

TRUSTEE TOPICS

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Message from the President -

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

This issue is filled with our upcoming summer events. Every year I am proud of our community's ability to come together to put on great volunteer led events. I would like to personally thank Mark Rediehs and Laura Marquardt for all of their work putting together Daisy Days and the upcoming Farmer's Market (Starting May 11th). Through their volunteer work with the Chamber of Commerce, we continue to have great events in the downtown. The Village sponsors the *Dancin' in the Street* concert series, which also has a great volunteer committee to help with planning. If you get a chance, please thank them personally at the concert. They will be the ones in the beer tent every week.



Village President
Len Austin


Water rates have come up as an issue recently at Village Board meetings. You may recall that the Village Board made the decision to freeze water rates last fall, along with a freeze on property taxes aside from capturing new growth (construction) in the community. Despite this freeze, our water rates are high when compared to our neighbors. The main reason for this is that the Village does not have large water users to spread out the capital costs. Single family homes tend to be the most expensive users as they require the most water main feet per user, and have more peak usage which requires more pumps and water towers. The other major factor is that the Village is in the middle of a major water main replacement program in conjunction with the road replacement program. The water main that is being replaced is mostly original with an age of as much as 90 years. This water main is located under the Village streets, and therefore it is more cost effective to replace it when the roads will already be torn up. Previous Village Boards determined it was better to pay for these improvements with cash rather than issue debt, which we will be able to do through the last year of replacements in 2020. The final factor is that water usage has been on a long term downward trend seemingly independent of normally weather related fluctuations. We believe this is occurring as newer homes replace old fixtures with new high efficiency/low flow appliances.

At this point, it looks as though the Village will be able to continue to freeze water rates for the near future. This is conditioned on no unforeseen increases by our water provider (DuPage Water Commission) or other unanticipated costs. The Village Board and Village staff continue to look at ways to lower our costs. One issue currently being discussed is switching to bi-monthly water billing which will provide some savings.

However, the best way an individual can control water costs is to lower usage. Switching to lower flow fixtures, efficient washing machines and dishwashers, smart water sprinklers and drought resistant landscaping can save water and money. ComEd and Nicor offer free onsite efficiency programs that can help you save energy and water. To schedule an appointment call ComEd at (877) 886-4239. If you see a spike in your bill, make sure that your toilets or sinks are not consistently running or leaking. Simple behavior changes like not running the water when you shave or brush your teeth can also save water.

Finally, in May we will be losing two Trustees, Paul Flood and Eric Stach. We appreciate the expertise that they brought to the board and look forward to acknowledging their service at the May 15th meeting. I wish them both well, and look forward to working with new Trustees Wil Freve and Ken Hall.

See you at the concert series in June! Until then, enjoy this spring weather!


Len Austin
Village President

SUMMER FUN IN CLARENDON HILLS!

Keep up with all the events this summer by following us on Facebook!

www.facebook.com/VillageofCH

Daisy Days

Mark your calendar for June 16th and 17th, when the Chamber of Commerce hosts its' annual Daisy Days event in the downtown. This event is for the entire family offering carnival rides, live music, Daisy Idol competition, crafts, reptiles and more!

** Event Schedule subject to change*

Friday, June 16th (6 PM – 10 PM)

6 PM Food/Rides Open

7 PM Band ~ New Odyssey

For more information go to www.clarendonhillschamber.com

Saturday, June 17th (8:30 AM - 10 PM)

8:30 AM	Police Bike Auction
10 AM - 11 AM	Dave DiNaso Reptile Show
11 AM	Rides open
11:15 AM	Cloggers on stage
1 PM	Clarendon Hills Idol on stage
2 PM - 4 PM	Park District Face Painting
3 PM - 4 PM	Dave DiNaso Reptile Show
7 PM	Band ~ Whiskey & Harmony

Daisy Dash

A Father's Day tradition here in Clarendon Hills is the Daisy Dash 5k walk/run. This year is no exception. The event will be held on Sunday, June 18th starting at 8 am. This fund raising event starts off from the downtown. Registration is strongly recommended. To register and/or find out more about this great event go to www.daisydash.com

Dancin' in the Street

That's right, we dance in the street (Prospect Ave.) on Wednesday nights starting June 21st! Bring your appetite and favorite lawn chair. Tasty food and beverages will be sold while live music is played. This is a great time to get out of the house, see some neighbors and meet up with old and new friends. Arrive at 6:30 PM to get a bite to eat and be ready by 7 PM for the live music.

6/21 - Heartsfield (Southern Rock)
6/28- Scramble (Classic Rock)
7/5 - **NO CONCERT THIS NIGHT**
7/12 - Frankie B (Local singer/song writer)
7/19 - Spoken Four (Variety)
7/26 - Rhythm Rockets (Jazz and Blues Swing)
8/2 - Libido Funk Circus (Dance, Disco, 60's thru today)
8/9 - **NOTHING SCHEDULED - THIS IS A MAKE-UP NIGHT**

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 9:30 pm.

Bicycle Riding

Summer is fast approaching and bike riding will be enjoyed by many of our residents.

Here are a few reminders:

- Residents may register their bicycles with the Police Department. By doing so, a serial number will be engraved on the bicycle. In the case that a bike is left unattended or found and brought to the attention of an officer, we will be able to locate the owner.
- Per Village Code, no person shall ride a bicycle on a sidewalk in the business district at any time. **Bikes should be walked through the downtown business district.**
- Please use extreme caution when bicycling on public streets, around cars and pedestrians.

Clarendon Hills Historical Society
Discover Heritage



Announcing our Annual fundraisers.

BRONSWOOD PLANT SALE
Thursday, May 11th. 9am - 4pm
3805 Madison Street, Hinsdale
CHHS receives 20% of the sales!

DAISY DAYS
Friday, June 16th. 6 - 10pm
Saturday, June 17th. 8:30am - 10pm
Downtown Clarendon Hills.
Start of our Annual Raffle ticket sales!

clarendonhillshistory@gmail.com

Around Town



Board Meetings

March 1st at 7 PM
 March 15th at 7 PM
 June 5th at 7 PM
 June 19th at 7 PM

ZBA/Plan Commission

March 18th at 7:30 PM
 April 20th at 7:30 PM

Public Works and Police

Dept. Open House

May 19th from 2 PM - 6 PM
 452 Park Avenue
 FREE Family Event

Dancin' in the Street

June 21st 7 PM to 9 PM
 June 28th 7 PM to 9 PM
 July 5th - **NO CONCERT**
 July 12th 7 PM to 9 PM
 July 19th 7 PM to 9 PM
 July 26th 7 PM to 9 PM
 August 2nd 7 PM to 9 PM
 August 9th **HELD FOR RAIN DATE**

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Farmers Market - Chamber Event

May 11th through October
 Thursdays 7 AM - 1 PM
 Downtown Triangle

Daisy Days - Chamber Event

June 16th 6 PM to 10 PM
 June 17th 10 AM to 10 PM

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Park District

June 23rd at 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Touch-A-Truck Event in Prospect Park
 FREE Family Event

www.clarendonhillsparkdistrict.org

Library

May 22nd at 1:30 PM - 4PM
Movie : North by Northwest (1959)
Staring Cary Grant and Eva Marie Saint

www.clarendonhillslibrary.org

Emerald Ash Borer



Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has led to the death of more than 20 million ash trees in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. In 2007, it was discovered in DuPage County. In 2011, it was confirmed in Clarendon Hills.

The Village started with approximately 836 public right of way Ash trees out of the 5,500 total trees in 2010. Treatment of 725 of these trees was started in the spring of 2012 with certified applicators within Public Works staff. The other infected trees were removed in hopes to slow down the infestation and allow the Village to reforest the parkways over the next 7-10 years. Since the start of treatment, the Public Works department has performed approximately 2,500 treatments, each tree being treated in the spring. The Village has also removed 628 Ash trees in 7 years. We currently have 208 Ash trees in the inventory for 2017.

During the same span of time, the Village has planted over 425 trees in right of ways with proper spacing and tree diversification. The Village has replaced the three types of Ash trees with 36 different species of trees in the past seven years to help promote a healthy and sustainable canopy.

Clarendon Hills Lions Club

At the March 6, 2017 Village Board meeting the Lions Club presented the Board with a check in the amount of \$1,000 to help with reforestation within the Village. We feel very appreciative of the Lions Club contributions to the community.

Lions Park Pool



Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 27th as the official opening day of Lions Park Pool – a family friendly, splash-tastic aquatic facility in Clarendon Hills. The pool will be open 11:30 AM - 6 PM on May 27th-29th (Memorial Day weekend) weather permitting. Regular pool hours of 11:30 AM - 8 PM begin June 3rd. Lions Park Pool is located at 100 Byrd Ct.

Passes may be purchased at the Park District office or pool during regular operating hours. Daily fee for residents is \$8 (3-59 years) and \$12 for non-residents – proof of residency required to receive resident rates. Patrons 60+ years pay \$5 daily.

Sea Lions Swim Team, Swim and Diving Lessons (private & group), Fluid Running, Pool Rentals and special events make Lions Park Pool a full service, family favorite.

For more information, contact the Clarendon Hills Park District at 630-323-2626.

Village Hall Closed

May 29th closed in observance of Memorial Day

July 4th closed in observance of Independence Day

No Garbage Pickup July 4th

Garbage pickup will not occur on Tuesday, July 4th but rather Wednesday, July 5th. Please plan accordingly.

Trustee Topics

Village of Clarendon Hills

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Vehicle Stickers

Vehicles: Residents are required to purchase a village sticker for each vehicle they will have housed in Clarendon Hills (*Toy cars excluded*). The stickers can be purchased beginning **May 1st** of each year. The annual license period begins July 1st of each year and ends on June 30th of the next year.

New residents must obtain a Village Sticker within 30 days of moving to the Village.

Passenger Car \$40, Motorcycle \$30, and Seniors (62+) 50% off. An additional 50% late fee will be added to stickers purchased after July 1st.



Block Parties

Are you planning your neighborhood block party? Please note that if your party involves closing off any part of the street you will need to fill out a Block Party Application.

Applications can be completed online at www.clarendonhills.us under Services or paper copies can be obtained at the 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 for a \$25.00 fee payable at the Village Hall.



Find Recent Village Board Actions at
www.clarendonhills.us/AgendaCenter

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Village Clerk: (Tues & Fri AM)

Dawn Tandle 630-286-5403

Village Hall: 630-286-5400

Finance Dept.: Press 2

Building Dept.: Press 3

Administration: Press 4

Public Works: 630-286-4750

Non-Emergency:

Police: 630-286-5460

Fire: 630-286-5430

www.clarendonhills.us

Community Numbers:

Park District: 630-323-2626

Public Library: 630-323-8188

Online Transaction Safe

Zone Location:

Police Station (448 Park Ave.)