

VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD

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D-TALES

Your Municipal News Source

MAYOR'S MESSAGE: WE WANT TO TALK TO YOU

When an emergency strikes, the Village turns to its Connect CTY emergency notification system to get important information to residents quickly. But our ability to reach you is limited by the information you provide to us.



The phone database is routinely updated with landline phone numbers, but you may not be at home when an emergency occurs. That is why it is important for you to update your emergency contact information on the Village's website to include cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses. This will allow us to reach you quickly, wherever you are, and provide you with important information.

Recently, the Village used the reverse-911 feature to call, text and e-mail residents in a targeted area to alert them of a gas leak and provide information to help them have their gas service restored quickly.

The Village also uses the same database to send e-blasts to update you about special events, road construction and other items of general interest. Recent e-blasts have included
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2014 WINTER CELEBRATION

Celebrate the season by joining neighbors and friends for fun and festive activities in downtown Deerfield!

Visit Village Hall Friday night, December 5, for sleigh rides, live entertainment and roasted chestnuts. Saturday, December 6, will provide even more excitement with activities being hosted throughout downtown.

Stay tuned for more information! Check the Village website, www.deerfield.il.us, for event updates.

2014 LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM CONTINUES

The Village's annual leaf collection program provides residents with an alternative for disposal of their autumn leaves.

Residents who do not mulch or bag their leaves may rake leaves to the curb or carriage walk line the night before their scheduled pickup.

The Village began collecting leaves on October 27 this year and will continue this service through November 21.

Public Works Department crews will make one pass by all homes in the Village each week during the 4-week program.

We ask that you please not put out leaves more than one day prior to your scheduled pickup day. Leaves should be raked in a long neat row that does not exceed 5 feet in width.

They should be raked as close to the curb as possible, so long as they are not placed in the street or on top of the carriage walks or sidewalk, as this causes safety hazards.

Visit the Village of Deerfield website, at www.deerfield.il.us to learn more regarding autumn leaf collection.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Meeting times/dates subject to change.
For a complete list of meetings visit, www.deerfield.il.us

November

Board of Trustees

November 3 & 17, 7:30 p.m.

Community Relations Commission

November 11, 7:00 p.m.

Plan Commission

November 13, 7:00 p.m.

Fine Arts Commission

November 17, 6:00 p.m.

Board of Zoning Appeals

November 18, 7:30 p.m.

Sustainability Commission

November 20, 7:00 p.m.

Appearance Review Commission

November 24, 7:30 p.m.

December

Board of Trustees

December 1 & 15, 7:30 p.m.

Cable and Telecom. Commission

December 9, 7:00 p.m.

Community Relations Commission

December 9, 7:00 p.m.

Plan Commission

December 11, 7:30 p.m.

Appearance Review Commission

December 15, 7:00 p.m.

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trick-or-treat hours, fall leaf collection start dates and information about temporary lane closures on Waukegan Road.

Our goal with the Connect CTY emergency notification system is to provide important news and information to you quickly and in the best way possible.

Please consider updating your contact information on our website, www.deerfield.il.us, by clicking on the button in the far right column that says "Sign Up Now – Click Here For One-Step Notification."

You can also contact Management Analyst David Fitzgerald at dfitzgerald@deerfield.il.us or 847.719.7400 to update contact information over the phone.

Harriet Rosenthal,
Mayor

TEENCONNECT PROGRAM

Deerfield's TeenConnect program aims to connect Deerfield teens who are available to do outside yard work, with Deerfield residents who need the service.

Last year, the Village started to collect a list of area teens looking to perform yard work. The TeenConnect list contains contact information for Deerfield teens, the type of work they are willing to do and their expected rate of pay.

Residents can receive the list by mail or e-mail by calling Management Analyst David Fitzgerald at 847.719.7400. The resident will be responsible for contacting the teen and for making financial and scheduling arrangements directly.

Applications are available on the Village's website. The application requires a parent or legal guardian's signature for teens under the age of 18.

The list will be updated every year.

The intent of this program is to assist residents who are unable to do physical work themselves, unable to afford the cost of a professional contractor on a regular basis or only would require assistance on an as-needed basis.

For more information on the program or to find an application, visit www.deerfield.il.us or call the Village Manager's Office at 847.719.7400.

REDUCE SANITARY SEWER BACKUPS WITH CLEANING

To reduce the chance of sanitary sewer backup, you may wish to have your service line between the house and the sanitary sewer main cleaned and inspected.

Often times this involves cutting the roots that grow through the cracks in the pipe. Since there is a constant supply of water in the service line, tree roots often are a repeat problem. As roots grow, they can block the flow through the service line.

A permanent solution to tree root pipe intrusion is to replace your service with a plastic pipe or a sewer service lining. The plastic repels root growth as well as having fewer pipe joints. The lining is inserted into the existing sewer service but will form a water (and root) tight lining for your cracked pipe.

For more information, please contact Clint Case in the Building Department at 847.719.7472.

ENSURE SUMP PUMPS ARE PROPERLY CONNECTED

Most homes have two sump pumps. The first sump pump is connected to the sanitary sewer, and the second is connected to the storm sewer.

The first sump pump removes any water generated within the house, including the basement floor drains, washing machine overflows and wastewater from the home's

basement bathrooms. It is possible that this wastewater may have contaminants or household chemicals in it and as "polluted" water it must be sent to the Village's wastewater treatment plant before it can be discharged to the environment.

The second sump pump is connected to the storm sewer or discharges to the outside. This could be your yard, a wet well or a rain garden. This water comes from the environment (rain, snow and groundwater) and is collected with various devices around your home. These could be downspouts, window wells or foundation drains.

Water should always drain away from your house whether at the surface or underground. Storm water is considered clean water and does not need to be treated at the wastewater treatment plant.

If clean storm water is sent to the sanitary sewers and wastewater treatment plant it can overload the pipes and the plant during a heavy rain. The unnecessary treatment of that clean water costs the taxpayers a great deal of money. A plumber can inspect your storm water sump pump to be sure it is not discharging to the sanitary sewer and treatment plant, a condition called "cross-connection."

If you would like more information, please contact Public Works Superintendent Dan Busscher at 847.317.7245.

CANDIDATE PETITION PACKETS AVAILABLE

Candidate petition packets for the April 7, 2015, elections are available at Village Hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The election filing period is from December 15 to 22, 2014. Election papers will be accepted Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except for Dec. 22, when the office will be open until 5 p.m.

For more information, visit LakeVoterPower.info



PREVENT DAMAGE TO MAILBOXES

During the winter months, mailboxes are sometimes damaged when snow storms affect Deerfield. If your mailbox becomes damaged or if you are planning to install a new one, please be aware of how to properly install a mailbox that meets postal standards.

The majority of mailbox knockdowns result because the post supporting the mailbox has deteriorated or because the mailbox was installed too close to the roadway.

The front of the mailbox must be at least 12 inches away from the back of the curb or the roadway edge. The mailbox post must be installed at least 18 inches away from the back of the curb or roadway edge. The post should be strong, but should be able to break away if struck by a vehicle that leaves the pavement.

If you decide to install a new mailbox, contact JULIE by dialing 811 before you dig. This will allow you to know where buried utilities are located.

If you have questions regarding your mailbox installation, please contact the Public Works Department at 847.317.7245

SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL

Residents are asked to please be considerate of pedestrians and school children by clearing sidewalks of snow and ice.

Trash bins should be placed on the driveway apron or parkway to keep the sidewalk unobstructed.

Thank your neighbors for shoveling their sidewalk, or remind them to do so with a friendly smile and cup of coffee or hot chocolate.

SNOW PLOWING OPERATIONS

The Village's Public Works Department is prepared for snow and is able to effectively clear Deerfield's 70 miles of roadway quickly to make safe travel possible for all who use our streets.

To assist your neighbors and Village staff this winter, please remember the following:

One way to assure that street plows do not fill a cleared driveway entrance with snow is to follow this simple guideline: Shovel the snow to the side, along with the direction of traffic, and clear a pocket of snow on the other side of your driveway (see the illustration below). The accumulated snow in the plow will dump into the pocket and not on your driveway.

This simple procedure will reduce the amount of snow being plowed from the street into your driveway.

Keeping vehicles off the street assists

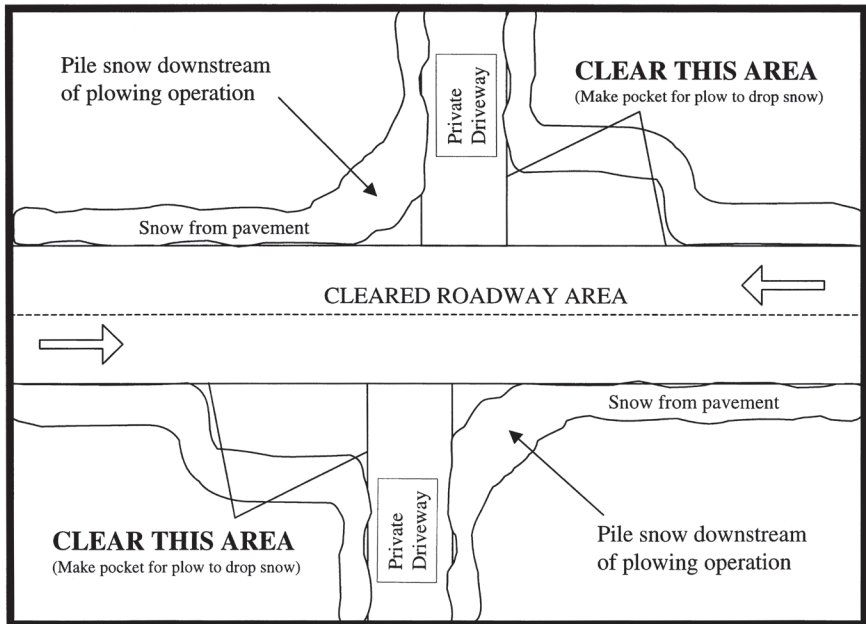
plows and salt trucks in clearing the streets more effectively. As a reminder, vehicles cannot be parked on the street for 24 hours after 3 inches of snow have fallen, per Village ordinance.

By Village ordinance, you may not deposit snow from your property onto the street or sidewalk. This can hinder safe passage of vehicles and pedestrians and make it harder for Village plow crews to keep streets clear.

Adopt a fire hydrant! Remember, when you shovel your sidewalk and driveway, do not forget to clear snow from fire hydrants in front of your property to ensure that they are accessible if needed.

Please remember to shovel an extra area on your driveway apron or parkway to properly stage your refuse and recycling bins for pick-up by Waste Management.

The illustration below highlights the best area to place snow to keep your driveway as clear as possible during Village plowing operations.





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.

VILLAGE BOARD ACTION

Approved an ordinance amending Chapter 21 (Trees and Vegetation) Article 4 (Tree Preservation) of the Village of Deerfield Municipal Code re: Tree Removal

Approved an ordinance authorizing the disposition of surplus vehicles owned by the Village

Approved an ordinance increasing the number of Class BB liquor licenses from 0 to 1 and reducing the number of Class B from 2 to 1

Accepted a report and recommendation of the Family Days Commission re: 2015 Family Days budget

Approved a resolution authorizing a collective bargaining contract between the Village of Deerfield and Illinois Council of Police Union

Approved a resolution regarding notice of proposed rule-making proceedings "Hazardous Materials: Enhanced Tank Car Standards and Operational Controls for High-Hazard Flammable Trains" before the Pipelines and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration in Docket No. PHMSA-2012-0082

Authorized the award of the North Trail subdivision design contract

Authorized the award of the Phase I and Phase II engineering services contract for the North Avenue Infrastructure Improvement Project

Authorized the Mayor to sign State of Illinois Department of Transportation agreement for local agency railway-pedestrian grade crossing improvements for the Telegraph Road pedestrian crossing

Approved an ordinance consenting to the villages of Volo and Bannockburn as additional members of the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County

Authorized the Mayor to execute an amendment to the local agency agreement for federal participation for the Deerfield Road sidewalk project

Approved an ordinance adopting the 2012 edition of the International Building Codes

Approved an ordinance authorizing a text amendment and special use for Venue One Meeting and Event Center in the former Berto Center

Approved a resolution authorizing the engagement of Sikich LLP to provide professional auditing services for 2014 through 2016

AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Presented Bernard Forrest Public Service Award to Barbara Reich

Approved proclamation honoring Zion Lutheran Church for 140 years of service



COMMUNITYCALENDAR

DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT

Mother/Daughter Cookie Night at Sachs Recreation Center, November 14 - FULL

Coho Winter Tryouts by appointment, November 24-26

School In-Service - School's Out Programs - November 25, 26

Earn Your Bird at Sachs Recreation Center, November 27

Patty Turner Center Members Winter Party, December 4

Theater D Auditions / Call backs, December 4, 6, 7

Candy Cane Train - FULL, December 7

Coho Swim Club Winter Stroke Clinic, December 8 and January 4

Coho IMX Invite, December 13,14

Holiday Happenings at Jewett Park Community Center and Sports Camp at Sachs

Recreation Center, December 22, 23, 26, 29, 30 and January 2, 5

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 www.deerfieldlibrary.org, or in person at 920 Waukegan Road.

Drop-In Crafts
November 10-16 and December 15-21 (children with caregiver)
Stop by the Youth Services desk to pick-up a craft pack to do in the Library or take home.

Young Adult Lit Lovers Book Discussion
Tuesday, November 11, 7:00-8:45 p.m. (Ages 16 through Adult)
The November book, *Cinder* by Marissa Meyer, is available at self-service holds shelf.

Steampunk-Altered Treasure Chests
Thursday, November 13, 7:00-8:15 p.m. (Grades 7-12)

Learn how to make a Time Traveler's Treasure Box using gears, watch parts, keys, locks, glass and rubber stamps.

Wendy Morgan & D.B.
Saturday, November 15, 11:00 a.m. – noon. (family program 2 years and up)
You'll want to sing, wiggle, jump and dance along!

K-9 Reading Buddies
Monday, November 17, 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Grades 1-5)
Register children for a 15-minute slot to read to a trained therapy dog.

How to Buy a Computer
Wednesday, November 19, 2:00-3:30 p.m.
The workshop will clarify essential terminology, and additional hardware and software you might purchase.

Ugly Holiday Sweater Craft
Wednesday, December 10, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Create your own ugly sweater for the

season. Bring the sweater or sweatshirt, we'll provide the ugly.

Dave Rudolf Booming Concert!
Saturday, December 13, 10:30-11:15 a.m. (Family program 3 years and up)
Interactive music show with beach balls, hula hoops, mummy wraps and more!

Deerfield High School Chamber Orchestra
Sunday, December 14, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Back by popular demand!

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 November 18 and December 16 at the Township Offices, 601 Deerfield Road. For more information, visit www.westdeerfieldtownship.org



PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK SAFETY & TIME CHANGE:

As days grow shorter, be sure to look out for pedestrians.

Remember, “see and be seen”, especially with the annual time change on November 2. When we set our clocks back one hour, it means the morning commute will bring darkness to us one hour earlier. Pedestrians should wear bright or reflective clothing and drivers will want to be extra alert.

As of 2010, all Illinois motorists must come to a complete stop for pedestrians in all crosswalks. A crosswalk exists whenever a sidewalk leads into a street; regardless if it is at a stop sign or traffic signal, and whether it is marked or unmarked.

Drivers must stop and yield to the pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk. However, no pedestrian shall suddenly leave the curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a moving vehicle that is close enough to create an immediate hazard.

If a vehicle is stopped for a pedestrian crossing in a crosswalk, no vehicle approaching from behind may overtake or pass the stopped vehicle.

If you have questions, please contact Mary Anne Glowacz, Communications Director for the Deerfield Police Department, at 847.945.8636. ☞

OVERNIGHT PARKING RESTRICTION REMINDER

By Village ordinance, no vehicles are allowed to park on the street between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.

If you are having work done to your driveway or are having guests with more cars than your driveway can accommodate please call the Police Department’s non-emergency number 847.945.8636 before 2 a.m. to request permission to park overnight on the street.

The Police Department will need to know the location, the date for the request and license plates of the cars that will be parked on the street overnight.

If you have questions, please contact Mary Anne Glowacz, Communications Director for the Deerfield Police Department, at 847.945.8636. ☞

5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY DRIVE-THRU CHARITY EVENT

The Deerfield Police Department will again be hosting its fifth annual Holiday Drive-Thru Charity Event on Saturday, December 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the parking lot at Deerfield Road and Rosemary Terrace.

Residents are encouraged to donate new, unwrapped toys for the Marine’s Toys for Tots program, as well canned food, personal care and cleaning items for the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry.

Just pull up and volunteers from the US Marines and Deerfield Police Department will do the lifting for you.

Bring the family to get in the spirit of the season and purchase your Christmas tree from the Optimist Club lot while you are out and about!

Sponsors: The Deerfield Police Department, The West Deerfield Township, Deerfield Public Library, The Marines - Toys for Tots, Deerfield Shopper’s Court, Deerfield Bank & Trust, Italian Kitchen, Pasquesi Plumbing, and Mutual Ace Hardware of Highland Park.

For additional information, please contact Mary Anne Glowacz, Communications Director for the Deerfield Police Department at 847.945.8636. ☞

BE PREPARED FOR WINTER

Winter storms and cold temperatures can be hazardous, but if you plan ahead, you can stay safe and healthy. Prepare your home

and cars and be prepared for weather-related emergencies, including power outages.

Keep an up-to-date emergency kit in your home, including:

- battery-operated devices, such as a flashlight, a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radio, and lamps
- extra batteries
- first aid kit and extra medicine
- baby care items
- snack foods that need no cooking or refrigeration, and water stored in clean containers.

Also, prepare your car for winter:

- service the radiator, maintain antifreeze levels, and check tire tread
- keep gas tank full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines
- keep blankets, food, water, booster cables, flares and a flashlight with extra batteries in your car’s emergency kit in case you become stranded. ☞

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

If you see something suspicious taking place, call the Police Department immediately. No police department can function effectively without the concerned assistance of responsible citizens.

The Police Department depends on you to call us and tell us whenever you observe suspicious persons, activities or motor vehicles. This allows the Police Department to respond in a prompt manner and have a better chance of resolving the matter.

Call 9-1-1 when you see a crime in progress or it just occurred; call the Police non-emergency number, 847.945.8636, when you want to file a police report that is delayed.

For additional information, please contact Mary Anne Glowacz, Communications Director for the Deerfield Police Department, at 847.945.8636. ☞



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS OPEN

The Deerfield Bannockburn Riverwoods Chamber of Commerce invites you to participate in selecting the 2014 Business of the Year.

This award is presented to a Chamber member business that meets the following criteria:

- Business must be a member of the DBR Chamber of Commerce for two years.
- Achievements should have a positive effect on the quality of life within our communities.
- Involvement in community service through business, civic, philanthropic affiliation or support.
- Demonstrated dedication to providing excellent service and/or merchandise.

To submit a nomination, visit www.dbr-chamber.com or call the Chamber's office at 847.945.4660. ~

LEARN ABOUT VILLAGE'S BICENTENNIAL QUILTS

Discover the story behind Deerfield's two Bicentennial quilts on Thursday, November 6, at 7 p.m. at the Deerfield Public Library. Deerfield Historical Society Board member Donna Stuppel will explore the history stitched into the quilts now on display in the Deerfield Village Hall. Admission is free.

For more information, call 847.948.0680 ~

COMED TECH FEATURES

Residents can now stay connected with ComEd via their new technology features. Residents can receive outage alerts on their mobile device, download the ComEd app, view outage maps and more.

For more information, visit www.ComEd.com. ~

UPCOMING EVENTS @ PTC



For more information on programs, or to register to be a member, please call the Patty Turner Center (PTC) at 847.940.4010 or visit www.pattyturnercenter.org.

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 8**, Care Provider CPR Refresher
- Nov. 11**, Men's Club: "Identifying America's Fallen Heroes" with Hal Tinberg
- Nov. 11**, PTC Women's Club: "Bette Davis" with Leslie Goddard
- Nov. 14**, "Museums of the World" with Debra Levie: "The Menil, Houston"
- Nov. 15**, "Musical Moments in Comedy" with Bob Levi: The 1970s
- Nov. 17**, 60 Minutes with Barry Bradford: "The Election of 1960"
- Nov. 18**, Men's Club: "American Presidents in Berlin" presented by Anette Isaacs
- Nov. 19**, Drumming Circle
- Nov. 20/21**, AARP Drivers' Workshop.
- Nov. 21**, "Friday with Friends" Lunch/Table Decor for the Riverside Foundation
- Nov. 25**, Men's Club: "Lee Harvey Oswald" with Barry Bradford

DECEMBER

- Dec. 1**, 60 Minutes with Barry Bradford: "Sigmund Freud"
- Dec. 2**, BP/Blood Sugar Testing
- Dec. 2**, Men's Club: "Barbra Streisand" with Hy Speck
- Dec. 4**, PTC Members' Winter Party!
- Dec. 5**, "At the Conductor's Podium" with Jim Kendros
- Dec. 7**, PTC Winter Band Concert with the Deerfield Community Band
- Dec. 8**, 60 Minutes with Barry Bradford: "Jung"
- Dec. 9**, Men's Club: "The 1893 World's Fair" with Jeff Mishur
- Dec. 9**, PTC Women's Club: "Christmas at the White House"
- Dec. 10**, PTC Excursion: "Macy's on State"
- Dec. 11**, Cholesterol Testing
- Dec. 15**, 60 Minutes with Barry Bradford: "Year in Review"
- Dec. 16**, Men's Club: "The Legendary Jule Styne" with Susan Benjamin
- Dec. 19**, Horticulture Workshop with Jaime Plotkin
- Dec. 19**, "Friday with Friends" with singing group "Tall Order" ~

REMINDERS:

VILLAGE HALL SCHEDULE

The Village Hall will be closed on the following dates:

- Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28, in observance of Thanksgiving
- Thursday, December 25, in observance of Christmas
- Thursday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day ~

HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

- Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 27, 2014 - **No delay**
- Christmas Day - Thursday, December 25, 2014 - **No delay**
- New Year's Day - Thursday, January 1, 2015 - **No Delay**

Waste Management will pick up trees and other organic holiday decorations during the first two collections in January. All bags, metal and other decorations must be removed.

Per Village ordinance, refuse and recycling carts can be set out as early as sundown the day before collection and no later than 7:00 a.m. the day of collection.

Collection on Waukegan and Deerfield Roads must be out no later than 6:30 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.

After collection, all carts should be removed from the front yard not later than the evening of your collection day.

Residents can call Waste Management at 800.796.9696 or email questions or requests to villageofdeerfield@wm.com and a customer service representative will contact you the same day. ~



OPTIMIST TREE SALE

The Deerfield Optimist Club will again be selling Christmas Trees at Jewett Park from November 28 through December 23.

Proceeds from the Christmas Tree sales allow the Optimist Club to support over 20 Deerfield area events annually. The hours of operation are Monday through Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Fridays from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and weekends from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ↪

TOWNSHIP 2014 HOLIDAY WISH PROGRAM

The West Deerfield Township Holiday Wish Program is an opportunity for our community to bring special happiness to some of our less fortunate neighbors during the winter holiday season.

The program matches donors to our township food pantry recipients. Both donors and recipients are completely anonymous to each other. All recipients of the program live within West Deerfield Township.

Please consider being a part of this wonderful community-supported program that has brought smiles to those without the means to provide holiday gifts for their children, and a warm touch to the elderly living alone on very restricted incomes.

For more information on adopting a senior, senior couple or a family for the 2014 Holiday Wish Program, please contact the Township office at 847.945.0614 or email to westdeerfieldtownship@sbcglobal.net attn: Gail. ↪

FLOOD HAZARD AREAS

Special Flood Hazard Areas (100-year floodplain) in the Village of Deerfield are located near the Middle Fork and West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River. The eastern portion of Deerfield is in the Middle Fork floodplain, while the western part of town is in the West Fork floodplain. For a detailed map, visit www.deerfield.il.us and look under maps and information.

Information on whether your property is in the 100-year floodplain, maps and more information can be obtained by contacting the Engineering Department at 847.317.2490.

FLOOD SAFETY

Do not drive through a flooded area. More people drown in cars than any where else. Do not drive around barriers. Do not walk through flowing water. Currents can be deceptive. Six inches of water can knock you off your feet.

VILLAGE FLOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. If your house is about to be flooded, turn off the power at the service box. Electrical current can travel through water. Electrocutation is the second leading cause of death during floods.

Be alert to gas leaks. Turn off the gas to your house before it floods. If you smell gas, report it to a Village official or your gas company. Do not use candles, lanterns or open flames if you smell gas or are unsure if your gas has been shut off.

Keep children away from the flood waters, ditches, culverts and storm drains. Flood waters can carry a number of items that have dislodged themselves and currents can be dangerous, especially for children.

Clean everything that has been wet. Flood water will be contaminated with sewage and other chemicals that can pose severe health threats. Also, small animals that have been flooded out of their home may seek shelter in yours.

Do not use gas engines, such as generators, or charcoal fires indoors during power outages. Carbon monoxide exhaust can pose serious health hazards.

PROPERTY PROTECTION

If your property is susceptible to flooding, there are many flood damage reduction measures you can employ. Watertight seals can be applied to brick and block walls to protect against low-level flooding. Utili-

ties such as heating and air conditioning systems, water heaters and other major appliances can be elevated to higher floors in the structure or on raised platforms.

Temporary measures such as moving furniture and other valuables to higher floors or sandbagging exterior openings will also help. Elevating or relocating the entire structure may also be a feasible option.

ADDITIONAL FLOODING AND FLOODPLAIN INFORMATION

In addition to floodplain mapping assistance the Village of Deerfield Engineering Department provides historical flooding information, natural flood plain function information, information on soil types, and flood protection assistance.

The Village of Deerfield Engineering Department also provides assistance with flooding or drainage concerns.

Village staff can visit your property, if required, and help to assess the problem and may be able to offer solutions. The localized flood protection service is provided by the Engineering Department.

For more information regarding flood-related issues in Deerfield, please contact Robert Phillips, P.E., Assistant Director of Public Works and Engineering, at 847.317.2490. More information is also available at the Village of Deerfield Engineering Department at 465 Elm Street in Deerfield, the Floodplain FAQ section on the Village's website, www.fema.gov, and the Deerfield Public Library. ↪

COMMUNITY PORTAL

A new Community Portal feature has been added to the Village's website. This feature offers detailed property information based on address, such as refuse and recycling pick-up days, leaf collection days, school districts and other parcel information.

Simply type in an address and click the arrow to launch the information page. The feature can be found on the Village's homepage in the left column beneath the featured events calendar. ↪



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WHY SHOP LOCAL?



SHOPPING LOCAL...

1. ... Supports Deerfield's Vibrant Mix of Businesses

Why go anywhere else when you can find most everything you need right in your hometown! With a mix of locally owned businesses as well as regional and national outlets, Deerfield's local shops, restaurants, services and hotels provide residents and visitors alike with all the necessities as well as the luxuries.

2. ... Fosters Community Relationships

When you shop in Deerfield, you are able to develop lasting relationships with local businesses and the people that provide goods & services. The businesses become neighbors and a human face is put on the service you receive.

3. ... Protects the Environment

Shopping local supports a more "green-friendly" community. By keeping your business within the village, you travel less, which reduces traffic and congestion and ultimately creates less air and water pollution! Many shopping areas in Deerfield are also easily accessible by walking or bicycling, adding to the shopping experience.

4. ... Reinvests in the Village

When you shop local, you are keeping your sales tax dollars in Deerfield. This revenue goes back into the community to support Village services and maintain roads and public utilities. Local businesses are also strong supporters of community events and local nonprofit organizations.

5. ... Creates Jobs that Help to Strengthen the Local Economy

Deerfield's local businesses generate jobs for members of our community. By patronizing local businesses first, you are helping to keep neighbors employed, as well as generating new jobs.

This holiday season, **shop local!** For more details, visit www.dbrchamber.com or call 847.945.4660. ☞

Village Officials:

Mayor:

Harriet E. Rosenthal - 847.945.3545
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