



Hillside Happenings

SEPTEMBER 2010

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

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

ESDA: 708-449-6410

Director: Anthony Faragia

Mayor's Office of Special

Events: 708-202-4343

Mayor

Joseph T. Tamburino

Village Clerk

Patrick F. O'Sullivan

Trustees

Lytton H. Andersen
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Assistant Village

Administrator/Treasurer

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Police Department

425 Hillside Avenue
Chief Joseph M. Lukaszek

Fire Department

523 Wolf Road
Chief Michael N. Kuryla

Public Works

425 Hillside Avenue
Director Joseph L. Pisano

From the Desk of the Mayor....

The flooding of July 23rd and 24th has taken a toll on all of us. The entire experience has been exhausting and our resources, as well as our patience, have been stretched thin. Based on the Illinois Emergency Management Association forms that were returned to us, Forty percent (40%) of our homeowners experienced flooding and damage. Thirty Five (35) businesses and twenty-five (25) apartment buildings also experienced losses.

As this issue of the "Hillside Happenings" goes to press, we know that some of our residents are still not back in their homes. We also are awaiting a decision by President Obama to declare Cook County, as well as other counties in the state, a disaster area. Hopefully, by the time you read this, a decision has been made. FEMA teams were in Hillside the week of August 9th surveying our community as well as our neighboring communities. Congressman Danny Davis addressed questions at the August 10th "Town Hall Meeting", but until the area is officially declared a disaster, there is no financial assistance available.

An article was printed in the August 13th edition of the [Chicago Tribune](#) on how an Illinois disaster receives FEMA aid status. We are re-printing it for your information.

[How the federal disaster declaration process works](#) [\(Chicago Tribune, Friday, August 13, 2010\)](#)

1. After a flood or other disaster strikes, municipalities and counties assess the damage; local officials begin repairs or cleanup the best they can.
2. Governor Pat Quinn declares the region a state disaster. The state can then send vehicles, machines or staff to help keep the area safe or clean up debris.
3. The governor requests FEMA to assess the damage.
4. Local, state and federal officials conduct damage assessments together: the data are sent to the governor's office.
5. If Quinn decides the losses are too much for state and local officials, he'll send an official disaster declaration request to FEMA. FEMA sends the request to President Barack Obama.
6. Depending on the type of disaster damage, Obama can issue a major disaster declaration for public assistance (aid to public and certain nonprofit groups for emergency services and the repair of infrastructure). Individual assistance (aid to individuals, household or businesses) or hazard mitigation assistance (funding to reduce future damage to public and private property).

We are all working hard to get our community moving forward. Village crews, along with Waste Management have removed **over 200 TONS OF DEBRIS!** By the way of comparison, about **425 Tons of trash are picked up curbside per year.**

Four (4) projects have been identified that will help to mitigate flooding in our community. These projects total \$1.7 Million and we are working to secure funding sources in order to get them done. What needs to take place is a regional solution to handle storm water. We are working with our Federal and State elected officials to see this through. Studies to improve Addison Creek, where our storm water discharges, are expected to be completed by the end of the year.

I want to thank you for your patience and your perseverance to get through these difficult times. With all our joined efforts, I am confident that Hillside will continue to grow and prosper better than ever.

[Blackboard Connect \(Village of Hillside Important Message System\)](#)

Please register your cell phones (text messages as well), house phone, business phone, and email address with the Village so you will receive important messages. Come in to the Village Hall or register on our website www.hillside-il.org. Always stay connected, register as many numbers as you like. Call (708) 449-6450 for information.





THE VILLAGE OF HILLSIDE
Cordially invites you to

THE 8TH ANNUAL CEMETERY TOUR

SATURDAY, October 2, 2010

COST PER PERSON: \$40.00 AND INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

9:00 AM – Continental Breakfast at the Village Hall, 425 Hillside Avenue
(parking is available in the Village Hall parking lot)

9:45 AM – Leave Village Hall by Trolley for a tour of Mount Carmel and Queen of Heaven Cemeteries where we will visit “the monument that moves”, tribute monuments to our Military, historical grave sites of entertainers, sports figures and legends in the history of Chicago.

A highlight of the tour will be the beautiful
Bishop’s Mausoleum (which is NOT open to the public) and the Queen of Heaven Mausoleum as well as many NEW sites.

11:30 AM – Deli lunch at the Village Hall

A complimentary “Goody Bag”, memorabilia from The Bishops’ Mausoleum and a personally autographed book by cemetery historian

Jenny Floro-Khalaf entitled “Images of America, Mount Carmel and Queen of Heaven Cemeteries” are included in the ticket price.

Our tour guide
MAYOR JOSEPH TAMBURINO

Reservations are necessary and space is limited. Please RSVP to Evelyn at
(708) 202-4343 or email...ebelmonte@hillside-il.org before
Wednesday, September 22nd.

Checks made payable to The Village of Hillside
425 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, IL 60162



NEWS FROM YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT...

WHAT IS A FIRE INVESTIGATOR?



Four of the Hillside Fire Department's full-time Firefighters are also *Fire Investigators* and they **are required to be part detective, scientist, engineer and law enforcer.** The Fire Investigator represents the collusion of multiple careers rolled into one. It is the Fire Investigator who must explore, determine and document the origin and cause of the fire, establish what human actions were responsible for it, then bring authoritative testimony to the courtroom to win a conviction in cases of arson.

In recording any fire or explosion scene, the investigator's goal is to record the scene through a medium that will allow the investigator to recall his or her observations at a later date and to document the conditions at the scene. Common methods of accomplishing this goal include the use of photographs, videotapes, diagrams, maps, overlays, tape recordings and notes.

Thorough and accurate recording of the scene is critical because it is from this compilation of factual data that investigative opinions and conclusions will be supported and verified. “This isn't a job for a lazy person,” says a canine handler for the State Fire Marshal. “You have to be conscientious and have a mind that likes to figure things out. You really can't take shortcuts. You must take photographs, collect the evidence, do follow up investigations and in instances of incendiary fires, you must find the criminal.”

Schools are Open...Please Drive Carefully!



The Historical Society Presents their
Artist Exhibition and Wine and Cheese Gala Event
Friday, September 17th

Featured artist, **Mr. Ron Strum's** oil paintings and illustrations will be on display to view and purchase. Music and Raffles will make this evening memorable!

Join us as we welcome Mr. Strum with a **WINE AND CHEESE GALA** at the Epcke-Glose-Schierhorn Historical Home. The event takes place on **Friday, September 17th**, from **6:00pm to 8:00pm** at the Hillside Historical Site, 700 N. Wolf Road. Tickets are \$12.00 in advance and \$15.00 at the door. Parking will be available in the Memorial Park Pool lot. For more information and tickets please call (708) 449-6450 or (708) 202-4311. Tickets also can be purchased at the Village Hall, 425 Hillside Avenue. Check out Mr. Strum's website at www.ronstrum.com.



VILLAGE OF HILLSIDE'S
FREE!!!! FAMILY FUN NIGHT
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th

7:00pm TO 8:30pm

Eisenhower Community Center, 700 Speechley, Hillside



Organized Games



Refreshments



Family Fun (and it's FREE!!!)



All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

This event is sponsored by the Youth Commission.

Call 449-6450 for more information or log on to www.hillside-il.org



THE FARMER'S MARKET IS OPEN!

Every Tuesday,

September thru October

5555 St. Charles Road, Berkeley

(near the Dollar General Store)

7:00am to 1:00pm

Enjoy Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

Sponsored by the

Hillside-Berkeley

Chamber of Commerce

Call (708) 449-2449 for more information



**FROM PUBLIC WORKS
AND BUILDING SERVICES**



SENIOR SNOW PLOWING

Enrollment forms will be available in the Village Hall starting **October 1st** and must be returned by **October 31st**. Each year a **new enrollment form must be filled out**.

The following requirements must be met to be eligible for the plowing:

- 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.



BRANCH REMOVAL FOR SEPTEMBER

Branch removal will be the week of **September 7th** through **September 10th**. Make sure branches are on the parkway **Monday, September 6th**, and leave them until they are removed. **We will not return once a street has been completed.** Pick-up will be **October 11th** through **October 15th**. Please place branches out on **October 10th**.



STREET SWEEPING

Street sweeping is scheduled for the weeks of **September 6th — September 10th** and **September 20th — September 24th**. Please **refrain from parking** on the streets from **6:00am until 4:30pm** during these dates.

September 2010

SCHOOLS ARE OPEN

Please Drive Carefully



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Village Hall Closed
5	6 Labor Day Village Hall Closed	7 Farmer's Market 7:00am-1:00pm	8	9	10	11 Patriot Day "We will always Remember"
12	13 Board of a Whole Meeting 7:30pm	14 Farmer's Market 7:00am-1:00pm	15	16	17 Art Exhibit Wine & Cheese Historical House 6:00pm-8:00pm	18
19	20	21 Farmer's Market 7:00am-1:00pm	22	23 Autumn Begins	24 Family Fun Night 7:00pm-8:30pm	25
26	27 Regular Board Meeting 7:30pm	28 Farmer's Market 7:00am-1:00pm	29	30		

October 2010 Trick or Treat 2:00pm to 6:00pm



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					1	2 Cemetery Tour 9:00am-12:00N
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