

Hi-Lighter

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2023



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America's Global Village

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Holiday Closure

Village Hall will be closed on Monday,
September 4th for Labor Day.

Police & Fire will remain open 24/7.

★ Happy ★
LABOR DAY

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.



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FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

SEE HOW A FIRE STATION OPERATES & PARTICIPATE IN FIRE SAFETY ACTIVITIES

- Learn "hands-only" CPR
- Practice being a firefighter (kids only)
- See life-saving equipment & tools
- Talk and Interact with Firefighters
- Demo from community partners



OCTOBER 14, 2023

10 AM - 2 PM



FIRE STATION #15
6850 BARRINGTON RD.

**CALL 630-823-5800
FOR FURTHER INFO.**



Calendar of Events

Sonya Crawshaw Branch Library

4300 Audrey Lane
Hanover Park
630-837-6800

Family Concert Series

West Suburban Flute Orchestra

Sunday, Sept. 17 • 2 p.m.



Big Sky Ensemble

Sunday, Oct. 15 • 2 p.m.



All ages are welcome to our free indoor concerts. For concert details or to register, visit pclub.org/events or call 331-808-3515. Concerts take place at the Main Library, located at 1405 S. Park Avenue in Streamwood.

Author Fair Saturday, September 23 1-4 pm

All ages are invited to stop by the Main Library in Streamwood to meet local authors, learn about new titles, and purchase signed copies of books at our first Author Fair. For a list of participating authors, visit pclub.org/author-fair



Pop-up Pop Art Week September 1-8

Stop by the Main Library in Streamwood during open hours and create your very own work of art during our all ages Pop-up Pop Art event! Visit pclub.org/events for details.



Hanover Park Branch Library

1266 Irving Park Road
Hanover Park
630-372-7800

Art Studio: Marc Brown Tuesday, September 12 4-5 p.m.

Jump into the 90s and learn about the creator of Arthur, Marc Brown.

Movie Screening: Dora & the Lost City of Gold Wednesday, September 13 6:30-9 p.m.

Having spent most of her life exploring the jungle with her parents, nothing could prepare Dora for her biggest challenge yet: High School. When her parents mysteriously disappear while searching for the Lost City of Gold, Dora must swing into action and lead a group of ill-equipped high schoolers on a quest to save them. It is a high stakes mission as Dora and her new friends navigate the jungle, outrun treasure hunters and solve ancient puzzles to unlock the mystery of the fabled city. PG

Movie Screening: Indiana Jones & the Temple of Doom Wednesday, October 11 6:30-9 p.m.

An adventuresome archaeologist sets out to find the famous Ankara Stone and thus save hundreds of children who've been enslaved by a mysterious Indian cult. PG

AARP Smart Driver Course Saturday, October 21 & 28 2 p.m.

Completion of this defensive driving course sponsored by AARP allows you to receive a discount on car insurance. The new and improved AARP course includes new videos and an updated workbook with a new pull out section, state-specific data and a specific checklist for improvement of your driving skills.

You must attend both days to be certified.

Fee is \$20 for AARP members; \$25 for non-members. Please bring cash or check to the first session to pay for the course.

September

- 4 Village Hall Closed - Labor Day
- 6 Special Events Committee..... 11:30 pm / Room 212
- 7 Village Board Meeting..... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 9 Veterans Committee..... 9:00 am / PD Comm Rm
- 12 Economic Dev. Committee.... 12:30 pm / Room 214
- 12 Business After Hours..... 5:00 pm / Ontarioville Plaza
- 14 Development Commission.... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 19 CIDC Committee..... 6:15 pm / Room 123
- 21 Water Bills Due
- 23 Hanover Park Recycles..... 9:00 am / Commuter Lot
- 26 Historical Committee..... 6:00 pm / Room 214
- 26 Environmental Committee.... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 28 Sister Cities Committee..... 7:00 pm / PD Comm Rm

October

- 5 Village Board Meeting..... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 7 Veterans Committee. 9:00 am / PD Comm Rm
- 10 Economic Dev. Committee.. 12:30 pm / Room 214
- 12 Development Commission... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 14 DuPage Rivers Sweep..... 9:00 am / 1130 E. Lake
- 14 FD Open House..... 10:00 am / 6850 Barrington
- 17 CIDC Committee 6:15 pm / Room 123
- 19 Village Board Meeting..... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 21 Water Bills Due
- 24 Historical Committee..... 6:00 pm / Room 214
- 24 Environmental Committee... 7:00 pm / Room 214
- 26 Sister Cities Committee..... 7:00 pm / PD Comm Rm

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MINUTE WITH THE MAYOR



Another Summer has passed and what a great summer it was! I look forward to seeing the leaves changing color and the beauty of the Fall season. Remember that this time of year, the children will be returning to school. Be vigilant while driving in school zones. Slow down, stay off your phone and pay attention as kids travel to and from school.

The Village's Fall event schedule brings us Hanover Park Recycles, FD Open House, and the DuPage River Sweep events! I encourage you attend.

Have some spare time and wish to serve the community? Hanover Park has numerous committees and commissions that you can volunteer for? Members are appointed by the Village President with the approval of the Village Board. Voluntary citizen advisory committees are comprised of residents, businesspeople, and/or service agency representatives who reside in or do business in Hanover Park. Visit our website's Board & Commissions page for further information. I strongly encourage you to become a volunteer.

This year was the 25th anniversary of the COPS Day Picnic and congratulations to Chief Johnson and his staff who put on an event to remember. It was the biggest crowd I have seen yet, and everyone had a great time. I was proud to be a part of the signing ceremony of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police & National Association for the Advancement of Colored People 10-Shared Principles with our Police Department. Our Police Department continues to be a role model in the northwest suburbs.

The Village has many construction projects going on simultaneously in 2023. We have made infrastructure improvements a priority. From road resurfacing, sidewalks,

and curb & gutter repair, to multi-use paths and multi-modal improvements, our goal is to stay on-time while remaining on-budget. As a reminder, you can get up-to-date information on all the projects happening during this construction season by visiting www.hpil.org/2023Construction.

Halloween is coming up, so that means it is time to share your Halloween spirit! We invite you to participate in our Spooktacular House Decorating Contest! Winners will be rewarded with a gift card. As a resident, you too can participate in the fun by voting for your favorite houses. See page 5 for further information on the contest.

"Get in the Halloween spirit! Join in our our Spooktacular House Decorating Contest."

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



Yasmeen Bankole



Liza Gutierrez



Syed Hussaini



Jon Kunkel



Herb Porter



Bob Prigge

How Can I Speak with Board Members?



Kristy Merrill
Village Clerk

A frequent question we receive at the Village is how a resident can speak to Board members about their questions and concerns.

The Village Board's Rules of Order provide for members of the general public to address the Village Board with concerns or comments regarding issues that are relevant to the Village business.

Village Board Meetings are held at the Village Hall Council Chambers (located at 2121 Lake Street) the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the every month at 7:00 pm.

To sign up to speak to the Board during their regular Village Board meeting, when you enter the Council Chambers, you will find a "Town Hall" sign in sheet at the front of the room. Simply sign in and you will be called upon during the Town Hall Session portion of the meeting. All residents are allowed five minutes to address the Board. If you are unable to attend a Board meeting, you may also go to our website, www.hpil.org, and under "How Do I" select "Submit online public comment".

Halloween Safety

Going to Trick or Treat this year? Here are some tips to help you stay safe:

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Put electronic devices down.
- Keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths when possible.
- If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.
- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up.
- Do not dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.
- Children under the age of 12 should not be out alone at night without adult supervision.
- Stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.
- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
- Carry glow sticks or flashlights to help see and be seen by drivers.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

Tips for Drivers:

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
- Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.



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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 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
- 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



SPOOKTACULAR

HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST



REGISTER YOUR HOME!

The contest is open to all Hanover Park residents! Registration is FREE. To enter your Spooktacular Home, visit our website at: hpil.org/Spooktacular
Please attach a photo of your decorated home.

Registration will be Open October 1 through October 16. All homes will be placed on our Halloween Tour Map which will go active on October 17th.

- Award Categories:**
- 🏆 People's Choice Award - Spookiest Home
 - 🏆 Village Board Award
 - 🏆 Park District Award

By filling out the registration form, you are permitting the Village of Hanover Park & The Hanover Park Park District to list the information you provided on our website, interactive map, and to be used to promote the contest on our social media.

JOIN THE JUDGING!

Looking for a scary good time? Drive by the most spooktacular homes in Hanover Park and check out these haunted yard displays. Please view the displays from your vehicle or the sidewalk. And remember...its always best when viewed in the dark (dusk until 9:00 p.m.)

- Tour Information:**
- 📍 View Hanover Park Halloween House Decorating Contest Interactive Map (Available October 16th) at: hpil.org/SpooktacularMap
 - 📍 PDF Map (Available October 17th)

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

Vote for the Spookiest Home on our website
hpil.org/HalloweenVote

Voting begins Oct 17th | Winners announced Oct 28th
All winners will be contacted by phone!

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Diversity, Equity & Inclusion... A Priority for Hanover Park

The Village of Hanover Park strives to be a welcoming and inclusive place for all. Hanover Park is committed to diversity, equity & inclusion in all forms and is respectful and welcoming to all individuals and families regardless of religion, gender, sexuality, age, culture and race. Hanover Park has been a leader in cultural diversity since 2008 when Mayor Rodney S. Craig and the Village Board established the Cultural Inclusion & Diversity Committee to foster and promote understanding, mutual respect, cooperation, and positive relations between and among all residents of the Village by creating a sense of shared community and affirming the value of each resident.

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DUPAGE RIVER SWEEP

Saturday, October 14, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

1130 E. Lake St., Hanover Park
(Rear of parking lot of
Time Out West Sports Pub)

Join fellow Hanover Park residents in keeping our rivers clean. Help remove debris from the river bank between Arlington Drive and Lake St.

Wear waterproof boots, gloves and work clothes. To register, contact the Environmental Committee Hotline at 630-823-5706!



New Businesses

3D Martial Arts

1118 Lake Street
(630-283-8270)
Martial Arts School

Anika Spa

7235 Olde Salem
(773-875-3477)
Beauty spa (facials, body treatment & fitness studio)

Brows on Edge

7450 Barrington Road
(848-228-6875)
Eyebrow threading, waxing, facials, & cluster eyelashes

Camacho Jugos

2003 Irving Park Road
(630-855-6604)
Juices & smoothies & food

Elite RF

1700 Tower Road (847-592-6350)
Manufacturer of custom RF amplifiers & modules, rack amplifiers and high-power RF generators

Fellers

1625 Hunter Road, Unit B
(800-654-8405)
Producers of sign and graphics film, color-change vinyls, window tint, paint protection film, wrap supplies for custom installers, and film-cutting software

IGPS Logistics

845 Lake Street
(321-281-9210)
Plastic pallet leasing to distribution companies

Lazzat Uz

670 Wise Road
(847-893-6069)
Uzbek restaurant including rice pilaf dishes with beef & lamb, Manti/dumplings, Mastava/rice soup, beef/lamb/chicken kebabs

small business SPOTLIGHT



Elite RF
1700 Tower Road
847-592-6350

Elite RF was founded in 2014 and built on the legacy of Motorola, Inc. After Motorola left the telecommunications market, Elite RF acquired the talent that built the Motorola brand – their designers have close to 200 years of power amplifier design experience and are at the cutting edge of today's RF and microwave technology.

Elite RF has an extensive portfolio of product designs, from basic PA modules to multi-function PA assemblies with embedded software and controllers. They incorporate GaN, LDMOS, MOSFET, and bipolar device technologies, with specialization in frequencies up to 18 GHz with power levels from 1 watt to over 100kw.

Some of the products they offer include low-noise amplifiers, 500+ watt power amplifier systems, linear and pulsed modules and rack mounts (with or without a display), along with custom configurable testing equipment. Some products are in stock and ready to ship to you, and others can be customized onsite.

Elite RF works with many industries including military/aerospace, universities, medical, and telecommunications.

To learn more about Elite RF, visit their website at <https://eliterfllc.com/>





How Does An Inoperable Vehicle Impact Our Community?

Inoperable vehicles impact the health, safety, and welfare of citizens. They serve as a breeding ground for insects, rodents and can be dangerous especially to children. Broken glass, unstable mounting jacks or blocks are among many safety concerns. They also are a blighting influence to the area, possibly devaluating surrounding properties.

If you are going to keep an inoperable vehicle, it must be stored in a garage or under a commercially manufactured cover provided it is in good condition. Village ordinance allows for only one covered inoperable vehicle per property. If you have any questions about the ordinance, please contact Code Enforcement at 630-823-5570.



Obstructions in the Parkway

Did you know that the Village has an ordinance prohibiting the placement of obstructions in the parkway? The Village has begun a program of enforcement on this ordinance as it is a danger to the community and to motorists. This includes stones and boulders placed on the parkway to be a barrier to traffic or inhibit people from parking in front of their yard.

Unfortunately, these boulders can be dangerous to people and damaging to property. If a homeowner places a boulder, or other obstruction, in a parkway and there is property damage or injury, the homeowner may be held liable in court or through an insurance claim. As it is likely that homeowner's insurance does not protect policyholders from objects placed on public property (i.e. the parkway), any claims would be against the property owner personally without the protection of their homeowner's insurance.

The Village's Code Enforcement Division of the Police Department has been notifying residents with parkway boulders or other obstructions that they will need to be removed from the parkway. Homeowners can move the stones onto private property in the front or back yard. However, if the homeowner cannot move the stones themselves, they can call the Public Works Department at 630-823-5700 and they will remove and dispose of the stones. Beginning the week of November 3rd, Public Works will remove all remaining boulders or other obstructions from the parkway and dispose of them. They will also dress the depressed area with topsoil and grass seed. During this initial enforcement period, no citations will be issued to residents. However, any future property owners found to be in violation of this ordinance will have 60 days after the notice of violation is provided to become compliant. If they fail to become compliant after 60 days, they will receive a second notice of the violation advising that if the boulder is not removed from the parkway within 30 days a citation will be issued.

If you have any questions, please call the Code Enforcement Division of the Police Department at 630-823-5570.

Vegetation Ordinance



The Village has installed fencing along main roadways in many residential areas in Hanover Park. The purpose of the fencing is to screen yards and reduce traffic noise, while having a consistent fencing design. Many homeowners have placed plants or shrubs near the fencing for

decorative purposes. Unfortunately, failure to trim vegetation can shorten the life of fencing materials.

In response, the Village has passed an ordinance which prohibits the growing of vegetation (naturally or planted) through Village owned structures (86-27). If you have any questions about the ordinance, please contact Code Enforcement at 630-823-5570.

Electric Vehicle (EV) Readiness Program

The Village of Hanover Park is one of 16 communities in the region selected to participate in the first cohort of the Electric Vehicle (EV) Readiness Program, facilitated by the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus and ComEd. Cohort members will receive free technical assistance and training in a variety of critical areas as they work toward the designation of being an EV Ready Community. The EV Readiness program will help municipalities streamline policies, meet the growing demand for EVs and charging infrastructure, and implement best practices for safe and effective regional transportation electrification. "EV Ready Community" designation is expected by the end of 2023.



The Village invites you to review the EV Resources page at www.hpil.org/EV to see information on EV options, permitting, finding a charging location, saving money and more.

Horizon School Garden Club



Over the last year, the Public Works Wastewater Division has partnered with the Horizon Elementary School Garden Club in promoting awareness on water reclamation and using the skills the students have learned to plant various plants and flowers around the treatment plant.

In the Summer of 2022, before school let out, 30 students came to the treatment plant for a tour on the biological process of water reclamation. Since the tour was such a hit amongst the students, the garden club doubled in size to 60 students. The Village had the students return in the fall to show how tulips were planted, as well as show them our newly developed pumpkin patch. We supplied each student with a small pumpkin to take home, along with their very own garden trowel to plant a tulip bulb for the spring that they would be able to prune and take home.



As Spring of 2023 arrived, over half of the tulip bulbs were blooming. The garden club returned to look at our upgraded landscaping, and planted pumpkin seeds in the newly developed pumpkin patch. The pumpkin seeds were sourced from the giant pumpkin used in the annual pumpkin carving competition the Village holds amongst its departments. In addition to pumpkins, 4 sunflowers were planted in the patch as well.

This Fall, the students will return to claim their pumpkins and plant additional tulip bulbs at the entry way of the treatment plant. Our plan is to have them return again in the spring and

restart the process. Over time, as they learn more about different plant types, we will expand our efforts to incorporate it into their current curriculum.

A new feature at the treatment plant is a wonderful mural painting by our seasonal worker Heydon Franz. Heydon is a Fire Science student at Elgin Community College and an incredible artist. This new feature helps visually connect our efforts in bringing native plants back to the treatment plant and will allow for each student in the garden club to paint their name on the sides when they visit. Well done, Heydon!



Electronics Recycling

Did you know that you can now recycle electronics with your solid waste?

There is now FREE electronics recycling. Residents can dispose of two electronic waste items (including televisions up to 50 pounds) at no additional cost. You will be required to contact Groot and schedule collection at least 24 hours in advance of your designated service day. Televisions over 50 pounds may be charged an additional charge of \$50.00 per unit.

We are very excited to be moving forward with the current agreement including these improved services. Contact Groot at 630-469-1036 or the Public Works Department at 630-823-5700 should you have any questions.



Hanover Park's Very Own Florence Nightingale: Alma Foerster

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



If you saw the Andy Warhol-style images of past and current Hanover Park residents this past summer, you might not have recognized Alma Foerster. Foerster was one of the inaugural winners of the Florence Nightingale medal, one of the highest honors in nursing.

She was born in Ontarioville (now part of Hanover Park) in 1885. Her father held the pastorate of Immanuel United Church of Christ in Streamwood from 1885-1890.

Through the Red Cross, she served as a nurse in the United States and Europe. Foerster worked in Russia during the Russian Civil War, when civilians often depended on the Red Cross for aid as fighting and the freezing weather shut them off from supplies. For her work, she received the Florence Nightingale Medal in 1920.

If you are interested in helping preserve Hanover Park history, the Hanover Park Historic Committee meets at Village Hall every fourth Tuesday of the month. You can learn more about Hanover Park history from Poplar Creek Public Library's always-expanding Digital History Collection (<https://pclub.omeka.net/>), which shares images provided by the Hanover Park Historic Committee. Email history@pclub.org with any research questions regarding local history.

Centro De Informacion

1885 Lin Lor Lane
Elgin, IL 60123
(847) 695-9050



Centro de Información is a place where the Latino community has felt safe, understood, and supported for more than 50 years. They are a not-for-profit social services agency that provides bilingual advocacy at our locations in Elgin, Carpentersville, and Hanover Park for more than 15,000 immigrants every year. Centro serves mostly low-income, Hispanic immigrants residing in the greater Fox Valley area, but we welcome clients of any nationality from surrounding counties and states.

Centro provides Welcoming Center services for immigrants and refugees, immigration and naturalization services, emergency food, educational classes, and more to the Kane County and far Northwest Cook County suburbs. In addition to the Welcoming Center Team, Centro is a Department of Justice accredited organization with accredited Immigration Counselors who help clients navigate immigration law, including – but not limited to – naturalization, DACA renewals, securing visas, asylum status and more.

Centro's Community Resources Team help clients, often in crisis situations, to access food via Centro's emergency food pantry or signing up for SNAP, various healthcare programs and other resources.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion / Continued from Page 5

In 2017, Hanover Park further signaled its commitment with a new brand identity which features a logo that represents the 80 different nationalities and 30 languages. The brand brings together that diversity around a graphic identity – Hanover Park USA – America's Global Village, features a logo that represents diversity, inclusion and unity. Springtime multicultural banners "Welcome" all residents and travelers as they move throughout the Village.

In July, the police department and the NAACP worked together to sign a commitment to 10 Shared Principles to highlight that both organizations have a mutual passion for defending and protecting the civil rights of all citizens, keep our communities and citizens safe, and to replace mistrust with mutual trust.

The Village Board's 3-Year 2022 Strategic Plan made Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) a priority by documenting DEI related goals and objectives. In February of 2023, the Village Board approved an ordinance reaffirming the commitment to equal, respectful, and dignified treatment, regardless of their immigration status, and being a welcoming community for all people. The ordinance originated with a recommendation from the Cultural Inclusion & Diversity Committee.

You can now read our Hi-Lighter newsletter in Spanish at www.hpil.org/HiLighter!

For more information on Hanover Park's DEI initiatives, visit: www.hpil.org/DEI.

Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week takes place October 8th-14th. As Fire Prevention Week approaches, The Hanover Park Fire Department reminds residents: "Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention."

The Hanover Park Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®), the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week™ (FPW) for more than 100 years, to promote this year's FPW campaign, "Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention™." The campaign works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take when cooking to keep themselves and those around them safe.

According to NFPA, cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries in the United States. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires and deaths.

"Year after year, cooking remains the leading cause of home fires by far, accounting for half (49 percent) of all U.S. home fires," said Lorraine Carli, Vice President of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA. "These numbers tell us that there is still much work to do when it comes to better educating the public about ways to stay safe when cooking."

The Hanover Park Fire Department encourages all residents to embrace the 2023 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Cooking safety starts with YOU!" In partnership with the NFPA, we offer these key safety tips to help reduce the risk of a cooking fire.

- Watch what you heat. Always keep a close eye on what you are cooking. Set a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove. Always keep a lid nearby when cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner.
- Have a "kid- and pet-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 meter) around the stove or grill and anywhere else hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

For more general information about Fire Prevention Week and cooking safety, visit www.fpw.org. For fire safety fun for kids, visit sparky.org. The Hanover Park Fire Department is hosting its annual Fire Prevention Open House in support of this year's FPW campaign on October 14, 2023 at Fire Station 15 (6850 Barrington Rd.) between 10 am and 2 pm.



National Preparedness Month Pointers



September is National Preparedness Month. When there is an emergency, make sure you and your family have a plan! It's important to talk to your family about a plan of where to meet, what to bring, and who to contact.

Recognize that in extreme situations, emergency resources may be limited. Be prepared to care for yourself and your family for at least three days. Here is a useful list of what to pack in an Emergency Supply Kit.

- 1 gallon of water per person
- Non-Perishable, easy to prepare food
- First Aid kit and medical supplies
- Flashlights, a Radio and batteries
- Mobile phone and car charger
- Important documents and cash

Severe weather happens all year round for Hanover Park, but our fall weather pattern tends to bring some heavy storms our way. Is your family prepared for a power outage? Here are some tips to keep your family safe and comfortable during and after a storm.

- Keep freezers and refrigerators closed.
- Use a generator, but ONLY outdoors and away from windows.
- Do not use a stove or oven to heat your home.
- Disconnect appliances and electronics to avoid damage from electrical surges.
- Have a plan for keeping medications cool and to power any medical devices.
- Check out our Warming and Cooling-Centers at <https://www.hpil.org/1024/Warming-Cooling-Centers>



Holiday Solid Waste Collection Schedule

This is a friendly reminder to residents that your regular garbage collection day could be affected during this time of the year due to the holidays listed below.

- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas

If one of these holidays falls between a Sunday and a Friday, then your regularly scheduled garbage pick-up day is postponed one day.

Please call Groot at 630-469-1036 or Public Works at 630-823-5700 with any questions.

No Yard Waste Sticker Needed for November's Leaves



It is that time of the year again. The leaves on trees are turning that beautiful color and then falling to the ground. The Village would like to give a friendly reminder to all of our residents. Leaves cannot be blown or disposed of into Village streets or raked into the parkways. This debris could cause stormwater to back up if leaves are blocking the storm sewers.

As a benefit to the residents of Hanover Park, leaf collection in November will not require a yard waste sticker to be collected by Groot Industries. This is during the month of NOVEMBER ONLY and is for LEAVES ONLY. All you have to do is rake your leaves, put them into a recyclable yard waste bag, and set them at the curb on your normal trash pick-up day.



All yard waste pick-up is offered until November 25, 2023. After this date, yard waste pick-up will not resume until spring. If you have any questions, please contact Groot Industries at 866.782.5161 or the Public Works Department at 630-823-5700.

Fall Brush Pick-Up Program

The Village's brush pickup program provides FREE curbside residential brush pick up and will take place in the spring and fall in accordance with the following schedule:

October 2nd

- Area 1 (streets north of Lake St. & west of Barrington Rd) Cook County
- Area 2 (streets north of Lake St. & east of Barrington Rd.) Cook County

October 16th

- Area 3 (streets south of Lake St. & north of Lawrence Ave.) DuPage County
- Area 4 (streets south of Lawrence Ave.) DuPage County

Brush must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. on the day of your scheduled collection date to avoid missing your cycle. Residents are asked to follow the collection schedule listed above and on the Village's website at www.hpil.org.

Residents are required to follow the brush preparation guidelines listed on this page and directed to call the Public Works Department at 630-823-5700 with any questions. Following the guidelines closely will ensure that your material will be collected as part of the program.

GUIDELINES:

The Village will collect branches with a minimum of two (2) feet in length and a maximum of ten (10) feet in length. The branches must be less than eight (8) inches in diameter.

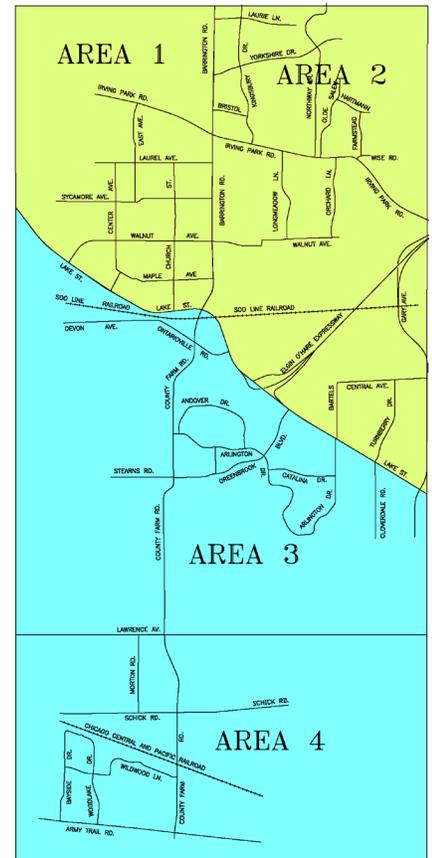
What will not be picked up:

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

How to stack brush:

- Do not bundle!
- Neatly stack the brush in one direction with the butt/cut end toward the street.
- Do not block access to the brush pile with your vehicle.
- No lumber, wire, rope, construction material or other material can be included with the brush
- Do not block the sidewalk when putting brush out

PLEASE REMEMBER: If you miss your scheduled brush pick up date, you can utilize the yard waste collection provided by Groot Services once a week through November 25, 2023. Yard waste stickers are required. The yard waste must be placed in a special yard waste bag or branches must be tied in bundles up to 48 inches long and up to 18 inches in diameter. Please call Groot Services at 630-469-1036 with any questions.





Hanover Park^{USA}

Hanover Park Recycles

Saturday, September 23, 2023

9 am-Noon

Hanover Park Metra Station

1975 W. Lake St.

Rain or Shine - Non-Residents Welcome



Hanover Park acknowledges DuPage County as a funder, partner and sponsor for this event

- American Flags
- Books (no encyclopedia sets)
- Bread Tags (plastic)
- Cell Phones
- CFL & Fluorescent Bulbs
- Clean, Usable Child and Adult Clothing
- Cords & Wires (Phone, Computer, Etc.)
- Eyeglasses
- Hearing Aids
- Holiday Lights
- Ink-Jet Cartridges - No Toners
- Keys - Household, Luggage, Car
- Large Lead Batteries (auto, sump pump, SLA, Marine)
- LP Records
- Musical Instruments
- Office Supplies (new or like new)
- Personal Documents for Shredding (limit of 3 boxes/bags)
- School Supplies (new or like new)
- Scrap Metal

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NO ELECTRONICS, PAINT OR ALKALINE BATTERIES

Prescription Drugs accepted at the

Hanover Park Police Station

Call 630-823-5706 for more information!



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Elected Officials

Village President - Rodney S. Craig

Village Clerk - Kristy Merrill

Yasmeen Bankole, Trustee

Liza Gutierrez, Trustee

Syed Hussaini, Trustee

Jon Kunkel, Trustee

Herb Porter, Trustee

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