighter for additional information about this program, including the dates flushing will occur in your area.

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.

## Hanover Park Experiences 11% Drop in Crime and is Ranked #30 on the Safest Cities in America List!



The Village of Hanover Park is proud to announce that for the ninth consecutive year, the Village experienced a new all-time low Part 1 crime rate. Part 1 crime is the benchmark used by the FBI to determine crime rates in cities and villages. Overall, 281 Part 1 crimes were recorded in 2017 versus 249 in 2018.

As a result of this reduction in crime, the Village has been named as one of Neighborhood Scout's Safest Cities in America. This marks the eighth consecutive year that Hanover Park has been named to the list. The Village of Hanover Park achieved a ranking of #30 on the 2019 Neighborhood Scout's Safest Cities in America list, which is the highest ranking the Village has ever earned.

To compile the list, Neighborhood Scout conducts research into the crime rates of cities in America with 25,000 or more residents. The crimes researched include burglary, larceny/theft, motor vehicle theft, murder, criminal sexual assault, armed robbery, and aggravated assault. Each year, law enforcement agencies are required to report this data to the FBI, who is responsible for compiling crime data throughout the United States. The list can be viewed at: <https://www.neighborhoodscout.com/blog/top100safest>

When examining the report, one can see that a person's chance of becoming a victim of any crime in Hanover Park is substantially below the national rate for cities of all sizes. This is particularly true of violent crime, where the rate is only 1 per one thousand inhabitants.

**"This is a tremendous honor that reflects the continued hard work of our officers and their partnership with the people and businesses who live and work in our community."**

It is no wonder that Hanover Park is designated as one of the safest cities in which to live.



# Community Events

## Hanover Park Branch Library

1266 Irving Park Road,  
Hanover Park



### Family Storytime with Mayor Craig

Monday, March 11  
11:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m.

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

### Painting Landscapes with Watercolors

Saturday, March 16  
11:00-12:30 p.m.

Learn how to paint using watercolors. Must register for this event.

### School District 54 Prevention Initiative & Preschool for All - Family Literacy Program

Thursday, April 4  
1:00-2:00 p.m.

Serving families with children from birth through age 5 in School District 54.

## Sonya Crawshaw Branch Library

4300 Audrey Lane  
Hanover Park

### Read! Read! Read! It's Magic!

Tuesday, March 19  
7:00 p.m.

Join the Library for an evening full of fun, storytelling, juggling, and magic, as the Branch welcomes Bob Kann back. Bob combines his expertise as an educator with his experience as an entertainer to present dynamic "edutainment" performances. Register online or call 630-372-3131.

### Juggling Funny Stories

Tuesday, April 23  
7:00 p.m.

Professional storyteller/actor Chris Fascione, has been motivating children to read for over 20 years. Chris uses his acting, mime, juggling and

comedic skills to both entertain and lead children into the world of books, promoting literacy and a love of reading. Register online or call the Branch at 630-372-3131.

### Family Concert Series Presents:

#### Irish Heritage Singers

Sunday, March 17  
2:00 p.m.

#### Gladius: Flamenco Guitarist

Sunday, April 14  
2:00 p.m.

Join the Library for these FREE concerts at the Main Library, located at 1405 S. Park Avenue in Streamwood. For more information or to register, visit [www.pclib.org](http://www.pclib.org) or call 630-483-4910.

## March

2	Veterans Committee .....	9:00 am / PD Comm Rm
4	Business After Hours.....	5:00 pm / Room 214
6	Special Events Comm.....	11:30 am / Room 212
7	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
12	CONNECT Committee.....	12:30 pm / Room 214
12	Sister Cities Committee.....	7:00 pm / Room 123
14	Development Comm.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
16	HCP CPR (BLS).....	8:00 am / Fire Station #1
19	CIDC .....	6:15 pm / Room 123
21	Village Board Meeting .....	7:00 pm / Room 212
21	<b>Water Bills Due</b>	
26	Historical Committee.....	6:00 pm / Village Hall
26	Environmental Comm.....	7:30 pm / PD Comm Rm

## April

4	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / Room 214
6	Veterans Committee .....	9:00 am / PD Comm Rm
6	Kids at Hope Resource Fair ..	10:00 am / Park District
9	CONNECT Committee.....	12:30 pm / Room 214
9	Sister Cities Committee.....	7:00 pm / Room 123
11	Development Commission ..	7:00 pm / Room 214
16	CIDC .....	6:15 pm / Room 123
18	Village Board Meeting.....	7:00 pm / PD Comm Rm
19	<b>Village Hall Closed</b>	
20	Heartsaver CPR/AED .....	8:00 am / Fire Station #1
21	<b>Water Bills Due</b>	
23	Historical Committee.....	6:00 pm / Village Hall
23	Environmental Comm.....	7:30 pm / PD Comm Rm

# MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR



What a start to 2019! Some of the coldest temperatures in our history. With the temperature at -25 degrees, I chose to cancel my State of the Village address. Instead, I have videotaped the address and posted it on our social media outlets. Please watch the State of the Village address and other Village events on our Village of Hanover Park YouTube channel.

Every business is so important to our local economy and we value their doing business in Hanover Park. Our efforts are resulting in improvement to business growth and retention.

The Village Hall Open House & Award's Presentation took place on February 1st. I was honored to present awards to our wonderful businesses and citizens who have done exceptional work for the Hanover Park community. Congratulations to these award winners.

I was honored to have Pat Coleman, father of Michael Coleman, join me at a Village Board meeting to present our annual Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year awards to students in the graduating class of 2019. These young adults model excellence and are true role models.

Join me for our Kids at Hope Community Resource Fair on April 6th at the Hanover Park Park District. This event just keeps getting bigger and better each year. My Kids at Hope Coalition sponsors the event and I am

proud to be part of it. This event provides information and resources to youth and families in the Village of Hanover Park. Further information about the event can be found later in this newsletter.

Speaking of youth, the Hanover Park Little League and Hanover Park Hurricanes are now accepting registrations for their 2019 season. Register today!

The 2020 Census is quickly approaching and as Village President, I want to make sure Hanover Park gets the most accurate census count as possible. Having inaccurate and low count census information is very problematic and can greatly affect state and federal funding to municipalities. To help combat these difficulties, I am forming a Census Complete Count Committee. The committee will be comprised of a broad spectrum of government and community leaders from education, business, healthcare, faith-based and other community organizations. These trusted voices will help Hanover Park implement a 2020

Census awareness campaign based upon their knowledge of the local community and increase census response rates in Hanover Park.

***"We believe all children are capable of success, no exceptions."***

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 will have hope and achieve success without exception. Together we are finding ways to believe in our youth and together we can make a difference in Hanover Park!

Mayor Rodney Craig

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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# Clerk's Corner:

## April 2, 2019 Consolidated Election

### Key Dates:



Eira Corral Sepúlveda, Village Clerk

Date	Event
3/5/2019	Last day to <a href="#">register to vote</a> by paper application
3/6/2019	First day of <a href="#">grace period registration and voting</a>
3/17/2019	Last day to <a href="#">register to vote</a> by online application
3/18/2019	First day of <a href="#">early voting</a>
3/28/2019	Last day to request a <a href="#">mail ballot</a> , including military and overseas voters
4/1/2019	Last day of <a href="#">early voting</a>
4/1/2019	Last day of <a href="#">grace period registration and voting</a>
4/2/2019	Last day <a href="#">mail ballots</a> can be postmarked
4/2/2019	Election Day

## Kids at Hope Community Resource Fair & Health Fair

**Saturday, April 6, 2019**

**10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

Hanover Park Park District  
1919 Walnut, Hanover Park



Mayor Rodney Craig's Kids at Hope Coalition will be sponsoring their annual Community Resource Fair on Saturday April 6th. This year, the Hanover Park Fire Department will bring their Health Fair to create one big FREE event! The Community Resource Fair & Health Fair will be held at the Hanover Park Park District located at 1919 Walnut Avenue in Hanover Park from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The belief of the Kids at Hope Coalition is that all children are capable of success, no exceptions!

The Community Resource Fair & Health Fair is designed to provide information and resources to youth and families in the Village of Hanover Park. Agencies and organizations dedicated

to providing safe, fun activities for children and youth in our community will be exhibiting at the Resource Fair. There will be free giveaways, health screenings, games and activities for children, performances by local student talent groups, demonstrations by various clubs and organizations, and meet-and-greet opportunities with sports team mascots, Sparky the Fire Prevention Dog and McGruff the Crime Dog. Prizes will be raffled off – the grand prize is a family pool pass to Seafari Springs Aquatic Center! Raffle tickets can be earned by bringing donations for the food pantry. This will be a fun and informative event for all!

For more information, please contact the Kids at Hope Coalition through Tricia Rossi at [hanoverparkkidsathope@gmail.com](mailto:hanoverparkkidsathope@gmail.com) or call (630) 823-5579. Check the Village of Hanover Park's Facebook page for information and updates about this event.



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2121 W. Lake Street  
Hanover Park, IL 60133

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

Main Number .....630.823.5600  
Police Information .....630.823.5500  
Public Works Dept.....630.823.5700  
Comm. Development....630.823.5780  
Finance Department.....630.823.5790  
Water Billing .....630.823.5799  
Fire Department.....630.823.5800  
Inspectional Services ....630.823.5860  
Police Department fax ..630.823.5499  
Public Works fax .....630.823.5704  
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.

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

# Electrical Fires... Know How to Stay Safe!

According to the U.S. Fire Administration, electrical fires account for 6.3 percent or nearly 24,000 fires annually. This number is much higher in Hanover Park. Since 2014, 18% of all structures fire were caused due to an electrical problem. This makes electrical issues our leading cause of fires.

Here are 4 of the most common causes of electrical fires.

### 1. Faulty outlets, appliances

Most electrical fires are caused by faulty electrical outlets. Other fires are started by faults in appliance cords and switches. Never use an appliance with a worn or frayed cord or one that has experienced problems with the on/off switch.

### 2. Light fixtures

Lamps and light bulbs are another common cause of electrical fires. Always check the maximum recommended bulb wattage on any lighting fixture and never go over the recommended amount.

### 3. Extension cords/Power Strips

Appliances should be plugged directly into outlets and not plugged into an extension cord or power strips. Only use extension cords as a temporary measure.

### 4. Wiring

If a home is over 20 years old, it may not have the wiring capacity to handle today's electrical demands. Computers, wide-screen televisions, video and gaming players, microwaves and air conditioners all place a high demand on electrical wiring. Electrical breakers should be triggered when circuits get overloaded, but outdated breakers often have worn connectors that do not work correctly and can cause the system to overheat and start a fire. Call a licensed electrician to investigate and make needed repairs if your electric breaker trips frequently.

At the Hanover Park Fire Department, it is our goal to keep you informed and to help you protect your families. If you have questions about electrical concerns, give us a call at 630.823.5800. We are here to help.

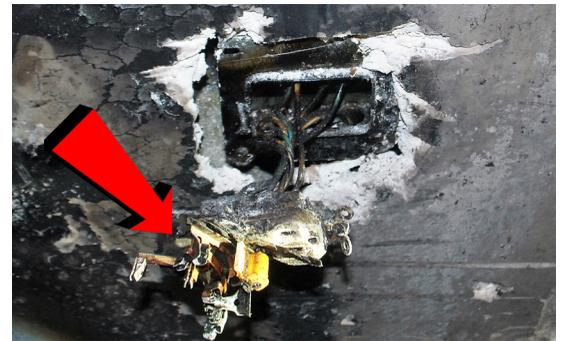


Photo comes from a recent fire in Hanover Park. The remnants of an electrical cord plugged into one of the socket positions is visible and noted by the arrow. Worn or faulty appliance plugs can fail, heat up and cause fires. When not in use, it is always best to unplug appliances such as hair dryers, curling irons, power tools and similar items.

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## Looking for Commercial Property to Relocate or Open Your Business?

The Village maintains a database of available commercial and industrial properties at [www.hpil.org/224/Available-Commercial-Real-Estate](http://www.hpil.org/224/Available-Commercial-Real-Estate).

Find the right location in Hanover Park! There is no charge to property owners for the listing or to business owners seeking the right-size location. The Community & Economic Development Department can help you through the site location, permitting, and grand opening process. For more information, please contact Community & Economic Development Director Shubhra Govind at (630) 823-5781, or [sgovind@hpil.org](mailto:sgovind@hpil.org).

# Know What to Flush!

The toilet is only meant to flush human waste and toilet paper. Unfortunately, over the years, people have turned the toilet into a trash can. From medications and sanitary products to deceased pet fish and cigarette butts, if it fits, people flush it. Flushing these types of items down the toilet causes home pipes to clog, wastes water (up to 5 gallons of water every time you flush) and most importantly can have a huge impact on our sewers, streams and rivers.

Below is a list of items that people commonly flush that should not be going down the toilet: Sanitary products, paper towels, diapers, baby wipes and facial tissues. All are made of materials that do not break down and can cause pipes to clog. Oh, those wipes that are advertised as flushable, they are not. They cause backups!

Medicines cannot be cleaned out of sewage at wastewater treatment plants. Medicines that are flushed or poured down the drain can end up polluting our waters, impacting aquatic species, and contaminating our food and water supplies. Even at very low levels, medicines in the environment hurt aquatic life. Please use the Rx box located at the Hanover Park Police Station or most local pharmacies as an effective way to get rid of old medications and keep them from our rivers and streams.

Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) should never be poured down the sink or garbage disposal. FOG sticks to the interior surface of the sewer pipes, hardens over time, and eventually may cause sewage to backup and lead to a sewage spill in your home or on our streets. Running hot water as you pour the grease down the drain will not help either. The best way to get rid of FOG is to let it cool/harden, mix it with other absorbent materials, place it in a bag or container, and then throw it in the trash.

Food should not be flushed down the sink. The best way to get rid of food is to compost what you can, and wipe or scrape the remnants in the trash. Use a drain screen in your sink to catch any remaining bits of food as you wash the dishes. Use your garbage disposal sparingly. Using the drain as a dump will have unforeseen consequences of clogging sewer lines and possible backups in your home.



## Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year

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." Congratulations to the 2019 Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year, Amy Chen, as well as the other finalists!



2018 Michael H. Coleman Youth of the Year Amy Chen's Family, Mayor Craig and Patrick Coleman, father of Michael Coleman.



Youth of the Year Runner-Up Michelle Dzik with her family, Mayor Craig and Patrick Coleman.



Youth of the Year Runner-Up Lendy Rodriguez-Diaz with her family, Mayor Craig and Patrick Coleman.



Youth of the Year Runner-Up Raj Kapadia with his family, Mayor Craig and Patrick Coleman.



Youth of the Year Runner-Up Gabriel Gulumian with his family, Mayor Craig and Patrick Coleman.

# Village Honors Awards Recipients

On Friday, February 1, 2019, the Village of Hanover Park held its annual Awards presentation and an Open House of the newly remodeled Village Hall. Village President Rodney Craig presented his annual awards and recognized a host of Village volunteers and others who serve the community. Several awards were presented throughout the evening, including the Mayor's Choice Business of the Year, People's Choice Award, Humanitarian of the Year, Service to Youth Award, Educator of the Year, Service to Veterans and Citizen of the Year. Below are the award recipients.



**Educator of the Year:**  
Dr. David Sam



**Educator of the Year:**  
Dr. Kenneth Ender (*absent from event*)



**Citizen of the Year:**  
Ray Seidel



**Humanitarian of the Year:**  
Jennifer Taff, DuPage Habitat



**Service to Veterans Award:**  
Ilene Gold



**Service to Youth Award:**  
Laura Reilly

## Hanover Township Sprint 2 Spring 5K

Hanover Township's sixth annual "Sprint 2 Spring" 5K run/walk will be held on Saturday, May 4 at the Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center in Elgin. The race aims to promote health and wellness within the community, but will also raise funds for the Hanover Township Foundation in assisting low income residents in obtaining dental and medical services.

Online registration is now open through Wednesday, May 1 and also available in-person the day of the 5k, before the race begins. Early bird registration is \$25 per participant until March 31, then increases to \$30 through May 1, and \$35 the day of the race.

Participants can check-in from 6:30 – 7:45 AM the day of the event. The 5K will begin at 8AM from the Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center, 899 Jay Street in Elgin. The 3.1 mile course will take participants through local neighborhood streets of Elgin east of Liberty Street and south of Villa Street. The 5K route will return participants to the Izaak Walton Center. For a complete route map and to register, please visit [www.sprint2spring.com](http://www.sprint2spring.com).



## Business of the Year



**Country Style Donuts**  
1519 Irving Park Road

## People's Choice Award



**Alianza Hispana**  
2023 Irving Park Road

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AND THE CULTURAL INCLUSION  
AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE  
INVITES YOU TO HANOVER PARK'S

# MLK BUILD UP DAY SATURDAY APRIL 27 8:00am—1:30pm



Continue MLK's legacy  
of volunteerism by  
working with fellow  
citizens to clean up,  
build up and improve  
Hanover Park!

## Register as a Volunteer!

Contact Jennifer Taff with DuPage Habitat:  
jtaff@dupagehabitat.org / 630-510-3737 x305

Lunch will  
be provided

Minimum volunteer  
age is 10

**Check-in address:**  
Tanglewood Clubhouse  
1211 Catalina Drive  
Hanover Park, IL 60133

**8am—8:30am: Check-in, Safety Talk  
and Explanation of Work**

**8:30am—Noon: Various community  
engagement activities such as planting,  
laying mulch, neighborhood clean up,  
helping to pilot signage projects**

**Noon-1:30pm: Lunch /  
Community Barbecue**



More info at [hpil.org](http://hpil.org)

## Business Spotlight



**Empire Beauty School**  
1166 E Lake Street  
630-626-4648 / 1-800-964-1328  
[www.empire.edu](http://www.empire.edu)

Empire Beauty School has been launching careers in Hanover Park since February of 2008! With 89 schools in 21 states, Empire Education Group is the leading group of cosmetology schools in the U.S. The company's time and resources are dedicated to creating opportunities for people to improve their lives.

With a strong heritage and tradition that has spanned over 80 years and backed by the Regis Corporation, and parent company of salons brands like Super Cuts and SmartStyle, Empire Beauty School is a high-quality cosmetology education provider. Programs are offered full- or part-time, and include specialized career fields for Esthetics, Cosmetology Training, and Make-Up Artistry. Empire students form bonds with the community through Empire's own philanthropic initiatives which support programs that help combat domestic violence, assist local women and children shelters, and participation in events that help raise funds for these programs. You can request information or schedule a tour on their website.



**Mini Steps Early Childhood Learning**  
5600 Arlington Drive East  
630-837-6307  
<http://www.ministepschildcare.com>

Owners Sheila and Mohammed Gilani purchased the center in June 2008. Mini Steps has earned the "Silver Circle of Quality" by the State by completing a rigorous self-assessment, and implementation of a continuous quality improvement process, as verified by a state-approved assessor. Silver Circle programs meet or exceed specific quality benchmarks on learning environment and instructional quality, along with selected program administrative standards, staff qualifications, and professional development.

Mini Steps seeks to meet the developmental needs of each child – social, emotional, physical, and intellectual, with 14 plus experienced and dedicated staff members who are committed to meet and exceed these goals every day.

Programs are offered for infants, toddlers, 2-year old's, Preschool, Pre-K, Before and After School and Summer Camp. Activities include Learning Time filled with Science and Discovery, Language, Large Motor, Math, Music and Movement and Outdoor Experience.

Parents will receive daily reports via their "Tadpoles" app with a minimum of 2 pictures of your child's day. You can find Rave Reviews on YELP and their Facebook page.

## Spring Projects

Spring of 2019 is always a busy time for the Public Works Street and Forestry Divisions.

Street sweeping will begin in April. Every street in the Village will be swept once a month throughout the year, with additional sweeping cycles in the fall. Sweeping is very important to our community. It improves its appearance, prevents street flooding, and helps keep our waterways free of debris.

Parkway tree planting will begin in April as well. The Public Works Department will be planting 500 new trees in 2019. The first half of the trees will be planted in the spring and the second half in the fall. Trees do a lot more than provide a home for squirrels. They improve property values, clean the air and absorb storm water.

Of course, the end of winter will also bring construction season to the region. The Public Works Department will begin asphalt repairs, sidewalk repairs and the repair of parkways that have been damaged during our long winter season.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 630.823.5700.



# 2019 Brush Pick-Up Program

The Brush Pick Up Program provides FREE curbside pickup and chipping of branches which is then recycled as mulch. This program produces mulch which is made available to Village residents for use around shrubs and flower beds. Brush is picked up in April, July, and October.

What will be picked up:

Branches with a minimum of two (2) feet in length and a maximum of ten (10) feet in length and less than eight (8) inches in diameter.

What will not be picked up:

- Small hedge or pine clippings.
- Yard waste or brush in containers.
- Brush or branches with thorns.
- Stumps or tree roots.

How to stack brush:

- Do Not Bundle!
- Neatly stack the brush in one direction with the butt end toward the street.
- No lumber, wire, rope or other material may be included with the brush.
- Do not block the sidewalk when putting brush out.

Set Out Time:

Brush can only be set out two days prior to 7:00 AM of your scheduled pick up period.

Do not put brush out after 7:00 AM on the first day of the collection cycle. Hold it for the next scheduled pick up. The Village incurs considerable cost returning to an area to collect brush set out after the first day of the collection cycle. If you have problems or questions regarding the Village's Brush Pick Up program, call 630-823-5700.

Curbside yard waste collection is also provided by Groot Services once a week on Fridays, beginning April 5, 2019 through November 30, 2019. Yard waste stickers are required for curbside pickup, and yard waste must be placed in Kraft paper bags or branches must be tied in bundles up to 48 inches long and up to 18 inches in diameter.

Free mulch is available for pick up or delivery. If interested, please contact Public Works at 630.823.5700 for further information or to request a delivery.

## 2019 Brush Pick-up Schedule:

**Area 1:** Streets north of Lake Street and west of Barrington Road

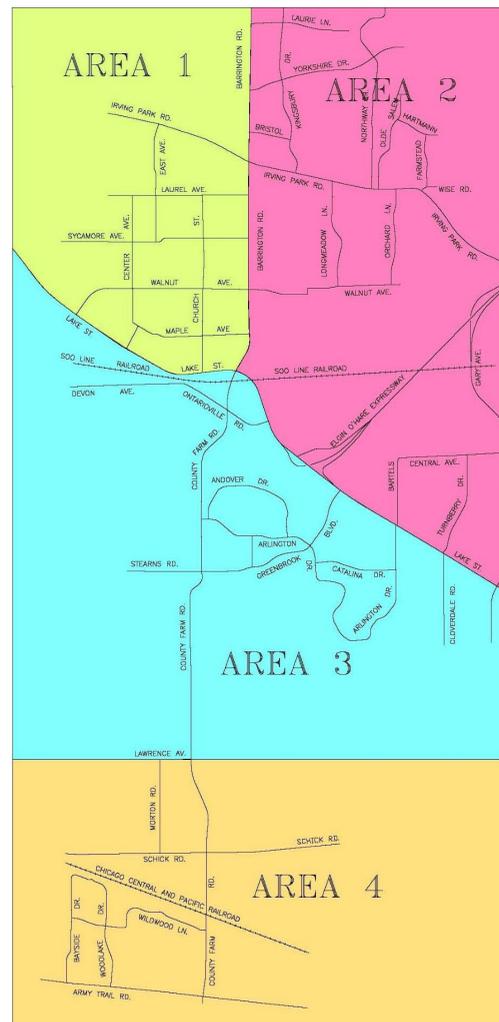
**Area 2:** Streets north of Lake Street and east of Barrington Road

April 1, July 8 and October 7, 2019

**Area 3:** Streets south of Lake Street and north of Lawrence Avenue

**Area 4:** Streets South of Lawrence Avenue

April 15, July 22 and October 21, 2019



# Spring Fire Safety Tips

Spring seems to have arrived, and with a new season comes new fire risks and safety concerns to keep in mind for both homes and businesses. Spring cleaning starts and outdoor activities like grilling begin. Windy conditions of spring create a greater danger for grass fires.

We're dedicated to helping you keep your family and business safe, not only by providing the best in fire detection and suppression, but also by alerting you to everyday fire dangers that can easily get overlooked. A change in the season is also a great time to test and inspect fire alarms and make sure appliances and electrical equipment around your home and business are still in good working condition. Thus, as you enjoy the nicer weather this spring, please keep in mind these fire safety tips from the Hanover Park Fire Department and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). Important spring cleaning home fire safety tips from the NFPA:

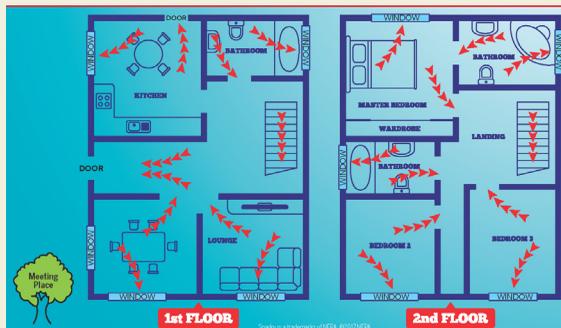
**Fact: Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half.** Ensure smoke alarms are installed inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. Test them at least once a month by pushing the test button. Replace batteries in all smoke alarms at least once a year. If an alarm "chirps," warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away.

**Fact: The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.** Clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum. Keep the area around your dryer clear of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing.

**Fact: Most cooking fires in the home involve the stovetop.** Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop. Always stay in the kitchen when frying on the stovetop.

**Fact: Extension cord fires outnumbered fires beginning with permanent or detachable power cords by two-to-one.** Check electrical cords to make sure they are not running across doorways or under carpets. Extension cords are intended for temporary use. If any cords are cracked or frayed, repair or replace them.

**Fact: According to an NFPA survey, only one of every three American households have actually developed and practiced a home escape plan.** Make a home escape plan. Have an outside meeting place (like a tree, light pole, or mailbox) a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet. Practice your home fire drill at night and during the day with everyone in your home, twice a year.



## Workplace Fire Safety Tips

Make sure your business has all the needed commercial fire detection and suppression equipment, and that all the equipment is in good working condition, is vital to protect your employees and property.

NFPA 10 requires that a thorough maintenance service be completed on all fire extinguishers at least once a year, at the time of hydrostatic testing, or when an inspection indicates a need for maintenance.

OSHA recommends that businesses have an emergency action plan in place and ensure that all employees are trained on what to do in the event of an emergency. Make sure to take note of any special needs in your business, such as individuals with physical disabilities or those who speak another language. Make sure that clear signs indicate fire exits and fire evacuation plans in multiple areas of the building.

Make sure all employees know how and when to properly use a fire extinguisher.

**Workplace Fire Prevention**  
Assign a specific employee to be responsible for turning off or unplugging equipment and appliances such as the coffeemaker at the end of the day. Make sure all employees understand the importance of turning off heaters and fans they may have at their desks at the end of each day. Don't overload electrical sockets or plug extension cords together. Don't use appliances with faulty or damaged wiring.

Keep exits and stairways clear and free from clutter. Keep papers and clutter off the floor, throwing away empty boxes, etc. that could pose a fire hazard.

Following these simple fire safety tips at home and at work will help to ensure you enjoy spring and summer to the fullest.

## Does Your Summer Project Need a Building Permit?

As you start thinking about getting to work on your summer projects, you should first consider whether or not a building permit will be required. Permits are required for many projects including decks, pools, patios, fences, driveways, and sheds. If you are unsure whether or not a permit is required, please contact the Inspectional Services Division at 630-823-5860 before you start working. We can help answer questions about your project and guide you through the permitting process to make everything go smoothly and ensure a safe finished project.

## Village Hall Closures

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On Friday, April 19, 2019, the Village of Hanover Park's Municipal Complex will be closed.

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

## Daylight Savings Time Begins

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Spring forward on Sunday, March 10, 2019 as Daylight Savings Time begins! Make sure to turn your clocks ahead one hour.

This is also a good time to change the batteries on your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.



## Welcome New Businesses

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

- Brow & Lash Bar & Spa (Personal Services) - 7580 Barrington Road (inside Tony's Finer Foods)
- Railway Cafe (Coffee and Snacks) 1975 W. Lake (inside Metra Station)
- Sprint PCS (Specialty Retailer) 7350 Barrington Rd. (inside Walgreens)
- Yummy Station (Asian Fusion Restaurant) - 1553 Irving Park Rd.
- US Direct (Marketing) - 1575 Hunter, Unit A
- White Cottage Pizza (Restaurant) 1930 Army Trail Road

# Curfew Ordinance Reminder

The Hanover Park Police department vigorously enforces the curfew ordinance, 66-71(b)(1) in an effort to reduce crime. Experience has shown that in many cases, juveniles violating curfew are involved in the commission of other more serious crimes. In other cases, juveniles violating curfew are at greater risk to become the victim of a crime.

Hanover Park local ordinance provides that, "It shall be unlawful for a minor to be or remain in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the village during curfew hours."

Curfew hours in Hanover Park are 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. (the following day) on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Friday and Saturday nights are from 11:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m.

A minor is defined as a person less than 17 years of age who has not been emancipated by a court order. The minimum fine for this offense is \$75. For more information, visit our website at <http://www.hpil.org> or call 630-823-5500.

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## Foreclosed Property Registration Ordinance

Hanover Park, like many communities, has properties under foreclosure. Typically, foreclosed properties are owned by financial institutions that are not in the area. These properties are serviced by a locally contracted maintenance company. It is difficult to obtain contact information of responsible parties when code violations or an emergency occurs. As a result, properties fall in disrepair, resulting in adverse impact on the community.

The Village has taken a significant step to identify foreclosed properties and hold responsible parties accountable for maintaining these properties. In November of 2018, the Village enacted an ordinance requiring financial institutions to register all foreclosed properties. The mortgagee is required to register the property within ten days. The registration includes the name, address, phone number and email address for the mortgagee. In addition, a 24-hour contact number must be provided for a person that is responsible for the maintenance and security of the property. The Village has partnered with Prochamps to track properties and assure compliance with the new ordinance.

If you have any issues with foreclosed properties in your neighborhood, please contact Code Enforcement at (630) 823-5570.





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# MARKET @ THE METRA

Metra Train Station: LAKE STREET & BARRINGTON ROAD



FOOD  
CRAFTS  
NEW &  
USED



Saturday May 18, 2019

No rain date is planned for this event.

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
vendor set-up: 7-9 a.m.



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Village Clerk - Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

James Kemper, Trustee  
Jon Kunkel, Trustee  
Herb Porter, Trustee  
Bob Prigge, Trustee  
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