

# Hoffman Estates Citizen

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News from the Village of Hoffman Estates



## 50 years of Growing to Greatness



*The Higginson Family pose for a picture during the construction of their new home in Parcel C, 1958*

On Sept. 15, 2009, Hoffman Estates will celebrate the 50th anniversary of its incorporation as a Village. As we reach this important milestone, Village Historian Pat Barch ponders how our vibrant community accomplished so much over the past 50 years ...

"I've thought about the history of our Village very often while writing my column this month. The struggle for land that included years of court battles wasn't easy. Decisions had to be made about every acre annexed into the Village. How wide should the streets be in new developments? Where

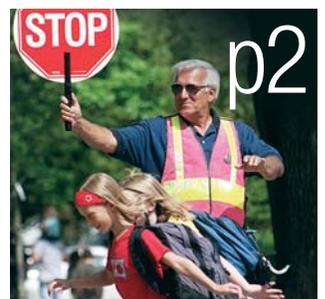
should the fire stations be located? How should different parcels of land be zoned?

"If you attend a Village Board meeting, you'll see project developers with large maps and detailed drawings answer questions, trying to convince the Board of Trustees that their development will be an asset for Hoffman Estates. Every little detail is examined – trees, stoplights, curbs – and the Trustees continue asking questions until they're satisfied.

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# St. Alexius Medical Center one of America's best

## Summer **block party** wrap-up

St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates has joined the prestigious ranks of America's top medical institutions in the annual America's Best Hospitals list published by U.S. News & World Report magazine. St. Alexius was ranked among the top 50 hospitals in the nation for the treatment and care of respiratory disorders.

Now in its 20th year, the magazine's America's Best Hospitals guide is the most extensive hospital ranking to date. U.S. News & World Report assessed more than 6,000 U.S. hospitals across 16 specialties utilizing an array of rigorous clinical standards – of which only 174 made the list. “We are extremely pleased to be recognized in this manner,” said Ed Goldberg, president and chief executive officer of St. Alexius. “The members of the medical and hospital staff work hard to provide the highest quality care possible for

our patients. It is an honor to be recognized for their efforts.”

In addition to the hospitals that appear in the print magazine, America's Best Hospitals includes an online guide where readers can find information on more than 1,500 hospitals. The report is available online at [www.usnews.com/besthospitals](http://www.usnews.com/besthospitals).

St. Alexius Medical Center is part of the Alexian Brothers Hospital Network (ABHN), a subsidiary of Alexian Brothers Health System, a diversified Catholic healthcare system based in Arlington Heights, Ill. ABHN is comprised of four hospitals that serve two million residents of Chicago's northwest suburbs, of which two are in Hoffman Estates: St. Alexius Medical Center and Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital, a specialty hospital.

With summer winding down, the Village would like to thank all the residents and neighborhood groups who came together for a successful block party season.

Block parties must be coordinated through the Village in order to ensure proper road closures, public safety access and permitting. Further, residents can request the presence of a fire engine, a police K-9 unit and a visit from your local elected officials, including Mayor McLeod, Clerk Romanoff and Village Board Trustees.

This year, there were block parties in every area of the Village. There is no fee for hosting a block party.

**If you're interested in hosting a block party on your street next summer, please contact the Village at 847-781-2600.**



## We encourage you to **duck the flu**



Conceptual image of flu virus particles (brown) invading cilia (blue). Image by Karsten Schneider/Science Photo Library

Flu season is fast approaching! Seasonal flu is a respiratory illness caused by the influenza virus. It spreads from person to person. Every year, an average of 36,000 people will die and 200,000 will be hospitalized from flu. This year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends annual vaccinations for all children six months through 18 years, as well as adults – especially those at risk for medical complications from the flu or who have close contact with people at higher risk. Health and Human Services will begin offering seasonal flu shots for adults during the last week of September. Flu clinics for children are not yet scheduled. For updates, call the Flu Hotline at 847-252-5441. For more information about the seasonal flu, visit the CDC Web site at [www.cdc.gov/flu](http://www.cdc.gov/flu).

### **School's back in session – think safety!**

School districts within Hoffman Estates opened their doors in late August. The Hoffman Estates Police Department would like to remind everyone to follow traffic safety in school zones. Traffic will increase significantly during the school season. It is everyone's responsibility to observe safety in and around school zones, near buses, and in the presence of school crossing guards. Slow down, as hazards are much easier to perceive when traveling at a slower speed. Use caution when crossing guards are present so that they may safely direct children crossing roadways. Following these tips will help save lives and prevent injuries, which makes Hoffman Estates a safer place to live.

# 50th anniversary

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“The Mayors and Trustees of the past 50 years have been the inquisitors of every development and annexation that led to the present size of our Village. Each administration argued, discussed and sometimes rejected the plans brought before it. These men and women are the reason we’ve grown to such greatness. They sought and planned a balanced community for the citizens of Hoffman Estates.

“Over the past 50 years, we’ve had seven dedicated Mayors, 57 devoted Trustees and hundreds of committed Village employees who need to be thanked for their years of service to Hoffman Estates. They accomplished so much for all of us!

“Happy birthday, Hoffman Estates! We’re all looking forward to 50 more years of prosperity!”

**E-mail Pat Barch at [eagle2064@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eagle2064@sbcglobal.net)**



Aerial view looking northwest at the intersection of Golf and Higgins roads, 1971

There are still tickets available for the Village’s 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner Dance on Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Marriott Chicago Northwest Hotel, 4800 Hoffman Blvd.

The price is \$50 a ticket. All attendees will receive a free history book, written by Cheryl Lemus, and DVD of interviews.

There will be a cocktail reception with cash bar. Registration starts at 5:45 p.m., followed by a welcome by the Master of Ceremonies – Mayor William D. McLeod – at 6:15 p.m. A champagne toast and dinner will begin at 7:15 p.m. Lastly, there will be music and dancing from 8:45 p.m. until 11 p.m.

**To make reservations for the Gala, please contact Sue Lessen by e-mail at [suzanne.lessen@hoffmanestates.org](mailto:suzanne.lessen@hoffmanestates.org), or by phone at 847-781-2606. Reservations will be accepted until Sept. 10.**

## Welcome new businesses!

**Da’ Roots Hair Care & Sports Barber**  
Hair care  
1053 N. Roselle Road

**Northwest Surgical Specialists, P.C.**  
Medical practice  
3100 W. Higgins Road, #150

**Precision Lock & Safe, Inc.**  
Locksmith  
1053 W. Golf Road

**Savant Capital Management, Inc.**  
Financial advisor  
2300 Barrington Road, #400

**Spa & Wellness Center of HE, P.C.**  
Spa  
3100 W. Higgins Road, #150

**Suburban Surgical Care Center, Ltd.**  
Medical practice  
3100 W. Higgins Road, #150



## A message from Mayor McLeod

I am proud to announce that the Hoffman Estates Police Department won first place honors in the National Law Enforcement Challenge in a category for municipalities with 101 to 200 sworn officers.

The National Law Enforcement Challenge, sponsored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), is a competition between similar sizes and types of law enforcement agencies. It recognizes the best overall traffic safety programs in the United States, including efforts to enforce laws and educate the public about occupant protection, impaired driving, and speeding.

There were over 530 applications submitted from law enforcement agencies across the country. Judging of the applications was conducted by a team of 25 highway safety professionals in June. This is the 11th time that the Hoffman Estates Police Department has received an award in this competition.

As a further result of our officers’ efforts, Illinois is experiencing an 83 year low in traffic fatalities. Safety belt usage is at 90.5 percent, joining only 15 other states/territories at this plateau. Illinois’ Ignition Interlock Law is working on ridding our highways of impaired drivers. In Hoffman Estates, speeding-related violations remain the number one cause of crashes, and the Police Department is working hard to address this issue.

The award will be presented at the IACP Conference in Denver in October.

We would not be successful in applying for this award without the great work done by our police officers – our first line of education and enforcement. Congratulations to all of our hardworking men and women in blue! The entire Department is dedicated to traffic safety, and should be commended for its effort.

Special thanks to Assistant Police Chief Steve Casstevens for his tireless dedication and ongoing commitment he demonstrates in the area of traffic and highway safety.

*Bill McLeod*



## 50th anniversary bus tour

To commemorate the conclusion of the Village's yearlong 50th anniversary celebration, the Historical Sites Commission is sponsoring two free bus tours of our community on Sunday, Sept. 20. The first tour will start at 12:30 p.m.; the second will begin at 3 p.m. Both tours depart from the historic Sunderlage Farmhouse on the corner of Volid Drive and Vista Lane. The tours will end with refreshments. Reservations are required, and can be made by calling 847-781-2606 before Friday, Sept. 11.



## Save the date: Hispanic Heritage Day Fiesta

The Cultural Awareness Commission is proud to present the new-and-improved Hispanic Heritage Day Fiesta! The event will be held on Saturday Oct. 17, at 1 p.m. at the Village Hall. Look for more information in the next issue of the Citizen!

## Saturday Code Enforcement hours end

Residents have just a few weekends left to schedule a residential building inspection for a Saturday. Code Enforcement staff will no longer be available on Saturdays after Sept. 26. Normal business hours for residential building inspections will resume, and are scheduled on weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you have questions, call the Code Enforcement Division at 847-781-2631.

## Public Works hours changed

As of Aug. 17, the Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow Public Works Center will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Save the date!

An AARP driver safety class will be held:

Tuesday, Sept. 15, and  
Thursday, Sept. 17  
(must attend both days)  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Police Department Training Room  
\$12 for AARP members; \$14 for nonmembers

For more information, contact Karen Cardoza at 847-781-2815.

## Recreational equipment parking regulations

As residents begin to store their boats, campers and trailers, it is important to know that there are several regulations that need to be followed for recreational equipment storage. The three main rules to remember are:

- Recreational equipment stored in a front or side yard adjacent to a street must be parked on a permitted driveway surface (concrete or asphalt)
- Recreational equipment stored in a side or back yard must be parked on crushed stone, gravel, brick pavers or on a permitted driveway surface (concrete or asphalt)
- At no time can any recreational vehicle be parked on the grass.

If you have any questions on recreational equipment storage regulations, call the Code Enforcement Division at 847-781-2631.

## Water meter upgrades completed

Over the past few years, the Village has been installing water meter reading transmitters located on the exterior of residential and commercial properties. The new transmitters allow a vehicle equipped with a mobile reading unit to drive by only a few streets in each neighborhood. The new system was put into operation in June 2009. With the new meter reading system, the Village is able to read all 15,500 accounts in one to two days. Previously, water meter reading took weeks, and was only performed on a bimonthly basis to minimize reading costs. The meters will now be read monthly by current Public Works staff, thereby eliminating the need to estimate bills every other month. Monthly readings will assist in helping identify leaks more quickly to help reduce the amount of water loss and associated costs to the resident. If you have any questions about your water bill, contact the Finance Department by phone at 847-843-4824, or by e-mail at [utilitybilling@hoffmanestates.org](mailto:utilitybilling@hoffmanestates.org).

A stock photo of one of our new mobile reading units



## Questions to Code

**Q:** With autumn on the way, are residents allowed to burn their leaves and branches?

**A:** No. The burning of yard waste is strictly prohibited. Leaves should be placed in approved bags, stickered and set out on the normal trash pickup day. Branches need to be tied in bundles no longer than four feet. Each bundle needs to be stickered. As usual, the Village will be picking up branches starting later this month. Turn to page 6 for more information.

Send your code queries to Bill Chlebik by phone at 847-781-2646, or by e-mail at [william.chlebik@hoffmanestates.org](mailto:william.chlebik@hoffmanestates.org).



## Drugs and sharps collection resumes

Beginning this month, the Village will resume collecting unused pharmaceutical drugs and sharps (syringes, needles and lancets). This program allows residents of Hoffman Estates to properly and safely dispose of over-the-counter medications, most prescription medications and sharps. However, under federal law, the collection of controlled substances is not allowed. These pharmaceuticals have the potential for abuse or addiction, and include narcotics, stimulants, depressants, hallucinogens and anabolic steroids. Medications that cannot be accepted by the program should **NOT** be flushed down the toilet or drain. Instead, remove the medication from the original container and mix with kitty litter, used coffee grounds or another undesirable substance. This mixture should then be placed in a sealable container and thrown out with the trash. If you have a question regarding this program or the acceptability of a medication, call Health and Human Services at 847-781-4850, or visit [www.swancc.org](http://www.swancc.org).

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

## Adult and older adult services

Health and Human Services provides free testing for blood pressure, diabetes and hemoglobin. Basic cholesterol testing is available for \$6. No appointments are necessary. For best results, do not eat at least four hours before the diabetes test. A complete lipid profile (total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, triglycerides and glucose screening) is available by appointment only. The test requires a small drop of blood that is obtained through a finger stick. Results are immediate, and include consultation with a registered nurse. The cost is \$22. For more information, call 847-781-4850.

- Schaumburg Barn  
231 Civic Drive, Schaumburg  
Dates: Sept. 2 & 16 and Oct. 7 & 21  
Time: 9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.  
(Note: no cholesterol testing at this clinic)
- Village Hall (main entrance)  
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates  
Dates: Sept. 9 and Oct. 14  
Time: 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Schaumburg Township  
1 Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates  
Date: Sept. 17 and Oct. 15  
Time: noon to 1 p.m.
- Hoffman Estates Park District  
Community Center & Ice Arena  
1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates  
Date: Sept. 21 and Oct. 19  
Time: 11 a.m. to noon

## Child and youth services

Health and Human Services offers two monthly child immunization clinics. The cost is \$5 per shot for residents of the Village of Hoffman Estates, Village of Schaumburg and Hanover Township, and \$7 for all other communities (cash, check or AllKids only please!). The clinics are intended for children who are underinsured (health insurance does not cover immunizations) or do not have health insurance. **Shot records are required for children to receive an immunization.** To schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850.

- Hoffman Baby Clinic  
(ages two months to kindergarten)  
Hoffman Estates residents only  
Village Hall (main entrance)  
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates  
Dates: Sept. 8 and Oct. 15  
Time: Appointments are required
- Children's Clinic  
(ages two months to 18 years)  
All communities welcome  
Village Hall (main entrance)  
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates  
Dates: Sept. 14 and Oct. 5  
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

## "1-2-3 Magic" in Hoffman Estates

Having trouble parenting your child? Dr. Thomas Phelan can help! Author of "1-2-3 Magic," Dr. Phelan provides expert advice on discipline for children ages two to 12 years old. A "1-2-3 Magic" workshop will be held at the Village Hall on Oct. 1 at 7 p.m. Registration is required. The cost for residents of Hoffman Estates is \$15 per person or parenting couple; \$20 for nonresidents. Call 847-781-4850 to make reservations. To learn more about Dr. Phelan or "1-2-3 Magic," visit [www.parent-magic.com](http://www.parent-magic.com).



## Free prescription discount card available

Health and Human Services is offering free prescription drug discount cards to Hoffman Estates residents through a program sponsored by the National League of Cities (NLC). The discount cards offer an average savings of 20 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs, and they have no restrictions based on a resident's age, income level or existing health coverage. It can be used when purchasing prescription drugs at pharmacies at more than 59,000 participating pharmacies across the country. There is no enrollment form required to get a card, no membership fee of any kind and residents and their families can use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance. Cards are available at the Village Hall front counter and in Health and Human Services. For assistance with the program, residents can call toll-free 1-888-620-1749, or visit [www.caremark.com/nlc](http://www.caremark.com/nlc). If you have questions about the program, call 847-781-4850.

Clinic schedules are available online by visiting [www.hoffmanestates.org/clinics](http://www.hoffmanestates.org/clinics).



By Bev Romanoff  
Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

## Clerk's corner

Just a reminder: if you missed bringing your old compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) bulbs to our recycling event on Aug. 15, they are always accepted at Village Hall. Drop them off and they will be disposed of in the proper manner.

Contact the Village Clerk's office at 847-781-2625, or e-mail the Clerk at [bev.romanoff@hoffmanestates.org](mailto:bev.romanoff@hoffmanestates.org).

# Growing to Greenness!

# Branch pickup resumes Sept. 28

## SWANCC document destruction event

On Saturday, Sept. 19, the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) will host a free document destruction event in the Village Hall parking lot, 1900 Hassell Road, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. This program is available to all SWANCC-member communities only (Hoffman Estates is a member), and proof of residency is required.

Village residents can drive up in their vehicles, and workers will unload the paper into totes. The paper is then loaded into a truck on site and cross-shredded in minutes. The shredded documents are then transported to Groot's recycling facility in Elk Grove Village, and baled before being recycled into new paper.



Since 2005, SWANCC has shredded over 296,540 pounds of paper from member communities. Typical documents that can be shredded include medical forms, bank statements, personal files, retired tax forms and other documents. Staples and paper clips are acceptable, but binders should be removed.

For more information on SWANCC's document destruction events or other recycling information, visit [www.swancc.org](http://www.swancc.org) or call 847-724-9205.

SWANCC provides a number of special recycling collection events for its residents, including computer and electronics, document destruction, medicine and sharps disposal, compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) bulb recycling, and athletic shoe recycling. Visit [swancc.org](http://swancc.org) for more information, or call 847-724-9205.

Hoffman Estates' free curbside tree branch pickup program will begin Monday, Sept. 28. This program is for residents covered by the Village refuse collection contract. Routes and dates have been established for various sections of the community.

**Only one collection pass will be made for each street. Please do not ask for exceptions.**

If branches are too large, are mixed with unacceptable materials or have not been prepared properly, they will not be picked up.

Public Works crews **WILL** accept:

- Tree branches no larger than 8 inches in diameter or 10 feet in length
- Shrub trimmings and similar brush
- Branches from willow trees if separated from other materials

Public Works crews will **NOT** accept:

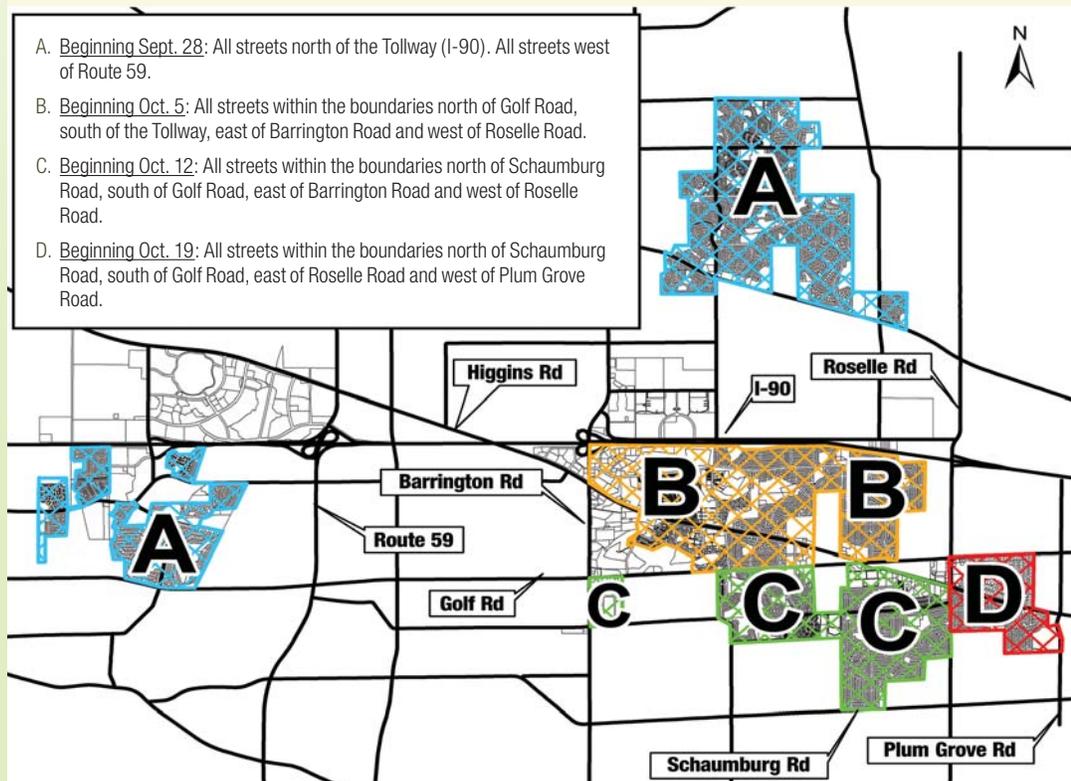
- Tree trunks, stumps or root balls
- Firewood
- Railroad ties or landscape timbers
- Grass clippings, leaves, sod, plants or yard waste



On the first date of pickup listed for your area, neatly stack branches at curbside by 7 a.m. Face the cut ends toward the street. Please do not tie branches in bundles or place in any container. Do not allow branches to protrude into the street or block sidewalks.

While supplies last, free wood chips will be available to residents at the Village's vehicle maintenance facility, 2405 Pembroke Ave., during daylight hours after 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and during daylight hours on weekends. Please bring your own containers.

If you have any questions or want to find out about free large truckload deliveries of wood chips, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-490-6800.



# September calendar



## Tuesday, September 1

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

## Wednesday, September 2

- Emergency Management Agency (EMA), 6:30 p.m. at VH
- Museum Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm
- Plan Commission, 8 p.m. at VH

## Saturday, September 5

- Fire and Police Commission, 8 a.m. at PD

## \*Sunday, September 6

- Veteran's Flag 60: Dee Wayne Waldron, Navy, WWII

## Monday, September 7

- *LABOR DAY, VH CLOSED*

## Tuesday, September 8

- Hoffman Baby Clinic, 10 a.m. to noon at VH
- Commission for Senior Citizens, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Historical Sites Commission, 5:30 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm
- Village Board Meeting, 8 p.m. at VH

## Wednesday, September 9

- Community Health Clinic, 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at VH

## Friday, September 11

- Patriot Day Remembrance Ceremony, 5 p.m. at VH

## Saturday, September 12

- Platzkonzert Germanfest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Village Green
- Fire Apparatus Expo, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Sears Centre Arena Parking Lot

## \*Sunday, September 13

- Veteran's Flag 61: James F. Gannon, Army, WWII

## Monday, September 14

- Children's Clinic, 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at VH
- 50th Anniversary Commission, 6 p.m. at VH
- Green Initiatives Commission, 6 p.m. at VH
- Utility Commission, 6:30 p.m. at PWC
- Standing Committee Meetings, 7:30 p.m. at VH

## Tuesday, September 15

- Zoning Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at VH

## Wednesday, September 16

- Peer Jury, 7 p.m. at PD
- Plan Commission, 8 p.m. at VH

## Thursday, September 17

- Commission for Disabled Citizens, 6 p.m. at VH
- Youth Commission, 6:30 p.m. at VH

## Saturday, September 19

- SWANCC Document Destruction Event, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at VH

## \*Sunday, September 20

- Veteran's Flag 62: Edward R. Neubecker, Army, Korea
- 50th Anniversary Bus Tour, noon and 3 p.m. at VH

## Monday, September 21

- Village Board Meeting, 8 p.m. at VH

## Tuesday, September 22

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

## Wednesday, September 23

- Celebrations Commission, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Arts Commission, 7 p.m. at VH
- Environmental Commission, 7:30 p.m. at PWC

## Thursday, September 24

- Liquor Servers Training, 7 p.m. at PD

## Saturday, September 26

- 50th Anniversary Gala Dinner Dance, 5:45 p.m. at Marriott Chicago Northwest Hotel

## \*Sunday, September 27

- Veteran's Flag 63: John T. O'Halloran, Army, WWII

## Monday, September 28

- Children's Memorial Commission, 6 p.m. at VH
- Emerging Technologies Commission, 6:30 p.m. at VH
- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH

**Village Board Meetings** are held on the **first and third Monday** of each month at 8 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 7:30 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 7:30 p.m. in the VH Council Chambers, unless otherwise noted.

**VH:** Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road

**PD:** Police Department, 1200 Gannon Drive

**PWC:** Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow Public Works Center, 2305 Pembroke Ave.



## Sears Centre Arena events

### Friday, September 4

- Chicago Bliss Lingerie Football League Game, 9 p.m.

### Saturday, September 19

- Skate for the Heart, featuring Jordin Sparks, Charice, Honor Society and KSM, 7:30 p.m.

For tickets and more information on upcoming events, visit [www.searscentre.com](http://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 1200 Gannon Drive, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169.*

## 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  
Police Administration . . . . 847-882-1818  
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  
Cary J. Collins  
Raymond M. Kincaid  
Jacquelyn Green  
Anna Newell  
Gary J. Pilafas

#### Village Clerk

Bev Romanoff

#### Village Manager

James H. Norris

### Municipal facilities

#### Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

#### Hours:

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

#### Bruce C. Lind Police Complex

1200 Gannon Drive

#### 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\*

5775 Beacon Pointe Drive (\*new location!)

#### Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow

#### Public Works Center

2305 Pembroke Ave.

# Platzkonzert merges with Fire Apparatus Expo

The Arts Commission is proud to bring back its Oktoberfest-themed open-air event, Platzkonzert Germanfest, on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This free celebration of all things German will take place at the Virginia Mary Hayter Village Green located on Prairie Stone Parkway off Route 72 in the Prairie Stone Business Park.

The Johnny Wagner Band will provide authentic Bavarian music, while The Tenors 3 and the Danube Cultural Society German Dancers entertain the crowd. There will also be a climbing wall, and a stein-carrying contest. Like last year, German beer will be available for purchase. What better way to compliment authentic bratwurst and sauerkraut?

New this year is a Fire Apparatus Expo, sponsored by Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) II and the Hoffman Estates

Fire Department. This event features fire equipment, vehicles, and demonstrations from 15 municipalities, including Algonquin, Bartlett, Carpentersville, Elgin, Hanover Park, Huntley, South Elgin and Streamwood.

The Expo occurs on the same date and time, and takes place in the Sears Centre Arena parking lot, 5333 Prairie Stone Parkway, right across the street from the Platzkonzert. There will be an auto extrication demonstration at 11 a.m., followed by Technical Rescue Specialists at 1 p.m. There will also be displays on fire safety, water rescue and hazardous materials, as well as a smokehouse.

For directions and details, visit [www.hoffmanestatesarts.com](http://www.hoffmanestatesarts.com), or call 847-781-2606.

See the fire trucks, then enjoy German music, dancing and games across the street!



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