

Hoffman Estates Citizen

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News from the Village of Hoffman Estates

International **Food Tasting** Festival

Would you like to sample exceptional ethnic cuisine from a variety of local restaurants? Would you like to taste the food, wines and liqueurs unique to the Village's sister city, Angoulême, France? Would you like to do all of this for only \$10?

The first ever Hoffman Estates International Food Tasting Festival, "Think Global, Eat Local," will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 30, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Stonegate Banquet and Conference Centre, 2401 W. Higgins Road.

The Village has a diverse population reflected in its array of cross-cultural eateries. Approximately 20 restaurants are expected to participate in the inaugural International Food Tasting Festival, with food ranging from French and Italian to Chinese, Mexican, Pakistani and more. Sample-sized world cuisine will be provided. For an up-to-date list of restaurants, visit www.visithoffman.com.

An exciting highlight of the event will be the cupcake competition. Culinary students from Elgin Community College and Harper College will compete in a cupcake challenge for scholarship money provided by Tate & Lyle, a great new addition to the list of corporate headquarters located in Hoffman Estates. One of Tate & Lyle's products is Splenda sweetener, and the culinary team that best utilizes Splenda in its mini-cupcake recipe will win a \$1,000 scholarship, with \$500 going to the runner-up. All attendees will vote for the tastiest cupcake.

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Growing to Greenness!

The latest "Green Business"

The Hoffman Estates Park District is the most recently recognized Hoffman Estates "Green Business." The Park District has demonstrated significant effort in improving energy and water efficiency, and reducing waste at their facilities. They also promote their dedication to the environment with community and employee education programs.



The Green Business Recognition Program acknowledges businesses that are focused on sustainable environmental and economic practices. Applications are reviewed by staff and the Village's Green Initiatives Commission. To apply or learn more about the program, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/green.

Protecting yourself from the flu

Flu season is just around the corner. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) encourages the flu vaccine for everyone six months and older. The vaccination should be given before the onset of flu activity in the community to allow protective antibody levels to develop. This year, new strains of flu viruses are expected to be circulating. The new flu vaccine will offer protection against these new strains.

Health and Human Services will offer flu shots for adults and children six months and older. All communities are welcome.

Children's Flu Clinic

Monday, Oct. 1

Village Hall (main entrance), 1900 Hassell Road
3:30 to 6 p.m.

\$10 (cash or check), or free with AllKids

(*All flu vaccines are thimerosal-free. Nasal mist is available for children two to 18 years old)

Family Flu Clinics

Monday, Oct. 8

Village Hall (main entrance), 1900 Hassell Road

Wednesday, Oct. 10

Willow Recreation Center, 3600 Lexington Drive

Appointments are required

Adults: \$20 (cash or check), or free with Medicare Part B

Children: \$10 (cash or check), or free with AllKids

To make a reservation or for more information, call 847-781-4850. For updates, call the flu hotline at 847-252-5441. For more information about the flu, visit the CDC website at www.cdc.gov/flu.



Floodplain information and services

Do you know if you live in a floodplain? Is your home located near a creek, wetland or detention basin? Even if you have never experienced flooding, there is still the possibility that it could happen in the future. Everyone is at risk of flooding. Floods often result from torrential rainstorms and from snow melt. Floods can also result as a side effect of grading changes that alter storm water drainage patterns. Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) identify high-risk flooding areas, called the floodplain. FIRMs are prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for Cook and Kane counties, and help identify flood zones to determine flood insurance rates. The Village can assist homeowners, renters and business owners in determining the likelihood that your home or business is located in a floodplain.

There are basically two insurance policies that deal with damage due to water: a flood insurance policy and a homeowners/business insurance policy. Flood damage to your home or business can be insured only with a flood insurance policy – no other insurance will cover flood damage. For insurance purposes, water damage is considered to occur when water damages your home before the water comes in contact with the ground. Generally, flood damage is caused by water that has been on the ground at some point before damaging your home. Renters, homeowners and

business owners can purchase a separate flood insurance policy at a reduced rate for all properties, whether they are in a floodplain or not.

The Village of Hoffman Estates offers floodplain map information services that's free to anyone interested in obtaining information regarding the Village's FIRMs. Information that may be obtained includes:

- Whether a property is within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
- Flood insurance rating information, such as FIRM flood zone, panel number, suffix, panel date and regulatory base flood elevation
- Regulatory provisions that may apply to the property in question
- A map of the property with the flood zone overlaid

The goal of the floodplain map information service is to educate the community about the potential flood risk on a designated property, improving floodplain management and to provide information about what steps can be taken to reduce losses as a result of potential flooding events.

Find out if you're in an area at risk of flooding. The Transportation and Engineering Division can tell you if a property is within a designated flood hazard area. To obtain your floodplain status, call Shelley Walenga at 847-252-5805. FIRM panels are also available for review at the Village Hall, or online at the FEMA Map Service Center website, www.msc.fema.gov.

French chef events

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Additionally, Chef Patrick Guat from L'Amandier School in Angoûleme, France, assisted by Chef Pascal and two culinary students, will prepare four savory dishes for sampling, including grilled eggplant caviar with sundried tomatoes, peach and cucumber macédoine with bleu cheese and a basil olive oil emulsion, gazpacho, and shrimp and mango minestrone with strawberry and balsamic vinegar jelly. There will also be a fabulous French marketplace for attendees to sample various liqueurs provided by Heavenly Spirits, and wine tastings provided by Lurton.

Tickets are available on the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce website, www.hechamber.com. They are \$10 in advance, or \$15 at the door. The event is cosponsored by Tate & Lyle, the Sister Cities Commission, the Stonegate and the Chamber of Commerce.

Chef Patrick Guat, left, and his culinary students pose with last year's children's cooking class at the Village Hall



Sister Cities Commission events

Furthermore, the Sister Cities Commission invites you to experience a week of French culture and cuisine. Chef Patrick Guat and his colleagues will offer cooking classes and demonstration dinners. The events scheduled are as follows:

- **Thursday, Nov. 1** – “Wings and Wines with Chef Patrick” for up to 40 guests at L'Eiffel Bistrot and Creperie at The Arboretum, 100 W. Higgins Road in South Barrington. This event is cosponsored by Frank Ferru of L'Eiffel Bistrot, and is from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. This is a special dinner in a romantic restaurant. Advanced reservation required. Contact L'Eiffel Bistrot at 847-428-4783 to reserve your place for this event. Ticket price: TBA.
- **Sunday, Nov. 4** – “Children's Cooking Class and Cultural Immersion” for up to 30 children, ages 12 to 15, at the Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road. The class will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The theme will be “Sweet and Savory French Desserts.” In addition to preparing and sampling the desserts, each child will receive a chef's apron. Advanced reservations required. Call 847-781-2606 to reserve your child's place for this event. Ticket price: \$15.
- **Monday, Nov. 5** – “Multicourse French Dinner with Wine Pairings” at Elgin Community College (ECC) Spartan Terrace Restaurant, 1700 Spartan Drive in Elgin. At 6 p.m., Chef Patrick and his colleagues will prepare a French dinner with students from ECC in conjunction with the Food Production IV restaurant class. Advanced reservations required. Contact the ECC box office at 847-622-0300 to reserve your place for this event. Ticket price: \$60.

For more event information and to purchase tickets, contact Sue Lessen by phone at 847-781-2606, or by e-mail at suzanne.lessen@hoffmanestates.org. Bon appétit!



A message from Mayor McLeod

As a Tree City USA community, the Village has an abundance of forest preserves that make for a spectacular show when the leaves change. I hope that our residents are able to take some time this autumn to enjoy the fall foliage at our parks and trails. The colors change quickly, and you won't want to miss it!

Speaking of must-see events, our Cultural Awareness Commission will host the annual Hispanic Heritage Fiesta at Village Hall on Saturday, Oct. 6, starting at 2 p.m. Pumpkin Fest, a fall favorite among the children in our Village, will take place on Saturday, Oct. 13, at 11 a.m. at Sunderlage Farm. On Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 5 p.m., the Sister Cities Commission will host its first ever International Food Tasting Festival at the Stonegate Banquet and Conference Centre. For information on other Village events, visit our online calendar at www.hoffmanestates.org/calendar.

In addition to Village-sponsored events, the Sears Centre Arena will host world-class entertainers this fall and winter. Upcoming highlights include Alan Jackson on Nov. 9 and Mythbusters on Nov. 10. For a complete list of events, visit www.searscentre.com.

In September, the Village Board recognized three Great Citizens for their contributions to our community. Dr. Robert Steinberg graciously provided dinner for the U.S. Air Force “Shades of Blue” jazz ensemble when they performed a free concert at the Village Green in August. Ms. Isha Jog has balanced a shining academic record at Fremd High School while managing to give back to important causes, even starting her own “Holidays Heroes” philanthropy project that spanned three area high schools. And Ms. Patti Kerber, in the face of serious family trials, went back to college, graduated with a degree in education and reminds us all that it is never too late to start afresh. Ms. Kerber now teaches at St. Hubert Catholic School.

If you know of someone who is making a positive impact in Hoffman Estates, nominate them for a Great Citizen award by contacting Emily Kerous at 847-781-2610 or emily.kerous@hoffmanestates.org.

Bill McLeod

Community briefs

Halloween trick-or-treating hours

The hours for trick-or-treating will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Pumpkin Fest

The Historical Sites Commission invites you to paint a pumpkin at the 17th annual Pumpkin Fest. A nominal fee includes a pumpkin, acrylic paint for decorating and refreshments. Don't forget your camera! Pumpkin Fest will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Sunderlage Farmhouse located on the corner of Vista Lane and Volid Drive. For more information, call 847-781-2606.

Tours of Greve Cemetery

The Historical Sites Commission is hosting tours of Greve Cemetery, weather permitting. Small group guided tours will be held on Saturday, Oct. 20, and Sunday, Oct. 21, at 1 p.m. Call 847-781-2606 for reservations before Oct. 16.



Old Time Radio Show

Remember the days when radio was king? Relive those memories by joining your friends for an Old Time Radio Show. The Arts Commission is proud to welcome back the TesserAct Theatre Ensemble for a performance on Friday, Oct. 12, at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road. The TesserAct players will present "Buck Rogers" (first episode), "The Strange Dr. Weird" (spooky, supernatural drama), "Baby Snooks and Daddy" (Halloween program) and "X Minus One" (sci-fi adventure). The cost is \$10 per person, and includes a dinner of Italian beef, chicken, mostaccioli, salad, light refreshments and cookies. Reservations are required, and must be returned by Oct. 5. RSVP by calling Sue at 847-781-2606.



National Manufacturing Day

Harper College will host a National Manufacturing Day event at the Wojcik Conference Center, 1200 W. Algonquin Road in Palatine, on Friday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jobs in advanced manufacturing are available for people with the right skills. At National Manufacturing Day, you can learn more about preparing for this career field, paid internships, opportunities to pursue advanced training and credentials, and career options with good pay and benefits. Exhibitors include several Hoffman Estates businesses, including BIG Kaiser Precision Tooling, Inc., and FANUC Robotics America Corporation. For more information or to RSVP, visit www.harpercollege.edu.



Coffee with the Board

The next Coffee with the Board is on Saturday, Oct. 20, at 10 a.m. at the Village Hall. Ask questions and give comments to the Village of Hoffman Estates Board of Trustees.

Pet license renewal

Pet licenses for dogs and cats must be renewed before Thursday, Nov. 1, and are currently on sale. All pets that are six months old must be licensed. Please provide a copy of your statement from a veterinarian that the dog or cat is currently inoculated against rabies. If you currently have pets licensed, you should be receiving a letter in the mail shortly with your renewal information. **Foster pets need to be licensed too.** Residents fostering dogs or cats must obtain a pet license at Village Hall for each animal regardless of the length of time the animal is fostered. Pet licenses cannot be transferred to another foster animal after they have found their forever home.

Pet tags purchased after Nov. 30 are subject to \$1.50/month penalty per tag. Pet tags are available for \$5 each, or \$2 for senior citizens' pet tags (limit two). Tags are needed for Seeing Eye/service dogs, but the fee is waived. Pet tags may be purchased at Village Hall during normal business hours.

Questions to Code

Q: My neighbor burns leaves in his outside fireplace. Is that allowed?

A: Nope. Only seasoned firewood may be burned in portable outside fireplaces. Please follow the manufacturer's instructions. Leaves, clippings and branches need to be bagged and stickered.

Send your code questions to Bill Chlebik by phone at 847-781-2646, or by e-mail at william.chlebik@hoffmanestates.org.

Disposal of leaves and yard waste

Bags of leaves and other yard waste require a disposal sticker for each Kraft paper bag that you set out for collection. Stickers may be purchased at local retailers, Village Hall or www.groot.com. Residents are reminded that leaves cannot be raked or blown into the street. Village crews do not remove yard waste from the street, and any accumulation could cause gutter and sewer blockage. It is also illegal to burn leaves, even in an outdoor fireplace. For more information, call Code Enforcement at 847-781-2631.

Save the date: photography workshop

The next photography workshop will be at the Village Hall on Saturday, Nov. 3.

Computer animation class for kids

The Youth Commission is offering two free "Project Alice" computer animation classes for children ages seven to 12 (beginner level). Both take place on Saturday, Oct. 20. The first session begins at 9 a.m., and the second session begins at 11 a.m. Classes are at the Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road. Registration is required as space is limited to 10 students per session. To reserve a spot, call 847-781-2606. A parent or guardian is required throughout the duration of the class.

Election signs prohibited in rights of way

With November elections approaching, residents are reminded that election signs can only be posted in the front yard of private property. No temporary signs, including election signs, may be posted on any Village, state or county rights of way, any traffic control device, street sign or light post within the Village. These signs will be removed by Village staff and disposed of.



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

Adult and older adult services

Health and Human Services provides an array of affordable health screenings, preventative tests and vaccinations. Blood pressure testing and pulse checks are available at no cost. Diabetes and hemoglobin testing are available for **\$3 per test**. For best results, do not eat at least four hours before the diabetes test. Complete lipid profile testing, Cholestech, is available by appointment only (not performed during the regular adult health clinics), and costs \$22. The test measures total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, triglycerides and glucose levels, and requires a small drop of blood that is obtained through a finger stick. Results are immediate, and include consultation with a registered nurse. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850.

- **Schaumburg Barn**
231 Civic Drive, Schaumburg
Dates: Oct. 3 & 17 and Nov. 7 & 21
Time: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- **Village Hall (main entrance)**
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: Oct. 10 and Nov. 14
Time: noon to 1 p.m.
- **Triphahn Center & Ice Arena**
1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates
Date: Oct. 15 and Nov. 19
Time: 11 a.m. to noon
- **Schaumburg Township**
1 Illinois Blvd., Hoffman Estates
Date: Oct. 18 and Nov. 15
Time: noon to 1 p.m.

Child and youth services

Health and Human Services offers two monthly child immunization clinics. The cost is \$8 per shot for residents of the Village of Hoffman Estates and Village of Schaumburg, and \$10 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.

- **Children's Clinic**
(ages two months to 18 years)
All communities welcome
Village Hall (main entrance)
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: Oct. 1 and Nov. 5
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Hoffman Baby Clinic**
(ages two months to kindergarten)
Hoffman Estates residents only
Village Hall (main entrance)
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: Oct. 9 and Nov. 13
Time: Appointments are required

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

Counseling services

Health and Human Services offers professional and affordable counseling services to residents. Call 847-781-4850 for information.

Stroke screening in Hoffman Estates

Did you know that 80 percent of strokes are preventable? On Friday, Oct. 19, Life Line Screening will be at Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road, conducting stroke assessments for the community. Using ultrasound to check for plaque buildup in your arteries (the leading cause of stroke), the procedure is quick and painless. Do something good for yourself, and make an appointment today. Registration is required, so call 800-324-1851. For more information, visit www.lifelinescreening.com.



Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Breast cancer is the most common type of cancer in women in the United States. This year, an estimated 226,870 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected. National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is dedicated to educating women about the importance of early detection. Screening with mammography can find cancers before they begin to cause any symptoms. An annual mammogram is recommended for all women age 40 or older.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

According to recent statistics, one in every four women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime, and females who are 20 to 24 years old are at the greatest risk for nonfatal intimate partner violence. Sadly, most cases are never reported. Health and Human Services has trained professionals available that can provide confidential consultation, counseling and referrals for individuals needing services. If you have questions or would like to make an appointment, call 847-781-4850.



By Bev Romanoff
Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

Clerk's corner

The Village of Hoffman Estates will once again be an early voting site for the Nov. 6, 2012, presidential election. Early voting begins on Monday, Oct. 22, and ends on Saturday, Nov. 3. Early voting hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

Fire Prevention Week in Hoffman Estates

The Hoffman Estates Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) from Oct. 7 through Oct. 13 to let our community know: "It's Fire

Prevention Week. Have 2 Ways Out!" This year's theme focuses on the importance of fire escape planning and practice.

According to the NFPA, one home structure fire was reported every 85 seconds in 2010. That added up to 369,500 home structure fires, which caused 13,350 injuries and 2,640 deaths.



Now imagine it's 3 a.m. You and your family are sound asleep and awake to a beeping smoke alarm. You are tired and confused from the effects of the smoke. You know you need to get to safety, but when you head for the front door, you find the escape route is blocked by fire that is spreading by the second. What do you do?

While this scenario is one the Fire Department hopes you never have to encounter, statistics tell us that many people do every day. The numbers are scary, but there is something you can do to help ensure your family's safety: Have 2 Ways Out! Hoffman Estates residents need to know what to do if a fire breaks out in their home. Preparation is an important part of being able to deal with an emergency. Have an escape plan and practice it!

If you have any questions about Fire Prevention Week, e-mail Lt. Don Richter at donald.richter@hoffmanestates.org. To learn about Fire Prevention Week, visit www.firepreventionweek.org.

Hispanic Heritage Fiesta!



The Cultural Awareness Commission is proud to celebrate the community's diverse culture by sponsoring a Hispanic Heritage Fiesta on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road.

Enjoy an afternoon of the sights, sounds and tastes of Hispanic culture. Activities include Latin dance representing several countries, food and light refreshments, and, of course, the ever-popular piñata.

Featured guest speakers are Elba Aranda-Suh, Executive Director of the National Latino Education Institute, and Nancy McDonald with the Rita and John Canning Women's Program at Harper College.

Bring the entire family! For more information, call 847-781-2606.

Branch pickup continues through October

The Village's free curbside tree branch pickup program continues through Friday, Oct. 19. This program is for residents covered by the Village refuse collection contract.

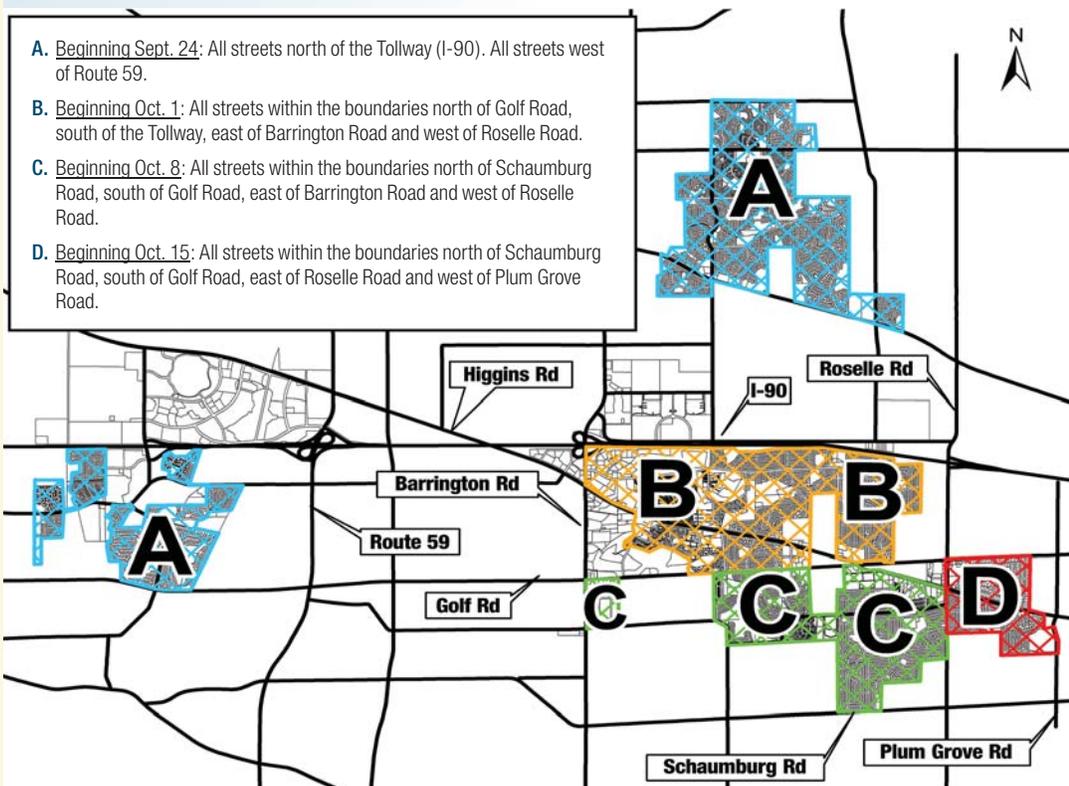
Only one collection pass will be made for each street. Please do not ask for exceptions. If branches are too large, are mixed with unacceptable materials or have not been prepared properly, they will **not** be picked up.

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. 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 woodchips will be available to residents at the Village's vehicle maintenance facility, 2405 Pembroke Ave., 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.



October calendar



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

Monday, Oct. 1

- Children's Clinic, 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, Oct. 2

- Celtic Fest Commission, 5 p.m. at VH
- Cultural Awareness Commission, 7:15 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Oct. 3

- Emergency Management Agency (EMA), 6:30 p.m. at PD
- Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Saturday, Oct. 6

- Fire and Police Commission, 8 a.m. at PD
- Hispanic Heritage Fiesta, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at VH

*Sunday, Oct. 7

- Veteran's Flag 35: Robert J. Kalas, Army, WWII

Monday, Oct. 8

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, Oct. 9

- 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

Wednesday, Oct. 10

- Community Health Clinic, noon to 1 p.m. at VH
- Museum Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm
- Police Explorers, 6:45 p.m. at PD

Thursday, Oct. 11

- Heartsaver AED CPR Class (Adult and Child Only), 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Fire Station 22
- Fourth of July Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Friday, Oct. 12

- Old Time Radio Show Performance, 6:30 p.m. at VH

Saturday, Oct. 13

- Pumpkin Fest, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm

*Sunday, Oct. 14

- Veteran's Flag 36: Frank S. Carter Jr., Air Force, WWII
- Chicago Soul FC Launch Party, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Sears Centre

Monday, Oct. 15

- Village Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Oct. 17

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

Thursday, Oct. 18

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

Saturday, Oct. 20

- Computer Animation Class for Kids, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at VH
- Coffee with the Board, 10 a.m. at VH
- Tours of Greve Cemetery, 1 p.m. at Greve Cemetery

*Sunday, Oct. 21

- Veteran's Flag 37: Gerald J. Boncimino, Army, WWII
- Tours of Greve Cemetery, 1 p.m. at Greve Cemetery

Monday, Oct. 22

- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, Oct. 23

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

Wednesday, Oct. 24

- Celebrations Commission, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Senior Citizen Story-Telling Event, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at VH
- Police Explorers, 6:45 p.m. at PD
- Arts Commission, 7 p.m. at VH
- Environmental Commission, 7 p.m. at PWC

Thursday, Oct. 25

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

*Sunday, Oct. 28

- Veteran's Flag 38: Edwin C. Scholl, Army, WWI
- Veterans' Memorial Commission, 1 p.m. at PD

Tuesday, Oct. 30

- International Food Tasting Festival, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Stonegate Banquet and Conference Centre

Wednesday, Oct. 31

- Halloween Trick-or-Treating, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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

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

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

VH: Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road

PD: Police Department, 411 W. Higgins Road

PWC: Public Works Center, 2305 Pembroke Ave.



Friday, Oct. 26

- Mika Singh: Bollywood King, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 3, and Sunday, Nov. 4

- Cheerbean: 2012 Cheer and Poms Competition, various times

Friday, Nov. 9

- Alan Jackson, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 10

- Mythbusters: Behind the Myths Tour, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 30, through, Sunday, Dec. 2

- IRCA State 2012 Cheer and Poms Championship, various times

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

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

The Village of Hoffman Estates

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

Important phone numbers

Main847-882-9100
Police and Fire9-1-1
Police Administration847-781-2800
Fire Administration847-843-4825
Public Works847-490-6800
Health and
Human Services.847-781-4850
Event Hotline847-252-5443

Village officials

Mayor

William D. McLeod

Trustees

Karen V. Mills
Raymond M. Kincaid
Jacquelyn Green
Anna Newell
Gary J. Pilafas
Gary G. Stanton

Village Clerk

Bev Romanoff

Village Manager

James H. Norris

Municipal facilities

Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

Hours:

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

Police Department

411 W. Higgins Road

Fire Administration

1900 Hassell Road

Fire Station 21 — Carl W. Selke

225 Flagstaff Lane

Fire Station 22 — Michael J. O'Malley

1700 Moon Lake Blvd.

Fire Station 23 — Richard G. Cordova

1300 Westbury Drive

Fire Station 24 — Jerome Danowski

5775 Beacon Pointe Drive

Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow

Public Works Center

2305 Pembroke Ave.

Option for **electricity savings** for Hoffman Estates **businesses**

In August 2012, the Village's Electricity Aggregation Program became effective for residents and small businesses in the Village of Hoffman Estates.

The definition of "small business" was changed earlier this year by the Illinois Commerce Commission to mean only those businesses that use 12,000 kilowatt hour (kWh) per year or less.

This definition change excluded many Hoffman Estates businesses from being eligible to participate in the new program, and, therefore, from enjoying the savings offered on electricity costs.

The Village continued to seek savings opportunities for our local businesses, and found a program available to those businesses not eligible for the Electricity Aggregation Program.

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Energy Savings Program (ESP)

This program is offered through the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, and is in cooperation with Integrys Energy as the electricity supplier. The program provides a rate of 5.35 cents per kWh from June 2012 through October 2013. There are also 24 and 36 month options. Based on ComEd current and future rates, this program could provide savings of 40 percent to 66 percent to local businesses.

To sign up, visit www.integrysenergy.com/esp, or call 877-549-8790 and ask for the ESP's business program rates. Questions on this program can be directed to ESP Program Manager Craig Schuttenberg at 773-491-1564.

The Village continues to look for savings for our residents and businesses, and hopes this electricity savings program will provide your business with lower energy costs.



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