

## VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES

### *Safely Dispose of Household Chemical Waste*

# HCW



**oil paint**

**anti-freeze**

**mercury**

**gasoline**

**herbicides**

**motor oil**

**batteries**

**thinner**

**pesticides**

**solvents**

Household Chemical Waste Collections are conducted by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

Upcoming Local Events:

November 4, 2006

Zion, Illinois

Zion Benton High School

3901 21st Street (21st and Kenosha)

8:00 am - 2:30 pm

November 30, 2006

Mundelein, Illinois

Metra Train Station

205 N. Archer Avenue

8:00 am - 2:30 pm

For questions concerning the collection events above, please call the IEPA Waste Reduction Unit at 217-785-8604.

The following long-term facilities are available for disposal of Household Chemical Waste. Please phone ahead for hours of operation.

Rockford Rock River Reclamation District - 815-967-6737

Naperville Fire Station #4 - 630-420-6700(push # and 7559)



### *The Sears Centre Arena is Open for Business!*

Check out pictures from the Public Grand Opening Event on pages 2-3 of this edition of the *Citizen* newsletter or visit [www.searscentre.com](http://www.searscentre.com)

### **ENVIRONMENTAL AND RECYCLE DAY**

**NOVEMBER 11, 2006**

Sponsored by: Village of Hoffman Estates Environmental Commission & Village of Schaumburg Environmental Committee

Hosted at:

**Schaumburg Prairie Center for the Performing Arts**

**201 Schaumburg Court**

**(3 blocks east of Roselle Road, south of Schaumburg Road)**

**9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.**

#### Presentations

10:00 am: "Midwest and Climate Change"

11:00 am: "Our Trees, Under Attack"

12:45 pm: "Illinois Raptors-Featuring Deshka, an American Bald Eagle"

2:00 pm: "The Ultimate Gardner"

This year we will also feature the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Natural Science Trailer for families to visit and walk through, Alternative Fuel Cars displayed, including a Bio-Diesel car, and 25 other exhibiting groups. Admission to this event is free.

### **Village Ornaments On Sale Now!**

The Village of Hoffman Estates annual ornaments are now on sale at the Village Hall (1900 Hassell Road). Ornaments are \$5.00 each. The 2006 ornament is the fourth in the series by local world reknown miniature artist Ed Cook. Previous series ornaments are also on sale. Supplies are limited.



**REMINDER: YARDWASTE PICK-UP ENDS NOVEMBER 29**



### **Welcome New Businesses!**

Infiniti of Hoffman Estates  
1075 W Golf Rd  
(224)653-2901

Presidential Preferred Funding LLC  
2356 Hassell Rd Suite A  
847-885-2020

R S Marketing  
2356 Hassell Rd Suite A  
847-885-2815



*Photos this page (clockwise from top):  
Sears Centre Main Entrance, Chicago Hounds Mascot  
greet guests, Crowd mingles following Ribbon Cutting,  
Crowd waits near indoor Box Office to see the Arena  
Floor, Guests enjoy Garibaldi's Pizza at one of many  
Concession Areas.*

## Welcome to the Sears Centre Arena

The Sears Centre Arena held its public Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Saturday, October 21, 2006. Members of the public attended the event to glimpse the Arena before the first events began on October 26.

The event included a ribbon cutting ceremony with Mayor McLeod and members of the Board of Trustees, (Karen Mills, Rodney Rusakiewicz, Cary Collins and Ray Kincaid). Those in attendance were able to sample Garibaldi's Pizza, which will be featured at the Arena, meet the tenant sports teams, view an exhibition by the Chicago Storm Indoor Soccer team and wander through the seats, suites and club area.

For more information on the Arena and to purchase tickets to upcoming events, visit <http://www.searscentre.com>



*Photos this page (clockwise from top):  
Guests visit the AMCORE Bank Club,  
Fans get close to the field for a display by  
the Chicago Storm, the Chicago Storm  
treat visitors to an exhibition, the  
Chicago Storm display their skills.*



**SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE!****11th Annual Teddy Bear Holiday Party**

The event, hosted by the Historical Sites Commission, will be held on Saturday, December 9th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Sunderlage Farmhouse. Details to follow in the December *Citizen*.

**Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Join the Celebrations Commission for the Village's annual tree lighting ceremony. The event will be held on Saturday, November 18, 2006 at 4:30 pm at the Village Hall. The Celebrations Commission will be collecting non-perishable food items and paper products for the area food pantries at the event. Your generosity is appreciated. All are welcome to attend for seasonal music, cookies, lights and a visit from Santa Claus! Call 847-781-2605 for more information.

**Harvest Luncheon**

Wednesday, November 15, 2006 at 12:00 pm  
Join the Disabled and Senior Commission at the Harvest Festival ( Stonegate Conference Center), for lunch, entertainment and (new this year) a silent auction! Cost is \$18. Space is limited and mail-in registration is required to attend this event. Send a check and participant information (name, address and phone number of all who plan to

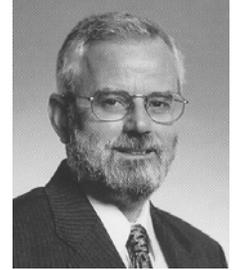
attend) to the Disabled & Senior Commission, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. Call 847-781-2606 for more information

**French Exhibit at Village Hall**

In celebration of the 10th anniversary of the official relationship with the town of Angouleme, France, the Hoffman Estates Sister Cities Commission, and the Arts Commission, will host the art work of students from Angouleme during the months of November and December. The exhibit runs through Monday, January 1, 2007 and is free and open to the public during regular business hours.

**FALL HOME ENERGY FAIR**

The Fall Home Energy Fair will be held on Monday, November 13, 2006 beginning at 7:00 pm, at the Police Department Training Room located at 1200 Gannon Drive. Representatives from ComEd, NICOR gas, CEDA outreach, Schaumburg Township and Menards will be presenting on winter gas supply costs, home energy audits, weatherization tips and assistance programs. Members from the Utility Commission will be available for comments. For more information, contact the Department of Public Works at 847-490-6800.

**A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR MCLEOD**

The holiday season is nearly upon us and with this joyous time of year comes an opportunity to support local businesses in the community. Between gift giving, holiday parties and festive dinners out (or catered in!) the Village of Hoffman Estates now boasts of several options for community members to patronize for all of their seasonal needs.

It is very nice to not have to travel far any more to find exactly what you are looking for. The retail stores in town provide many, many options for unique gifts. Target, Aquarium Adventures, Lane Bryant and many more stores will have unique and affordable gifts for family, friends and coworkers.

Looking for a location to host your holiday party at? The hotels in Hoffman Estates, banquet facilities and restaurants all provide the perfect atmosphere to entertain and gather those close to you.

Speaking of restaurants, are you looking to celebrate the season with a fabulous meal? Hoffman Estates has a wide variety of options that will surely please your crows. From well known favorites such as Dover Straits and the Assembly to new comers, Jersey's, La Strada Ristorante, Claim Jumpers and Buffalo Wild Wings, Hoffman Estates is a smorgasbord of holiday delights!

While you splurge on your own family and friends, I also encourage you to think about giving back to others at this time. A delightful opportunity is the Village's Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony. The Celebrations Commission is collecting non-perishable food items again at the annual event. All collected items will be donated to local food pantries. Also, you can get photos with Santa! This event is not to be missed.

Sincerely,

*Bill McLeod*

**The Historian's Notebook** by Pat Barch

How I love to listen to the stories of the farmers who lived and grew up here in Hoffman Estates. Of course there was no Hoffman Estates when they lived and farmed here. They are a wonderful part of our history. I recently visited Roger Meyer at his farm in Malta, IL. He just celebrated his 81<sup>st</sup> birthday in September. He was born and raised on his parents' (Ben and Mary (Greve) Meyer) farm located on the south side of Higgins Rd. just east of the Blackhawk Recreation Center and Ice Rink at Huntington Blvd. He's been kind enough to share some of his pictures with us and, best of all, his stories.

I asked him what he really loved about his life on the farm and he told me how he loved to ride his pony. It was his job to ride into the fields and keep the cows from wandering away. He'd bring them in for milking in the morning before school and again in the evening. I asked him if he had a long walk to school and he told me he was lucky because the school (the Sunderlage School) was right next door to his farm and he only had a short walk down the road. In the winter he had to ride to St. Peter's Church in Schaumburg Centre for confirmation classes. His father worried about the pony slipping and falling on the snowy and icy roads so he put special horseshoes on the pony that had small spikes and he only remembers his pony slipping and falling once at the corner of Roselle and Higgins Roads. Neither one was hurt. He also told me that his father would drive into Chicago, hauling animals to the stock yards and would stop at one of the local breweries to buy the mash that was left over after the beer was brewed to feed to the cows. The Meyer farm must have had very happy cows.

**Help! Help! We need pictures ~ Help! Help! We need volunteers**

We're looking forward to our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in September of 2009. Your pictures are a special part of our history. We need pictures of the families that live in the north and west portions of our Village. Did you take pictures of your home while it was under construction? We don't have any pictures from the newer parts of town. What about pictures of the parades or the fishing derby. Maybe you took a picture of the kids with Santa at the tree lighting ceremony. These are the special photos we're looking for. Maybe I've given you a few ideas on what to look for.

Volunteers are needed to help with organizing all donated items. Please contact Pat Barch at [eagle2064@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eagle2064@sbcglobal.net) if you can help or have stories to share or questions to ask.

## HEALTH CLINIC INFORMATION

### ALL FLU CLINIC INFORMATION ON PAGE 6

#### *Free Screenings offered at Health Clinics*

The Department of Health and Human Services provides free testing for blood pressure, diabetes\*, and hemoglobin at the Adult Health Clinics! Total Cholesterol\* is provided for \$6. The following are clinic locations and schedules for November and December.

\*For best results, please fast for at least 4 hours before the diabetes.

**Hoffman Estates Park District  
Community Center & Ice Arena**  
1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates  
Dates: November 20 (No December Clinic)  
Time: 11am-12pm

**Schaumburg Township Offices**  
1 Illinois Blvd, Hoffman Estates  
Dates: November 16 (No December Clinic)  
Time: 12pm-1pm

**Schaumburg Barn**  
231 Civic Drive, Schaumburg  
Dates: November 1 and 15 & December 6 and 20  
Time: 9:15am-11:15am

**Hoffman Estates Village Hall**  
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates  
Dates: November 8 & December 13  
Time: 1pm-2:30pm



#### *Child Immunization Clinics*

Health and Human Services provide two child immunization clinics per month. Shots are \$5 per shot for Village of Hoffman Estates, Village of Schaumburg, and Hanover Township residents. \$7 for all other communities (cash or check only please!). Our Child Immunization Clinics are intended for children who are either underinsured (insurance does not cover immunizations) or do not have health insurance. Dates for November and December are listed below. For a complete schedule of child immunization clinics in 2006 visit [www.hoffmanestates.org/government/PhysicalHealthServices.shtml](http://www.hoffmanestates.org/government/PhysicalHealthServices.shtml)

**Children's Clinic** (ages 2 months to 18 years)  
All communities welcome.  
Hoffman Estates Village Hall Lunchroom  
1900 Hassell Road  
Dates: November 6 & December 4  
4pm-6pm

**Hoffman Baby Clinic** (ages 2 months to Kindergarten)  
Hoffman Estates Residents Only.  
Hoffman Estates Village Hall Council Chambers  
1900 Hassell Road  
Dates: November 14 & December 12  
Appointments needed

#### *Hometown Heroes Project*

The Village of Hoffman Estates will be honoring those active duty military personnel from the Village of Hoffman Estates who are currently deployed in the Iraq/Afghanistan region. A display featuring photos of our Hometown Heroes will be posted in the Village Hall with some information related to their deployment and unit. We are asking that the family and friends of active duty personnel contact the Village Manager's Office at 847-781-2605 to include their information in the display. A photo of the individual will be needed for the display. Questions should be directed to Sharon Turlek in the Village Manager's Office at 847-781-2605.

#### *Counseling Services*

Health & Human Services offers professional and affordable individual, family and child counseling to Hoffman Estates residents. Counseling can improve communication, manage conflict, strengthen relationships decrease stress and improve life satisfaction.

For more information on counseling services or to set up an appointment, please call 847-882-4445. First appointment is free!

#### *2007 Election Information*

The Village will hold a consolidated primary election on February 27, 2007. The consolidated election will be held April 17, 2007. Three Trustee positions of four year terms will be under consideration on the ballot. Petitions may be circulated beginning on September 19, 2006. Filing dates are December 11, 2006 - December 18, 2006. The last day to file objections to nominating petitions is December 26, 2006. Hoffman Estates is a non-partisan Council-Manager form of government. Candidates may access their information at [www.elections.state.il.us](http://www.elections.state.il.us) It is strongly advised that any questions be directed to the state election authority at the above website address or an attorney of your choice.

#### *Free Mammograms available to Hoffman Estates Women*

The Cook County Mammography Van will be at the Village Hall on Tuesday, November 14. A limited number of free mammograms will be available to women who are over 40 years old and are either uninsured or underinsured. Women who are pregnant, breast feeding, have a history of breast cancer or have had a mammogram in the last 12 months are not eligible for this service. Appointments are necessary. Please call Health and Human Services at 847-882-4445 by November 7th for an appointment or more information.

#### *Youth Commission*

The Youth Commission is currently looking for adult commission members! If you are interested in looking for new ways to serve youth in Hoffman Estates, please consider applying to the Youth Commission. Call 847-781-2606 for more information on how to participate in the commission.

## FLU SEASON INFORMATION

Health and Human Services offers some advice on how to avoid getting sick this fall and winter.



### The best defense against getting a cold

In an August 2005 survey sponsored by the American Society for Microbiology and the Soap and Detergent Association, 91% of adults say they always wash their hands after using public restrooms; however just 83% were observed doing so.

### What's the big deal anyway?

Think about all the things that you have touched today...the telephone, light switches, and car door; not to mention the bathroom door! Did you know that you can spread germs directly to others or onto surfaces that other people touch? Whatever you did today, you came into contact with germs. Washing your hands is the best way to stop germs from spreading and prevent you and your family from getting sick.



### Do you wash your hands correctly?

- 1<sup>st</sup>- wet your hands and apply soap.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>- rub your hands vigorously together and scrub all surfaces. Continue for 10-15 seconds (about the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday"). Most people do not scrub their hands long enough. This is important because it is the soap combined with the scrubbing action that helps dislodge and remove germs.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>- Rinse well and dry your hands.

Information taken from washup.org, cdc.gov, and kidshealth.org.

### The Flu-who should get vaccinated

A Flu Shot is recommended for the following individuals by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

- Children aged 6-59 months
- Women who will be pregnant during the Flu season
- Persons 50 years and older
- Children 6 months to 18 years who are receiving long-term aspirin therapy
- Adults and children who have chronic diseases or medical conditions such as: heart, lung (asthma) or kidney diseases, blood disorders, immunodeficiency, or diabetes.
- Adults and children who have any condition that can compromise respiratory function
- Residents of nursing homes or other chronic care facilities
- Persons who live with or care for individuals who are considered at-risk
- Health-care workers

### Flu Shot Clinic Information

There will be flu clinics held in 2006. To hear updates on Flu Clinic dates and times, call the **Flu Hotline** at 847-843-4848. The hotline will be updated weekly to provide residents with the most current Flu Vaccine information. The following is a description of each clinic:

#### Older Adult Flu Clinic (55 years and older only)

The Village will be holding an Older Adult Flu Clinic scheduled for November. This clinic is for Hoffman Estates residents only. The Older Adult Flu Clinic will be by appointment. Appointments will be given out over the phone. Please see the *Flu Shot Appointments* section for how to schedule an appointment. The vaccine is \$20 (cash or check only); Free with Medicare part B card. The clinic will be held at the Village Hall (main entrance).

#### Adult Flu Clinic (all adults 19 years and older)

The Village will be holding several Adult Flu Clinics in November and December. These clinics are for Hoffman Estates residents only. The Adult Flu Clinics will be by appointment. Appointments will be given out over the phone. Please see the *Flu Shot Appointments* section for how to schedule an appointment. The vaccine is \$20 (cash or check only); Free with Medicare part B card.

#### Children's Flu Clinic (6 months – 18 years old)

New this Year! Health and Human Services will be holding a special clinic specifically for children 6 months to 18 years old. This clinic will be a walk-in clinic (no appointments necessary). The Children's Flu Clinic is scheduled for November 13 from 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm. The Children's Flu Clinic is for children who are uninsured or underinsured. Flu Vaccine is \$5 for residents of the Village of Hoffman, Village of Schaumburg, and Hanover Township\*; \$7 for all other communities (cash or check only). The clinic will be held at the Village Hall (main entrance). First come, first serve as vaccine supply is limited.

\*Health and Human Services is proud to partner with the Village of Schaumburg, St. Alexius Medical Center, and Hanover Township to provide our Children's Flu Clinic. We would like to thank our partners for contributing nursing staff for these clinics.

## Flu Shot Appointments

The Department of Health and Human Services will be taking appointments for the Older Adult and Adult Flu Clinics. Appointments are necessary to receive a Flu shot at the above mentioned Village clinics. Shots will NOT be given to individuals who arrive at the clinics without an appointment. Appointments will be given out over the phone on November 13, 14 & 15 between 10:00am and 2:00pm. Appointments will NOT be given outside of these times. To schedule an appointment, call 847-843-4882 during the above times.

PLEASE NOTE: Appointments and vaccine are limited. Appointments will be given out in the order that calls are received.

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2006

Police Explorers, 3:00 pm at PD  
Plan Commission, 8:00 pm at VH

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2006

Comprehensive Plan Meeting, 7:00 pm at VH

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2006

Sister Cities French Fried Film Festival, 7:00 pm at VH

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2006

Police and Fire Commission, 8:00 am at PD  
Sister Cities Community, 1:00 pm at VH

## \*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2006

Veteran's Flag 2: James E. Cochran, US ARMY, 1946 - 48

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2006

Children's Clinic, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm at VH  
Community Pride Reception, 7:00 pm at VH  
Village Board Meeting, 8:00 pm at VH

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2006

Cultural Awareness Commission Meeting, 7:15 pm at VH  
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting, 7:30 pm at VH

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2006

Community Health Clinic, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm at VH

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2006

Sculpture Show, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm at VH

## \*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2006

Veteran's Flag 3: John R. Geib Sr., US ARMY, WWII

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2006

Utility Commission, 6:30 pm at PWC  
HEHS Lacrosse Demonstration, 7:00 pm at VH  
Village Committee Meetings 7:30 pm at VH

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2006

Hoffman Baby Clinic, 10:00 am-12:00 pm at VH  
Disabled and Seniors Commission, 5:30 pm at VH  
Historical Sites Commission, 7:00 pm at Sunderlage Farm  
ESDA, 7:30 pm at VH

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2006

Police Explorers, 3:00 pm at PD  
Peer Jury, 7:00 pm at PD  
Plan Commission, 8:00 pm at VH

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2006

Comprehensive Plan Meeting, 7:00 pm at VH  
4th of July Commission, 7:30 pm at VH

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2006

Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony, 4:30 pm at VH

## \*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2006

Veteran's Flag 4: Robert L. Cross, USAF, WWII

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2006

Youth Commission, 6:00 pm at VH  
Village Board Meeting, 8:00 pm at VH

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2006

TB Mobile Clinic, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm at VH  
Sister Cities Commission, 6:30 pm at VH  
Environmental Commission, 7:00 pm at VH  
Zoning Board Meeting, 7:30 pm at VH

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2006

Celebrations Commission, 5:30 pm at VH

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2006

VILLAGE HALL CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2006

TB Mobile Clinic, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm at VH

## \*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2006

Veteran's Flag 5: Anthony C. Alonzo, USARMY, WWII

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2006

Children's Memorial Commission, 6:00 pm at VH  
Arts Commission, 7:00 pm at VH  
Village Standing Committee Meetings, 7:30 pm at VH

- **Village Board Meetings** are held on the **first and third Monday** of each month at 8 pm in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.
- The **Transportation and Road Improvements; Planning, Building and Zoning; and General Administration and Personnel Committees** meetings are held on the **second Monday** at 7:30 pm at the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.
- The **Finance, Public Works and Utilities, and Public Health and Safety Committees** meetings are held on the **fourth Monday** each month at 7:30 pm in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

VH: Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road

PD: Police Department, 1200 Gannon Road

PWC: Public Works Center, 2305 Pembroke Ave.

\* The Flag rotation ceremony is held at the Veterans' Memorial at 1:00 pm every Sunday afternoon. 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 1200 Gannon Drive, Hoffman Estates IL 60169

### *Hoffman Estates Arts Commission Sculpture Show*

The Hoffman Estates Arts Commission is presenting an exciting Sculpture Show on Saturday, November 11, from 10 am to 5 pm, at the Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates. This show will feature outstanding pieces from emerging and established artists. In addition, there will be a presentation of how sculpture is made and a slide presentation of Chicago public art by a noted art historian. A \$5.00 donation is requested and the money will go to the Children's Advocacy Center of Hoffman Estates, an agency dedicated to helping abused children.

# THE VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES

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

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Main: 847-882-9100  
Police and Fire: 9-1-1  
Fire Admin: 847-882-2138  
Health & Human Services:  
847-882-4445  
Police Admin: 847-882-1818  
Public Works: 847-490-6800  
Event Hotline: 847-781-2855

## VILLAGE OFFICIALS

### Mayor

William D. McLeod

### Trustees

Karen V. Mills  
Lloyd H. Boester  
Rodney R. Rusakiewicz  
Cary J. Collins  
Raymond M. Kincaid  
Fred Crespo

Village Clerk - Virginia M. Hayter

Village Manager - James H. Norris

## MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

### Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

### Bruce C. Lind Police Complex

1200 Gannon Drive

### Fire Administration

1900 Hassell Road

### Public Works Center

2305 Pembroke Avenue

### Fire Station 21- Carl W. Selke

225 Flagstaff Lane

### Fire Station 22 - Michael J. O'Malley

1700 Moon Lake Boulevard

### Fire Station 23 - Richard G. Cordova

1300 Westbury Drive

### Fire Station 24 - Jerome Danowski

2601 Pratum Avenue

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Garbage Set Out Hours

Garbage totes, garbage bags and recycling bins are not to be set out at the curb until 6:00 PM the evening prior to your garbage and recycling collection day. The totes are to be removed from the curb no later than 10:00 PM the day of your collection. Toters and recycling bins must be stored inside of the garage or in the side yard behind the principle building line.

### Disposal of Leaves and Yardwaste

Bags of leaves and other yardwaste require a disposal sticker for each kraft bag that you set out for collection. Stickers may be purchased at local retailers, Village Hall and online at [www.hoffmanestates.org](http://www.hoffmanestates.org) or [www.groot.com](http://www.groot.com). Residents are reminded that leaves cannot be raked or blown out to the street. Village crews do not remove yardwaste accumulations from the street and any accumulations could cause gutter and sewer blockages. It is also illegal to burn leaves even in an outdoor fireplace. For more information, please contact the Code Enforcement Division at 847-882-9100.

The last day of 2006 Yardwaste collection by Groot, will be Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> for those residents residing north of the tollway and on Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> for those residents residing south of the Northwest Tollway. Special pick-up days will be scheduled for Christmas tree collection and will be announced in the December issue of the *Citizen*.

### A Traffic Safety Law to Know and Remember

The Illinois Vehicle Code requires motorists to turn on their headlights from sunset to sunrise and anytime "atmospheric conditions" require them to be on, which means if it's extremely cloudy and dark outside. **The same law requires motorists to turn on their headlights anytime their windshield wipers are on.** Don't forget, it is very difficult to see or be seen when you're driving in the rain. Having your headlights on will make you more visible to other drivers, and therefore, makes the roads safer for all motorists. Drivers who violate this law can be stopped by the police and issued a citation. **Remember, windshield wipers on, headlights on.**

### Signs

Village regulations prohibit any type of sign from being placed in the right of way, attached to a street sign or other traffic control device. Village code also requires election signs to be removed from homeowners' front yards seven days after the election was held. Please help us keep Hoffman Estates beautiful; comply with sign regulations or report violations to 847-882-9100.

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