### 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

#### **March**

**Community Relations Commission** March 14, 7:00 p.m.

**Sustainability Commission** March 16, 7:00 p.m.

Board of Trustees
March 20, 7:30 p.m.

**Board of Zoning Appeals** March 21, 7:30 p.m.

Plan Commission
March 23, 7:30 p.m.

**Appearance Review Commission** March 27, 7:30 p.m.

#### **April**

**Board of Trustees** April 3 & 17, 7:30 p.m.

**Village Center Commission** April 6, 7:30 p.m.

**Community Relations Commission** April 11, 7:00 p.m.

**Plan Commission** April 13 & 27, 7:30 p.m.

**Volunteer Engagement Commission** April 18, 7:15 p.m.

**Appearance Review Commission** April 24, 7:00 p.m.

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# D-TALES

Your Municipal News Source

### DEERFIELD ROAD PROJECT RESUMES IN MARCH

Construction crews are gearing up to begin the final stretch of work along Deerfield Road. In March, the contractor will resume operations in both Deerfield and Highland Park.

In Deerfield, the contractor will work to activate the new traffic signals, install permanent pavement striping, complete the brick sidewalk work on the north side of Deerfield Road, and install trees and other landscape material.

Crews will also perform a smoothness test on the concrete installed last year and then perform grinding to make the road more uniformly smooth.

Weather depending, the majority of the work within Deerfield is anticipated to take up to one month to complete. This work will require some temporary lane closures.

The project also includes an overhead height detection device at the Metra underpass to help prevent tall trucks from getting stuck under the bridge. The device will use sensors to detect vehicles that are too tall to fit under the bridge and then change the traffic signal to red before the vehicle reaches the underpass. A signal will then instruct the driver to turn to avoid collision.

In Highland Park, the contractor will be completing the reconstruction of the north side of Deerfield Road from the City limit to Windsor Road. This work will require the complete removal of the roadway, preparation of the road base, and paving of the new roadway.

Also planned for this year in Highland Park is the resurfacing of Deerfield Road from Windsor Road to US 41. This work

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### SIGN UP FOR NOTIFY ME TEXT, E-MAIL UPDATES

The Village website's Notify Me feature allows residents to get up-to-date notices on Village news, events, meetings, construction projects and more. After registering on-line and choosing the kind of information to receive, an e-mail, text message or both will be sent each time new information is published on the website.

Notify Me is suited for those who want to be kept informed without having to check the website constantly for updates.

Signing up for Deerfield's Notify Me service is easy. After clicking on the Notify Me button on the Village's website, www.deerfield.il.us, follow these instructions to register:

- Enter your e-mail address and click the "Sign In" button
- If you would like mobile alerts then enter your full 10 digit mobile phone number.
- When you find a topic of interest, subscribe by clicking the buttons next to the item
- You will be prompted about confirming your subscription. Just follow the instructions.
- Please remember to set your spam blocker to allow mail from listserv@ civicplus.com.

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in Highland Park is anticipated to take up to three months and will require a permanent traffic control configuration with only one lane in each direction through the work limits in Highland Park. All work is expected to be complete in June.

The Village has provided a project specific website, www.deerfieldroad.com, where residents can learn up-to-date information regarding the project, and watch the video from the public meetings. The website is currently live and is a great way for residents to stay informed about the project.

For more information, contact Project Manager John Guccione at 847.317.2490 or jguccione@deerfield.il.us. &

#### **NOTIFY ME**

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Users can register to receive updates about the information important to them, allowing them to stay informed and involved.

Notify Me categories currently include:

- Construction
- Farmers Market
- Special Events
- Sustainability
- Village News
- Bid Postings
- Village Job Opportunities
- 2017 Brierhill Road Infrastructure Project Blog
- 2017 Street Rehabilitation Project Blog
- · Meeting Calendars
- Board and Commission Agendas and Minutes

### VILLAGE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION UPDATES:

The Village of Deerfield Sustainability Commission was established to optimize Deerfield's potential in environmentally sound practices and improve the quality of our local environment for the benefit



of our citizens, businesses and neighbors. Below are just a few activities and initiatives the Commission is working on in March and April.

#### EARTH HOUR 2017

Join the Village and celebrate Earth Hour on Saturday, March 25, by turning off all non-essential lights from 8:30 – 9:30 pm. Fun ways to celebrate include hosting a candle light dinner, stargazing, or camping. Visit *Earthhour.org* for additional information including an interactive map.

#### EARTH DAY 2017

The Sustainability Commission and the Deerfield Public Library invite you to participate in the Tap Water Taste Test Challenge on Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. through 1 p.m. in the lobby of the Deerfield Public Library, 920 Waukegan Road.

Members of the Sustainability Commission will be conducting a blind water taste test and challenging participants to identify the tap water from the bottled water, and to share information about water quality, safety, and testing. Results of the challenge will be analyzed and shared. We hope that you can join us.

#### DISTRICT 109 ENERGY CONSER-VATION PARTNERSHIP

For the third year in a row, the Sustainability Commission has been working closely with School District 109 to plan numerous classroom and take-home activities related to energy conservation. Each year, the activities are completed in April as part of Earth Day.

This year's participating schools include Kipling, Walden, Wilmot, and Shepard. Energy conservation activities include a home energy assessment game, and home energy survey, an art and essay contest, a hands-on lighting demonstration presented by Walgreens, and much more.

The Sustainability Commission is excited to continue our partnership with School District 109 to bring energy conservation activities into the classroom. Thank you to all the participating schools, principals, faculty members, students, parents and administrators that make this program possible.

#### WATER BILL UPDATE

The Sustainability Commission wants to help residents conserve water. The first step in water conservation is awareness. That's why the Village quarterly water bills will now include a water usage conversion from 100 cubic feet to gallons. This conversion is meant to help water users better understand how much water they are using by expressing the units in a more relatable figure.

#### ARBOR DAY

In celebration of Arbor Day, Friday, April 28, the Sustainability Commission and the Deerfield High School Earth Works Club will plant a tree in the parkway of the High School.

The Village urges all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands. Arbor Day first began in 1872 when J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees and thus the Arbor Day holiday was observed. Now, Arbor Day is observed throughout the world as the benefits associated with planting trees are numerous.

Visit *Arborday.org* for additional information about planting and caring for trees.

For more information about the Sustainability Commission and the planned activities, please contact Assistant Village Manager Andrew Lichterman at 847.719.7403 or alichterman@deerfield.il.us &

### VILLAGENEWS



#### 2017 Infrastructure Improvement Projects

#### KATES ROAD PROJECT:

The Engineering Department is targeting the Pfingsten Road/Kates Road bridge and roadway for rehabilitation in the 2017 construction season. The scope of work for the project is bridge deck replacement, grind and resurface Pfingsten Road/Kates Road between Lake Cook Road and Waukegan Road, repair any pavement failures, minor drainage improvements, and modernization of the traffic signal at Kates Road and Corporate 500 Drive to include pedestrian movements.

The bids for the project will be analyzed by the Village Board in March. This allows for construction to begin during the second half of 2017 and be complete by the end of the construction season.

#### BRIERHILL ROAD PROJECT:

The Brierhill Road Infrastructure Improvement Project includes reconstruction of Brierhill Road, water main replacement, sanitary sewer point repairs and lining, installation of mountable curbs, drainage improvements, and all ancillary work necessary to complete the improvements.

The project may begin as early as the first week of April and will take three months to complete. The Village Board awarded the contract for the project March 6. Staff will hold a project open house at Village Hall for this project on March 15 at 6:30 p.m.

### 2017 STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT:

The Village of Deerfield 2017 Street Rehabilitation Project was awarded in February and work is scheduled to begin in March.

In addition to routine maintenance items, the contract will include the reconstruction/rehabilitation of eight streets within the Village. The project will start in early spring and be complete by Thanksgiving. The streets that will be focused on this year are: Pine Street from Lake Cook Road to

Hackberry Road, Laurel Avenue from Pine Street to Willow Avenue, Terrace Court, Garand Drive, Fair Oaks Avenue from Oakley Avenue to Chestnut Street, Wincanton Avenue from Warwick Road to North Avenue, East Canton Court and West Canton Court. Staff will hold a project open house at Village Hall for this project on March 15 at 7:30 p.m.

For more information on 2017 infrastructure improvement projects, contact the Public Works and Engineering Department at 847.317.2490.

### LAWN IRRIGATION SYSTEM RPZ REQUIREMENTS

The Village would like to remind residents that all irrigation systems are required to have a backflow prevention device. This piece of equipment is also known as a Reduced Pressure Zone device (RPZ). The device must be certified annually by a licensed Cross Connection Device Inspector. The testing and certification must be completed every year prior to the system going into service.

The Village has contracted with Backflow Solutions, Inc. (BSI) to administer the RPZ tracking program. The annual backflow assembly test report must be submitted electronically, by your certified inspector, via the BSI Online system at www. bsionlinetracking.com.

## BACKFLOW PREVENTION LOCK PROGRAM FOR IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

The new backflow prevention lock program is intended to bring relief to residents who have irrigation systems they no longer use.

Last year, the Village Board approved a program that spares residents the expense of activating and testing sprinkler systems that they do not use. The annual "cross connection" test is otherwise required by the Illinois EPA.

At the owner's request, Village staff will install a specially keyed 'lockout' device that

prevents the irrigation system from being turned on. This ensures that inadvertent contamination of the water supply cannot occur, satisfying the IEPA's regulation, and allowing residents to avoid costly annual inspections of the system.

To sign up for this program, residents are required to sign an agreement form and pay a \$45 installation fee. There is also an annual inspection fee of \$25 beginning in the second year and continuing until the device is removed.

The annual inspection fee will be broken up into four payments of \$6.25 and will be added to the utility bill. Installation is quick and devices can be removed at any time by contacting the Village.

To sign up, please submit the signed agreement form and a check for \$45 to the Public Works and Engineering Department at 465 Elm Street. The form can be found at www.deerfield.il.us.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 847.317.2490.

### ARE YOU A SWIFFER FLUSHER?

Dry/wet cleaning cloths and wipes, such as Swiffer and Lysol, are gaining popularity. When people flush these cloths down toilets they cause problems in your sewer line and in the Village sewer system.

These wipes are not biodegradable and do not dissolve in the sewer pipes. They do, however, get caught on debris such as roots in the sewer lines. One or two cloths may not stop the flow of sewage out of your residence, but the cloths could build up over time, necessitating a call to a plumber. Additionally, these cloths do not tear easily and can clog the Village's sewage facilities and cause backups in the sewer system.

The directions on these products state that the cloths are to be disposed of in the trash and are not to be flushed down the toilet. Please dispose of these cleaning and disinfecting cloths in the trash.



The following is a synopsis of actions taken by the Village Board since the last issue of D-Tales. For complete sets of minutes from Village Board meetings or to watch recorded meetings on-demand, please visit the Village's website at <a href="https://www.deerfield.il.us">www.deerfield.il.us</a>.

#### **VILLAGE BOARD ACTION**

Approved ordinance amending Chapter 9, "Finance and Taxation," of the Municipal Code by adding Article 12, "Prepared Food and Beverage Tax"

Approved ordinance authorizing a text amendment and a special use for an elementary and middle school at 445 Pine Street for the Hellenic American Academy

Authorized joint purchasing requisition to purchase salt under the State of Illinois joint purchasing contract and the Lake County joint agency bulk rock salt purchase

Approved ordinance authorizing a special use for a medical office at 800 Deerfield Road for Aligned Modern Health

Authorized Village Manager to extend the IMET tolling agreement

Approved resolution authorizing a local agency agreement amendment for Federal participation for the Kates Road Bridge Replacement Approved resolution authorizing use of motor fuel tax funds for the 2017 Street Rehabilitation Project

Authorized execution of a bio-solids removal contract for 2017

Authorized purchase of bio-solids polymer for 2017

Approved ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017

Approved ordinance authorizing an amendment to the Deerfield Square PUD to redevelop the 711 Deerfield Road building with a new, multi-tenant building

Authorized renewal of GIS contract

Authorized purchase of a bulk water station

Authorized contract for pavement condition survey

Approved ordinance amending Chapter 3 of the Municipal Code to increase the number of Class K liquor licenses from one to two for Painting Time Now

Approved an ordinance abating a portion of the 2016 tax levy requirements for the Series 2017 General Obligation Bonds Authorized purchase of seven Police patrol vehicles and one new Police administrative vehicle Authorized award of contract for 2017 Street rehabilitation Project

#### **AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

Honored Alex Spungen for life-saving efforts Presented Joan Reed with Bernard Forrest Public Service Award Issued a proclamation honoring Pastor Susan Smith's 25 years at Trinity Church of Christ



### COMMUNITYCALENDAR

#### DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT

Summer Camp registration, ongoing through May

Apply online for summer jobs at *deerfieldparks.org*.

Pool passes now on sale.

March 10 - 12, 17 - 19 - Theater D Performs "I Hate Hamlet" at Patty Turner Center

March 27 - 31 - Spring Break Sports Camp, Ceramics Fest and Daily Trips

For more information or to register for Park District programs, call 847.945.0650, or visit www.deerfieldparkdistrict.org

#### DEERFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

All Library programs are free and open to the public. Please register in advance by

phone at 847.945.3311, online at deerfieldlibrary.org, or in person at the Library.

Wacky Wednesdays March 15, April 12, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Ages: 9-12

Make Minecraft-themed masterpieces, play exhilarating games, and make new friends. No registration, drop-in.

America's First (Secret) Female President Saturday, March 18, 1:30-3:00 pm. Author William Hazelgrove will discuss his book, Madam President: The Secret Presidency of Edith Wilson.

Crime Time Series: Pinched Paintings -Famous Art Heists in History Thursday, March 23, 7 - 8 p.m. Art historian Michelle Mishur will discuss history's most infamous heists. Lego Club

Sundays, March 26 and April 30, 2:30-3:30 p.m.; Wednesdays, March 29, 3:30-5:30 p.m., April 19, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

All Ages; Adult must be accompanied by a child Drop-in and show off your creativity.

Making Mainbocher: The First American Couturier

Tuesday, April 4, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Petra Slinkard, curator of costumes at the Chicago History Museum, will share the story of Chicagoan Main Rousseau Bocher, one of the last major couturiers of the 20th century.

Teen Iron Chef Wednesday, April 5, 6:30-8:00 pm Test your culinary craftiness in a competition filled with interesting ingredients.

Author Visit: Mary Kubica Thursday, April 13, 7:00-8:30 p.m. The New York Times best-selling author will discuss the writing process. Books available for purchase and signing after the program.

Histories for Kids: Lewis & Clark Monday, April 17, 4:30-5:15 p.m., Grades 2-8

Learn how our country expanded west from the Mississippi River direct from Meriwether Lewis!

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

#### WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP

Township Board meetings will be held at 7 p.m., March 21 and April 25, at the Township Offices, 601 Deerfield Road. The Annual Town Meeting will be held April 25, prior to the Board meeting.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT



#### NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK: APRIL 9 - 15, 2017

Each year, the second full week of April is dedicated to the men and women who serve as Telecommunication Officers. In October 1991, Congress made a formal proclamation to recognize this week as National Telecommunicators Week.

Deerfield has eight full-time and three part-time Telecommunicators. Telecommunicators serve as an indispensable link between the officers and the public, as well as a vital support service in the public safety community. They provide radio, telephone and dispatch services with dedication and professionalism.

The Deerfield Telecommunicators are proud to serve the Deerfield community and thank you for the opportunity to make a difference each and every day.

The Village will celebrate the week by issuing a proclamation from Mayor Rosenthal and the Village Board. Please take the time to thank this group of heroes.

### BLOOD DRIVE APRIL 26 AT VILLAGE HALL

On Wednesday, April 26, the Deerfield Police Department and the Deerfield Bannockburn Fire Protection District will host a blood drive in Deerfield Village Hall.

More than 40 donors took part in a blood drive earlier this year, and organizers hope to surpass that number in April. While walk-ins are welcome, appointments are strongly encouraged. To schedule an appointment, visit *www.lifesource.org*, select "Make an Appointment," login, and search by group code 561A. Potential donors can also call LifeSource at 877.543.3768.

It is always a challenge to collect enough blood to meet the needs of patients, but the spring and summer months can be especially difficult. Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. Helping them is easy. Please consider donating.

For more information, please contact Communications Director Mary Anne Glowacz at 847.945.8636 or mglowacz@ deerfield.il.us &

### COP ON TOP EVENT SET FOR FRIDAY. MAY 19

On Friday, May 19, Deerfield Police officers 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 \$5,000. Last year, they raised \$4,000 and hope to surpass it this year. Dunkin' Donuts of Illinois will be making a corporate contribution of \$10,000 to Special Olympics Illinois for our efforts.

The Police Department is also selling raffle tickets to support the Special Olympics. Prizes include a new Harley Davidson, big screen HDTVs, a custom ATV, as well as Special Olympics merchandise.

For more information, please contact Communications Director Mary Anne Glowacz at 847.945.8636 or mglowacz@ deerfield.il.us &

#### HOW DOES 9-1-1 'FIND' YOU ON A CELL PHONE?

Cell phones are a convenient way for people to stay in touch seemingly wherever they are, at any time of the day, but they sometimes provide challenges for emergency services personnel attempting to track the exact location of calls. Over 70 percent of our 9-1-1 calls come from cell phones.

When you call 9-1-1 from a landline, the address from where the call originated is automatically displayed by the communication center's software so police, fire and EMS personnel can pinpoint the

location. However, when a cell phone is used to call 9-1-1, dispatchers receive an approximate location of the call, based on latitude and longitude.

The location gets plotted on an electronic map, providing the nearest cross streets. It does not provide altitude so responders are unable to determine on which floor of a building you are located.

To be prepared, keep basic information at the ready on a card in case of emergency. Place this card on your refrigerator or other prominent place to remind children, babysitters and others of the address.

For more information, please contact the Deerfield Police Department at 847.945.8636 or www.deerfield.il.us *≈* 

### TIPS FOR CALLING 9-1-1 IN A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

Family members or close friends are the one most likely to recognize when a loved one is approaching or is in a mental health crisis. Acting swiftly and effectively when warning signs of a developing mental health emergency appear can produce better results than allowing the situation to deteriorate before acting.

Call 9-1-1 in the event of a mental health crisis. A dispatcher will answer the call and ask you to describe the situation and then send police and paramedics.

- Advise of the location where assistance is needed and be as specific as possible.
- Provide a phone number should your call be disconnected.
- Describe the situation.
- Describe the behavior you are seeing, and be as specific as possible. Be clear that you are calling about someone having a mental health crisis. For example, "My daughter has bipolar disorder, she is not taking her medication and she is manic. I am frightened she will hurt me."
- Your family member may be removed from your home/location and taken to the nearest emergency department for evaluation.

## DBR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFERS SCHOLARSHIP

The Deerfield Bannockburn Riverwoods Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Foundation is pleased to offer a community service college scholarship to graduating high school seniors residing in the 60015 zip code.

A community service scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded in April 2017. Requirements for application include but are not limited to: residence in the 60015 zip code and high school graduation in the 2016/2017 school year.

Additional criteria are available on the application. Applications are available at the Chamber's website, www.dbrchamber.com, Chamber office and at local high school guidance offices.

For more information on applying for this scholarship or to make a donation, please call the DBR Chamber of Commerce at 847.945.4660. Application deadline is April 1, 2017.

### APRIL 4 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION INFORMATION

The Consolidated Election will be held Tuesday, April 4, for election of Township, Municipal, Park District, Library District, School District and Fire District officials.

Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Residents can find their Election Day polling place at *LakeVoterPower.info*.

Early Voting runs from March 20 through April 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Most residents of Deerfield will early vote at the Highland Park Police Station, 1677 Old Deerfield Road, Highland Park.

Voting by mail is available through the Lake County Clerk's office. Residents may

request a ballot by mail at LakeVoterPower. *info* or by calling 847.377.2406.

Those who need to register to vote, may do so at the West Deerfield Township office, 601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, through March 7. Residents may also register to vote during Early Voting, or on Election Day at their designated polling place. Those registering to vote during this period must vote at the time of registration.

Information about Early Voting sites and Election Day polling places is available at *LakeVoterPower.info*, or by calling West Deerfield Township Clerk Kristen Scott at 847.945.0614.

For more information regarding voting, please call West Deerfield Township Clerk Kristen Scott at 847.945.0614.

## FLOWER PLANTER PROGRAM BRINGS SPRING BLOOMS TO DOWNTOWN

The Village of Deerfield is offering the Flower Planter Program for the eighth year, coordinated though the Village's landscaper, Moore Landscapes, Inc.

The program allows merchants and commercial property owners in the Village Center to purchase attractive planters and have them filled with colorful flowers and plantings for all four seasons of the year.

All orders need to be placed by April 1. If you have questions about the Flower Planter Program or to sign up, contact Dawn Rummel, Moore Landscapes, Inc., at drummel@moorelandscapes.com or 224.383.2134.

### GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE - DEERFIELD DAY OF SERVICE

Thank you to the sponsors and volunteers who participated in the Village's third annual Give Where You Live - Deerfield: Day of Service on Martin Luther King Day.

A record crowd of volunteers helped fill 600 pairs of socks with toiletries and others essentials, all tied up with a hand-written message of encouragement. Volunteers also made no-sew blankets and other care packages for area homeless.

A special thanks to all volunteers and this year's sponsors: the Deerfield Lions Club, Chicago Marriott Suites-Deerfield, Sunstar Americas, Hoppe Family Dental, Burns Family Dentistry, Robert E Galliani DDS LTD, Great Smile Deerfield, Red Roof Inn, Deerfield Bannockburn Fire Protection District, CJE SeniorLife, West Deerfield Township, Sandra Younan D.D.S., Marriott Residence Inn, Walgreens, Weinberg Community Center, Naomi Meyers and Kipling School.

### USE GIS TO LEARN ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY. HOME

The Village of Deerfield is a member of the Geographic Information System (GIS) Consortium, which provides Village staff with an invaluable resource that assists in day-to-day operations as well as providing information to residents and businesses.

Through Deerfield's involvement with the Consortium, a website has been developed to assist residents in accessing information regarding their properties. Available information includes zoning classifications, property identification numbers, maps and aerial photographs.

The GIS Consortium is an organization of Chicago-area communities unified by a common goal: to share resources, information, staffing, and technology so that municipalities can optimize the value of geographic information systems.

The link to the GIS portal can be found on the home page of Village's website, www. deerfield.il.us, on the left side, next to the news and calendar.

## COMMUNITYINFO

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Deerfield Area Historical Society hosts its annual spaghetti dinner prepared by the Italian Kitchen on Thursday, April 27, at 6 p.m. at the Patty Turner Center, 375 Elm Street, Deerfield.

Following dinner, Rick Pickren performs "Songs from the Steel Rails: From the Rock Island Line to the City of New Orleans" and examines the social impact the railroad had on all aspects of American life.

All proceeds benefit restoration of the Deerfield Historic Village. Tickets are \$15. RSVP required by April 21. RSVP, call 847.948.0680.

For more information about the Deerfield Area Historical Society, visit www.deerfieldhistoricalsociety.org

### LIBRARY COLLECTING FOR TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY

Now through March 22, Deerfield Library patrons may drop off donations in the Library's lobby of non-perishable foodstuffs, household cleaning items and personal hygiene products for the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry.

Needed items include canned protein (tuna, chicken, ham), lunch-box friendly foods, canned fruit, peanut butter and jelly, toilet paper, paper towels, and laundry detergent (small size). Please, non-expired foods only.

The West Deerfield Township Food Pantry serves approximately 250 people each month who find themselves in need on a long-term or temporary basis.

Donations may be dropped off at the township office year-round. All donations are greatly appreciated by the Food Pantry.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS @ PTC**

For a complete listing of programs or to register to become a member, please



call the Patty Turner Center at 847.940.4010 or visit www.pattyturnercenter.org.

March 10, 11, 12, Theatre D Presents "I Hate Hamlet"

**March 13,** Great Decisions Member Discussion Group

**March 13,** Low Vision Group with special guest Melissa Wittenberg,

**March 14,** Men's Club: "Current Events" with Lynne Samuels

March 14, Women's Club: "The Life & Laughs of Carol Burnett" with Hilary Feldman

March 14, AAUW Presents: "Fair Trade, what it is and why we should be concerned" March 15, Prof. Gary Wenstrup Presents "The History of The Beatles in One Hour" March 17, 18, 19, Theatre D Presents "I Hate Hamlet"

March 20, 60 Minutes: "Television in the 1950's" with Lecturer Barry Bradford March 23, Guided Meditation with Sachs Wellness Coordinator, Jennie Michalik

**April 3,** Dementia Support Group **April 4,** General Consolidated Election: Voting at PTC

**April 5,** PTC Excursion: Chicago History Museum

**April 10,** Great Decisions Member Discussion Group

**April 11,** Men's Club: "Germany – Feeling the Pulse of a Nation" with German Historian Anette Isaacs

April 11, Women's Club: "Tea & Traditions" with Jane Textor, Costume & Textile Curator at The Wilmette Historical Museum

**April 12,** ACES: Caregiver Support Group **April 18,** Men's Club: "American Doughboy in the First World War" with Lecturer Robert Mueller

**April 19,** "Blood Pressure & Cholesterol Management" presented by Walgreens **April 20,** PTC Themed Dinner Event: "Polka and Pierogi!"

**April 23,** Deerfield Community Band Concert: "Lincoln Portrait"

April 26, ACES: Caregiver Support Group

#### LANDSCAPE WASTE PICKUP STARTS FIRST WEEK OF APRIL

Landscape and yard waste pickup starts the first week of April. The price of landscape waste stickers this year is \$2.75.

Residents north of Deerfield Road will have yard waste collected on Tuesdays; those south of Deerfield Road will be collected on Wednesdays (the same day as refuse collection).

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 sticks or other yard waste not exceeding 4 feet in length, 30 inches in circumference and 50 pounds in weight. Collection runs April 1 through December 15.

Questions regarding refuse collection may be addressed to the Finance Department at 847.945.5000 *№* 

#### FAMILY DAYS VENDORS, SPONSORS NEEDED

Join more than 1,000 visitors from Deerfield and surrounding communities at Deerfield Family Days on July 3 and 4.

Sponsorship packages start at only \$100 and include an advertisement in the Family Days brochure that is mailed to every home in Deerfield. The Family Days Commission is also looking for food vendors, vendors for the Family Days Bazaar, and participants for the annual Fourth of July Parade.

Please contact Judy Geuder at familydaysparade@deerfield.il.us for parade information.

To become a sponsor, please contact Barb Reich at familydays@deerfield.il.us. To be a vendor at the Family Days Bazaar (formerly Arts & Crafts), contact Marilyn Knilans at familydaysbazaar@deerfield.il.us.

For more information, visit the Family Days website, www.deerfield.il.us/familydays.



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#### MAKE YOUR YARD AN OASIS FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS

Each spring from March to June, birds of every kind make their way from their winter homes in the south to their summer breeding grounds in places as far north as the Arctic. Along the way they encounter a myriad of perils - storms, limited food supplies, and exhaustion. Compounding these natural threats are a myriad of additional ones created by humans, including the bright lights and tall structures of cities, prowling domestic pets and toxic lawns.

Fortunately, people can help ensure a safer journey for migrating birds this spring by following these simple steps:

- Turn off lights at night: Birds become disoriented by artificial light, which often
  results in fatal collisions with buildings, homes, and other structures. To prevent this,
  turn off exterior and interior lights as much as possible each night during the peak
  migration period of April-June.
- Prevent window collisions: Many birds strike windows after being startled off a
  feeder, seeing escape routes mirrored in reflective glass. To avoid this, reduce reflectivity with light-colored shades, blinds, or drapes; place netting or a screen in front
  of the window. Place bird feeders farther from windows at 3 feet birds do not have
  enough distance to reach a high speed and are therefore less likely to get injured in a
  collision.
- Keep cats indoors: It is estimated that cats kill more than a billion birds each year.
   Keeping cats indoors helps keep the birds outdoors safe, and it also reduces risks to cats, especially from injuries and disease.
- Eliminate pesticides: Use the least toxic alternatives for combating pests.
- Keep feeders stocked and clean: Birds will need places to rest and refuel, so
  make sure that your yard includes native plants and your bird feeders are wellstocked. Along with feeders and native plants, provide a source of fresh water for
  the thirsty travelers.

For more information on how to keep birds safe, visit the Audubon At Home website at www. audubonathome.org and go to the "Keeping Wildlife Safe" link on the left-hand side of the page.

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