



Hillside Happenings

DECEMBER 2014

Village of Hillside
425 Hillside Avenue
Hillside, IL 60162
708-449-6450
www.hillside-il.org



From the Desk of the Mayor...



Emergency

Police & Fire: 9-1-1

Non Emergency:

Police 708-449-6133

Fire 708-547-8684

Public Works:

708-202-3434

Water Billing:

708-202-3462

EMA: 708-449-6410

Director: Anthony Faragia

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Events: 708-202-4343

Events Line: 708-202-4388

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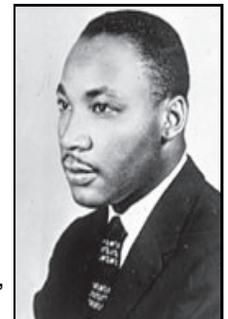
SOLICITATION INFORMATION

The Village of Hillside requires that anyone wishing to solicit within our Village needs to be registered at the Village Hall. If a solicitor comes to your home, please check to see that they are wearing a "Village of Hillside" issued 2 by 3 inch clip on badge. If you **do not** see this badge displayed, please call the Police Department. The only exception is that Religious organizations are permitted to go door to door without registering. A good rule to follow is not to let any strangers into your home. If you have any questions, or feel uncomfortable with any worker, etc. please do not hesitate to contact our Police Department.

Please be extra careful during the Holiday Season.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BREAKFAST

We are in the process of planning the **14th Annual Breakfast** honoring the late **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** This event will be held on **Monday, January 19, 2015** at the **Best Western Hillside Hotel**, 4400 Frontage Road in Hillside. **Tickets are \$12.00 per person** and will be available for purchase at the Village Hall, 425 Hillside Avenue starting **Monday, December 8, 2014 until Monday, January 12, 2015.** Everyone is invited to join in on this outstanding community event, **but remember... NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR as this is a RESERVATION ONLY EVENT!** Reserved seating is for tables of 10 only... otherwise it will be open seating.



The theme for this year's breakfast is "**The Quality, Not the Longevity of Life is What is Important**". If you know a special person that you feel stands out by helping their neighbors, has a special interest in our schools, are active in their church, perhaps belong to outstanding organizations and still have time to take and active role in our Village, let us know why you feel this person is making a positive impact by nominating them for the "**Dream Award**". Applications are available at the Village Hall. When completed return the application to **Village of Hillside, 425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL 60162** **Attention: Human Relations Commission** or put it in the Village drop box no later than **Friday, December 19, 2014.** Please call (708) 449-6450 or (708) 202-4343 for more information. Details on the breakfast will be in the January, 2015 issue of the "Hillside Happenings", on our website www.hillside-il.org and also on Facebook!

THANK YOU!

As 2014 comes to a close, we have continued to endure a year of changes with hopes of a brighter 2015. **We hope you will patronize our Hillside Businesses when you do your Holiday shopping or go out for that special dinner.** We are proud of the many choices we offer in our community. With the old year passing into the new, I want to extend my personal thank you to our residents and village staff. It is through the partnership of dedicated public officials, employees and civic-minded residents that make Hillside such a fine place in which to live and work. On behalf of Clerk, Linda Gould, the Board of Trustees and the Employees of the Village of Hillside, I wish our residents and businesses a Happy Holiday Season and all the best for the New Year. **May the Year 2015 be a healthy time for you and your family and a prosperous one for our Country.**

Mayor Joseph T. Tamburino



TREE LIGHTING AT THE COMMONS. WINTER BONFIRE

And A Visit With SANTA CLAUS!!!!

(Santa will arrive by his Special Fire Truck)



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4TH—6:30PM

Hillside Village Hall, 425 Hillside Avenue

Santa will “flip” the switch that will make the trees at the Hillside Commons come alive with thousands of beautiful lights!

Then...

Visit with the “Jolly Ol’ Elf until 8:00pm in the Board Room of the Village Hall!

Bring your camera to capture this magical time!

Gifts for Children (*while supply lasts*) and Face Painting. Hillside Baseball will be keeping us warm with complimentary “Hot Chocolate”.

(weather permitting, we will have a bonfire to welcome Mr. Claus)

Questions??? Call the Mayor’s Office of Special Events (708) 202-4343,

Check our website www.hillside-il.org or our *Village Facebook Page!*

This FREE outstanding holiday event is brought to you by

The Youth Commission!



Citizens Police Academy—Spring, 2015

Citizen Police Academies (CPA's) have become one of the most beneficial programs developed under the community based policing philosophy. The first CPA was showcased in Orlando, Florida, in 1985; today, they are used across the country to educate citizens on the basics of the law enforcement profession, to bring citizens closer to police, to recruit potential employees (both civilian and sworn), and to recruit a strong volunteer base. The Hillside Police Department began its first Citizen's Academy in the fall of 2009 and since then, it has been a great success. We are now in the process of taking applications for the **Spring, 2015** program. This program is open to residents and business owners who are interested in learning more about policing in the Village of Hillside. The main purpose of the **ten week program** is to create a positive understanding and awareness of current law enforcement issues and duties as they relate to the community. In addition, participants will be exposed to the tasks and hazards that face police officers in our community. The program is **not designed to make applicants certified police officers. Participation does not provide graduates with police authority or the ability to act as police officers.** Here is a comment from recent graduate, *Bobbie Robertson...“Participation in the Hillside Citizen's Police Academy was an invaluable experience! I feel that I have a broader role in protecting the community, and have a stronger appreciation and pride for being a Hillside resident”.* Some rules do apply, you must be 21 or older and able to commit to every class. The class meets one day a week for 3 hours beginning the first week of February until the second week of April. For security reasons, a background check will be performed on every applicant. **Applications are on the Village of Hillside's website, the Hillside Police website or at the front counter of Village Hall.** Remember, space is limited and applications must be returned to Sgt. Strebar at the Village Hall **no later than Monday, January 5, 2015.** Please contact **Sgt. Strebar at (708) 202-4389** or email him at cstrebar@hillside-il.org with any questions.

Happy Holidays from Chief Lukaszek and the Members of Your Police Department!

Please remember to be aware of your surroundings and stay safe during this Holiday Season.



SMART911...HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET?

All of our residents are encourage to sign up to create a secure **SAFETY PROFILE** for your home that includes any information you want 9-1-1 and responders to know in an emergency. Signing up can save valuable time when an emergency occurs and important information is **needed fast.** **Why should we sign up for this Nationwide Program?** First, your information follows you wherever you go, even on vacation. Whether you are at home or travelling, in case of any emergency, your vital health information is in a secure data base that can save your life or a life of a loved one. *Sometimes we think we will deal with an emergency if and when it happens, but when you are stressed, important information may not be readily available.* With **SMART911** your secure data can be quickly accessed to inform first responders and to make sure they are better equipped to help you. Also, with **SMART911**, paramedics are aware of critical information such as **allergies**, that can be life threatening to children and adults, and **Alzheimer's** which sadly is devastating for the patient and caregiver. **SMART911** also has special information on their website that is helpful with many medical problems we deal with no matter our age. Also, Police Departments across the country will have the information you provide such as a child's or elderly relative's picture in case of an **“Amber Alert”** which has been extremely successful in locating missing persons. This software provides you with the ability to enter information that you want to make available...including household details ensuring that everyone is rescued during a fire or evacuation...even your pets! **WHAT DETAILS ARE SHARED? You decide!** **Smart911** allows you to store any critical care and emergency information on line, such as pictures, medical conditions, addresses, mobile phone contacts, disabilities or other rescue related information. Registering is quick and easy, **log on to www.Smart911** and complete the required information, you can always go back and edit or update your profile. Please sign up today!

FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT



HOLIDAY AND EVERYDAY SAFETY TIPS PLUS GREAT GIFT IDEAS!

Cooler temperatures mean that heating systems should be inspected by a qualified contractor. Proper burner and flue operation will give you optimum performance and ensure a safe system. Carbon Monoxide Detectors should be in place, should a problem with gas-fired equipment have a problem.



Electrical hazards present themselves if circuits are overloaded with holiday lighting. Frayed and brittle cords and lighting should not be used. These are indicators of overloaded circuits. If a circuit keeps on tripping, separate what is plugged in, or reduce the load. Old circuit breakers may need replacing, and never increase the fuse size if they are present in your home.



Candles are increasing home fires across the nation. Unoccupied spaces should not have candles burning in them. Young children have to be supervised around open flames. Especially be careful with candles near gifts and live trees. Keeping trees properly watered does not ensure they will not burn. Proper safety attitudes and supervision will keep your home safe for the Holidays.



Some great gift ideas around this time of the year are **Smoke Detectors, Carbon Monoxide Detectors, Fire Extinguishers, Safety Ladders** and **Flashlights**. The Fire Department is always available to assist in evaluating your residence for hazards that may exist!

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON...

Chief Mike Kuryla and the Members of the Fire Department

IMPORTANT HOLIDAY GARBAGE PICKUP INFORMATION FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT!

Garbage, recycling and yard waste, will be **DELAYED BY ONE DAY** on the following Major Holidays..., **CHRISTMAS DAY** and **NEW YEARS DAY**. Place your carts out one evening later than your regular scheduled pick-up. Garbage pickup for 2015 holidays will be in future issues of the **Hillside Happenings**.

FROM PUBLIC WORKS & BUILDING SERVICES

Director Joe Pisano and the Staff of Public Works and Building Services
WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY AND HEALTHY HOLIDAY SEASON!



YARD WASTE

The last pick-up for yard waste carts will be the week of **December 1st** through **December 5th**, and will resume in the **Spring of 2015**. Be sure to read your monthly issue of the "**Hillside Happenings**" for start dates.



STREET SWEEPING

Final street sweeping for this season is scheduled for the week of **December 1st** through **December 5th**. Please refrain from parking on the streets from **6:00am** until **4:30pm** during these dates.



SNOW REMOVAL

Parking is not permitted on any public street or alley within the Village when snow accumulation reaches three inches (3") or more until snow removal operations are completed.

Please do not shovel or blow snow into or across any public street or sidewalk (Code of Ordinance's Sec. 74-9). Icy patches and frozen blocks of ice can form, creating hazardous conditions for pedestrians and vehicles. Please keep the snow on your own property and parkway.



NOTE TO OUR RESIDENTS

Garbage, recycle, and yard waste carts, by Ordinance (Article 1, Sec. 70-33), **must be put out on the parkway and NOT IN THE STREET**. The Public Works Department is unable to maintain our streets (sweeping, snow plowing) with these obstacles on the street.

Please help us and put your carts on the parkway. Thank you!

Call (708) 202-3434 with any questions.

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Santa Arrives 6:30pm 	5	6
7	8 Tickets ready for Purchase Dr. King Breakfast \$12 each Village Hall Board of whole 7:30pm Reg. Board following	9	10	11	12	13 Breakfast with Santa-Hillside School 4804 Harrison 7AM-1PM \$6.00pp All you can eat!
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Winter Begins 	22	23	24 Village Hall Closed	25 Village Hall Closed 	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve Village Hall Closed			

January 2015

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				 Village Hall Closed	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Board of a Whole Meeting 7:30pm	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Village Hall Closed Dr. Martin Luther King Breakfast 9:00am Reservations required	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Regular Board Meeting 7:30pm	27	28	29	30	31