Hoffman Estates Citizen

February 2018

News from the Village of Hoffman Estates

The Huntington 90 business park along the I-90 "Golden Corridor"

is home to several advanced manufacturers in Hoffman Estates

Supporting advanced manufacturing in Hoffman Estates

The Village of Hoffman Estates is a proud supporter of the Golden Corridor Advanced Manufacturing Partnership (GCAMP).

This group of regional employers, educational institutions, local governments and other stakeholders is working together to promote careers in the growing advanced manufacturing industry near Hoffman Estates along the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway – also known as the "Golden Corridor."

GCAMP helped establish a Robotics Club at Harper College, which is comprised of students associated with the Harper Society of Engineers and Harper Manufacturing and Welding. For a February 2018 competition, members are designing a functional 60- to 85-pound robot from scratch! Challenges like this help students translate academic learning into real-world applications using physics, geometry, trigonometry and algebra. GCAMP is awarding over \$20,000 in grants to local middle schools and high schools in 2017-2018 with the intent of involving more students in science, technology, engineering and

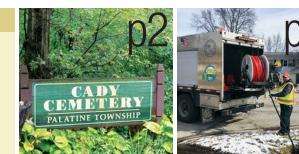
These students also have the chance to learn about careers in the field of advanced manufacturing – exciting, high-tech jobs that provide an opportunity to work with their hands and use creative problem-solving skills in a team environment.

mathematics (STEM)-related activities and competitions.

For more information about GCAMP and other economic opportunities in Hoffman Estates, email Economic Development Director Kevin Kramer at kevin.kramer@hoffmanestates.org.

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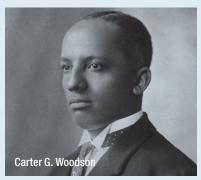
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Black History Month celebration

Join the Cultural Awareness Commission for a special celebration commemorating Black History Month.

Black History Month is an outgrowth of Negro History Week, an event created in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, an African-American scholar and historian. In 1976, the annual event was extended to last for one month, during which achievements of African-Americans are honored.



Black History Month takes place in February to commemorate the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, a former slave, intellectual and abolitionist.

The Village is hosting a special event honoring Black History Month on Saturday, Feb. 17, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. This commemoration will feature dancing, singing, games for kids and a special keynote speaker, Demetrius Gibson, who is a member of the Cultural Awareness Commission.

Additionally, the winners of the Black History Month essay contest, "The Journey Continues," will be recognized. Sponsored by the Cultural Awareness Commission, this contest features student writers from Township High School District 211.

The event is free, but reservations are required. Call Sue at 847-781-2606 today to RSVP.

Historian's notebook

There's a saying that what happens today is tomorrow's history. But we always think of history as things that happened a long time ago. That's the history we find so interesting. We have questions about things that happened in the past, and the detective work that's involved in finding those answers is what makes some of us history junkies.

This past summer, I received an email from a Hoffman Estates resident about an old tombstone that she found in her mother's home. It was a very unusual item to uncover amongst her antiquing mom's collection, and she didn't know what to do with it. How could she find information about a tombstone that simply said, "Wilson, December 20, 1856, 7 Yrs. 8 Mos."? This was a tombstone of a young child, and she needed to find were this child was buried so it could be returned to the grave.

The first person I turned to for help was Jane Rozek, history librarian at the Schaumburg Township District Library. She is a wonderful research librarian, and I knew she'd be interested in helping solve the mystery of our resident's tombstone.

Jane began searching through census records for Schaumburg Township. Finding nothing for a young Wilson, she sought help from Marilyn Pedersen, historian with the Palatine Historical Society. Marilyn said that the Wilsons were a prominent Palatine family. She suggested two books that might help in our search: "Pioneer Cemeteries of Palatine Township" and "Hillside Cemetery." The library has a great local history collection, and those two books were on the shelf! Jane discovered that the tombstone belonged to the grave of Mary Emily Wilson, who was buried in the Cady Cemetery in Inverness.

Our Hoffman Estates resident was amazed that the young child's resting place was found. She never knew how her mother acquired the tombstone; she just knew she had to get it back to little Mary Emily's grave. She called Terry Kelly, chairman of the Cemetery Committee in

By Pat Barch, Hoffman Estates Village Historian

Palatine Township, and they came out and picked it up. The Stonehuggers, a group that volunteers their services to repair and replace tombstones in the old cemeteries of our area, would get it back to the child's grave.

On Nov. 27, the resident got word that Mary Emily's tombstone was back in its rightful place. She went out to the cemetery. It was a very emotional visit for her. The peace and quiet of the old Cady Cemetery inspired her to volunteer to plant some flowers or help in other ways to maintain the cemetery. Her only sadness was that Mary Emily Wilson does not have her first name on the 1856 tombstone.

This amazing story and its happy ending are due to good records kept by the Wilson family, as well as the preservation of these records by the Palatine Historical Society. A missing piece of history was put back in place. It's incredible that an 1856 tombstone can be replaced in 2017. Mary Emily now rests in peace.

Email Pat Barch at eagle2064@comcast.net.

Responsible Pet Owners Month

February is Responsible Pet Owners Month. The Village requires that pet owners obtain a license for each indoor and outdoor dog and cat they own. Pet tags expire on Oct. 31 each year, and can be obtained at the Village Hall for \$5 each (\$2 for senior citizens for the first three pets). A current rabies tag number and expiration date is needed to register. For more information, call 847-882-9100. The pet license application can also be found at www. hoffmanestates.org/petlicenses. Regularly check your pet's collar and leash for any wear and tear, and make sure all tags are still legible and current. Finally, check your fence and gates for damage that may have been caused by the winter weather. Changing temperatures and precipitation can shift soil and create gaps that allow curious pets to escape. If your pet regularly spends time in the backyard, a five-minute check of your fence is a quick and easy way to ensure they are safe.



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Sister Cities Commission hosts art exchange

The Sister Cities Commission is hosting an interactive comic and cartooning exchange with our sister city, Angoulême, France, from March 8 through March 11. This celebration will feature several fun art events, all of which are open to the public.

Sip & Sketch on the Seine

Date: Thursday, March 8

Time: 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$5 (includes art supplies; drinks available for purchase). Age: adults age 21 and up. Seating limited to 30 participants. Location: Village Hall

Reservations: accepted starting Feb. 10 by calling 847-781-2611.

Transport to the shores of the Seine through the magic of art! Let the French atmosphere and live models inspire you. Create sketches alongside professional artists in this casual participant-led event. All skill levels are encouraged to attend, and you may "sip" more than "sketch." Art supplies

provided by Blick Art Materials and the Sister Cities Commission.

Live Drawing Concert

Date: Friday, March 9 Time: 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



Fee: \$5 individual or \$10 family (includes admission and refreshments). Age: all ages. Location: Hoffman Estates High School

Reservations: not necessary; admission paid at the door. Enjoy a unique visual and auditory collaboration. Local creators and visiting artists from Angoulême, France, will create illustrations projected LIVE with musical accompani-

ment by the District 54 jazz band and Hoffman Estates High School band. Fun for all ages, this truly one-of-a-kind event should not be missed!

Comic Con

Date: Saturday, March 10 Time: noon to 4 p.m. Fee: free! Age: all ages. Location: Schaumburg Township District Library Reservations: call 847-985-4000 for details.



Cookies, Comics and Costumes

Date: Sunday, March 11 Time: 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$10 (includes art supplies and refreshments). Age: students age 7 and up. Seating limited to 15 participants. Location: Village Hall

Reservations: accepted starting Feb. 10 by calling 847-781-2611.

Join us in costume to get in the spirit of the event, creating art. Let the live, costumed models inspire you to try your hand at quick illustrations. All skill levels are encouraged to attend. Come and enjoy cookies and beverages. Art supplies provided by the Sister Cities Commission.

Illustrations courtesy Geoff Bevington



A message from Mayor McLeod

We started the new year off right with an impactful Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast and an exciting performance by the world-class Choral-Aires in January. The festivities continue this month with several events planned, including a Valentine's Day Luncheon for senior citizens on Wednesday, Feb. 14, and a performance of "Our Town" by the TesserAct Theatre Ensemble on Friday, Feb. 23. The Cultural Arts Commission will also host a Black History Month event on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Village Hall. There's something for everyone!

Congratulations are in order for three new police officers and five seasoned firefighters, who were sworn into their new roles at the Jan. 8 Village Board meeting. In addition, the Fire Department presented three life-saving awards to the following individuals: Christopher Fetterman, Kira Nicole Weiland and Tyler Matuszczak. Great job to all involved!



Speaking of police and fire, have you ever wondered what our first responders do on a daily basis? Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training, which begins on March 7 and culminates on April 18, will give you a behind-thescenes look at police and fire operations. Learn about disaster preparedness and gain new skills in the areas of basic disaster response, fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. CERT volunteers are also encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking an active role in emergency preparedness projects. Space for the course is very limited and some requirements apply. To register for CERT training, call 847-843-4839.

Don't forget: the Mayor's Update Breakfast is just around the corner. Join me on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Sears Centre Arena for a recap of 2017, as well as a look ahead.

As always, feel free to reach out to me with questions or comments by email at bill.mcleod@hoffmanestates.org or by phone at 847-781-2604.

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Community briefs

Valentine's Day Luncheon for seniors

Love is in the air! Join the Commission for Senior Citizens for its annual Valentine's Day Luncheon on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Village Hall. The event starts at noon, with doors opening at 11:30 a.m. The cost for the event is \$8, which covers food and entertainment. Seating is limited and reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations, call 847-781-2606.

Therapy Dog Thursday

Health and Human Services is hosting Therapy Dog Thursday on Thursday, Feb. 22, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall (south entrance). This is an opportunity for residents to interact with therapy dogs and learn about the benefits of therapy. Therapy dogs reduce stress, help individuals cope with physical and mental health issues, and reduce blood pressure. Therapy dogs and their owners from Therapy Dogs International will be on site providing comfort and education. For more information and to sign up, call 847-781-4850.

Free program on history of trolleys

The Historical Sites Commission is proud to present, "The Past and Future of Trolleys," a free program presented by retired educator and railroad enthusiast Ken Spengler on Saturday, March 3, at 1 p.m. at the historic Sunderlage House located at 1775 Vista Lane. Mr. Spengler will discuss the history of trolleys, how they are used today and how they may be used in the future. For more information, call Sue at 847-781-2606.

Mayor's Update Breakfast

Join the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce for its annual Mayor's Update Breakfast on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 a.m. at the Sears Centre Arena. Mayor McLeod will recap 2017, and provide a look ahead at 2018. Village staff will also be available to answer any questions you have on current and future developments. This event is open to the public. Register today by calling 847-781-9100, or by visiting www.hechamber.com.



Champion of Community award

The Commission for Disabled Citizens is seeking nominations for the Champion of Community award. The award will recognize an outstanding resident, employee or student in Hoffman Estates. Nominees must have worked to overcome the challenges associated with their physical, mental and/or cognitive disability, thereby achieving excellence through academic work, community involvement or extracurricular activities. To nominate an individual, forward a letter of support that highlights the aforementioned qualities of the individual, as well as his or her contact information. Entries can be sent via email to audra.marks@hoffmanestates. org or via U.S. mail to Dr. Audra Marks c/o Health and Human Services, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. Nominations will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Monday, April 16. The Commission will review all applications and select a recipient based on the information submitted. The award ceremony will take place at 7 p.m. during the Monday, June 4, Village Board meeting, with honors bestowed upon the recipient at that time. For more information, call the Commission for Disabled Citizens at 847-781-4851.



Super Bowl party for adults with disabilities

The Commission for Disabled Citizens' February social for adults with disabilities 14 and older is on Friday, Feb. 2, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. Admission is free! Pizza will be served for \$2 a slice, and lemonade is complimentary. This month's theme is "Super Bowl." For more information, email comdiscitz@gmail.com.

St. Patrick's party for adults with disabilities

Reservations are now being accepted for a St. Patrick's Day dance for friends with disabilities 14 and older. The free event will be held on Friday, March 2, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. Email sue.lessen@hoffmanestates.org to register, as seating is limited.

Thornton Wilder's "Our Town"

TesserAct Theatre Ensemble will present Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Our Town" on Friday, Feb. 23, at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. Come and meet the residents of a New Hampshire community who learn to find meaning in ordinary life through themes of love, family, failure, reunion and regret. General seating tickets \$15 per person, which includes light appetizers and soft drinks. Visit www.hoffmanestatesarts.com for reservations and additional information.

Welcome new businesses!

AdroitCo, Inc. 2300 N. Barrington Road, #210

Bojudo, Inc. 2200 N. Stonington Ave., #220

Country Inns & Suites 2280 N. Barrington Road



DSN Group 2300 N. Barrington Road, #400

eFusion Solutions 2300 N. Barrington Road, #427

Famous Footwear/Caleres Co. 2300 N. Barrington Road, #400

Innolux Technology USA, Inc. 2300 N. Barrington Road, #400

Klimuk Immediate Care, LLC 3100 W. Higgins Road, #135

Kraaft Emporium, Inc. 1041 W. Golf Road

MassMutual Agency 2300 N. Barrington Road, #400

Panolin America, Inc. 2300 N. Barrington Road, #400

Prints and Discs, LLC 2815 Forbs Ave., #107

SmarterSign, Inc. 2300 N. Barrington Road, #409

Student Loan Strategies, Inc. 2300 N. Barrington Road, #459

Sukalp9, Inc. 2800 W. Higgins Road, #240

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

- <u>Village Hall (HHS entrance)</u> 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates Dates: Feb. 14 and March 14 Time: noon to 1 p.m.
- *New location in 2018!
 Prairie Stone Sports & Wellness Center
 5050 Sedge Blvd., Hoffman Estates
 Dates: Feb. 20 and March 20
 Time: 11 a.m. to noon
- <u>Schaumburg Barn</u> 231 Civic Drive, Schaumburg Dates: Feb. 21 and March 7 & 21 Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- <u>Willow Creek Care Center</u> 67 E. Algonquin Road, South Barrington Dates: Feb. 5 and March 5 Time: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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

Counseling services

Health and Human Services offers professional and affordable counseling services to residents. Services are available for individuals, couples and families. Call 847-781-4850 for information.



By Bev Romanoff Hoffman Estates Village Clerk

Upcoming child and youth clinics

Two affordable child immunization clinics are offered each month at the Village Hall (main entrance). Reservations are **required** to receive vaccines at both clinics. This will ensure that your child is eligible, and will be seen in an efficient manner. A limited number of reservation slots will be offered. The cost is \$10 per shot for residents of Hoffman Estates, Schaumburg and Arlington Heights, and \$12 for all other communities (cash, check or Medicaid Title 19 accepted). **Shot records are required to receive a vaccine.** To make a reservation, call 847-781-4850.

- Hoffman Baby Clinic
 (2 months to kindergarten)
 All communities welcome
 Dates: Feb. 13 and March 13
 Time: 10 a.m. to noon (*appointments required*)
- <u>Children's Clinic</u> (2 months to 18 years) All communities welcome Dates: Feb. 5 and March 5 Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. (*appointments required*)

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

Cholesterol screening discount for February only

Health and Human Services offers a complete cholesterol screening by appointment. To celebrate Heart Health Month, this test will be offered for only \$20 (normal rate \$22) during the month of February. To schedule an appointment, call 847-781-4850.

Clerk's corner

Take advantage of early voting for the March 20, 2018, gubernatorial primary election at the Village Hall. The dates for early voting are March 5 through March 19. Voting will also take place on Sunday, March 10, and Sunday, March 17. There may be a line since a large number of early voters are expected.

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

Keep your heart healthy

In the United States, 1 in 4 people will die from heart disease. Your risk increases if you have high cholesterol, high blood pressure or diabetes. The good news is that heart disease can often be prevented with lifestyle changes. "Healthy For Good" is a new program to encourage you to make small changes to your life by following these four steps:

- 1. <u>Eat Smart</u>: choose healthy foods low in sugar, sodium and saturated fat.
- 2. <u>Add Color</u>: include fruits and vegetables in your meals and snacks.
- 3. <u>Move More</u>: be active and work toward a goal of 150 minutes each week.
- 4. <u>Be Well</u>: create balance in your life by managing stress, socialization and self-care.

February is Heart Health Month. It is important to make healthy choices and manage health conditions. Learn more about living a heart-healthy lifestyle at https://healthyforgood.heart.org.



Ask the Therapist

Q: What can I do if I feel disconnected from my partner – if we keep engaging in the same argument and just can't figure out how to come to a resolution?

A: Relationships are complex, and we often engage in unhealthy patterns of behavior and communication. Health and Human Services is hosting a free couples' workshop on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 10 a.m. at the Village Hall. This workshop is designed to create a space for couples to explore their relationship and gain a better understanding of each person's style of interaction. You will learn about your own "cycles," and develop a better picture of you and your partner's needs, while also spending time together. RSVP by Monday, Feb. 12, by contacting Erinn Kohn by phone at 847-781-4861, or by email at erinn.kohn@hoffmanestates.org.

No FROG, No Clog

The Water and Sewer Division of the Village's Public Works Department offers tips to properly dispose of fats, rags, oils and grease (FROG) – think "No FROG, No Clog."



Pouring leftover cooking grease down the drain can cause damage to both household plumbing and water resources. The following tips may help eliminate FROG from our waste water system:

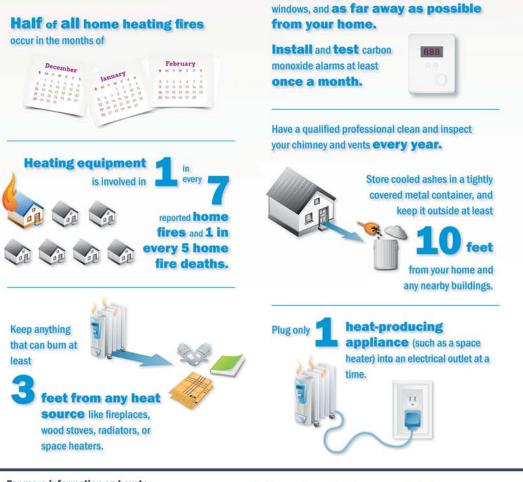
- Throw bulky waste materials in the trash
- Freeze small amounts of fats, oils and grease in a tightly sealed container, and dispose in the trash
- Mix cooking oil with an absorbent material, such as cat litter or coffee grounds, place in a tightly sealed container and dispose in the trash
- Scrape and wipe grease from pans/ dishes with a paper towel before washing
- Prewash dishes and pans with cold water before they go in the dishwasher
- Use a strainer in your sink to catch scraps
- Cover drains with a fine screen/catch basket, and empty into the trash
- Use environmentally safe cleaning products instead of harsh detergents or cleaners that can damage sewer lines

You should never pour grease down the garbage disposal, even if you use hot water with a grease-fighting detergent. Home garbage disposals do not remove grease from the plumbing system. Additionally, hot water will cool down in pipes causing fats and grease to coagulate, which creates blockages farther down the pipeline.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at 847-490-6800.

PUTA FREEZE ON WINTER FIRES

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, **be fire smart!**



For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit www.usfa.fema.gov/winter and www.nfpa.org/winter.





Keep portable generators outside, away from



Don't bury critical equipment

ComEd would like to remind everyone removing snow to be aware of critical electrical equipment. Many homes have ComEd transformers or

switchgear onsite that may need to be operated or accessed in the winter, especially during a power outage. So remember: when snow removal is needed, don't bury or block access to ComEd equipment that is critical for power delivery. For more information, visit www.comed.com.



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February calendar



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

Friday, Feb. 2

- Super Bowl Party for Adults with Disabilities, 6:30 p.m. at VH
- *Sunday, Feb. 4
- Veteran's Flag 43: Sumner L. Cowan, Air Force, Iraq

Monday, Feb. 5

- Holiday Light Recycling Ends
- Children's Clinic, 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. at VH
- Village Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, Feb. 6

- Celtic Fest Commission, 4 p.m. at VH
- Commission for Senior Citizens, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Cultural Awareness Commission, 7:15 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Feb. 7

- Heartsaver AED CPR Class, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Fire Station 24
 Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m. at VH
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- Thursday, Feb. 8
- Fourth of July Commission, 6 p.m. at VH
- *Sunday, Feb. 11
- Veteran's Flag 44: Bernard J. Timm, USAAF, WWII

Monday, Feb. 12

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

Tuesday, Feb. 13

- Hoffman Baby Clinic, 10 a.m. to noon at VH
- Historical Sites Commission, 3 p.m. at Sunderlage House Wednesday, Feb. 14
- Community Health Clinic, noon to 1 p.m. at VH
- Valentine's Day Luncheon for Senior Citizens, noon at VH Thursday, Feb. 15
- Museum Board Meeting, 3 p.m. at Sunderlage House
- Commission for Disabled Citizens, 6 p.m. at VH
- Youth Commission, 6:30 p.m. at VH

Saturday, Feb. 17

- Black History Month Celebration, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at VH ***Sunday, Feb. 18**
- Veteran's Flag 45: Harold Christopher, Army, WWI

Monday, Feb. 19

Village Board Meeting, 7 p.m. at VH

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Sister Cities Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Feb. 21

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

Thursday, Feb. 22

• Therapy Dog Thursday, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Friday, Feb. 23

- "Our Town" Play Performance, 7:30 p.m. at VH
- Saturday, Feb. 24
 - Free Couples' Workshop, 10 a.m. at VH

*Sunday, Feb. 25

 Veteran's Flag 46: Theodore C. Geiersbach Jr., Army, Korea Monday, Feb. 26

Standing Committee Meetings, 7 p.m. at VH

Wednesday, Feb. 28

- Mayor's Update Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. at Sears Centre Arena
- Celebrations Commission, 5:30 p.m. at VH
- Arts Commission, 7 p.m. at VH

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.



Now through March 24

Windy City Bulls 2017-2018 Season Visit www.windycitybulls.com for more info!

Friday, Feb. 2, and Saturday, Feb. 3

- Professional Championship Bull Riders World Tour Finale XII, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 2, and Saturday, March 3
- USA Gymnastics Triple Cup Weekend, various times **Saturday, April 7**
- Chris Tomlin Worship Night in America, 7 p.m.
- Friday, June 15, through Sunday, June 17
- FIVB Volleyball Nations League, various times

For more information on upcoming events and to purchase tickets, visit www.searscentre.com.

Save the date: six wives of Henry VIII

Queen, lover, mother, outcast, victim, survivor ... meet the six wives of Henry VIII! The Arts Commission welcomes Martina Mathisen as she presents a free one-of-a-kind program on Wednesday, March 14, at 1 p.m. at the Village Hall. Look for more info in the next Citizen!

Free holiday light recycling

Reminder: drop off your old holiday string lighting and extension cords at the Village Hall lobby during normal business hours. This free program ends on Monday, Feb. 5.

Now hiring: alternate crossing guard

\$13.50/hour. Elementary, middle and high school crossings as needed. Morning and afternoons. Apply today at www.hoffmanestates.org/employment. photos courtesy Scott Reichel; Palatine Historical Society: Library of Congress, Geoff Bevington; Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce; NFPA and the U.S. Fire Administration; ComEc

^{*} 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 co 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

Village officials

Mayor William D. McLeod

Trustees

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

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.



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Village hires **police officers**, promotes **firefighters**

Congratulations are in order for three new police officers and five seasoned firefighters, who were sworn into their new roles at the Jan. 8 Village Board meeting.

The Hoffman Estates Police Department is pleased to welcome:

- Officer Ryan Kent
- Officer Nicole Lowden
- Officer John Onorad

The new trainee officers began the Chicago Metro Police Academy on Jan. 8. After the 14-week academy, they will return to the station for field training.



Front row police officers pictured (L-R): Assistant Chief/Greg Poulos, Nicole Lowden, Ryan Kent, John Onorad and Chief Ted Bos The Hoffman Estates Fire Department is proud to announce the following promotions:

- Lt. Paul Bilodeau to captain
- Lt. Christopher Lenczewski to captain
- Firefighter Daniel Pearson to lieutenant
- · Firefighter David Ganziano to lieutenant
- Firefighter Patrick Clarke to lieutenant

Capt. Bilodeau has been a member of the department since Aug. 16, 1993; Capt. Lenczewski has been a member of the department since June 1, 1998; Lt. Pearson has been a member of the department since June 6, 1997; Lt. Ganziano has been a member of the department since Oct. 16, 2002; and Lt. Clarke has been a member of the department since Aug. 9, 2004.

Kudos to all Village first responders on advancing their careers, and for keeping Hoffman Estates safe!

Front row firefighters pictured (L-R): Acting Deputy Chief Richard Englund, Capt. Christopher Lenczewski, Lt. Daniel Pearson, Capt. Paul Bilodeau, Lt. David Ganziano, Lt. Patrick Clarke, Acting Chief Patrick Fortunato and Assistant Chief Thomas Mackie