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President's Corner

Summer is finally here and as in past years, it promises to be an eventful one. At the forefront of our priorities is the implementation of the road improvement program and purchase of the new ladder truck and ambulance.

In June, the Village proceeded to competitively sell General Obligations Corporate Purpose Bonds for the purpose of funding the \$11.2 million in costs for the 2016 voter approved road improvements and fire apparatus. The Village is pleased to report that the bidding process resulted in a net interest cost of 1.97%, which is very good news and a favorable outcome for the Village and its residents. As a result, the projected tax impact to homeowners is slightly less than what was estimated prior to the referenda.

equipment, and exercise patience when you experience delays or re-routing.

The Village has also begun the process for purchasing the new ladder truck and ambulance. The Fire Department has been meeting with vendors, attending vehicle demonstrations and reaching out to other communities as part of their efforts to evaluate various equipment options. This process is anticipated to last several months, as staff works to ensure that the vehicles we purchase will meet the specific needs of our community. For more information on the bond referenda implementation process, visit the Village website at www.lagrangepark.org and click on the "2016 Bond Referenda" link from the homepage.

In the Spring Edition of the Rose Clippings, I reported on the Village's efforts to sustain and diversify our tax base through economic development efforts. As a result of the findings of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Feasibility Study that the Village conducted earlier this year, the Village Board has decided to proceed with designation of two TIF Districts and four Business Districts in La Grange Park. In June, the Village Board approved a contract with S.B. Friedman Development Advisors to assist the Village with the designation and implementation process. The process will last several months and include a variety of opportunities for public input. More details on how TIF and Business Districts work, their benefits, and their potential impact on the Village can be found on the Village website by visiting www.lagrangepark.org and clicking on the "TIF and Business Districts Updates" link from the homepage.

As you can see, the Village has a very busy few months ahead! We at the Village are continually striving to improve our community and to ensure that it remains a great place to live, work and play. I invite you to join me in my effort. Have a great summer and as always, feel free to contact me anytime.



Last month, the Village also approved a \$2.6 million contract with GA Paving for the resurfacing of approximately 25 blocks of roadway. For the complete list of the streets to be resurfaced this year (Year 1) please see page 2. The Village anticipates that paving will begin in July and will continue through the fall months. While it is exciting to have such a significant amount of road construction underway, it may also pose some challenges to residents while traveling through town. We ask that residents be extra cautious when driving through and around construction areas, be mindful of workers and

President James F. Discipio



Village Officials Go to Springfield to Protect Village Revenues

Led by President James Discipio, a contingent of seven village officials traveled to Springfield April 6, 2016 to advocate for a fair share of state funding for municipalities and legislation that will help local communities serve residents.

President Discipio, along with Trustees Bob Lautner, Scott Mesick, Mike Sheehan and Patti Rocco, and Village Manager Julia Cedillo and Assistant Village Manager Emily Rodman, met with legislators and officials from Governor Rauner's administration while in the State Capitol.

"Despite the ongoing state budget battle, I think we had some productive meetings with key decision makers in Springfield," President Discipio said. "We were able to convey our concerns about how the lack of a budget is impairing our ability to serve our residents."

As of the adjournment of the General Assembly on May 31st, the State was still without a spending plan in place for either Fiscal Year 2016 or 2017, which began July 1st. Illinois' balance of unpaid bills was expected to reach \$10 billion by the start of the new fiscal year.

While in Springfield, the Village officials met with the four legislators representing La Grange Park: State Representatives Emmanuel "Chris" Welch; LaShawn Ford; Michael Zalewski; and State Senator Steve Landek.

In addition, the contingent had private meetings with House Republican Leader Jim Durkin, Senate GOP Leader Christine Radogno and Democratic House Majority Leader Barbara Flynn Currie. Governor Rauner's Director of Government Affairs, Kyle Haegers, also met with the group.

Chief among the topics of discussion was preserving of the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF), which returns almost \$1.4 million to La Grange Park in the state income taxes paid by its residents each year. Even with the lack of a state budget, LGDF distributions are continuing because they are paid as a "continuing appropriation" the statutory authority to spend funds for a specific purpose when and if the legislature fails to appropriate an adequate amount for that purpose. However, the LGDF distributions could be cut when (and if) a budget agreement is reached, so officials and residents should remain diligent in protecting this important revenue stream.

The Illinois Municipal League offers an easy-to-use tool that allows residents to contact Governor Rauner and local legislators directly about the issue. The link to this tool, www.protectmytown.com, can be accessed through the Village's website, www.lagrangepark.org.



Annual Water Quality Report

The Village of La Grange Park's 2016 Consumer Confidence Report (Water Quality Report for Calendar Year 2015) is now available on-line at: <http://bit.ly/lagrangepark2016>

This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. Please call (708) 352-2922 if you would like a paper copy of the report mailed to your home, or email bsrejma@lagrangepark.org to request it in PDF form.

The Village does test for lead and copper, and all samples have passed those tests. Based on recent lead issues in the news, some residents have expressed a desire to have the water in their home tested independently from the Village's mandated sampling. The Village uses Suburban Laboratories in Oak Brook, Illinois for sampling, and they offer water testing services to homeowners. Please visit their website www.drinkingwaterlabs.com for more information.



2016 Road Paving Program

As a result of the \$10 million bond referenda passed in March of this year, the Village will begin the first phase of road resurfacing this summer.

Year one of the Road Improvement Program will include the resurfacing of the following blocks:

- 1200 – 1500 Blocks of Alima
- 1100 – 1500 Blocks of Ostrander
- 1200 – 1500 Blocks of Newberry Brewster Lane (East of La Grange Road-Opposite Elmwood Ave.)
- 300 – 400 Blocks of Ashland
- 400 – 600 Blocks of Catherine
- 400 – 500 Blocks of Kensington
- 400 Block of Spring
- 400 Block of Stone
- 400 Block of Waiola
- 400 – 600 Blocks of Brainard



Free Rain Barrel Program Ending

The Village was recently notified by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) that the free Rain Barrel Program will end December 31, 2016. Currently the free rain barrels are provided through our partnership with the MWRD and are manufactured and delivered through a 3rd party EnviroWorld.

We would like to thank residents who have ordered the free rain barrels and encourage those who are still interested to apply as soon as possible. Currently rain barrel deliveries are 8 -12 weeks out. Residents may apply for the rain barrels at Village Hall or on the Village website at www.lagrangepark.org. All rain barrel applications received by 12/31/16 will be honored and deliveries will continue into 2017. After 12/31/16 rain barrels will still be available for purchase on the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District website at www.mwr.org.



Deadline for Mandatory Downspout Disconnection Extended

The Village's Downspout Disconnection Ordinance requires all single family homeowners to disconnect their downspouts from the Village's combined sewer system by January 2017. The Village's Downspout Disconnection program was put into place in 2015 to provide residents with partial reimbursement for the cost associated with disconnection, through an Illinois Green Infrastructure Grant (IGIG).

In August 2015, the Village announced that due to the State of Illinois' budgetary issues, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency was unable to issue reimbursements for Downspout Disconnections under the IGIG Program. As a result, the State placed a temporary hold on the Village's program pending approval of a State budget and new Capital Bill.

The Village has extended the deadline for compliance with our Downspout Disconnection Ordinance from January 2017 to January 2019 (the same amount of time that the grant funds were suspended) in anticipation that grant funds for reimbursement will once again become available. While the State passed a six month budget, we received word from the IEPA that it is still unclear if and when funding will be available. As such, the Village encourages homeowners who are still connected to proceed with the planning and completion of their disconnection projects as soon as possible. For more information on how to disconnect and questions regarding the reimbursement process, please visit the Village website at www.lagrangepark.org and click on the "Downspout Disconnection Program" link from the homepage or contact Forrest Tucker and forrest@lagrangepark.org.

Annual Fall Community Clean-Up Day

The Village's annual community clean-up day will occur on Thursday, October 20th during regular refuse pick-up hours. Resident's may place an unlimited amount of acceptable refuse, include large furniture items, out at the curb for a total of 4 stickers. For more information on what is acceptable for pick up contact Allied Waste/Republic Services or visit the Village website.

Sprinkler Regulations Reminder

Residents are reminded that the Village of La Grange Park has sprinkler regulations that are in effect from May 15th to September 15th of each year. All residents bearing an odd-numbered street address may use water for sprinkling lawns on days having an odd-numbered calendar date. All residences bearing an even-numbered street address may use water for sprinkling lawns on days having an even-numbered calendar date. The Village may impose stricter regulations to conserve water usage in the event of prolonged hot and dry weather, or due to conditions that impact our ability to maintain adequate water pressure and supply.

Update on Consolidated Dispatch - LTACC (Lyons Township Area Communication Center)

The consolidated dispatch center which will be operated in the Village of La Grange is moving forward with an estimated start by late 2016. The three towns of La Grange Park, La Grange & Western Springs are in the process of finalizing the center. The Operation Committee (consisting of all six Police Department and Fire Chief's) along with the Executive Board (comprised of all three associated towns Village Managers) have been meeting on a bi-monthly basis to discuss: Architectural Layout & Construction, CAD Development & GIS Mapping, Equipment (i.e. Phone System, Consoles, Radio Transmission, Computers, etc.), staffing and other integral components to the establishment and ongoing operations of the center. LTACC will be a state of the art dispatch center that will offer the best customer service to all our residents on a daily basis.

Your Police Department - Your Community

The La Grange Park Police Department would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire Village for partaking in various department activities throughout the community. Again over the past year, in association with the Adopt-A-Cop Program, Patrol Officers within the Police Department had the privilege of educating students throughout various grade schools in La Grange Park (St. Louise, Brook Park & Forest Road) on topics such as crime prevention, safety awareness, making correct decisions along with friend association, bullying, proper cyber use, and general duties behind a police officer's badge. Programs and activities such as Spark Plug, Shop-with-a-Cop, Coffee with an Officer, college internships, Walk & Talk (Foot Patrol), National Night Out and Block Party involvement gives the La Grange Park Police Department the ability to interact with not only kids, but the entire community. The La Grange Park Police Department strives to demonstrate: daily trust, quality customer service and a very caring transparency with the community in the most professional manner to assist with the overall mission statement of the Village of La Grange Park.

With positive activities throughout the community, the Village of La Grange Park stays on top of times. All patrol staff, of the La Grange Park Police Department have been trained to nasally administer the drug (naloxone) to counter the effects of improper opiate use and possibly give a second chance by reviving individuals who have stopped breathing; which unfortunately is an ongoing national epidemic. La Grange Park is one of few Cook County jurisdictions take part in this developing program. Another new program offered by the Police Department is the Door Hanger Notice. This program offers an extra watch on personal property or business locations at any hour. Officers will leave a courtesy notice and contact information for further follow-up, if needed. In addition, Police Department also contributes to weekly safety briefs which is open to the community and helps alert members of La Grange Park on current crime trends and safety tips. To take part of these weekly casework and safety topic discussions by email, please don't hesitate to contact Allyson by email at arackow@lagrangepark.org or by phone at 708-352-7711 ex.203.

In 2017, the Police Department will be looking to offer some special programming, for example: A Citizen Police Academy for approximately 4 weeks in the Spring or Fall. This will involve 12-14 participants that are 18 years of age or older who are present residents of La Grange Park or business owners in town, to take part in a variety of police related educational activities. Also, an advisory board (six members) comprised of some of those individuals that took part in the academy will meet once a month for three months to discuss crime awareness trends, etc.

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Memorial Park

The La Grange Park Police Department Crime Prevention Unit and Fire Department will host the 2016 National Night Out evening on Tuesday, August 2nd at Memorial Park. Festivities will begin at 7:00 p.m. and include entertainment, child safety seat inspections, food, and refreshments.

National Night out is a nationwide annual campaign that has been held since 1984 and is sponsored by the national Association of Town Watch in the United States and Canada. The purpose of the event is to increase awareness about various police programs offered by communities, such as drug prevention, town watch, neighborhood watch and other anti-crime efforts. Residents are asked to show their support for crime prevention by turning on their porch lights from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. the evening of the event.

Coffee with the Chief & Staff
Thursday, August 18, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Plymouth Place
315 N. La Grange Road
La Grange Park, IL 60526



Your Police Department Welcomes A New Officer

Nick Spurgash has been hired as a part-time Police Officer. Officer Spurgash began his employment with the Village in June and he also works as a certified, full-time police officer for the Village of Palos Park. Officer Spurgash will be a welcome addition to the Police Department, assisting primarily with the afternoon and midnight shifts, as needed. A big La Grange Park welcome to Officer Spurgash!



Emerald Ash Borer Update

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is an invasive pest new to our area. The pest is a native of Asia and was most likely brought to this country in shipping crate lumber. This pest lays eggs on ash tree specimens (the only species it currently infects.) The larvae burrow into the vascular tissue of the trees, just below the surface of the bark. The larvae feed on this tissue during the course of their development, and the tissue which feeds the tree is damaged. The trees can no longer provide food for themselves, causing their demise and ultimate death. All ash tree species are susceptible and will most likely fail within the next few years. Ash specimens are no longer a viable species for our area. More information can be found at www.emeraldashborer.info.

How do you know a tree is infested with EAB?

There are several symptoms and signs that show us where the pests are. Primary identifiers are split bark, d-shaped exit holes, and woodpecker damage. Bark tends to split on the smaller trees a season after feeding has begun. When the bark splits, you can visibly see the feeding galleries. D-shaped exit holes from adult emergence are also an identifier. While many pests can leave exit holes, EAB has a distinct size and shaped exit wound. For mature species, our greatest telling damage is the presence of woodpeckers. As EAB larvae mature, woodpeckers find the larvae irresistible and feed primarily on these during the fall and winter months. Heavily infested trees are riddled with holes from this feeding activity, although only a handful of wounds on a tree can be an excellent identifier of the earliest stage of a big infestation. Heavily infested trees can appear to be perfectly healthy, unless you know what you are looking for. Once a tree is infested, it is a matter of a brief period of time before the tree will fail. As in human healthcare, early diagnosis can be made when good health seems obvious. Seeming health does not negate the problem, or its dire prognosis.

Who is responsible for removing the infested trees?

The Department of Public Works is responsible for removing trees in the Right of Way. Parkway Ash trees are inspected each spring and the worst trees are identified for removal. The infestation of these bugs started in 2011 and over 1000 trees were removed prior to this spring. Another 153 trees were identified for removal this year. There are another 223 trees that could become infested with the Emerald Ash Borer. Some of those trees were identified as having EAB symptoms, but were not severe enough to warrant removal at this time.

Residents are responsible for removing infested trees on their property. As with Dutch Elm Disease, both State statute and Village code require the prompt removal and destruction of any infested ash tree found on private property. Inspection and enforcement is handled through the Village's Code Enforcement Division. Chapter 95 of the Municipal Code requires property owners to remove infested trees. Voluntary compliance is appreciated.

If the Village has to enforce this ordinance, fines for refusing to remove the tree can be up to \$750 per day. The Village also has the right to remove hazardous trees and bill the property owner for the tree removal, if the property owner does not remove the tree within 30 days of receiving notice from the Village. For further information, please visit the Village's website at www.lagrangepark.org.

Brush Collection Program

The Village brush collection pick-up occurs on the Monday of the first full week of the month (July 5th – Tuesday start due to holiday, August 4th, September 6th and October 3rd). Brush must be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. A first sweep is conducted through the entire Village, picking up the smaller piles of brush. Larger piles will be left for the end loader and dump truck to pick-up.

If you miss putting your brush out, the yard waste can be packaged for the Village's waste hauler (Republic Services) to pick up. Brush and branches must be securely bundled with bio-degradable twine or rope. Each bundle must be no more than four feet in length, two feet in diameter and weigh no more than fifty pounds. Individual branches must be no larger than three inches in diameter. A yard waste sticker must be affixed to each bundle.

Fall Leaf Removal Schedule

Residents are advised that the schedule below is only a guideline. Leaves must be raked into the street gutter by 6:00am Monday of the collection week. The Public Work's Department will do its best to adhere to this schedule, however in the event of an emergency, leaf pickup may be delayed. Should the schedule be delayed, every attempt will be made to get back on schedule as quickly as possible. During those times when the schedule is delayed, your patience and understanding are appreciated!

West: All streets west of La Grange Road

Center: All streets from La Grange Road east to the IHB railroad tracks

East: All streets east of the IHB railroad tracks.

Leaves for each section will be collected on the following weeks:

EAST	WEST	CENTER
October 17th	October 24th	October 10th
November 7th	November 14th	October 31st
Weather Permitting we will continue removing leaves as follows:		
November 28th	November 28th	November 21st



Village Board Highlights

The Board of Trustees conducted the following business during the months of March, April, and May:

- Approved a Temporary Use Permit for Jewel-Osco, located at 507 E. Woodlawn, to allow for the construction of a 1,560 square foot Temporary Structure for seasonal retail sales; to be occupied on or after April 1, 2016 and to be removed no later than July 15, 2016
- Approved the purchase of six sets of new protective gear (pants and coats), at the cost of \$1,919.00 per set, or a total of \$11,514.00, from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc.
- Authorized the Village Manager to execute a Service Agreement with Inspection Reports Online (IROL, LLC) for the purpose of receiving, managing, filing and sharing Inspection, Test and Maintenance (ITM) Reports for fire protection systems
- Approved an ordinance amending the Fire Prevention Code requiring those with fire protection systems to register with the Village's designated ITM report management system service provider, and requiring the submittal of ITM reports to such provider
- Accepted the proposal of Suburban General in the amount of \$43,350.00 for sewer point repairs and authorized up to \$6,650 in additional spending for a total amount not to exceed \$50,000 should field conditions vary, to be expensed to the FY16 Sewer Fund
- Authorized the purchase of 54 Census Omni meters and appurtenances from HD Waterworks to be expensed to the FY16 Water fund in an amount not to exceed \$49,918, plus a ten percent contingency
- Accepted the proposal of Done-Rite Plumbing Inc. in the amount of \$18,729.00 for meter installation, plus a ten percent contingency to be expensed to the FY16 Water Fund
- Approved a contract to the lowest bidder, Core Mechanical Inc. in the amount of \$44,895.00 for replacement of the boiler at Village Hall, 447 North Catherine Avenue
- Approved BKD, LLP to perform the required annual audit of the Village's financial statements for fiscal year 2016 in the not to exceed amount of \$20,500 to be expensed to the FY2017 General Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund
- Approved ordinance amending Chapter 51, Section 51.43 of the Village of La Grange Park Municipal Code Establishing Water Rates.
- Approved a change order in the amount of \$2,345 to Lyons Pinner Electric for costs associated with custom enclosure color for the Emergency Generator Replacement Project
- Adopted an ordinance amending Chapter 76: Parking Schedules of the Municipal Code to include new parking regulations for the 1000 Block of Newberry
- Authorized the purchase and planting of trees for the Fiscal Year 2016/17 Tree Planting Program from the Suburban Tree Consortium, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000, plus any resident purchased trees
- Approved payment to GA Paving LLC in the amount of \$77,754.25, and authorize that \$29,255.80 be paid from the Capital Funds account to cover the shortage for the Finsbury/Pine Tree Lanes construction project
- Approved a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code for the expenditure of \$20,000 in MFT Funds
- Approved resolution amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16 for the Village of La Grange Park
- Approved resolution approving FY 2016-2017 Operating Budget
- Approved resolution approving Pay Plan and Schedule of Authorized Positions for FY2016-2017
- Approved an agreement with Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. for financial advisor services for the 2016 road and fire equipment bonds in a not to exceed amount of \$18,100
- Approved an agreement with Chapman and Cutler, LLP. for bond counsel services for the 2016 road and fire equipment bonds in a not to exceed amount of \$31,000.
- Approved a payment not to exceed \$55,000 to the Police Pension Fund to be expensed to the fiscal year 2016 General Fund
- Approved the committee and commission re-appointments
Proclamation – Honoring the 100th Birthday of Barbaree Holben
Proclamation – Arbor Day
Proclamation – Building Safety Month May 2016
Proclamation – National Emergency Medical Services Week
Proclamation – National Safe Boating Week
- Authorized the purchase of 5 mobile data terminals from Bright Computers in the amount of \$19,104.75.
- Authorized Edwin Hancock Engineering Company to furnish GIS Mapping Services related to LTACC Phases 1 – 2c in an amount not to exceed \$25,948.00 and to authorize the Village Manager to execute the necessary contract documents
- Approved a resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code for the expenditure of \$310,000 in MFT funds
- Authorized the Village Manager to execute the Professional Engineering Services Agreement for the 2016 Sewer Lining Program, in an amount not to exceed \$23,000
- Approved an ordinance providing for the issue of not to exceed \$11,200,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2016, for the purpose of paying the costs of certain capital improvements, providing for the levy and collection of taxes sufficient to pay the bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof
- Authorized the Village Manager to execute a one-year contract for services with CW Consulting, with an annual cost not to exceed \$28,405
- Authorized the Village Manager to enter into a contract with S.B. Friedman Development Advisors to provide Tax Increment Financing and Business District consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$94,100
- Authorized the Village President to execute the amendment to Employment Agreement

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MUSIC UNDER THE STARS CONCERT SCHEDULE

Music Under the Stars is a series of weekly concerts that take place during the summer. Concerts are held outdoors at the Memorial Park Amphitheater, the corner of Woodlawn and LaGrange Rd. Concerts are held on Wednesday nights, from 7:30 – 9:00 pm. In the event of inclement weather, concerts will be moved to Park Jr. High, 333 N. Park Road, La Grange Park. Call the rain-out hotline for updates on concert locations: 708-354-4580 x300.

June 22 - The Neverly Brothers,
Sponsored by Plymouth Place

June 29 - West Suburban Concert Band

July 6 - The Sting Rays,
Sponsored by Paul's Pizza

July 13 - DuPage Band,
Sponsored by Hitzeman Funeral Home

July 20 - She Gees,
Sponsored by Ready Teddy Preschool

July 27 - Shout Out

August 3 - The Class of "68"

August 10 - Lisa Renee,
Sponsored by MB Financial Bank

August 17 - Island Night! 6-11 pm! Beer, Wine, Food, and 3 Bands: ALT 101, Johnny Burgin (Rockin Johnny), & Peach's Beach Party; Sponsored by Dr. James Discipio, DDS & First National Bank of Brookfield

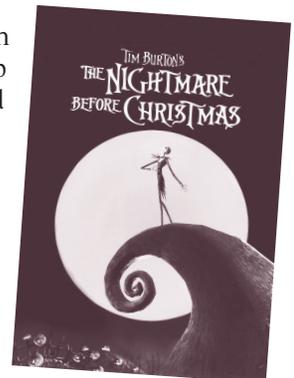
LaGrange Park Library Summer Reading at the Library

Readers of all ages can participate in the summer reading program. Stop by and register, log your reading, and enter to win prizes at the end of July.

MiniCon, Year the Second
All ages

Saturday, July 16, 12-4 pm

Join them for an afternoon of pop culture fun! There will be anime, Doctor Who, The Nightmare Before Christmas, games, crafts, photo booth pictures, and more. Stop by the library for a full list of activities.



We're Looking for Good Neighbors!

The Good Neighbor Corner is a regular newsletter feature highlighting the good news in our community. In order to praise the efforts of local residents, organizations and businesses, we need your help! We're looking for those friendly folks, good deeds, and special neighborly touches that make living in La Grange Park special.

If you know a Good Neighbor, fill out a form online and send it to Village Hall, 447 N. Catherine. Help us share the efforts of good neighbors with the entire community.

Good Neighbor Excerpts:

Nominating: Vincent & Sylvia Sandoval, Ken & Kathy Mareska, Peggy Obrien

I have lived on Blanchan Avenue in La Grange Park for 44 years. We have always had good neighbors. Recently two new neighbors moved in. My husband died in January. Vince and Sylvia Sandoval have always been there for us above and beyond. And now our new neighbors, Kathy and Ken Mareska and Peg O'Brien have also been very helpful and comforting. I can't thank everyone enough. I'm truly blessed. Thank you god and thanks for my La Grange Park neighbors. - **Mary Ellen Zbierski**

Nominating: Deborah Bybalski

Deborah brings dog treats to our dogs and other dogs in the neighborhood. She is always very friendly and welcoming. Just a nice person who brightens up the day - **Anonymous**

Nominating: Michelle Sheehan

In the Spring I wasn't feeling well. My elderly dog tore her "acl" and needed help getting up and down the stairs. I couldn't handle her and Michelle came to my rescue. She came over 4 times a day in the early morning, & late at night, to carry my dog down the stairs and outside. Both her and her husband Mike, were a great help. I couldn't ask for better neighbors. They are always there to help if I need them. I appreciate all that you do! - **Lenore Caprata**

Vehicle Stickers - Due July 31st

La Grange Park vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed prior to midnight on July 31, 2016. Renewal applications were mailed in early June. Please correct any pre-printed information on your renewal application and return it with payment to Village Hall for processing. We encourage you to mail your renewal application and payment as soon as possible to the Village of La Grange Park, 447 N. Catherine Avenue, La Grange Park, IL 60526.

If you are purchasing a new sticker or have not received a renewal application, blank forms are available at Village Hall. Vehicle stickers may be purchased at Village Hall Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Village Hall will be opened for additional hours on Saturday, July 30th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to sell stickers.

Vehicle stickers are \$35.00. Seniors who are 65 years of age prior to July 1, 2017 may purchase one sticker at \$15.00. Seniors are limited to one senior rate sticker per household. Stickers purchased after midnight July 31, 2016 will include delinquent penalties. Vehicles not properly licensed are in violation of Village Code and may be ticketed by police. Fines are \$50.00 per offense. The fee for the replacement of a lost or damaged sticker is \$5.00.

Vehicle Sticker Photo Contest Winner Dawn Gilhooley

The Village wishes to congratulate Dawn Gilhooley on her submission for the 2016 Village vehicle sticker. Dawn is mother of three and is actively involved in the community and enjoys teaching American Art History. According to Dawn, she selected the American flag as the backdrop to symbolize freedom, unity and patriotism and as a way to remind others of these important values during a time when "the country has been so divided with such negativity." Dawn chose a yellow rose because it's a favorite of both her and her grandmothers. Congratulations again to Dawn for capturing the beauty of the rose with a symbolic background.



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REMINDER

Vehicle Stickers & Dog Licenses due July 31st. See page 4 for more information.

RESIDENT FEEDBACK

Please use this section to give us your comments, suggestions, questions, problems or compliments. If you have something on your mind . . . let us know! Just jot it down and send it to us.

Please mail to: Village Manager, Village of La Grange Park, 447 North Catherine, La Grange Park, IL 60526. Email address: jcedillo@lagrangepark.org. If you would like a response, please include your name, mailing address, email address or daytime phone number.

Stay connected with Village news and community happenings, subscribe to E-Briefs, the Village's weekly electronic newsletter. Send an email to jcedillo@lagrangepark.org and type "sign me up!"

VILLAGE HALL

Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

LOST & FOUND

From time to time the Village of La Grange Park maintains a gathering of lost and found items. To reclaim any items left behind at Village Hall, call (708) 354-0225, ext. 102.

VILLAGE HOLIDAYS

The Village offices will be closed for the following holidays:

Monday, September 5 - Labor Day

The Police and Fire Department will remain open