



# Hillside Happenings

May 2012

Village of Hillside  
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## 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

### Mayor's Office of Special

Events: 708-202-4343

## Mayor

Joseph T. Tamburino

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Linda L. Gould

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523 Wolf Road  
Chief Michael N. Kuryla

## Public Works

425 Hillside Avenue  
Director Joseph L. Pisano

## From the Desk of the Mayor....

### SPRING HAS ARRIVED....

### CLEAN UP WEEK...May 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>

This warm weather is here to stay and it's the perfect time to do some "SPRING CLEANING" and clean OUT that dreaded crawl space, basement, garage and attic. Residents are encouraged to remove any unwanted trash, furniture, appliances, etc. that have accumulated over the years.

Please place these items out on your REGULAR TRASH COLLECTION DAY OF CLEAN UP WEEK.



Acceptable items are: **Appliances** (stoves, refrigerators, etc), **Bulk Items** (bicycles, toys, etc), **Carpet** must be in rolls no more than 5 feet in length and 2 feet in diameter, **Fixtures** (toilets, sinks, etc.), **Furniture**, **Paint** (must be hardened in cans with lids OFF), **Landscaping timbers**, must be no longer than 3 feet in length.

Non Acceptable items are: Car Batteries, Explosives, Tires, any type of Fluid (gas, oil, etc.), Ammunition, Radioactive Material, Riding Lawnmowers/Snow blowers, Hazardous or Medical Waste, Large Automobile Parts, Boats, Snowmobiles, Bricks, Concrete Blocks, Cement or Asphalt Pavement Material, Construction and Demolition debris.

### MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 28, 12:00 HILLSIDE COMMONS

Why Memorial Day? Look to the cemeteries from Arlington National, to state, and our own local gravesites, that on Memorial Day are decorated with flags that tell the world, "Here Lies a Veteran"! The day was first observed on May 30, 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. On August 19, 1990, the Hillside Veterans Memorial was proclaimed a perpetual "Time to Remember" monument to those honored dead to whom our nation owes a debt beyond payment. **Please join us at our Memorial Day Observance on Monday, May 28TH, 12:00 noon at the Veterans Memorial in the Hillside Commons, as we continue to honor and remember those we can thank for our freedom.**

**On "Poppy Days" May 18 and May 19, please remember to support our Veterans!**



### NOTE TO OUR RESIDENTS...SAFETY FIRST!

The warm weather is here and scammers are ready to spring into action. Be on guard to protect yourself against common seasonal scams such as home improvement and utilities. Always ask to see identification and do not let anyone into your home without an appointment. Never give out personal information and never pay on-site for services. Be skeptical of individuals wearing clothing with old or defaced company logos. Do not hesitate to call the Police Department and at all times, be aware of your surroundings.

### PLANNING A BLOCK PARTY? SOME THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW!

Blocks parties are a "rite of summer" and a great way to meet your neighbors. If you are thinking of planning one, please write a letter to our Village Clerk, Linda Gould, requesting the date and time of your party as there are some guide-lines that need to be followed. Barricades for street closure can be provided and of course clean up of the area after the event is appreciated. Members of our Fire and Police Departments also look forward to an invitation to these community get-togethers and if availability permits, they will gladly attend. Call 449-6450 for more information.



## IMPORTANT NEWS FROM YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT CURFEW IN HILLSIDE!

Warmer weather brings a rise in the incidences of curfew violations. Enforcing curfew begins with proactive efforts by parents. You know what troubles await your children if they are out past curfew. Here are some tips...know what your kids are doing and where they are...know their friends and pay attention to any changes in their behavior...establish and maintain a relationship with your kids which allows them to feel comfortable talking to you and asking questions before they make the wrong choices...set the rules and **HOLD THE LINE.**

Village Ordinance allows for citing minors under the age of 17 to be upon a public road, public place, business or amusement areas after 10:30PM Sunday through Thursday, and 11:30PM Friday and Saturday. Ordinance also allows for the citing of parents whose children are found to be out past curfew.

***SPEND TIME WITH YOUR KIDS NOW SO THE POLICE DON'T HAVE TO LATER!***

### "JAYWALKING" IS A VIOLATION

We would like to remind everyone that walking down the middle of the street is strictly prohibited. Pedestrians must cross at the corner and with the flow of traffic. "Jaywalking" will not be tolerated. Violations of pedestrian traffic rules will be issued. Citations begin at \$50.00 per violation and increase for multiple offenses. Please discuss this with family members and tell everyone of the potential dangers. This violation will be enforced and tickets will be issued.

### BUCKLE-UP IT'S THE LAW

In Illinois, the driver and all passengers in a vehicle need to be belted in all seating positions, no matter where you sit. Officers can and will pull over vehicles and give citations if this law is not followed. Also, as a reminder about texting and driving..."*Drive Now...Text Later*"...you can't do both.

### PLEASE KEEP YOUR PETS ON A LEASH!

Village rules require all pets to be licensed (free at the Village Hall), have their Rabies shots up to date, be on a leash and cannot run at large. Also, cleaning up after your pets is a must. Please comply with the Village Ordinances.

If you have any questions, please call our Non-Emergency Phone Number (708) 449-6133

### PART-TIME WATER METER READER POSITION

The Village of Hillside is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Water Meter Reader with the Public Works Department. Essential job functions include reading remote water meter registers and monitoring for defective metering equipment. The job requires a high volume of walking outdoors and applicants will be subjected to adverse weather conditions. The position of Water Meter Reader is considered part-time and will be compensated at \$11.00 per hour, an average of 30-40 hours per month with no benefit package. Applications are available at the Front Reception Desk of the Village Hall during regular business hours. The Village of Hillside is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Please call (708) 202-3434 with any questions.



### Volunteer and Become a Member of Hillside's Emergency Management Agency

The Village of Hillside's EMA is a department that is composed of volunteers who provide emergency response to natural and man-made disasters. Training, equipment, uniforms and personal protective equipment will be provided to members as well as ongoing classes keeping our members current in response techniques. Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month, 7:00-9:00pm at the Command Center, 4151 May Street in Hillside. Hillside residents must be 18 years of age or older and applications are available at the Village Hall. If you are interested in attending a meeting, please call EMA Director **Tony Faragia** at **(708) 449-6410** or log on to our website [www.esda@hillside-il.org](http://www.esda@hillside-il.org) for more information.



### THE VILLAGE OF HILLSIDE'S SENIOR CITIZEN 50/50 TAXICAB PROGRAM

The Village, in its continuing efforts to help senior citizens live an independent lifestyle, offers our residents a **50/50 Taxicab Reimbursement Program**. This program allows seniors to travel anywhere in Chicago and the suburbs. The requirements are as follows: Hillside **Seniors 60 years and over and also disabled residents** may enroll in this program at the Village Hall. Proof of age and residency is required such as State I.D., birth certificate, passport, etc. Once you are enrolled, the Village will issue you a permanent taxicab I.D. Card in order to purchase your 50/50 taxicab coupons. Coupons are sold in \$10.00 booklets for which you only pay \$5.00 per booklet and the Village pays the remaining \$5.00. Coupons can pay for the entire fare, including tip, or you can use the coupons for the fare and tip the driver in cash, the choice is yours. The coupon allows you to bring up to three friends of any age on your trip at no additional cost. There is no expiration date ...however, **ONLY AMERICAN TAXI ACCEPTS THE 50/50 COUPONS.** This is a great program, but if you need more information, please call the Village Hall at (708) 449-6450 during regular business hours for assistance.



### HAVE YOU TESTED YOUR HOME FOR RADON YET?

Radon is the Nation's second leading cause of Lung Cancer after cigarette smoking. The U.S. E.P.A. and the U. S. Surgeon General recommend testing all homes below the third floor for Radon. For a FREE packet of Radon information and to purchase a kit call the Cook County Department of Environmental control (708) 865-6177. This information is available through the office of Toni Preckwinkle, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners, Radon Awareness Program.

### Thank You Sponsors!

**PROJECT UFO** WAS A GREAT SUCCESS AND WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK **HILLSIDE MCDONALDS** FOR PROVIDING ALL THE UFO SPOTTERS WITH GREAT HAMBURGERS, **LEAMINGTON FOODS** FOR THE CHIPS AND **HILLSIDE LIQUORS** FOR THE WATER! Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped and to our Village Departments! Great Team Work!



Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.

## SAFETY TIPS FOR SPRING ... FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

### BEFORE YOU DIG...CALL "JULIE"

To ensure that underground utility lines in the work area are marked, simply call 8-1-1 or visit [illinois1.call.com](http://illinois1.call.com) to submit a locate request to JULIE at least two working days before digging. JULIE, Inc. will arrange for its member utility operators to have the underground lines at the project site marked, free of charge, so that homeowners and professional excavators can dig safely.

JULIE's call center agents are available to receive and process requests 24 hours a day, seven days a week at either 8-1-1 or 800-892-0123. E-Request, a free, web-based program for homeowners with Internet access who prefer to enter their own utility requests via [www.illinois1call.com](http://www.illinois1call.com) is also a popular option.

For a copy of JULIE's Homeowner's Guide, an explanation of the color-code markings and information about the one one-call process, visit [www.illinois1call.com](http://www.illinois1call.com).



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDING SERVICES



### MAY SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK

The week of **May 14th through May 18th** will be our spring clean-up week. Please see Mayor Tamburino's column on the front page for all the details.



### STREET SWEEPING

Street sweeping for the month of May will be the week of **May 14th through May 18th** and **May 29th through June 1st**.

**Please refrain from parking on the street from 6:00am to 4:30pm during these dates.**



### BRANCH PICK-UP

Branch pick-up for the month of **MAY** will be the week of **May 7th through May 11th**. Place branches out on the parkway on **Sunday May 6th** to be assured your branches will be picked up. Public Works documents each street with the date and time it was completed. **Branch pick-up for the month of JUNE** will be the week of **June 4th through June 8th**. Remember, place branches on the parkway on **Sunday, June 3rd** to be assured of branch pick-up.

**PUBLIC WORKS WILL NOT RETURN ONCE A STREET HAS BEEN COMPLETED!**

### GUIDELINES FOR BRANCH PICK UP

- Make arrangements with a hauling service to remove debris when cutting down an entire tree as it will not be removed by Public Works
- Branch piles are not to exceed 8' long by 5' high by 5' wide.
- Logs 5' or more in diameter must be cut into lengths of 2' or less, stacked and will be picked up separately.
- Bush roots must be removed and will be picked up separately.
- Do not mix yard waste with branches.



### YARD WASTE

Yard waste will be picked up on your garbage pick-up day in the **GREEN** yard waste carts. If you have additional yard waste, you must use brown yard waste bags; no sticker required, or a 32gal. unlined garbage can that is marked "**Yard Waste Only**".

### REFUSE CARTS

When the Village began a contract with Waste Management for the disposal of refuse, each house was provided with **3 carts**, which are Village property. Each home should have **1 GRAY garbage cart**, **1 BLUE recycle material cart** and **1 GREEN yard waste cart**. All carts have a serial number to identify which house they belong to. If you have more than one cart in any color, and you never paid for a second cart, please call the Village Public Works Department and report the serial numbers to us so we can identify the proper owner. Every house should have one of each cart so refuse can be disposed of properly.

### STREET LIGHTS

Do you see street lights out in the Village? If so, please report the outage to the Public Works/Building Services Department. We don't always know about a street light that is out, or one that is turning off and back on again...that's why we need the help of the community to get the lights back on and keep our Village lit up. **Please call (708) 202-3434.**



**HAPPY SPRING!**

# May 2012 Memorial Day...A Time To Remember



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 	14 Board of a Whole Meeting 7:30pm Clean Up Week	15 Clean Up Week	16 Clean Up Week	17 Clean Up Week	18 Clean Up Week	19
20	21 Regular Board Meeting 7:30pm	22	23	24	25	26 Village Hall Closed
27	28 Memorial Day Observance 12:00Noon Hillside Commons Village Hall Closed	29	30	31		

# June 2012

# Happy Summer!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Board of a Whole Meeting 7:30pm	12	13	14 Flag Day 	15	16
17 	18	19	20 Summer Begins 	21	22	23
24	25 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm	26	27	28	29	30