



Hillside Happenings

OCTOBER 2009

Village of Hillside

425 Hillside Avenue
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708-449-6450

www.hillside-il.org

Emergency

Police & Fire: 9-1-1

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Police 708-449-6133
Fire 708-547-8684

Public Works:

708-202-3434

Water Billing:

708-202-3462

ESDA: 708-449-6410

Director: Anthony Faragia

Mayor's Office of Special

Events: 708-202-4343

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Public Works

425 Hillside Avenue
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From the Desk of the Mayor...

October is Drug Awareness Month

As we travel the highway of life, we follow different paths that include our families, friends, education, faith and careers. The highways and the paths that we choose shape us as individuals and influence our choices. These highways we explore can bring us close to family, increase our faith, fulfill our thirst for knowledge with a good education, and choose a career that will bring us security. When drugs, alcohol and tobacco are abused, these highways and paths ultimately lead to "Dead Ends"!

Our young people face many challenges and sometimes, negative peer pressure. We need to listen, ask questions, watch their computer habits, and take the time to understand what social problems they face. During these hard economic times, the pressure to abuse substances has increased among adults and young adults. The State of Illinois has designated October as the special month to show support for a "Substance Free Today and Tomorrow". We hope our young people, as well as their families, will travel the right highway of life, and we want our leaders of tomorrow, our youth, to know that every day, every month and every year, with community effort and support, we will work toward a future that is substance abuse free!



Halloween in Hillside

"Trick or Treat" hours on Saturday, October 31st will begin at 2:00PM and continue until 6:00PM. Please watch for the safety of our children and know that all Village Ordinances will be strictly enforced. On **HALLOWEEN EVENING**, we invite you to come to the Hillside Commons, Hillside & Washington Avenues for our annual **Halloween Costume Contest and Bonfire**. Judging for all age groups, including adults, will start at 6:30PM with our traditional bonfire starting at approximately 7:30PM. This is a wonderful family event and we hope you will dress up as your favorite character and join in the fun. Treat Bags will be given to all that are in costume as long as the supply lasts. We thank the Youth Commission for their hard work. For more information, please call (708) 202-4343.

Honoring Our Veterans

On **Saturday, November 7th**, the Village of Hillside and the Broadview/Hillside American Legion Post #626 will host the **7th Annual Veterans Day Parade**. This Parade **starts at the Village Hall at 1:00PM** and proceeds south on Hillside Avenue, east on Butterfield Road to Wolf Road, north on Wolf Road to Washington, west on Washington to the Reviewing Stand at the Veterans Memorial in the Hillside Commons. If you have a school group or club, scout group, organization or business, etc. we welcome you to join our parade. Please call Evelyn Belmonte at (708) 202-4343 or email ebelmonte@hillside-il.org so your group can be added to our line-up. There will be no parking on North and South Hillside Avenue starting at 11:00AM and ending at 2:00PM. We urge you to come out and help us pay homage to our Veterans and we also want to thank you for your patience during the parade.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Mayor's Office of Special Events at (708) 202-4343 or check our website www.hillside-il.org for updated information.



HELPFUL HINTS FROM YOUR VILLAGE OF HILLSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Helpful tips to reduce your chances of being a burglary victim:

- All doors that lead to the outside should be metal or solid-core, 1-3/4 inch hardwood. Most hollow doors can be easily broken through.
- Each door should fit in its frame with no more than 1/8 inch clearance between the door and frame. A metal lining on the inside of an exterior door can prevent drilling, sawing, or kicking through.
- Make sure all doors to the outside have good locks -- deadbolt locks with a minimum 1-1/2 inch bolt. Make sure locks are also installed on screen and storm doors, garage doors, cellar doors, patio doors, and any other door that leads to the outside (including second-floor patios or decks).
- Always use the locks you have, on both your home and your garage. Lock up every time you go out, even if it's only for a few minutes. Almost 50 percent of burglars enter homes or property through unlocked doors or windows.
- Locks on doors should be placed at least 40 inches away from windows, glass panels, and other potential openings such as mail slots. Make it hard for a burglar to reach in and unlock your door. Or install double cylinder, deadbolt locks that need to be opened with a key from the inside as well as the outside.
- Door hinges should always be on the inside and designed so that hinge pin cannot be removed from the outside.
- Never hide keys outside, such as under a bush or in a flower pot. Burglars know where to find "secret" hiding places. It's much better to leave a key with a trusted neighbor.
- Don't place identification tags on your keys or key rings; if you lose them, you give potential burglars help.
- Secure sliding glass doors with commercially available bars or locks, or put a wooden dowel or broom handle in the door track. Burglars look for sliding glass doors because they are the easiest to open.
- Secure roof openings and exhaust systems.
- Make sure windows, especially those at ground level, have good locks-and always use the locks you have.

The center thumb-turn locks on many standard windows can be easily pried open or reached through a broken pane. For especially vulnerable windows, install key locks or consider installing grates or grilles (but make sure the devices can be easily detached to allow quick escape during a fire or other emergency). Glass block windows offer excellent security for basement windows.



ATTENTION HILLSIDE HOME OWNERS

Have you applied for your Landfill "Host Fee" Reimbursement? You can download an application @ www.hillside-il.org or you may pick up an application at the Village Hall.

November 30, 2009 is the deadline for all applications.

For more information call 708-449-6450.



WELCOME HILLSIDE SENIORS !!

Come and join us once a week on **Fridays from 12-4 pm** at the Community Center at 1N. Lind Avenue.

Make new friends and enjoy our various outings.

For more information call **Audrey Zang, 449-9243.**



TRICK OR TREAT HOURS

2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, October 31st.

A costume contest will be held at the Commons. Costume judging for all ages will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by a bonfire that will begin approximately around 7:30 pm. Come celebrate Halloween in Hillside with your whole family ! For more information call (708) 202-4343.



VILLAGE OF HILLSIDE DROP BOX

For your convenience, we have a Village Drop Box located on the west end of the Village Hall parking lot. You may drop your water bill payments, ticket payments or any other correspondence you wish to send to the Village in this drop box.

The box is emptied each morning and any payments will be **posted the following business day.** Please **do not put cash** in the Drop Box. If you have any questions, please call 449-6450.



Fire Prevention Week is October 4-10 this year and the theme is
"STAY FIRE SMART! DON'T GET BURNED."

Fire Facts:

- In 2007, U.S. fire departments responded to 399,000 home fires. These fires killed almost 2,900 people. Eighty-four percent of all fire deaths resulted from home fires.
- Someone was injured in a home fire every 39 minutes and roughly eight people died in home fires every day during 2007.
- A fire department responded to a home fire every 79 seconds
- Sixty-three percent of reported home fire deaths happened in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.
- About 1/3 of home fires and deaths happened in the months of December, January and February.
- Cooking continued to be the leading cause of home fires and injuries followed by heating, electrical and intentional fires.
- Smoking materials caused one of every four home fire deaths.

The kitchen is the leading area of origin for home fires. However, bedrooms and living/family rooms are the leading areas of origin for home fire deaths.

Burns

Burn injuries result in hundreds of thousands of emergency room visits a year. Thermal burns outnumber scalds nearly two-to-one.

FIRE PREVENTION TIPS FOR THE HOME (3rd in series of 5)

Home Fire Safety Tip #3: Install Fire Extinguishers

Having several fire extinguishers on hand throughout your home is critical when it comes to making sure small fires don't turn into big ones. Always keep one in the kitchen, one in the garage, and one in any workshop areas of your home, since those are where most residential fires start. Also, check your extinguishers regularly to make sure they're still in working order. There's nothing more heartbreaking than pulling the pin, squeezing the handle, and having nothing happen because your fire extinguisher has expired.. Next month, Tip # 4 "Use Your Noggin."

BRANCH PICKUP – LAST PICK-UP

Our **last** branch pick-up in October will be the week of October 5th through October 9th. Place your branches out by Sunday, October 4th. If you have branches after this week you will have to use your GREEN yard waste cart which is picked up on your garbage day.

STREET SWEEPING

October 5th -9th and October 19th-October 23rd. Please refrain from parking on the streets from 6 am-4:30 pm on these dates.

SENIOR SNOW PLOWING

Enrollment forms will be available in the Village Hall starting October 1st and must be returned by October 31st.

- A person must be 65 years or older, retired and live in a single residence home.
- No able-bodied or employed persons under 65 can reside in the household.
- Minimum of 3" of snow must fall and all Village streets and alleys must be cleared before any senior plowing will be done.

Call Public Works at 708-202-3434 if you have any questions.

Additional information will be provided at the Village Hall with the enrollment forms.

WATER AND SEWER SERVICE

One monthly bill is sent for both water and sewer service. Water bills may be paid at the Village Hall during regular business hours or, if paying by check, through the outside, drive-up Village depository box (white) located to the north of the entrance to our parking lot. If payment is not made by the due date, a penalty of 5% will be added to any outstanding balance. Auto pay from your bank checking or savings is available. Forms may be obtained at the front counter of the Village Hall.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits are required for all construction and home improvement projects, whether the work is completed by the homeowner or a contractor. Construction projects include, but are not limited to, additions, exterior repairs, demolitions, fences, swimming pools, driveways, sidewalks, patios, decks, sheds, central air conditioning, dog runs, furnace & water heater replacement and electrical revisions. You can obtain a permit application on line @ www.hillside-il.org or by visiting the Building Department at the Village Hall.

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|--|
| Farmer's Market Every Tuesday 7 am - 1 pm | | | | 1 Senior Snow Plowing Applications available at the Village Hall | 2 | 3 Cemetery Tour 9:00 - 12:30 RESERVATIONS NECESSARY !! |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| <i>FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 4TH THROUGH OCTOBER 10TH</i> | | | | | | |
| 11 | 12 Board-of-a Whole Meeting 7:30 pm in the Courtroom <u>Columbus Day</u> | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. in the Courtroom | 27 | 28 | 29 Deadline for Senior Snow Plowing Applications is 10/31 | 30 | 31 Youth Commission Event Halloween |

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 Daylight Savings Ends | 2 | 3  Election Day | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Veterans Day Parade 1:00 pm |
| 8 | 9 Board-of-a Whole Meeting 7:30 pm in the Courtroom | 10 | 11  Veteran's Day Village Hall Closed | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. In the Courtroom | 24 | 25 | 26 <u>Village Hall Closed</u> | 27 <u>Village Hall Closed</u> | 28 <u>Village Hall Closed</u> |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |