

Hoffman Estates Citizen

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News from the Village of Hoffman Estates

Village hosts large **recycling and document** destruction event

The Village of Hoffman Estates, in partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), will host a free one-day recycling drop-off and document destruction event



The drop-off will take place on Saturday, Aug. 13, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow Public Works Center, 2305 Pembroke Ave.

In addition to electronics, the Village will be accepting these items for recycling:

- Expired drugs/sharps
- Fluorescent and compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) light bulbs
- Batteries
- Printer cartridges

- Latex (water-based) paint (small fee):

- Quarts: \$2
- One-gallon containers: \$3.50
- Two-gallon buckets: \$5
- Five-gallon buckets: \$10

Document destruction and electronics recycling

There is no cost to attend, but this event is for residents of SWANCC-member communities only, and proof of residency is required.

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Growing to Greenness!

Free recycling and document destruction event

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Lead poisoning dangers

If your home was built before 1978, it likely contains some lead-based paint.

Lead is a highly toxic metal. When absorbed into the body, it can cause damage to the central nervous system and vital organs, such as the brain, kidneys, nerves and blood cells. Some symptoms of lead poisoning include headaches, stomachaches, tiredness and irritability. Children under the age of six are especially vulnerable. Lead can harm kids without causing obvious symptoms. They can become lead poisoned by putting their hands or other lead contaminated objects into their mouths.



Paint containing lead was previously used on the inside and outside of homes because of its durability. If you live in a home constructed prior to 1978 and you see peeling, flaking or chipping paint, you may be at risk. Keep dust to a minimum, wash your hands and the hands of children often, and pick up any paint chips, wiping surfaces after their removal. State law requires property owners to correct lead-based paint hazards if a child living in the home tests positive for lead poisoning.

For more information on lead poisoning, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/cdbg, or contact the Cook County Department of Public Health's Lead Poisoning Prevention Division at 708-633-8054.

Materials from businesses, institutions or schools will not be accepted. If you cannot come to the Hoffman Estates recycling day, you may attend any SWANCC recycling event (proof of residency required). Visit www.swancc.org for more collection dates.

All paper, including medical records, bank statements and retired tax forms, is shredded on site by Accurate Document Destruction, a division of Groot Industries, Inc., and all electronics will be recycled by Com2 Recycling Solutions. For more information about these companies, visit www.shredd.net or www.com2recycling.com.

Metal binders and clips should be removed. Residents will be limited to six grocery-size paper bags or file-size boxes of documents. Do not bring paper in plastic bags.



Drive to the Public Works Center, and workers will unload the recyclables from your car.

Accepted items include:

- Computers and computer equipment/components
- Printers, scanners, copy machines and fax machines
- Microwaves
- Small home appliances (e.g., toasters, blenders, etc.)
- Cellphones, PDAs and tablets
- Stereos and MP3 players
- Cameras and camcorders
- Landline phones and answering machines
- Power tools and cords
- TVs (no wood) and VHS, DVD and CD players (no tapes or discs)
- DVRs, cable and satellite receivers, and converter boxes
- Videogame consoles

Do NOT bring humidifiers/dehumidifiers, air conditioners, vacuum cleaners, refrigerators and other large home appliances.

For a complete list of acceptable items, as well as information about other "Green" programs, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/green.

10 facts about storm water

1. Storm water comes from rainfall.
2. Storm water that does not soak into the ground becomes surface runoff.
3. Runoff becomes polluted as it runs along roads, parking lots, roofs, lawns and construction sites.
4. Runoff contains pollutants, such as automotive fluids, fertilizers and pesticides, leaves, sediment, litter, and pet waste.
5. The polluted surface runoff flows into a storm sewer that eventually flows into waterways (ponds, creeks and rivers).
6. Runoff is NOT treated before it enters the waterways.
7. Storm sewers are designed to collect water from sidewalks, parking lots and streets to prevent flooding.
8. Everyone can help reduce the amount of rubbish and pollution carried in storm water.
9. Please do your part to keep storm water clean!
10. Report illegal dumping or spills by calling the Public Works Department at 847-490-6800, or, in the case of an emergency, call 9-1-1.



Get to know: **Barrington Square Town Center**

The Village's Economic Development team highlights shopping centers in Hoffman Estates, including future developments and improvements. If you have any questions about business issues, contact Economic Development Director Kevin Kramer by phone at 847-781-2662, or by email at kevin.kramer@hoffmanestates.org. For more information on the Village's shopping centers, visit www.visithoffman.com.

Barrington Square Town Center

Background: Built in 1973 as an enclosed mall, Barrington Square is now an outdoor community gathering place for events and commerce. Located along Higgins Road just east of Barrington Road, the center was originally anchored by Robert Hall Village, then Kmart in 1980, which was later renovated for Menards in 1993. The home improvement store was torn down in 2008, and the land is now available for development opportunities. The longtime owners of the center recently upgraded the parking lot, façade and courtyard of the center, and the occupancy rate is now up to 95 percent.



Development in the center: 2016 has been a busy construction season on both the north and south sides of Barrington Square. A new McDonald's, which accommodates the fast food giant's new look and drive-thru format, is now open in an outlot adjacent to Buona Beef along Higgins Road. On the north side of the center, a new 25,000-square-foot medical office building was constructed behind the bowling alley facing Hassell Road. There remains room for more development on both the former Menards and Burger King lots.

In the news: The center has been home to longtime businesses like Poplar Creek Bowl and Garibaldi's, which just celebrated its 40th anniversary in the Village. As of 2014, the center is the national headquarters of GiGi's Playhouse, who's founder, Nancy Gianni, was named a 2016 CNN Hero! Barrington Square also hosts great community events, including a Cruise Night every Monday night from June through September in the parking lot near Buona Beef.

Alphabetical list of tenants:

- Advance Preschool
- Buona Beef
- Eye Care Place
- Garibaldi's Italian Eatery
- Hair Pros
- McDonald's
- Peter Pan Cleaners
- Safety Alternative Supplements
- Thumka Indian Bar & Grill
- America's Bar and Grill
- Caruso Development Corp.
- Fred Astaire Dance Studios
- GiGi's Playhouse
- LabCorp
- Pawparazzi Pet Salon
- Poplar Creek Bowl
- State Farm Insurance: J.J. Ghiotti



A message from **Mayor McLeod**

The Northwest Fourth-Fest hoopla may be over, but the comments are still flowing in about what a wonderful weekend it was. The fireworks crew especially outdid themselves; the show was, in a word, spectacular! Thanks to the Fourth of July Commission for its hard work, as well as the many volunteers who supported this annual celebration. We couldn't do it without you!

The Fitness for America Sports Festival on Saturday, July 23, was also a hit. This family-friendly event continues to grow in popularity, drawing thousands of participants each year. The Glo-Run, true to its name, lit up the night!

On Monday, July 18, we honored Nancy Gianni, the founder of GiGi's Playhouse. Nancy was recently named a CNN Hero for her tireless efforts helping families and individuals affected by Down syndrome. According to GiGi's website, "Today there are 31 free-standing Playhouses throughout the United States and Mexico serving more than 25,000 participants and families. Programs are offered 100 percent free to all families so that cost will never be a barrier to achievement and acceptance." It's not surprising that there are more than 100 inquiries for additional Playhouses throughout the country. Thank you, Nancy, for all you have done. The Village applauds you and your team!

It's hard to believe that the "Summer Sounds on the Green" concert series is wrapping up. Join us at the Village Green for the final two shows on Thursday, Aug. 4, for Second Hand Soul playing "funky hits of the '70s," and Thursday, Aug. 11, for Bopology featuring "Chicago swing."

Do you know of a "Great Citizen" who deserves to be recognized? Email me at bill.mcleod@hoffmanestates.org with more details. Our Village Board would like to honor them at an upcoming meeting. As always, don't hesitate to contact me with questions via email or by phone at 847-781-2604.

Bill McLeod



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Community briefs



Save the date: Platzkonzert

The 11th annual Platzkonzert will take place on Friday, Sept. 9, and Saturday, Sept. 10, at the Village Green. The festival features authentic German music, food and beer. This year, Platzkonzert is a two-day event, kicking off on Friday with live music from Centerfold. Saturday's fun begins at 9 a.m. with a 5K Run/Walk. The festival continues with activities for kids, including games, face painting, a climbing wall and inflatables. Entertainment will be provided by the Johnny Wagner Band, other German "oompah" bands and authentic German dancers. Participate in the hot dog-eating, stein-carrying and Mr. Lederhosen "Best Legs" contests to win prizes donated by local businesses. The Edelweiss Deli will have fresh salads, sausages and other grocery items for sale. You will also get a glimpse of an 1880 German farm, as well as information on how to start your personal German genealogy quest. The Reely Dan tribute band will close out the festival on Saturday night. To register for the 5K and to view the full Platzkonzert schedule, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/platz. More info in the next Citizen!

Appreciate senior citizens

Let us show that we appreciate you! Join the Commission for Senior Citizens on Tuesday, Aug. 23, at 11:30 a.m. (doors open at 11 a.m.) for its annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon! This year's event will take place at the Village Hall. There is no cost to attend! To register, call Sue at 847-781-2606.

Save the date: Paris: City of Lights

Paris: City of Lights, sponsored by the Sister Cities Commission, will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 25, from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Sears Centre Arena. This exciting event explores the streets of Paris, and features food, beverages and entertainment, along with a silent auction. More info in the next Citizen!

GiGi's Playhouse founder named CNN Hero

Nancy Gianni, the founder of GiGi's Playhouse Down Syndrome Achievement Centers – whose headquarters is located in Hoffman Estates – was officially named a 2016 CNN Hero! GiGi's Playhouse opened 12 years ago as a place to learn about and celebrate the diagnosis of Down syndrome. GiGi's families benefit from 100 percent free therapeutic, educational and career-training programs. Nancy's vision for global acceptance for all is at the heart of GiGi's Playhouse. Congratulations Nancy! For more information, visit www.gigisplayhouse.org.

Nancy Gianni and her daughter GiGi



Party in the Park

It's the Hoffman Estates Park District's biggest event of the year! This year's Party in the Park takes place on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Fabbrini Park. Kids of all ages will love the exciting lineup of activities, including a balloon artist, pony rides, a trackless train, a petting zoo, a climbing wall, games, inflatables, contests, pickleball and a children's performer. Enjoy multicultural entertainment and food provided by the Village's Cultural Awareness Commission. The '90s tribute band Run Forrest Run will perform at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free. Wristbands can be purchased for games and other activities. Food and beverages will also be available for purchase. For a complete schedule, visit www.heparks.org.



A guest enjoys horseback riding at last year's Party in the Park, sponsored by the Park District

Welcome new businesses!

Element Fleet Management
2800 W. Higgins Road, #510

Hagerman & Company
2800 W. Higgins Road, #100

Strategic Financial Group
2815 Forbes Ave., #107

Thinking about building a swimming pool?

Here are a few of the basic requirements to keep in mind if you are thinking about installing a swimming pool on your property this summer:

- A building permit is required for swimming pools 24 inches or more in depth, or those that hold 1,000 gallons or more of water, which includes spas and temporary pools.
- Swimming pools should be at least 5 feet from any building, and at least 10 feet from the rear and side lot line.
- All building permit applications require the submission of your property plat of survey.
- A fence or barrier may be required if existing fences do not meet existing safety standards.
- Before a permit is issued, a Village inspector will conduct an onsite inspection to ensure that setback requirements are met, that electrical lines do not pose a safety threat and to inspect existing fences.

For more information on getting a permit, visit www.hoffmanestates.org/permits. If you have any questions, call the Code Enforcement Division at 847-781-2631.



Save the date: police vs. fire softball game

The fourth annual Shootz & Ladderz Softball Fundraiser: HEPD vs. HEFD will take place on Saturday, Sept. 24, at 1 p.m. at Cannon Crossings. More info in the next Citizen!

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

Adult services and immunizations

Health and Human Services offers health screenings and preventative tests.

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

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

Upcoming adult clinic dates

- Village Hall (main entrance)
1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: Aug. 10 and Sept. 14
Time: noon to 1 p.m.
- Triphahn Center
1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates
Dates: Aug. 16 and Sept. 20
Time: 11 a.m. to noon
- Schaumburg Barn
231 Civic Drive, Schaumburg
Dates: Aug. 3 & 17 and Sept. 7 & 21
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Willow Creek Care Center
67 E. Algonquin Road, South Barrington
Dates: Aug. 1 (no clinic in September)
Time: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Note: cholesterol testing is **not provided at any adult clinic.*

Cholestech: complete lipid profile

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

Upcoming child and youth clinics

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

- Hoffman Baby Clinic
(two months to kindergarten)
Hoffman Estates residents only
Dates: Aug. 9 and Sept. 13
Time: 10 a.m. to noon (*appointments required*)
- Children's Clinic
(two months to 18 years)
All communities welcome
Dates: Aug. 1 & 15* and Sept. 12
**Aug. 15 for school-age children only, please*
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

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

"Take Charge of Your Health" is back!

The next session of Health and Human Services' free workshop for older adults with chronic health conditions will be held at the Hoffman Estates Branch Library on Fridays from Aug. 19 to Sept. 30, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. To register, call 847-923-3347, or visit www.schaumburglibrary.org.

Back-to-school anxiety

The transition back to class can be a stressful time for children and parents alike. Starting a new school year can make kids nervous, especially if there are changes from the previous year, such as a new school, teacher or peers. Some shyness or worry about schedules, schoolwork or friends is natural during the back-to-school transition, but ongoing withdrawal or worries may signal a problem.



In order to ease anxiety, start your child on a school-day routine well before the school year starts. Go to school several times with your child. Arrange playdates with classroom friends prior to the start of school. And try to come up with some sort of reward your child can earn for separating from parents to attend school.

Ask the Nurse

Q: I thought only babies and kids needed vaccines?

A: To stay protected against serious illnesses, like the flu, measles and pneumonia, adults need to get their shots just like kids do. Adults may be encouraged to get certain vaccines due to their age, job, hobbies, travel or health conditions. Health and Human Services offers a variety of vaccines for adults and kids at a reduced cost. A Children's Clinic is offered on the first Monday of each month, and a Baby Clinic is offered on the second Tuesday of each month. This August, we're also providing a "Back-to-School" clinic to provide vaccines to students before they head back to class. Adult vaccines are by appointment only. For more information, call 847-781-4850.



By Bev Romanoff
Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

Clerk's corner

Thank you to everyone who generously gave nonperishable food items and monetary donations to the Celebrations Commission during the Fourth of July parade. Your contributions were delivered to area food pantries, and will help local families who are in need of assistance. If you forgot your donations at home, bring them to the lobby of the Village Hall anytime throughout the year.

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

Fourth of July parade and contest winners

2016 Citizen Fire Academy now accepting recruits

Parade entry winners

- **Mayor's Cup:** Royal Airs Drum and Bugle Corps
- **Parade Theme:** Schaumburg Township District Library
- **Patriotic:** Chicago Honey Bear Dancers
- **Group:** Medieval Times
- **Junior Marchers:** Proviso West High School
- **Senior Color Guard:** VFW Post 5151
- **Dance/Specialty:** Rebecca McCarthy School of Dance
- **Antique Auto:** Red and White Convertible '73 Mustang
- **Unusual:** Sinful Saints Dixieland Band
- **Youth Entry:** New Generation Fancy Drill Team



Children's bike and trike parade assembly

- **First place:** Patricia Duke, 7 years old
- **Second place:** Linus Hall, 4 years old
- **Third place:** Catalina Krupica, 2 years old

Diaper derby winners

- **First place:** Haley Dittmer, Time: 40 seconds
- **Second place:** Jaslyn Espino, Time: 47.9 seconds
- **Third place:** Maggie Chang, Time: 52.59 seconds

Pie-eating contest winners

- Chris Rainn

Bags tournament winners

- Jesse Martinez
- Jason Rubin

Water balloon toss contest winners

- Hayden Kiton

Rubber chicken toss contest winner

- Sara Hursey

Does the thought of climbing a 100-foot ladder excite you? Would you like to use the "Jaws of Life" to cut through a car? Have you ever dreamed about leading a fire company into a burning building? If so, then the Hoffman Estates Fire Department would like to invite you to its 17th Citizen Fire Academy.

The Citizen Fire Academy is an opportunity for residents of the Village to experience and learn about the inner workings of their Fire Department. Not only will you get the chance to participate in the exciting opportunities listed above, you will also learn about home fire safety, CPR, the tactics and strategies of firefighting, and the history of the Hoffman Estates Fire Department in a fun, relaxed environment.

Applicants must be at least 18 years old, and reside, attend school or work in Hoffman Estates. Classes will meet on Wednesday

evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Fire Station 24, located at 5775 Beacon Pointe Drive. The academy starts on Sept. 7 and ends on Nov. 9. Class size is limited, and spots fill up quickly.

If you are ready to begin your firefighting adventure, contact Lt. Tony Butler at 847-843-4825, or anthony.butler@hoffmanestates.org.



Are your kids going away to college soon?

With the new school year approaching, many parents will be sending their children to college. Something that may be overlooked in the transition from life at home to living in a dorm is fire safety.

From 2005 to 2009, U.S. fire departments responded to an average of 3,840 structure fires in dormitories, fraternities and sororities each year, which resulted in three civilian deaths, 38 civilian fire injuries and \$20.9 million in direct property damage, annually.

The leading cause of these fires was due to cooking equipment. The most common time that the fires occurred was between 5 p.m. and 11 p.m.



To make sure that your children have a safe and happy college experience, it's important to follow the following fire prevention tips:

- Never leave cooking unattended on a stove or hot plate
- In microwaves, use only containers designed for microwave use
- Keep your stovetop and oven clean and clear
- Keep combustible materials away from a stove or hot plate
- Wear tight-fitting clothing or roll up your sleeves when cooking to avoid catching the clothes on fire
- Turn pot handles inward so they can't be bumped or pulled over
- If a small fire starts in a pan, carefully slide a lid over the pan to smother the flames, turn off the burner and leave the lid in place until the pan is completely cool
- NEVER pour water on a grease fire

It is also important to make sure that their dorm has a working smoke detector. Your kids should have an escape plan from their dorm. Make sure they discuss this with their roommates.

Here's to a safe and happy 2016-2017 college year!

August calendar



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

Monday, Aug. 1

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

Tuesday, Aug. 2

- Celtic Fest Commission, 5 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Aug. 3

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

Thursday, Aug. 4

- Summer Concert Series: "Second Hand Soul," 7 p.m. at Village Green

Friday, Aug. 5

- Children's Concert: "The Art of Inflation," 10 a.m. at Vogelei Park

Saturday, Aug. 6

- Seasonal Brush Drop-off Program, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Public Works Vehicle Maintenance Facility
- Heartsaver AED CPR Class, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Fire Station 24
- Party in the Park, 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Fabbrini Park

*Sunday, Aug. 7

- Veteran's Flag 55: Erwin T. Turk, Navy, WWII

Tuesday, Aug. 9

- Hoffman Baby Clinic, 10 a.m. to noon at VH
- Commission for Senior Citizens, 5:30 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Aug. 10

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

Thursday, Aug. 11

- Fourth of July Commission, 7 p.m. at VH
- Museum Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at Sunderlage Farm
- Summer Concert Series: "Bopology," 7 p.m. at Village Green

Saturday, Aug. 13

- Village Recycling Event, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at PWC

*Sunday, Aug. 14

- Veteran's Flag 56: Salvatore (Joe) Nigri, Army, WWII

Monday, Aug. 15

- Children's "Back-to-School" Clinic, 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at VH
- Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, immediately following Standing Committee Meetings at VH

Tuesday, Aug. 16

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

Wednesday, Aug. 17

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

Thursday, Aug. 18

- Commission for Disabled Citizens, 6 p.m. at VH
- Youth Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Friday, Aug. 19

- Take Charge of Your Health, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Hoffman Estates Branch Library
- Children's Concert: "Miss Jamie's Farm," 10 a.m. at Vogelei Park

Saturday, Aug. 20

- Seasonal Brush Drop-off Program, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Public Works Vehicle Maintenance Facility

*Sunday, Aug. 21

- Veteran's Flag 57: Michael A. Geanto, Army, 1967-1968

Tuesday, Aug. 23

- Senior Appreciation Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. at VH

Wednesday, Aug. 24

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

Friday, Aug. 26

- Take Charge of Your Health, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Hoffman Estates Branch Library

*Sunday, Aug. 28

- Veteran's Flag 58: Peter T. Cundiff, Army, 1975-1990

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, Aug. 19

- Dream Team 2016: Bollywood's Next Generation Stars, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 17

- Living Proof Live, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 5

- Megadeth: Dystopia World Tour, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 21, through Sunday, Oct. 23

- 2016 Skate America: U.S. Figure Skating, various times

Thursday, Nov. 10

- Meatballs -N- Mozart, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 27, through Sunday, Jan. 1, 2016

- Ice Age on Ice, 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

Main 847-882-9100
Police and Fire 911
Police Administration . . . 847-781-2800
Fire Administration 847-843-4825
Public Works 847-490-6800
Health and
Human Services. 847-781-4850
Event Hotline 847-252-5443

Village officials

Mayor

William D. McLeod

Trustees

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

Village Clerk

Bev Romanoff

Village Manager

James H. Norris

Municipal facilities

Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road

Hours:

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

Police Department

411 W. Higgins Road

Fire Administration

1900 Hassell Road

Fire Station 21 — Carl W. Selke

225 Flagstaff Lane

Fire Station 22 — Michael J. O'Malley

1700 Moon Lake Blvd.

Fire Station 23 — Richard G. Cordova

1300 Westbury Drive

Fire Station 24 — Jerome Danowski

5775 Beacon Pointe Drive

Susan H. Kenley-Rupnow

Public Works Center

2305 Pembroke Ave.

Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Electrical safety

Flipping a light switch. Plugging in a coffee-maker. Charging a laptop computer. These are second nature for most of us. Electricity makes our lives easier. However, we need to be cautious and keep safety in mind.

Safety tips

- Have all electrical work done by a qualified electrician.
- When buying or remodeling a home, have it inspected by a qualified inspector.
- Only use one heat-producing appliance (e.g., coffee maker, toaster, space heater, etc.) plugged into an outlet at a time.
- Major appliances (e.g., refrigerators, washers, dryers, stoves, air conditioners, etc.) should be plugged directly into a wall outlet. Extension cords and plug strips should not be used.
- Consider having arc-fault circuit-interrupters (AFCIs) installed in your home.
- Ground-fault circuit-interrupters (GFCIs) should be installed in bathrooms, kitchens, garages and

basements. All outdoor receptacles should be GFCI-protected.

- Test AFCIs and GFCIs once a month to make sure they work properly.
- Check electrical cords to make sure they are not running across doorways or under carpets. Have a qualified electrician add more outlets so you don't have to use extension cords.
- Use light bulbs that match the recommended wattage on the lamp or fixture. There should be a sticker that indicates the maximum wattage to use.

Call a qualified electrician if you have:

- Frequent problems with blowing fuses or tripping circuit breakers
- A tingling feeling when you touch an appliance
- Discolored or warm wall outlets
- A burning or rubbery smell coming from an appliance
- Flickering or dimming lights
- Sparks from an outlet



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