

# DAISY DIGEST

Dear Neighbors,

As many of you already know, Clarendon Hills is an award-winning community. Recently, *Niche.com* ranked Clarendon Hills the **#2 Best City to Live in Illinois** and the **#25 Best City to Live in America**. That is something we can all be proud of.

Looking ahead, the Village is committed to maintaining the unique charm that has always defined our village, while continuing to invest in shared public spaces for the current and future generations. The Village Board remains dedicated to pedestrian safety and thoughtful design standards that enhance the aesthetic, functionality, and flow of the Downtown Business District—creating a vibrant destination for shopping, dining, and community-centered programming.

Many things make Clarendon Hills special. One of them is our commitment to environmental stewardship. In honor of **National Arbor Day on April 25**, I want to highlight the great work of our Public Works staff who have been working hard to update and manage our tree inventory. Did you know Clarendon Hills is designated as a **Tree City USA**? It's true! We even have a certified Arborist on staff who oversees the health and diversity of our urban forest. We've been replacing around 60–70 trees per year as needed. However, that leaves a substantial gap in our ability to fully “reforest” the community.

To address this, we secured a grant from The Morton Arboretum, which was funded through the US Forest Service. This grant provided us with an inventory performed by Great Lakes Urban Forestry Management with a comprehensive survey of our existing trees and available planting sites. This information will enable the Village to launch an ambitious tree-planting program with a goal of adding **500+ trees** throughout the village. Please visit our website to learn more about parkway trees at [www.clarendonhills.us/parkway-trees](http://www.clarendonhills.us/parkway-trees). In this newsletter, we are also spotlighting our Arborist—just the first in a new series of staff introductions.

As I mentioned in my last newsletter, I've been revisiting our **Master Plan**, originally developed in 2004 and updated in 2014. I want to thank everyone who contributed their time and insight to shaping a long-term vision for our community.

Here are a few key takeaways from the plan:

- “Create linear parks and plazas north and south of the BNSF railroad to create festival streets for community events and passive social gatherings.”
- “Redevelopment of public and private properties provides an opportunity to create adjoining public spaces and plazas.”
- “The Downtown lacks parks and open space for passive recreation (i.e., walking, bicycling, and gathering).”
- “There is limited space for community gathering/activities.”
- The vision includes “an attractive, small-scale, pedestrian-oriented shopping district with pocket parks and plazas, expanded streetscape amenities, and new housing, shops, and restaurants.”

Inspired by this vision and after much reflection, I'm proposing the creation of a **Downtown Plaza** between Eastern and Park Avenue on Prospect, which would include the removal of the right-turn lane onto Park Avenue. I believe this change will significantly improve safety, accessibility, and flexibility for hosting community events.

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Since first floating this idea, I've spoken with many local business owners and residents. While there's been healthy debate, the majority of feedback has been positive, and I truly believe the **benefits outweigh the drawbacks**. I look forward to continuing the conversation and hope we can all approach this proposal with open minds and a shared goal of building the best version of Clarendon Hills.

Finally, I'd like to acknowledge the recent **municipal elections** on April 1st. Trustees Chaudhry and Weicher were reelected and newly elected Trustee Chris Lang will begin his service at the May 19th Board Meeting. Trustee **Lannert** did not seek reelection and her last meeting was April 21st. I want to **thank Trustee Lannert** for her dedicated service on the Village Board. Serving in public office is both courageous and selfless—it exemplifies the volunteer spirit that makes our community so strong. I know she'll remain involved, and her knowledge and contributions to the Village will continue to have a lasting impact.



Eric Tech  
Village President



## STATE OF THE VILLAGE

The Chamber of Commerce hosted the State of the Village on April 10th at the Hinsdale Golf Club. Approximately 50 people were in attendance. President Tech highlighted key Village accomplishments and outlined major projects slated for the next year. He followed up on some of these discussions at the April 21st Board meeting and will continue to at future Village Board meetings.



## 2025 Development Updates

**421 Park Avenue Townhomes.** This project is for six luxury townhomes and their building permit paperwork has been submitted so we anticipate that the construction should start this summer. These are high-end units will include amenities such as rooftop decks, unit elevators, two-car garages, guest parking, significant landscaping and increased stormwater capacity.



**100 Park Avenue –Sparrow Coffee.** This project has submitted for their building permit, so we anticipate construction to begin this summer. Along with some parking and driveway improvements, an important element for the business and the Village is the proposed outdoor dining area on the east side of the building.





## Around Town

### Board Meetings

May 19th at 6:30 PM  
June 16th at 6:30 PM

### ZBA/Plan Commission

May 1st at 7PM  
June 5th at 7PM

### Library

May 22nd at 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Virtual Chair Yoga

Susan Wilkens of Dancing Cranes  
Yoga online Zoom class

Registration required - Adult Program

630-323-8188

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

### Park District

Check out the many activities offered by the Park District by viewing their Program brochure on-line.

Park District Number: 630-323-2626

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



## 2025 Water Quality Report

The Village of Clarendon Hills 2025 Water Quality Report has been published. We are happy to report that we once again, meet or exceed all water quality standards established by the U.S. EPA and IL EPA to ensure the drinking water is safe for your family. You can read the full report at [www.clarendonhills.us/waterquality](http://www.clarendonhills.us/waterquality) or at Village Hall.



## Watering Restrictions

Water Restrictions are enforced from May 15th - September 15th. Residents south of the Burlington Railroad tracks may use water outdoors on odd numbered day (1st, 3rd, 5th, etc.) Residents north of the Burlington Railroad tracks may use water outdoors on even numbered days (2nd, 4th, 6th, etc.)

### **NO WATERING IS ALLOWED BETWEEN 10 AM AND 4 PM.**

Please note that watering restrictions apply to lawns, trees, shrubs and gardens only.

Permits for watering newly installed lawns and landscaping are available at the Village Hall.

## 4th of July Fire Works

Fire Works in Clarendon Hills are presented by the Hinsdale Golf Club. While the private golf club is not open to the public, residents are able to enjoy the fireworks from Prospect Park. Fireworks are held on July 4th around 9:20 PM (*rain date is July 5th*).

## Village Hall Hours

Monday - Friday

9 AM to 4:30 PM

24/7 at [www.clarendonhills.us](http://www.clarendonhills.us)

Offices are closed

Monday, May 26th in observance of Memorial Day

Friday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day



Meet Collin Franco, our Operations Supervisor at Public Works. In addition to his many duties overseeing the daily field operations of the public works crew and our contractors, Collin is an International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist and an Illinois EPA Licensed Water Operator. Collin has been a vital part of the Village team for 12 years. Although the Public Works Department is small, Collin wears many hats, but caring for the trees along the Village's rights-of-way remains one of his top priorities. His responsibilities as an arborist encompass the care, maintenance, and removal of damaged or diseased trees, along with planting new trees that enhance the beauty of our municipal landscape.



### DUPAGE COUNTY ROLLS OUT TEXT TO 911

In an emergency it's always best to call 911 but if you are unable or it is unsafe to talk you now have the option to text 911. Like calling 911 it is illegal to misuse or send fake texts.

#### Easy To Use

Text your location, your need (police, fire, or medical assistance)

#### Send clear brief messages

Do not send abbreviations, slang, emojis, photos or video attachments

#### Stay Calm

Answer questions and follow instructions from the 911 call taker.



**FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY - WHEN CALLING IS NOT AN OPTION**

Learn more at [www.dupagecounty.gov/government/departments/etsb/text\\_to\\_911.php](http://www.dupagecounty.gov/government/departments/etsb/text_to_911.php)

### #9PMRoutine

- ⚠️ Remove valuables from vehicles
- ⚠️ Lock vehicle doors
- ⚠️ Close the garage door
- ⚠️ Close & lock all exterior doors
- ⚠️ Turn on exterior light
- ✅ #9PMRoutine complete



Source: northtarrant.gov/22-1-9PM-Routine

## Bikes in the Downtown

Please remind our young residents that, per Village Code, no person shall ride a bicycle/scooter on a sidewalk in the business district at any time.

Bikes and scooters should be walked through the downtown business district.

# Clarendon Hills Days to Note

### Farmers Market



Thursday mornings  
May 15 - Oct 16

7 AM to 1 PM at the Village Hall Plaza



### Daisy Days

Two-day summer  
carnival

- June 13
- June 14

### Dancin' in the Street

Wednesday night  
concert series

- June 25
- July 9
- July 16
- July 23
- July 30
- August 6



### Oktoberfest

Classic German  
festival of fun

- September 13

### Window Painting

Clarendon Hills  
Halloween Tradition

- October 20



### Halloween Walk

Trick-or-treating &  
spooky fun

- October 25

### Holiday Walk

Community-wide  
Holiday celebration

- December 6



We can't wait to celebrate our community with  
you in 2025!

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## Contact Us

**Village Hall Main**  
**630-286-5400**

Water/Finance Dept.: Press 2

Permit/Building Dept.: Press 3

Manager's Office: Press 4

Clerk's Office: Press 4

**Public Works:** 630-286-4750

### Non-Emergency:

Police: 630-286-5460

Fire: 630-286-5430

### Village President:

Eric Tech 630-286-5420

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John Weicher 630-286-5423

Denise Kavuliak 630-286-5424

Chris Lang 630-286-5425

Omar Chaudhry 630-286-5426

### Village Clerk

Lynn Dragisic 630-286-5403

**[www.clarendonhills.us](http://www.clarendonhills.us)**

### Community Numbers:

Park District: 630-323-2626

Public Library: 630-323-8188

### Online Transaction

### Safe Zone Location:

Police Station at 448 Park

**Find Recent Village Board Actions at**  
**[www.clarendonhills.us/AgendaCenter](http://www.clarendonhills.us/AgendaCenter)**



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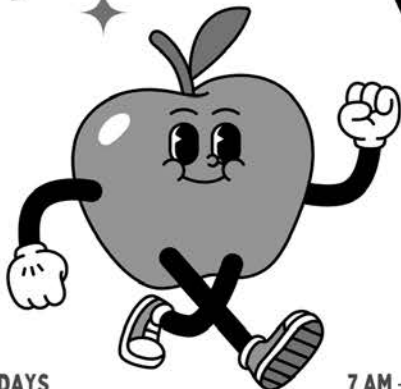
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