

# VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD

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## MEETING SCHEDULE

Meeting times/dates subject to change.

For a complete list of meetings visit,  
[www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us)

### May

**Family Days Commission**

May 7, 4:00 p.m.

**Fine Arts Commission**

May 7, 6:00 p.m.

**Board of Trustees**

May 7 & 21, 7:30 p.m.

**Community Relations Commission**

May 8, 7:00 p.m.

**Plan Commission**

May 10 & 24, 7:30 p.m.

**Sustainability Commission**

May 10, 7:00 p.m.

**Appearance Review Commission**

May 21, 7:30 p.m.

**Village Hall Closed**

May 28, Memorial Day

### June

**Family Days Commission**

June 4, 4:00 p.m.

**Village Center Development Comm.**

June 6, 7:30 p.m.

**Board of Trustees**

June 4 & 16, 7:30 p.m.

**Sustainability Commission**

June 14, 7:00 p.m.

**Plan Commission**

June 14 & 28, 7:30 p.m.

**Appearance Review Commission**

June 25, 7:30 p.m.

# D-TALES

Your Municipal News Source

## DEERFIELD RESIDENTS & SMALL COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS WILL SAVE ON ELECTRICITY RATES

On April 17, the North Shore Electric Aggregation Consortium (“Consortium”) announced a new rate for electricity that is 41% less than the current Commonwealth Edison residential electricity rate. This is one of the largest aggregation groups in Illinois.

Over the next three years, MC Squared Energy Services, LLC (“mc2”), the Consortium’s selected alternative electricity supplier, will supply power to an estimated 60,000 to 70,000 Consortium customers. The Consortium communities locked in electricity rates of 4.836 cents per kilowatt-hour (“kWh”) through the May 2013 ComEd billing cycle. The current ComEd residential rate is 8.233\* cents per kWh. New rates through mc2 are anticipated to begin in June and July.

Eligible Deerfield residents should have already received official correspondence from the Village regarding electricity aggregation. Once the notice is received, customers have 21 days to determine if they want to “opt-out” of the municipal program. Under this “opt-out” program, all residential and small commercial retail customers (those whose annual usage is 15,000 kWh or less) will be switched automatically to mc2, unless the customer affirmatively opts-out of the program and continues service through ComEd or another provider.

Residents and small businesses that have already switched to an alternative provider will be able to “opt-in” to the municipal aggregation program; those residents and businesses should contact mc2 directly at 888.808.7731 or email at [NorthShore@MC2EnergyServices.com](mailto:NorthShore@MC2EnergyServices.com).

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## DEERFIELD FESTIVAL OF FINE ARTS

Mark your calendars now! The 2012 Deerfield Festival of Fine Arts will be held on June 2 and June 3 from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Park Avenue and Deerfield Road. This year’s festival will showcase 100 artisans’ works.



Now in its 10th year, the Festival of Fine Arts has proven to be an entertaining, family-friendly community event, and the show’s popularity continues to grow, with several thousand visitors from all over the Chicagoland area in attendance to peruse or purchase art. As in past years, all art media will be represented.

For more information, please visit the Village website at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us) or contact the Village Manager’s Office at 847.719.7400

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## ANNUAL BUDGET

The Village's annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2012 was approved by the Mayor and Board of Trustees at the April 16, 2012 meeting, culminating a thorough review process by the Board and staff. The Village provides a wide range of basic services upon which we all depend including police protection, potable water, sewage treatment and street maintenance, to highlight only a few. A great deal of time, energy and deliberation was put into the creation of this budget and the Board worked diligently to ensure that the high quality of services that Deerfield residents rely upon remains unchanged.

Deerfield has not been immune to the challenged economic climate that has impacted most of its revenue sources. Sales taxes, hotel/motel taxes, building permit revenue, state shared taxes such as income tax, and water and sewer revenues have all been affected. And while the Village has taken many steps to reduce its cost structure, the need to maintain its level of services and demands for infrastructure improvements have required revenue enhancements and bonds to be issued with this budget. These include:

### Water and Sewer Rate Increases

To maintain the viability of these funds, a 2.5% increase has been approved for water rates and a 10% increase for sewer rates. A household that uses 30 units of water per billing quarter will see an increase of approximately \$10.00 in their total bill.

### Property Tax Increase

The Village projects no changes to the General Fund property tax levy. The Village portion of the property tax bill is about 3%.

Due to the need to replace the sewage treatment plant (WRF), the Village will most likely be borrowing \$2 million in early 2013 through the use of general obligation bonds. As discussed for many years, the debt service for this critical project will add to the 2012 Village portion of the property tax levy. The Village will review its financial position in December, when the 2012 tax levy will be approved.

Please note that Deerfield property owners east of the Tollway do not pay regional agencies (MWRD in Cook County, NSSD in Highland Park and Lake County Special Service Areas in Riverwoods and Lincolnshire) for sewage treatment. Our total costs continue to be lower for this service when comparing "apples to apples" and the Village maintains stronger local land use controls as a result.

### Expenditures

The total Village budget for 2012/13 is \$56,505,057. Due to the types of services provided by the Village, its operation is very labor intensive. It is no surprise then that labor costs are 54% of the total operating funds budget of \$28,403,794.

The CIP for next year totals \$19 million, a decrease of 18% from the 11/12 budget. Most of this total is due to the construction cost of \$14 million for the replacement of the sewage treatment plant which will cost a total of nearly \$32 million over the life of the project.

*Questions about the budget may be directed to the Finance Department at 847.945.5000* ➤

## ELECTRIC AGGREGATION

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The alternative energy supplier, mc2 responded to the Consortium's request for proposals for electricity aggregation services and was the lowest responsible bidder of seven vendors that submitted proposals. As part of the agreement with mc2, the Consortium communities will review electricity rates annually within the 36-month time period to ensure that customers are receiving the best possible rate.

On March 20, voters in all eight Consortium municipalities approved the referendum authorizing each municipality to operate an "opt-out" electricity aggregation program for its residents and small businesses. Through an intergovernmental agreement, the Consortium has been working together since December 2011 and engaged the consulting firm Intelligent Power Partners

and the law firm of Holland & Knight LLP to provide professional expertise to the Consortium.

Under this program, residents will also have the opportunity to support renewable energy resources through a Green Power Program that purchases renewable energy certificates. To learn more about mc2 please visit, [www.mc2energyservices.com](http://www.mc2energyservices.com).

*\* The current ComEd Basic Electric Service Rate in effect from October 1, 2011, through May 31, 2012, including the Purchased Electricity Supply Charge, Transmission Services Charge and the April 2012 Purchased Electricity Adjustment Charge.*

*For more information about electric aggregation please contact mc2 at 888.808.7731 or the Village Manager's Office at 847.719.7400*

*Visit [www.NorthShoreElectricityAggregation.com](http://www.NorthShoreElectricityAggregation.com)* ➤

## GREEN POWER FOR YOUR HOME

As part of the new electricity aggregation program, residents and small businesses participating in the Village's contract with mc2 will have the option to purchase renewable energy credits to offset the "brown power" used in your home. Though every home is different, an average home uses approximately 10 megawatt hours of energy a year. The price for renewable energy credits in the Village's contract is \$1 per megawatt hour. To an average home that is a cost of \$10 per a year.

The renewable energy credit you purchase is proof that 1 megawatt hour of renewable energy was produced and placed in the electric grid. In May, participating customers in the aggregation program will receive a letter with details on how to sign up.

*For more information about renewable energy credits, please contact mc2 at 888.808.7731 or visit [www.NorthShoreElectricityAggregation.com](http://www.NorthShoreElectricityAggregation.com)* ➤



## STREET REHAB PROGRAM

Each year the Village of Deerfield utilizes local funds and Motor Fuel Tax funding, administered through the State of Illinois, to rehabilitate/reconstruct local streets. The scope of this year's work will include complete rehabilitation/replacement of the existing roadway, storm sewer repair/replacement, intermittent curb and gutter repair/replacement, sidewalk replacement and parkway restoration as needed. The 2012 program includes Camille Avenue, Rago Avenue, Williams Avenue, Davis Street, Crowe Avenue, Cumnor Court, Carlisle Place, Warwick Road, Elmwood Avenue, Kenmore Avenue.



To facilitate the work and keep the contractor on schedule, the project will be divided into three stages. The Village appreciates your effort in helping to complete these improvements. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Village of Deerfield Engineering Department, at 847.317.2490.

*Please visit the Village of Deerfield website at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us) to view weekly updates and a map of the construction project.*

## DO YOU HAVE AN ORION WATER METER YET?

All households in the Village are receiving new Orion Water Meters. This is an upgrade to the Village's existing water meter reading system, at no cost to you.

Please make an appointment at the Village Hall front desk or call 847.945.5000.



*For more information please visit the Village website at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us)*

## EMERALD ASH BORER

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is a metallic green beetle native to Asia. The beetle is 1/2 inch long and 1/8 inch wide. The adult emerges from the bark between the months of May and July. The females lay numerous eggs in bark crevices. The eggs hatch in about 7 to 10 days. The larvae bore into the tree and feed on the inner bark and phloem creating winding galleries. In time, this cuts off the flow of nutrients and water, causing the tree to display visible signs of stress.



In the summer of 2011, EAB was discovered in the Village of Deerfield's southwest quadrant. Trees infested with EAB will start with a slow decline and then can die very quickly. This causes trees to become brittle and start to lose their limbs. Based on research, EAB is going to effect the entire community. It is not a matter of "if" an Ash tree is going to be infested, it is a matter of when.

Since this discovery, the Village has worked with an Arborist to complete a Parkway Ash Tree Inventory. During this inventory, trees received a condition rating on a scale of 1 – 6, with Condition 1 being a healthy tree, and Condition 6 being a dead or dying tree. The Village Board has accepted a recommendation from Public Works to remove all trees rated a Condition 5 or 6. This totals 34 trees. The trees will be removed through the beginning of May. The trees rated a Condition 4 will be slowly removed over the next year. These total 189 trees. Homeowners will be notified with a letter and the tree to be removed will be marked with a "X" prior to removal.

The Village is not treating any public Ash trees due to the cost and limited success of treatment, instead the Village intends to replace some trees where appropriate. If a homeowner is interested in treating a parkway tree with their own certified arborist, they must fill out a permit application. The permits are available on-line, at Village Hall or at the Public Works Facility. The application and permit fees are waived for Ash tree treatments or removal. If you do plan to treat your trees please be aware that only products applied as trunk injections are permitted for parkway trees. The best time for injections is after the tree has leafed out in spring. This is generally between mid-May and mid-June.

Homeowners may treat the parkway tree, but please understand that if the tree becomes a hazard, the Village still has the right to remove the tree. Over the next few years, the Village will be slowly removing trees that decline and become hazardous. All the trees will be monitored for signs of EAB, and will be removed when the health and safety of the tree are in question. Homeowners that have an Ash tree in their parkway and would like to be proactive may call and have the tree removed earlier. We encourage residents to participate in the semi-annual 50-50 Parkway Tree Planting Program as well.

Ash trees on private property are the responsibility of the homeowner to maintain. If your tree is found to have EAB and is starting to decline, the Village may require you to have the tree removed for safety reasons. Please report any known infestations of EAB to the Village.

*For more information please visit [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us), email [publicworks@deerfield.il.us](mailto:publicworks@deerfield.il.us) or call the Engineering Department at 847.317.2490. Additional resources are also available from [www.IllinoisEAB.com](http://www.IllinoisEAB.com) or [www.emeraldashborer.info](http://www.emeraldashborer.info)*



# BOARDREPORT

The following is a synopsis of actions taken by the Village Board since the last issue of D-Tales. For complete sets of minutes for Village Board meetings or to watch meetings on demand, please visit the Village's website at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us).

## VILLAGE BOARD ACTION

- Approved an ordinance allowing a Special Use for a temporary location for the Deerfield Public Library at Cadwell's Corners Shopping Center
- Approved an ordinance authorizing an Electricity Aggregation Program pursuant to the Illinois Power Agency Act
- Approved a resolution authorizing a Plan of Operation and Governance for the Electricity Aggregation Program
- Approved a resolution authorizing a contract for the provision of electricity for the Village's Electricity Aggregation Program
- Approved an ordinance adopting the budget of the Village of Deerfield for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2013
- Approved an ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Deerfield and establishing user fees for residential refuse and recycling collection
- Approved an ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Deerfield for certain water and sewer rate increases
- Approved an ordinance amending the wage and salary plan
- Approved a resolution adopting a Fund Balance Policy
- Approved authorization to award a contract for the 2012 Street Rehabilitation Project

## AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- Proclaimed March 2012 as Affordable Housing Month
- Proclaimed March 2012 as Youth Art Month
- Presented the Donald E. Gehrig Award to Officer Juan Mazariegos
- Proclaimed the week of March 19, 2012 as Youth Appreciation Week
- Proclaimed the week of April 8, 2012 as National Telecommunications Week
- Proclaimed the month of April, 2012 as Fair Housing Month
- Proclaimed April 22, 2012 as Earth Day
- Proclaimed April 27, 2012 as Arbor Day



# COMMUNITYCALENDAR

### DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT

- May 6, Deer Dash at Jaycee Park
- May 6, Disc Golf Tournament
- May 6, Old Fashioned Band Concert at PTC
- May 12, Golf Equipment Demo at Deerfield Golf Club
- May 20, Hershey Track & Field Meet at DHS
- May 25, Half Day Happening/School's Out Program at Jewett Park Community Center
- June 1, Middle School Pool Party at Deerspring (Raindate June 8)
- June 2, Deerspring Pool opens
- June 9, Mitchell Pool opens
- June 9, Tinman Triathlon at Deerspring

- June 16, Public Swim Lessons begin
- June 17, Summer Sampler at Michell Park
- June 18, Park & Education Golf Outing
- June 21, Longest Day Golf Event at Deerfield Golf Club
- June 24, Summer Sampler at Mitchell Park

June 21, Public Swim Lessons begin

*For more information or to register for Park District programs, call 847.945.0650, or visit [www.deerfieldparkdistrict.org](http://www.deerfieldparkdistrict.org)*

### DEERFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Deerfield Public Library will be temporarily closing on Friday, May 18 at 6:00 p.m., and will reopen at a temporary site at Cadwell's Corners in mid-June.

Access to book drops will end on Friday, May 18 at 6 p.m. After this date, patrons are asked to keep all of their checked out materials until the library reopens.

If patrons wish to check out materials from any other public library during the closure, they should update their account at Deerfield Public Library and register at the alternate library of their choice no later than Friday, May 18.

Interlibrary loan services have been suspended since April 16

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) addressing concerns about the library's relocation are now available at [www.deerfieldlibrary.org](http://www.deerfieldlibrary.org)

*Reading is so Delicious!*, June 23 - August 18

*Children's Summer Reading Program*, Preschool - 6th Grade, registration begins June 23

*Teen Summer Reading Program*, Grades 7 - 10, registration begins June 23

*Storytime at the Farmers Market*, June 23, 8:00 a.m - 11 a.m.

*Drop-in Storytime & Craft*, June 27, 10 a.m. Storytime, 10:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Painting Activity

*Voter Registration- Courtesy of the League of Women Voters*, June 21, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Please bring two forms of identification, at least one of which must show your name and current address.

*Note: Please register in advance for all programs by calling 847.945.3311. For more information and a full listing of events, please visit the library on the web at [www.deerfieldlibrary.org](http://www.deerfieldlibrary.org)*

### WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP

Township Board meetings will be held May 15 and June 19 at the Township Offices, 601 Deerfield Road. Visit [www.westdeerfieldtownship.org](http://www.westdeerfieldtownship.org)



## PROJECT LIFESAVER

The Deerfield Police Department is a member of Project Lifesaver: a system that serves to reunite those individuals with a tendency to wander with their families. The system consists of personal transmitters placed in small wrist bracelets, belts or anklets that emit a signal which can be detected up to one mile from the individual. Should a loved one wander, the Deerfield Police can be contacted, and trained officers are dispatched to locate the subject.

Additionally, the Department maintains a description of the individual, a recent photograph and other pertinent information to help in locating them. This innovative system permits search and rescue efforts to be quicker, reducing the time it takes to locate your loved one from hours to minutes. In order to be eligible, an individual must meet the following criteria:

- The individual must be diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease, Autism or Down Syndrome.
- Individuals must reside in the Deerfield Police Department's jurisdiction.

*For equipment, monthly maintenance fees, and any additional information, please contact Mary Anne Glowacz at 847.945.8636 or email [mglowacz@deerfield.il.us](mailto:mglowacz@deerfield.il.us)*

## 6TH ANNUAL COP ON TOP



On Friday, June 1, 2012, Deerfield Police Officers along with a celebrity guest will spend the day on the roof of our local Dunkin' Donuts, 499 Lake Cook Road, not on surveillance, but rather raising awareness and funds for Special Olympics Illinois. Officers will participate from 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the annual "Cop on Top of Dunkin' Donuts" event in the hopes of raising \$3,000. Last year over \$2,000 was raised.

Dunkin' Donuts of Illinois will be making a corporate contribution of \$10,000 to Special Olympics Illinois for our efforts. As part of our commitment to this cause, the Police Department is also selling raffle tickets for \$10 a piece (prizes include a

new Harley Davidson or 1 of 5 big screen HDTV's) as well as Special Olympics merchandise.

*For more information, please contact Deerfield Police Communications Director, Mary Anne Glowacz at 847.945.8636 or e-mail [mglowacz@deerfield.il.us](mailto:mglowacz@deerfield.il.us)*

## POLICE & FIRE COOK OFF

Whole Foods Market Deerfield invites the community to take part in its second annual Grill-Off Challenge on Saturday, June 23, 2012 from 1 to 3 p.m. The Deerfield Police Department and the Deerfield Fire Department will show off their grilling skills at Whole Foods Market Deerfield to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Customers will be able to vote for their favorite burger based on the following criteria: taste, appearance and team spirit. The winner will be awarded a catered meal for their department and an entire year of bragging rights.

The cost is \$6 per plate with all proceeds going to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The muscular dystrophies (MD) are a group of more than 30 genetic diseases characterized by progressive weakness and degeneration of the skeletal muscles that control movement.

## SOLICITOR REGULATIONS

The Deerfield Police Department routinely receives inquiries concerning the registration of solicitors and peddlers. Local ordinance distinguishes between commercial and non-commercial solicitation.

The law and local ordinance are very specific regarding restrictions that may be imposed upon commercial solicitors. Those restrictions include licensing, license requirements, license fees, and hours of operation. In 2002 the United States Supreme Court ruled on a case that greatly reduced the restrictions and requirements that could be placed on noncommercial solicitors.

Residents who are concerned about unknown individuals approaching their front doors, or do not wish to receive the

message, should politely ask the solicitor to leave. Individuals commit the offense of trespass if they do not depart your property when asked. If you are concerned that individuals in your neighborhood are not engaged in legitimate solicitation, call the Deerfield Police Department. Finally, property owners who do not wish to be disturbed by any door-to-door solicitors should post a "No Solicitors or Peddlers" sign at the main entrance to their property. No solicitor signs are available to residents at no cost at the Deerfield Police Department or at Village Hall.

*For more information on solicitor regulations please visit [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us)*

## LIGHTNING PREDICTION SYSTEM

As a result of the Deerfield Park Foundation and their meetings with various community organizations, commitments have been received to enable Thorguard Lightning Prediction Systems to be purchased and installed at each of our schools, parks and pools. The system will be operational from April through November each year and will be tested at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each of these months.

As a reminder, here is some basic information about the Thorguard system:

- If atmospheric conditions are right for lightning to develop, the horns and lights will activate, indicating that individuals should seek shelter.
- One **long horn blast** means that there is a **strong risk of lightning**. The **strobe light** should also illuminate to indicate the **continuing risk** of lightning. Under both of these circumstances, all individuals should **seek shelter** in a building or vehicle.
- When **three short horn blasts** are heard and the **strobe light ceases to illuminate**, the threat of lightning has passed, but use caution if conditions continue to appear threatening.

Lightning is a severe hazard that must be viewed seriously. Stop and seek shelter **any** time you believe lightning threatens, **even if a signal has not been sounded.**



# COMMUNITY INFO

## VILLAGE VEHICLE STICKER REGISTRATION

The applications for 2012 vehicle stickers will be mailed to all currently registered vehicle owners in mid-May. By July 1, stickers must be displayed on all vehicles registered in Deerfield. If you purchase your sticker by June 30, the sticker fee is \$30. After June 30, the fee includes a 50% late penalty. Seniors may purchase one sticker for \$1 per household; additional stickers are regular price.

Residents may purchase vehicle stickers in person at Village Hall or may return their renewal forms via mail or in the drop box located in the median just south of Village Hall on Jewett Park Drive. Remember: The deadline to display a new 2012 sticker is July 1.

*For more information, please contact the Finance Department at 847.945.5000 or visit [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us)*

## HOUSEHOLD ELECTRONICS COLLECTIONS

In cooperation with SWALCO, the Village will sponsor four household electronics collections. Events are held at the Deerfield Public Works Facility, 465 Elm Street, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on:

- MAY 19
- JUNE 16
- AUGUST 18
- SEPTEMBER 22 (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

No commercial, institutional or governmental materials will be accepted.

*For lists of acceptable and unacceptable materials for recycling, please contact SWALCO at 847.336.9340 or visit [www.swalco.org](http://www.swalco.org)*

## MANAGE YOUR COMCAST ACCOUNT

Comcast customers can now manager their account by going to [www.comcast.com](http://www.comcast.com) and registering for the "My Account" feature. This new feature allows Comcast customers to manage their account through mobile devices such as cell phones and receive outage alerts directly from Comcast.

## THREE GUYS AND A TRUCK

Three Guys and a Truck will be holding its 11th Annual Food Drive for the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry on Sunday, June 3, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Deerfield High School Track. The Three Guys will be circling the track and collecting non-perishable food and household items to stock the local pantry and support the hungry in our community. We encourage people from the area to stop by, donate food and walk/run/push a stroller around the track. Each lap earns you a raffle ticket and earns the pantry a dollar from one of our many sponsors.

We welcome volunteers and encourage groups, families, and friends to pitch in for an hour to pack the truck, run the track and be part of the day.

*For more information or to get involved please contact Paul Zavagno at 847.770.5092*

## COMMUNITY DOCUMENT SHREDDING AND RECYCLING DAY

To reduce your risk of identity theft and fraud, Koenig & Strey is sponsoring the opportunity to have your personal documents and other paper recycling destroyed on-site while you watch. The shredded materials are then recycled to keep the environment free of waste.

Bring your junk mail, cancelled checks, newspapers/magazines, bank statements, utility bills, credit cards, CDs, ink cartridges and cellular phones to 656 Deerfield Road (parking lot behind the Italian Kitchen) on Saturday, May 12, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

*For more information on this FREE event, please contact 847.945.8200*

## "GREEN" TIPS FROM THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

Spring is prime gardening time. Here are a few "green" tips from the Sustainability Commission for those with – and without – "green" thumbs.

The best time to suppress weeds is before they germinate. Corn gluten fertilizers are great for lawns or flowerbeds. These fertilizers keep seeds from sprouting and are not toxic to pets or people. If you have to kill weeds, try using boiling water, digging by hand, or looking on-line and at garden centers for other non-toxic weed control options. Some chemical lawn care products may not be safe for children, pets, or people with severe allergies.

Two pernicious weeds to watch out for in your yard: Garlic Mustard and Buckthorn. Garlic Mustard is very difficult to eradicate once it flowers and produces seeds—which happens in spring—so now is the time to tackle it. Try to dig out the whole plant, including the entire root if possible!

Phosphorus is a major water pollutant. It promotes overgrowth of algae in our watershed systems. Look for lawn fertilizers with zero phosphorus.

Don't cut your grass too short. Leave it at least three inches tall and it will help screen weed germination. Leave cuttings on the lawn. They break down quickly and are a good source of nitrogen.

Many gallons of water run right off your roof and into storm sewers. If you have a large garden or do a lot of lawn sprinkling, your summer water bill can run into the hundreds of dollars. A one-time investment of under \$150 in a rain barrel allows you to catch and use free rainwater for years. The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County is selling rain barrels on Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Independence Grove Forest Preserve in Libertyville for \$60!

*For more information, including plant images and tips on controlling invasive plants, visit the "Green Up Deerfield" webpage at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us)*



## FARMERS MARKET

The Deerfield Farmers Market's 18th season begins June 16th and continues every Saturday through October 13th, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., rain or shine. The market offers the finest locally grown fruits, vegetables, and specialty items such as freshly baked breads and cookies, fabulous flowers, tasty maple syrup and honey, salsas, and a variety of hand-crafted cheeses.



Visit the Village of Deerfield website at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us) to see Farmers Market updates. ~

## 2012 FLOWER PLANTER PROGRAM

Deerfield is alive with color! The Village and Moore Landscapes are offering the Flower Planter Program again this year in downtown Deerfield. This program allows merchants and property owners in the Village Center to purchase handsome clay planters and have them filled with colorful flowers and plantings for all four seasons of the 2012 year.

As of early April, this year's participants in the Flower Planter Program are: Elizabeth Arden Red Door Salon & Spa, Running Away Multisport, Deerfield Village Centre, Shopper's Court, the West Deerfield Township, the Deerfield Cemetery, and Village Hall.

For more information, please contact Associate Planner Kathy Léveque at 847.719.7480 ~

## PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET

No person owning, keeping or harboring a dog shall permit such animal to urinate or deposit waste on any public street, alley, parkway or other public place or any premises other than those of the owner or person in control of such dog, without collecting and properly disposing of said animal waste.

Violators will be fined between \$10 and \$50 for each offense. ~

## UPCOMING EVENTS @ PTC

For a complete listing of programs or to register to be a member, please contact the Patty Turner Center (PTC) at 847.940.4010 or visit [www.pattyturnercenter.org](http://www.pattyturnercenter.org)



- May 1**, Open Poker
- May 4**, Book of the Month Club
- May 6**, Old Fashioned Band Concert with the Deerfield Community Band
- May 9**, ACES ~ Caregiver Support Group
- May 14**, 60 Minutes
- May 15**, Open Poker
- May 17**, Knitting Group
- May 21**, 60 Minutes
- May 23**, Life After Loss
- May 25**, Book of the Month Club
- May 28**, Memorial Day - Closed
- May 29**, Ping Pong
- June 1**, Friday Flicks
- June 4**, 60 Minutes
- June 7**, AARP Driver's Safety
- June 8**, Friday Flicks
- June 11**, Everyday Gourmet
- June 15**, Book of the Month Club
- June 18**, Open Mah Jongg
- June 20**, Botanic Garden Workshop
- June 21**, Knitting Group
- June 25**, 60 Minutes
- June 26**, Tai Chi
- June 27**, ACES ~ Caregiver Support Group
- June 28**, Open Poker
- June 29**, Friday Flicks
- June 30**, "Judy Garland: The MGM Years"

## SHIP

Volunteers are available free of charge to help interpret and resolve problems with medical bills, Medicare Supplemental Insurance and appeals. ~

## LENDING CLOSET

The Patty Turner Center lends on a short term basis, wheelchairs, walkers, canes, bath benches, commodes, grabber sticks, etc. ~

## SENIOR CAR PROGRAM

The Patty Turner Center offers a drop off/pick-up service for older adults in Deerfield, Lincolnshire, Bannockburn and Riverwoods. The service is available on a reservation only, first come/first served basis. ~

## LAKE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS WARNS HOMEOWNERS OF DEED SCAMS

Recently, the Lake County Recorder of Deeds office has been getting phone calls from concerned residents about a deed scam. There are two companies soliciting Lake County homeowners - "Local Records Office" and "Illinois Deed Providers" - offering to provide them with a certified copy of their deed. The Recorder's Office is asking residents to be on the lookout for solicitations from these two companies, because they are charging \$89 plus \$4.50 for postage and handling.

There may come a time when you need to reference the deed to your home. As often happens, people misplace their deeds or in some instances, never actually received the original deed at the time they purchased their home. For your protection, all requests for copies of deeds should be handled directly through the Lake County Recorder's office. The average deed is four pages or less, with a copy fee of only \$1 per page. Seniors may request a copy for free. As you can see, these fake businesses are roughly making a \$90 profit on every request they handle.

Mary Ellen Vanderverter, Lake County Recorder of Deeds explained, "As the keeper of the property records for all of Lake County, we do not want to see anyone needlessly harmed by these deceptive offers."

For more information, please contact the Lake County Recorder of Deeds office at 847.377.2575 ~

## DINE OUT IN DEERFIELD IS ON FACEBOOK

Visit [www.facebook.com/DineOutInDeerfield](http://www.facebook.com/DineOutInDeerfield) and receive Deerfield restaurant specials and coupons.

For more information visit the Deerfield-Bannockburn-Riverwoods Chamber of Commerce website at [www.dbrchamber.com](http://www.dbrchamber.com), or call 847.945.4660. ~





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SAVE THE DATE!  
DEERFIELD FAMILY DAYS 2012  
JULY 3 & 4



JULY 3- BRICKYARDS PARK:

Fireworks, Food for Sale & Live Entertainment!  
The Park will open at 5:00 p.m.

JULY 4 - JEWETT PARK:

All-day (8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) activities including: Pancake  
Breakfast, Dog Show, Arts & Crafts Fair, Parade, 10K Run, Bike Parade, Flower Show,  
Games & Rides!

**QUESTIONS?:** Contact Barb Reich, Family Days Co-Chair, at 847.945.1955 or John  
P. Coughenour, Family Days Co-Chair, at 847.366.7554. ☺

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Deerfield, Illinois 60015  
847/945.5000 (Switchboard and Finance)  
847/719.7484 (Community Development)  
847/945.8636 (Police non-emergency)

**Public Works and Engineering**

465 Elm Street  
847/317.7245  
847/317.2490 (Engineering)

**2012 YARD WASTE COLLECTION**

The cost of landscape waste stickers is \$2.55 each. Stickers may be purchased at Village Hall. Residents north of Deerfield Road will have yard waste collected on Tuesdays; those south of Deerfield Road will be collected on Wednesdays. Yard waste must be placed in a 30-gallon paper bag and placed at the curb with a sticker affixed for collection. A sticker is also required for each bundle of brush, not exceeding 4 feet in length, 30 inches in circumference and 50 pounds in weight. Collection runs through December.

*Questions regarding refuse collection may be addressed to the Finance Department at 847.945.5000. ☺*

**SIGN UP FOR VILLAGE E-NEWS NOTIFICATIONS**

Stayed informed! Sign up for the Village's electronic newsletter to receive email notifications such as road closures and special events. Visit the Village's website at [www.deerfield.il.us](http://www.deerfield.il.us) and click on the Connect CTY logo



to register. It is important to keep your contact information up-to-date because this is the same database used to reach residents in the case of an emergency.

*Please note your information is safe, secure, never shared and only used for Village purposes. ☺*