

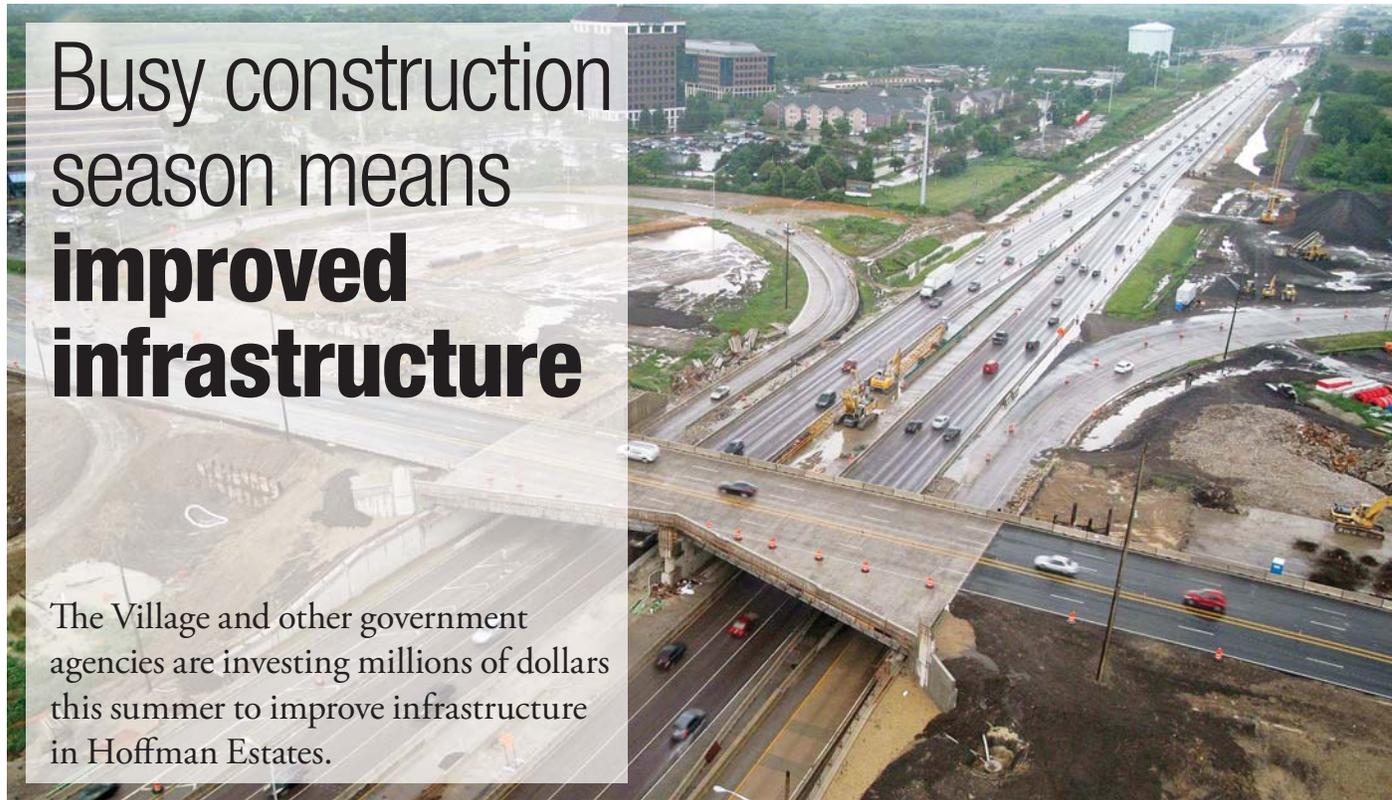
Hoffman Estates Citizen

July 2015

News from the Village of Hoffman Estates

Busy construction season means improved infrastructure

The Village and other government agencies are investing millions of dollars this summer to improve infrastructure in Hoffman Estates.



With the help of other government agencies, grants and local funding, more than \$76 million is being invested over the next couple of years to repair and strengthen highways, streets, storm sewers, bike paths and other infrastructure in Hoffman Estates. Information on these projects can be found at www.hoffmanestates.org/transportation.

Valuable access to I-90

The largest of the major construction projects is the Barrington Road interchange, which is being done in conjunction with the Illinois Tollway's widening of the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) from Elgin to Rosemont.

The Barrington Road bridge is currently under construction, and will accommodate the new interchange configuration. The updated interchange will provide Tollway access to the east and west, as well as a safe overpass for bicycles and pedestrians. Work is starting on the new ramps for the full interchange, as well as the widening of Barrington Road from Hassell Road to Central Road.

The entire interchange is targeted for completion by the end of 2016.

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Growing to Greenness!

Organic gardens provide multiple benefits

Whether you have a space in your yard, a pot in your kitchen window or a plot in the Hoffman Estates community gardens, summer is the high season for growing plants.

One of the most beneficial ways to go about this is to garden organically. Avoiding the use of synthetic fertilizers and other chemicals helps prevent undesirable runoff from entering local watershed. Butterflies, hummingbirds and bees help pollinate flowers and produce plants; some gardeners avoid using synthetic treatments that may keep this wildlife away. Others choose to garden organically because of the potential health risks from eating foods excessively treated with conventional fertilizers and pesticides.



While conventional produce costs less than organic in stores, growing your own food organically can actually be less expensive. For example, there are cost-effective, natural ways to reduce pests, such as insecticidal soaps and floating row covers. Planting complementary species and plant diversity helps keep overall garden health strong, while using species native to our region means less watering for your garden.

Compost also promotes healthy growth. For information about Village regulations on proper composting as well as tips to get you started, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/compost. The "Eco-Landscaping Guide" from the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) offers more information on reducing chemical use. Find the guide at www.swancc.org/resources/eco-landscaping-guide.

Historian's notebook

By Pat Barch, Hoffman Estates Village Historian

During the Civil War, many of the men who enlisted to fulfill the Schaumburg Township quota of soldiers were paid replacements. However, some local men did serve, including two members of the 8th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Cavalry: John P. Sharp, Co. D, 8th IL Cavalry (1838/9-1862), and George S. Sager, Co. E, 8th IL Cavalry (1843-1879).

John Sharp was born in New York. As an adult, he and his father farmed in section 34 in the far southeastern part of Schaumburg Township, according to the 1860 census and 1861 plat map. He enlisted as a private at Bloomingdale in September 1861. His regiment went by train to Washington City (D.C.). He was admitted to a hospital in January 1862, and died of a disease in February 1862. According to the National Park Service, seven officers and 68 enlisted men from the 8th

Regiment Illinois Volunteer Cavalry were killed or mortally wounded in battle, and one officer and 174 enlisted men were killed by disease.

George Sager was also born in New York, and, according to the 1860 census, he was farming with his father in section 9 of Schaumburg Township – an area north of present day Hoffman Estates High School. His father and younger siblings are buried at Greve Cemetery. During his military service as a private, Sager was wounded by a "Minié ball" bullet in the left thigh at the charge of Barbee's Crossroads, Va. He was captured on July 3, 1864, at Monocacy, Md., and was a prisoner of war in Richmond, Va. He survived the war, but died at 35, leaving behind him a widow and four children. His wife's petitions for widow's benefits attributed his death to his military service.

On Sunday, July 26, from noon to 4 p.m., the Historical Sites Commission and the Hoffman Estates Museum will host an open house at the Sunderlage Farmhouse, 1775 Vista Lane, featuring the 8th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Cavalry. Reenactors will show what camp life was like for cavalry men of the Civil War. The Kishwaukee Ramblers will provide musical entertainment beginning at 1:30 p.m., and the Schaumburg Township Historical Society will offer free ice cream with your choice of toppings. For more information on this free event, call 847-781-2606.

Many thanks to Nancy Lyons who provided the details of the Schaumburg Township men who served in the Civil War.

Email Pat Barch at eagle2064@comcast.net.

Electricity Aggregation Program renews in August 2015

The Village's current 12-month agreement with Constellation Energy is scheduled to expire the end of July 2015. The current supply rate is \$0.0793 per kilowatt hour.

In May, the Village went to competitive bid to renew the municipal Electricity Aggregation Program, and secure the best possible electricity supply rate for residents and small businesses. Market rates were more favorable than last year, and the Village has entered into a new 12-month agreement with Constellation Energy that will take effect August 2015. The new agreement is for a 12-month term through July 2016. It provides a stable supply rate of \$0.0697 per kilowatt hour, a 13.8 percent rate reduction over the current supply rate. This new agreement also continues the flexibility of choice maintaining the "no early termination fee" provision should a participant wish to leave the program at any time over the contract term. The current ComEd base rate is \$0.0703 per kilowatt hour +/- the monthly purchased electric adjustment (PEA).

Later this month, all current municipal plan participants will receive a notice in the mail on the new program information that explains the opt-out period. If a current municipal plan participant chooses to remain in the program, no action is necessary, as enrollment will be automatic. Otherwise, the municipal plan participant must follow the instructions on the notice to exit the program. To comply with changes in the law, participants enrolled with other electricity suppliers will also receive notice of the Village's new aggregation contract. However, those individuals will have to follow the instructions on the notice to join the Village program, as enrollment is not automatic. Look for this notice later this month with all the detailed program information, as well as instructions for remaining in, opting out or joining the municipal Electricity Aggregation Program.

Visit www.hoffmanestates.org/electricity for answers to frequently asked questions about the municipal Electricity Aggregation Program. For more information, contact Deputy Village Manager Dan O'Malley by phone at 847-781-2602, or by email at dan.o'malley@hoffmanestates.org.

Improved infrastructure

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In addition, Pace Bus will begin work on a new Park-n-Ride facility next to the interchange that will connect Hoffman Estates to the regional bus network. Expected to be completed by early 2017, the Illinois Tollway's work will include transit stops with bus access from the interchange ramps to complement the Park-n-Ride facility.

Investing in better streets

Construction is also underway on the Village's annual Street Revitalization Project. This year, 12 street segments are being reconstructed, and nine others are being resurfaced. The tentative construction schedule is available on the Village's website. Email roadconstruction@hoffmanestates.org with "2015 Street Project" in the subject line to sign up for construction alerts.

Grant funding improves a neighborhood

In March, the Village began work on reconstructing Bode Road from Parker Drive to Woodlawn Street with the help of approximately \$2.3 million in federal grants. Once completed later this summer, the newly rebuilt Bode Road will have one lane in each direction with a center left turn lane, new bike lanes, improved storm sewers and water mains, and upgraded street lighting.

Reducing flooding

The intersection of Jones Road and Highland Boulevard will also see construction crews throughout the summer as the Village works on a drainage improvement project. Through a \$900,000 grant from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD), the Village is addressing one of its most problematic areas for severe flooding by installing a new large capacity storm sewer.



A construction crew works on a Village storm sewer

Improving bike access

Finally, with the help of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County and the Hoffman Estates Park District, the Village's bicycle network continues to expand and interconnect. Design work continues for a bike path in the western part of the Village that will cross under the Tollway and connect Shoe Factory Road to the Prairie Stone Business Park. The gravel path in the forest preserve between Illinois Route 59 and the CN railroad tracks will also be paved as part of this project. These improvements will add to the more than 30 miles of existing bicycle routes, lanes and paths throughout Hoffman Estates.

Cell phone use is prohibited in construction work zones, and you should always drive with caution. For the latest information on construction projects, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/roadconstruction, and use the interactive map to search for projects that affect you.



A message from Mayor McLeod

Recently, the Village Board and I had the honor of presenting several Great Citizen Awards (Barbara Illian, Debby Miller, Pamela Olander and Carpenters Union Local #839), while the Commission for Disabled Citizens selected two amazing young men to receive this year's Barb Basl Awards (Anthony Bossart and Eric Krueger). We also honored 99-year-old Harold Bergman, a long-time resident whose family was instrumental in the founding of our Village. Congratulations to all!



Harold Bergman, third from left, poses with the Village Board and other guests at a June 1 meeting

Recognitions like these, as well as upcoming events and interesting tidbits about Village history, are featured in my new eNews communication titled "Mayor McLeod's Memos." To receive this informative email each month, sign up at www.hoffmanestates.org/enews.

The Northwest Fourth-Fest is here! From Wednesday, July 1, through Sunday, July 5, the grounds of the Sears Centre Arena and the Village Green will be filled with families, entertainment and food. The Fourth of July Commission pulled out all the stops to ensure a fantastic celebration. Food vendors will tempt your taste buds, while bands, such as 7th Heaven, Infinity and Ralph's World, will light up the main stage throughout the week. Activities include over 40 carnival rides, a high-flying zip-line ride, a pie-eating contest, a bags tournament, face painting, an exotic animal exhibit and much more. Take your chances and enter our Golf Ball Drop Raffle, or head inside the Arena on Saturday, July 4, and Sunday, July 5, for an amazing Arts & Crafts Fair. The region's largest fireworks show will take place on Saturday, July 4, at 9:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.northwestfourthfest.com.

Throwing a block party? The Trustees, Village Clerk and I try our best to attend each neighborhood event. Contact Sue Lessen at 847-781-2606 to get a date on the books.

Here's to a fun and safe summer!

Bill McLeod



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Community briefs



Fourth of July observance

The Village Hall will be closed on Friday, July 3, and Saturday, July 4.

Donate food at Fourth of July parade

The Celebrations Commission will be accepting donations of nonperishable canned or boxed goods and paper products at their float during the Fourth of July parade, Saturday, July 4, at 9 a.m. along Illinois Boulevard. These donations will be used to replenish area township food pantries. Monetary donations will also be accepted.



Appliance disposal

Home appliances cannot be set out with the regular garbage. When replacing an appliance in your home, try to arrange for removal and disposal through the retailer you are purchasing the new appliance from. If the retailer will not dispose of your old appliance, Groot Industries, Inc., will pick up and dispose of the item for free on Wednesdays. Residents must call Groot at 1-800-244-1977 before Wednesday to arrange for this special collection. Items requiring special arrangements for collection include stoves, refrigerators, washers, dryers, freezers, dishwashers, furnaces, water heaters, air conditioners, humidifiers and trash compactors. Doors on refrigerators and freezers should be removed prior to the item being set out at the curb for collection.



Coffee with the Board

Ask questions and give comments to the Board of Trustees on Saturday, July 18, at 10 a.m. at the Village Hall.

Das Bier Garden now open

Das Bier Garden is now open at the Village Green, 5510 Prairie Stone Parkway, near the Sears Centre Arena. Open daily from noon to 10 p.m. all summer long, this authentic outdoor German beer garden offers patrons a chance to enjoy time with family and friends in a relaxed, outdoor setting. All tables are shared, and coolers and picnics are welcomed. However, no grilling or outside alcohol is allowed, because Hofbräu beer, wine and Bavarian food, including brats, sausages, hot dogs and soft pretzels, are available for purchase. Parking is free at the Sears Centre Arena every day, or at the Prairie Stone Commons near Tate & Lyle in the evenings. For more information, follow them on Twitter @DasBierGarden. Prost!

Civil War reenactors at Sunderlage Farm

Reenactors from the 8th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Cavalry will be encamped on the lawn at the Sunderlage Farm, 1775 Vista Lane, on Sunday, July 26, from noon to 4 p.m. These Civil War enthusiasts will interpret camp life, and display equipment of Union cavalry soldiers. This free event is sponsored by the Historical Sites Commission and the Hoffman Estates Museum. The Kishwaukee Ramblers will provide music, and the Schaumburg Township Historical Society will offer ice cream and tours of the historic farmhouse. For more information, call 847-781-2606.



Computer animation class for kids

The Youth Commission is offering two free "Project Alice" computer animation classes for children ages seven to 13 on Saturday, July 25, at both 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the Village Hall. Registration is required. Email suzanne.lessen@hoffmanstates.org or call 847-781-2606 to reserve a spot.

Questions to Code

Q: I need to drain the water in my swimming pool. Where should I divert the water?

A: Swimming pools must be drained directly onto the street or in the street-side drainage ditch. It is also permissible to drain pools directly into a storm sewer inlet, if one is available. You are not allowed to drain pools onto your property, any neighboring properties or in the parkway. Make sure your drain hose is long enough to reach the street or street-side drainage ditch to avoid any property flooding or overland flow. If algae or other debris remains in the street after draining, it must be hosed down and returned to its previous condition.

Send your code questions to buildingpermits@hoffmanstates.org.

Welcome new businesses!

Blue Lion Systems, Inc.
5401 Trillium Blvd., #275

Toll Brothers, Inc.
3100 W. Higgins Road, #100

Whole Life Chiropractic, Ltd.
2500 W. Higgins Road, #420

Lead poisoning dangers

If your home was built before 1978, it may contain some lead-based paint. Lead is a highly toxic metal that can cause damage to the central nervous system and vital organs. Paint containing lead was previously used on homes because of its durability. If your home was built prior to 1978 and you see peeling, flaking or chipping paint, you may be at risk. Children under the age of six are especially vulnerable. They can become lead poisoned by putting their hands or other lead-contaminated objects into their mouths. State law requires property owners to correct lead-based paint hazards if a child living in the home tests positive for lead poisoning. For more information on lead poisoning hazard reduction, visit www.hoffmanstates.org/cdbg, or contact the Cook County Department of Public Health's Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes Unit at 708-633-8054.



Healthy body, healthy mind ... news from Health and Human Services

Adult services and immunizations

Health and Human Services offers affordable health screenings and preventative tests during monthly health clinics.

- Blood pressure: free!
- Pulse check: free!
- Diabetes (blood sugar): \$3
- Hemoglobin (anemia): \$3

To schedule affordable vaccines and tuberculosis testing, call 847-781-4850.

Upcoming adult clinic dates

- **Schaumburg Barn**
231 Civic Drive, Schaumburg
Dates: July 1 & 15 and Aug. 5 & 19
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- **Willow Creek Care Center**
67 E. Algonquin Road, South Barrington
Dates: July 6 and Aug. 3
Time: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- **Village Hall (main entrance)**
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: July 8 and Aug. 12
Time: noon to 1 p.m.
- **Triphahn Center**
1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: July 21 and Aug. 18
Time: 11 a.m. to noon

Cholestech: complete lipid profile

This test measures total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, triglycerides and glucose levels. It requires a small drop of blood. Results are immediate, and include consultation with a nurse. To schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850. The cost is \$22.

Upcoming child and youth clinics

Two affordable child immunization clinics are offered each month at the Village Hall (main entrance). The clinics are intended for children who are underinsured (health insurance does not cover immunizations) or do not have health insurance. The cost is \$8 per shot for residents of Hoffman Estates and Schaumburg, and \$10 for all other communities (cash, check or AllKids accepted). **Shot records are required for children to receive an immunization.** To schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850.

- **Children's Clinic**
(two months to 18 years)
All communities welcome
Dates: Aug. 3* & 17 (no clinic in July)
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Please arrive no later than 5:45 p.m.
- **Hoffman Baby Clinic**
(two months to kindergarten)
Hoffman Estates residents only
Dates: Aug. 11 (no clinic in July)
Time: Appointments are required

*School physicals now available

During the Monday, Aug. 3, Children's Clinic, Alexian Brothers will provide physicals for students pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. The cost is \$10 for those who are uninsured, underinsured or have AllKids (cash or check, only). Appointments are required. Call 847-781-4850 for more information.

Shot records are required.

Meningitis vaccinations

Health and Human Services has meningitis vaccinations for college-bound students and adults ages 19 to 55. It is recommended that all adolescents receive an initial vaccination at age 11 or 12, and then a booster at age 16 to 18. Vaccines are available by appointment only. Call 847-781-4850 for more information. **Shot records are required.**



Counseling services

Professional and affordable counseling services are available to all residents. Call 847-781-4850 for more information.

Clinic schedules are available online by visiting www.hoffmanestates.org/clinics.

Ask the Therapist

Q: What can I do to get better sleep?

A: The National Sleep Foundation suggests that most adults need seven to nine hours of sleep each night. Missing out on even 30 minutes of sleep can lead to decreased productivity, low energy and moodiness. Here are some tips to improve your sleep:

- **Give yourself a bedtime.** Sleeping and waking up at the same time every day – including the weekends – can help you fall asleep easier and remain asleep throughout the night.
- **Have a sleep routine.** It is important to wind down at night as opposed to fitting in last-minute activities. Engaging in a relaxing routine can help prepare your mind and body for sleep.
- **Exercise.** Exercising during the day can help you fall asleep easier at night, and it promotes deep sleep.
- **Turn off your cellphone.** Make a commitment to put your cell phone away, as late night distractions actually energize your body instead of calming it down for sleep.



By Bev Romanoff
Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

Clerk's corner

If you missed the Celebrations Commission at the Fourth of July parade or didn't want to carry your donations to the parade site, you can always bring to them to the Village Hall. Your canned or boxed goods and toiletry donations help restock our local food pantries. We also accept unexpired coupons from the Sunday newspapers – those are also donated to purchase items for the pantries.

Contact the Clerk's office at 847-781-2625, or email bev.romanoff@hoffmanestates.org.

Grilling safety

There's nothing like cooking hot dogs and burgers on the grill. But, grilling too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. Follow these tips to ensure safe grilling:

- Grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed away from the home and deck railings, and not below eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep kids and pets away from the grill.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease and fat buildup.
- Never leave your grill unattended.

Charcoal grills

If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add other flammable liquids to the fire. Keep charcoal fluid away from children and heat sources. When you are finished, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.



Propane grills

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a leak, turn off the gas tank and grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the Fire Department. **If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill.** Do not move the grill. If the flame goes out, turn the grill and gas off, and wait at least 15 minutes before re-lighting it.

For other fire safety tips, call the Hoffman Estates Fire Department at 847-843-4825.

Considering a building project?

If you are considering remodeling or repairing your home this summer, make sure you're aware of your rights as a consumer. Investigating prospective contractors, getting everything in writing and following the tips below can save you from being defrauded, and ensure that the project is completed to your satisfaction.

- Seek bids from at least four companies to ensure that you are paying a fair price, and have found a contractor that you can work with.
- Verify that the contractor is licensed with the Village. The Village cannot recommend a contractor, but we can check their license, and confirm that they have adequate insurance coverage and meet bond requirements that ensures their code-compliant completion of the contracted work.
- Look up the contractor on the Better Business Bureau website (www.bbb.org/chicago) for past complaints or claims against them.
- Request contact information for all parties furnishing materials or labor for your project. Call them to ask about payment history, or any previous claims against the contractor.
- Ask for references, and contact past customers to learn about their experiences with the contractor.
- Make sure you have a contract with a total cost and description of the work to be performed with starting and estimated completion dates. The contract should state that any charges outside of those in the contract must be authorized by you in advance. Never sign a contract with blank spaces or sections that you do not understand.
- Confirm that the contractor is fully insured, and ask for a certificate of insurance indicating you as the additional insured.
- Before signing a contract over \$1,000, the contractor is required to provide you with a copy of the "Home Repair: Know Your Consumer Rights" pamphlet from the Illinois Attorney General. Make sure you receive and read this pamphlet.
- Negotiate the contract to include building permits and work to be done in accordance with the Village's Municipal Code. Display your building permit in your front window, and make payments contingent upon inspection approvals.
- Keep all paperwork related to your project. This includes copies of the contract, the list of subcontractors and suppliers, and a log of communications with the contractor.
- Do not sign a certificate of completion or make payment until the work is done to your satisfaction. When you do pay, pay by credit card or check, and always get a receipt. Never pay in advance or for anything that you are not already in possession of. Keep down payments as low as possible – never more than about 10 percent of the contract price.
- Demand lien waivers from contractors, subcontractors and suppliers to confirm payment is received, and any future lien rights to your property are waived.

If you think you were defrauded by a contractor, bring your concerns to the Illinois Attorney General by calling 1-800-386-5438, or by visiting www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumers.

Reminder ...

Recognizing beautiful properties

The nomination deadline for the 17th annual Community Pride Recognition Awards is Friday, July 10!

Send your nominations for beautiful and "green" properties to the Village Hall, care of the Sustainability Commission, or email grow2green@hoffmanestates.org.

Fourth of July garbage collection

There will be no change in the solid waste, recycling and yard waste collection schedule for Independence Day. Garbage will be picked up on regularly scheduled pickup days.

Save the date: Citizen Fire Academy

The 16th annual Citizen Fire Academy – a free, hands-on experience with the Hoffman Estates Fire Department – will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 2. Look for more information in the August Citizen.

July calendar



Event and meeting dates subject to change.
For up-to-date information, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/calendar.

Wednesday, July 1

- Celebrations Commission, 5:30 p.m. at PWC
- Northwest Fourth-Fest, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena
- Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Thursday, July 2

- Northwest Fourth-Fest, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena

Friday, July 3

- VH CLOSED
- Northwest Fourth-Fest, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena

Saturday, July 4

- INDEPENDENCE DAY, VH CLOSED
- Fourth of July Parade, 9 a.m. on Illinois Boulevard
- Arts & Crafts Fair, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. inside Sears Centre Arena
- Northwest Fourth-Fest, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena
- Fireworks, 9:30 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena

*Sunday, July 5

- Veteran's Flag 88: Frank E. McCauley, Army, WWII
- Arts & Crafts Fair, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. inside Sears Centre Arena
- Northwest Fourth-Fest, noon to 6 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena

Monday, July 6

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, immediately following Standing Committee Meetings at VH

Tuesday, July 7

- Cultural Awareness Commission, 7:15 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, July 8

- Community Health Clinic, noon to 1 p.m. at VH
- Police Explorers, 6:45 p.m. at PD

Thursday, July 9

- Museum Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm
- Summer Concert: "One Foot in the Groove," 7 p.m. at Village Green

Friday, July 10

- Children's Concert: "JG's Reptile Road Show," 10 a.m. at Vogelei Park

*Sunday, July 12

- Veteran's Flag 89: Francis J. Gibbons, Army, WWII

Monday, July 13

- Sustainability Commission, 6 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, July 14

- Commission for Senior Citizens, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Historical Sites Commission, 5:30 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm

Wednesday, July 15

- Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Thursday, July 16

- Commission for Disabled Citizens, 6 p.m. at VH
- Youth Commission, 6:30 p.m. at VH
- Summer Concert: "Modern Day Romeos," 7 p.m. at Village Green

Saturday, July 18

- Coffee with the Board, 10 a.m. at VH

*Sunday, July 19

- Veteran's Flag 90: Joseph A. Montag, Army, WWII

Monday, July 20

- Emerging Technologies Advisory Commission, 6 p.m. at VH
- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, immediately following Standing Committee Meetings at VH

Tuesday, July 21

- Sister Cities Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, July 22

- Celebrations Commission, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Police Explorers, 6:45 p.m. at PD
- Arts Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Thursday, July 23

- Summer Concert: "Morry Sochat and The Special 20's," 7 p.m. at Village Green

Friday, July 24

- Children's Concert: "RC Juggle," 10 a.m. at Vogelei Park

Saturday, July 25

- Computer Animation Class for Kids, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at VH
- Fitness for America Sports Festival, various times at AT&T Campus

*Sunday, July 26

- Veteran's Flag 1: Chester M. Jason, USMC, WWII
- Fitness for America Sports Festival, various times at AT&T Campus
- Civil War Reenactors, noon at Sunderlage Farmhouse
- Veterans' Memorial Commission, 1 p.m. at PD

Wednesday, July 29

- Heartsaver AED CPR Class, 9 a.m. to 12:30 at Fire Station 24

Thursday, July 30

- Summer Concert: "Ac•Rock," 7 p.m. at Village Green

Village Board Meetings are held on the **first and third Monday** of each month at 7 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

The **General Administration and Personnel; Planning, Building and Zoning; and Transportation and Road Improvement Committees** meetings are held on the **second Monday** of each month at 7 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

The **Finance; Public Health and Safety; and Public Works and Utilities Committees** meetings are held on the **fourth Monday** of each month at 7 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

VH: Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road

PD: Police Department, 411 W. Higgins Road

PWC: Public Works Center, 2305 Pembroke Ave.



Wednesday, July 1, through Sunday, July 5

- Northwest Fourth-Fest, various times

Saturday, July 25

- Secret U.S. Classic Gymnastics Tournament, various times

For more information on upcoming events, visit www.searscentre.com.

*The flag rotation ceremony is held at the Veterans' Memorial every Sunday at 1 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Those wishing to make a donation for the perpetual maintenance of the Memorial may do so at the Village Hall, or by mailing a check to the Veterans' Memorial c/o the Village of Hoffman Estates, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. The casket flags of deceased veterans listed on the calendar above will be flying at the Veterans' Memorial in the coming month. The Veterans' Memorial is located outside the Hoffman Estates Police Department at 411 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169.

The Village of Hoffman Estates

1900 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
www.hoffmanestates.org

Fitness For America Sports Festival



Important phone numbers

Main 847-882-9100
Police and Fire 9-1-1
Police Administration 847-781-2800
Fire Administration 847-843-4825
Public Works 847-490-6800
Health and
Human Services. 847-781-4850
Event Hotline 847-252-5443

Village officials

Mayor

William D. McLeod

Trustees

Karen V. Mills
Anna Newell
Gary J. Pilafas
Gary G. Stanton
Michael Gaeta
Gayle Vandenberg

Village Clerk

Bev Romanoff

Village Manager

James H. Norris

Municipal facilities

Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m. – noon

Police Department

411 W. Higgins Road

Fire Administration

1900 Hassell Road

Fire Station 21 — Carl W. Selke

225 Flagstaff Lane

Fire Station 22 — Michael J. O'Malley

1700 Moon Lake Blvd.

Fire Station 23 — Richard G. Cordova

1300 Westbury Drive

Fire Station 24 — Jerome Danowski

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This year's Fitness For America Sports Festival (FFASF) is full of surprises!

The event is now sponsored by AMITA Health (formerly Alexian Brothers Health System), and has several new features, including a nighttime Glo Run. The seventh annual FFASF will take place on Saturday, July 25, and Sunday, July 26, in Hoffman Estates. This is a full weekend of inline skating and running events for all fitness levels.

On Saturday, July 25, there will be a Sunset Half Marathon run (with cash prizes for every age level), a 10k run and a 5k run/walk. Run or walk the 5k, or strive to complete the 10k or half marathon run. All distances offer scenic USA Track & Field (USATF)-certified courses that travel through north Hoffman Estates, the Paul Douglas Forest Preserve and the AT&T complex on roads and paved trails.

On Saturday night, join us for a Glo-Run! This non-timed, recreational, safari-themed

run/walk for the whole family kicks off at 9:15 p.m., and ends with a DJ dance party.

Then, on Sunday, July 26, there will be a Chicagoland Inline Marathon (the second largest in the country), a half marathon and a 10k. Choose the challenge that matches your fitness level. The Chicagoland Inline Marathon features two stages of action between the fastest skaters in the nation battling it out for a big cash purse.

You don't have to be a professional to enjoy the festival – become part of the excitement as a volunteer, spectator or fundraiser for Team Run for HD. Volunteers are needed throughout the weekend. Send an email to info@allcommunityevents.com if you are interested in volunteering.

Visit www.allcommunityevents.com to register a team. For more information on this event, contact Director of Tourism Linda Schreck by phone at 847-781-2664, or by email at linda.schreck@hoffmanestates.org.



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