Richard F. Rogers Approved for Board

On May 7, 2013, the Village Board approved Mayor Juracek’s nomination for Richard F. Rogers to fill her unexpired term as trustee, ending May, 2015. Rogers has served the Mount Prospect community for over 30 years, including on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Juracek said, “The Village has important economic development work ahead, especially in our downtown, and Richard Rogers’ dual credentials as a licensed architect and a professional engineer will bring a critical perspective to our future deliberations. As a small business owner and long-time resident, Richard brings much appreciated experience to the Village Board.”

In his professional life, Rogers has his own architectural firm, ACM Associated, Inc. located in Mount Prospect. Rogers and his wife, Christina, have been Mount Prospect residents since 1968. They have two children, Mitchell and Cynthia, and two grandchildren.

A Familiar Face in a Different Role

Overlooking downtown Mount Prospect, Arlene A. Juracek is settling into her new office and role as mayor. For over 34 years, Juracek worked for Commonwealth Edison Company until retiring in 2007 as vice president of Energy Acquisition. In the fall of 2011, she began a year and a half interim stint as the acting director of the Illinois Power Agency. She’s no stranger to leading corporate organizations, yet at a recent Board Meeting she shared with residents that they have much in common—she is a parent, a taxpayer and a long-time resident.

In 1977, Juracek and her husband, Edward, moved to the Village for its hometown feel and good schools. “I appreciate the diversity of friendships all three of my children have because they grew up here.”

After serving the Village in various roles since 2004 and as a trustee for six years, Juracek decided to run for Mayor and won uncontested in the spring 2013 election.

When asked about her biggest challenge as mayor, Juracek said, “Doing what I can to spur economic development to ensure we have a thriving business community. I’d like to see the momentum that we have at Randhurst Village continue throughout the Village, including downtown and on the south end of town along the Busse Road corridor.”

In her free time, Mayor Juracek enjoys spending time with her family at their farm in rural Carroll County, Illinois.
Farewell Tribute to Mayor Irvana K. Wilks

First elected as Village trustee in 1991, and then mayor in 2005, Irvana K. Wilks was instrumental in a variety of projects, including the construction of the Levee 37 floodwall along River Road and the redevelopment of Randhurst Village.

On April 26, 2013, the Village hosted a retirement celebration honoring Wilks for her service and declared the day “Irvana K. Wilks Day.” Over 200 people—including family, friends, colleagues, elected officials, and residents—joined to bid her farewell. Wilks shared that she is looking forward to a more relaxed schedule and writing a novel.

Thank you for 22 years of service to the Village of Mount Prospect and best wishes on your retirement.

Blackfinn Donates to Help Flood Victims

Thank you to Blackfinn American Grille in Mount Prospect who donated $2,000 to Mount Prospect’s Human Services. Also, thank you to all the residents who supported Blackfinn’s Community Relief Day on April 30, 2013. The funds will directly help residents most impacted by the historic April flood.

Submit Your Water Meter Reading on the Web

Mount Prospect provides several options for residents serviced by Village water to submit their water meter reads:

- on your bill payment stub
- online at www.mountprospect.org/watermeter
- by fax (847/818-5336)
- by phone (847/392-6000).

If you have questions, please contact Utility Billing at 847/392-6000.
Mark Your Calendar for these Community Events/Programs

Bluesmobile Cruise Nights Car Show
Mount Prospect Downtown Merchants Association
www.mpdma.org
Saturdays thru Sept. 28
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Mount Prospect Metra Lot
Northwest Hwy. & Rte. 83
Bring your classic car to show off, or park nearby and take a casual walk through memory lane. Themed nights each week. Many nights feature entertainment and/or a raffle prize. For more information, visit www.mpdma.com or www.facebook.com/mpdma.

Fridays on the Green
Fridays, July 19, August 2, August 16
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Village Green @ Village Hall
50 S. Emerson Street
Band Line-up for July & August
July 19: A Thousand Julys
August 2: Stache
August 16: Suburban Cowboys
Bring chairs and blankets and enjoy live music in a relaxed, outdoor setting. Pick up dinner or snacks at a local Mount Prospect restaurant, or enjoy a meal before or after the show.

Downtown Block Party
July 26 & 27
Friday: 5 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.
Emerson Street & Busse Avenue
Join your neighbors and friends for great food and entertainment. Last year’s Block Party was a success with over 5,000 people attending. There will be TONS of fun activities for kids and great food from local restaurants. For more information, visit www.mpblockparty.com or call 847/392-6000. FREE.

Mount Prospect Lions Club Farmers’ Market
Sundays, June 9- October 20
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Mount Prospect Metra Lot
Northwest Hwy. & Rte. 83
For a wonderful array of fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers and other goodies, stop by and check it out!

4th of July Parade
Thursday, July 4
1 p.m.
Starts at the corner of Emerson Street & Prospect Avenue.

Susan G. Komen 3-Day Walk Adopt-A-Block
Saturday, August 10
Join the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission’s Susan G. Komen 3-Day Walk Adopt-A-Block. On August 10, the second day of the Walk, participants will be passing through Mount Prospect. You or your group will be assigned a block along the way to show your appreciation to the walkers. NEW THIS YEAR… Show your PINK by decorating your house along the route. There will be a contest for “The Best Show of PINK Support!” Contact Tarina Wimmer at 847/269-6277 or thinkpinkinmp@gmail.com.

Family Bike Ride
Saturday, August 17
Presented by the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission, Mt. Prospect Park District, River Trails Park District and Mount Prospect Police Department, the event is held at Melas Park. 9 a.m. check in, 9:30 a.m. ride. Three paths to choose from—1 mile, 5 miles and 10 miles. First 200 pre-registered bikers will receive a t-shirt at check in. Register at River Trails Park District or email Teresa at tvanopdorp@rtpd.org.

Do-It-Yourself Sousa
Monday, July 29
7:30 p.m.
Veterans’ Memorial Band Shell, Lions Park
Here's your chance to play with one of the area's finest musical organizations for one concert. The Mt. Prospect Community Band welcomes guest musicians for the annual Do-It-Yourself Sousa Concert. Skilled, semi-skilled and novice musicians, 12 years and up, are welcome. No tryouts necessary. For details on how to “join” the band for this one-night stand, call 847/632-9333.
Sister Cities Reception
Monday, September 16,
7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Mount Prospect Public Library
Say “Bienvenue!” to officials from our sister city, Sèvres, France at a reception of coffee and dessert at the Library. This is a special opportunity to find out more about the Sister City program and maybe to practice some French. To sign up, visit www.mppl.org or call 847/253-5675.

A Farmers’ Market with a French Twist
Sunday, September 15
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Mount Prospect Metra Depot,
West Commuter Parking Lot
Northwest Hwy. & Rte. 83
Come meet the mayor and delegation of Sèvres, France, our sister city, from 10 a.m. – noon.
Fire Department
2013 Open House

September 28
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
The Mount Prospect Fire Department will host its twentieth annual Open House on Saturday, September 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Police and Fire Headquarters building located at 112 East Northwest Highway.

The Open House gives the community a chance to see the Fire Department “up close” and celebrate the Department’s 100th Anniversary. Fire prevention activities, demonstrations and information will be available for all age groups. A hot dog lunch will be provided by the Kiwanis Club of Mount Prospect. For more information, visit www.mountprospect.org.

Have Book – Will Travel!
Summer Reading Programs

Through July 31
There’s still time to get onboard and join the Summer Reading Program at Mount Prospect Public Library. All ages are invited to take off for an adventure of the mind and earn fabulous prizes. When you visit the Library this summer, remember to bring your donation for the Mount Prospect Food Pantry. Donations of food items can be dropped off through July 31 during normal library hours. For more information, call 847/253-5675.

Historical Society

The Mount Prospect Historical Society is currently raising funds to complete restoration of the 1896 Central School, the structure where the Mount Prospect Fire Department was founded a century ago. In fact, it is hoped that by September 28, when the Department holds its Anniversary Open House, the still-under-construction Central School will be available to the public for brief walk-throughs. However, due to the nature of construction, that access is not yet confirmed.

If you would like to help the Society restore this venerable old building and make it accessible to schoolchildren and the public once again, send your contribution to the MPHS, 101 S. Maple St., Mount Prospect, IL 60056 or phone 847/392-9006.

Book Crossing 2013 Preview

July 8-14
Stop by the Mount Prospect Public Library this week to discover the books chosen for this year’s Book Crossing, the Library’s cross-cultural reading program with Mount Prospect’s Sister City, Sèvres, France. View this year’s selections on display in the lobby and enter a drawing – to win French treats. C’est très bon!

7th Annual Sister Cities Family French Festival

Wednesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.
Bring the family to celebrate France and our French Sister City, Sèvres, and learn a little French the fun way! Language Stars of Arlington Heights will present a storytelling in French, engaging children with books, props, and interactive techniques. (C’est super! C’est magnifique!) Children of all languages can participate—no experience with French is necessary. This program is best suited for children ages 3-7, but all are welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult. This program is co-sponsored by the Mount Prospect Sister Cities Commission and the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation.

Registration is required. Visit www.mppl.org, call 847/253-5675, or stop by the Library.

One More Reason to Love Your Library

September 1-30
Your Mount Prospect Public Library card just got more valuable. Besides giving you access to everything the Library has to offer, your card can help you save money. During the month of September, show your MPPL card at participating area businesses and receive a discount or gift. A list of participating businesses will be available September 1. Call 847/253-5675 for more information.

The Celebration Continues!

This year, the Mount Prospect Public Library marks its 70th anniversary. Join in the celebration! Throughout 2013, look for this anniversary logo signifying signature events and other special programs highlighting seven decades of enrichment and learning at MPPL. Visit www.mppl.org and take a visual tour of MPPL through the years.

A Must-Have for Back to School

Students, don’t forget to add a Mount Prospect Public Library card to your supply list for school! Library cards are free to anyone who resides within the Village limits of Mount Prospect. Bring in two pieces of identification, one with your name and another with your name and current address, to the Registration Desk to obtain a card. Children and teens under 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian’s signature before receiving a card.
Mark Your Calendar for these Community Events/Programs

MUSICAL MONDAYS

The Mt. Prospect Community Band presents a series of seven FREE outdoor concerts held in the Veterans Memorial Band Shell in Lions Park. This will be the TENTH year in a row of their series of concerts entitled “MUSICAL MONDAYS.” The concerts began on Monday, June 17 with Mount Prospect’s Got Talent (the show featured soloists from Prospect High School – Nina Hermes – Oboe; Philip Masini – Tuba; and vocalist Amy Keipert).

The concerts run through July 29. Each concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and each has a “theme” and a number of them feature soloists or solo groups. The Park District provides a concession stand for food and soft drinks. Feel free to bring your own dinner and lawn chairs, and enjoy fine music in your community.

Monday, June 24
Summer Harmony with the Arlingtones featuring the award winning 30-voice Men's Barbershop Chorus, the Arlingtones, bring their own musical magic to the concert.

Monday, July 1
The Fourth On The First
Enjoy a concert of Patriotic favorites that will get your toes tapping and flags waving.

Monday, July 8
The Messmers On Broadway
Featuring the incredible vocal talents of Chicago’s “First Couple of Song,” Wayne and Kathleen Messmer will sing the best of the most beloved Broadway hits.

Monday, July 15
Strike Up The Band
Enjoy a variety of “summertime” favorites featuring band members: Jim Maynen, Carol and Paul Keipert, Paul Eakley, Bill Kaempfe and Richard Tomasek.

Monday, July 22
Singin’ & Swingin’
Featuring the vocal talents of the band’s great “Girl Vocalist,” Leah Novak, the music will urge you to get up and dance with us.

Monday, July 29
“Do-It-Yourself Sousa” presents “An Evening In Italy”
Using the international fame of the Sousa Band which played all over the world, the band will perform the concert that they will provide in Italy when they travel there from August 3 to 11.

Free Summer Concerts at Lions Memorial Park

The Mt. Prospect Park District concert season kicked off Thursday, June 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Lions Memorial Park with our Hello Summer Dance Party.

Concessions are offered during Monday and Thursday concerts throughout the summer. Enjoy the Family Picnic Special – just $15 includes 4 hot dogs, choice of chips or fruit and 4 soft drinks. Make your own picnic in the park and enjoy an evening of entertainment under the stars.

Lions Memorial Park is located at 411 S. Maple in Mount Prospect. For a complete listing of concerts, visit www.mppd.org.

North Pole Beach Party

Meadows Pool
1401 W. Gregory Street
Wednesday, July 31
5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Fee: $6R/$8NR
Pool Pass Holders Receive $1 Discount
Join us for a great day at the North Pole. Ride the slide into the Arctic Ocean and participate in games, crafts, treasure dives and contests. You won’t want to miss this super day of Polar fun!

Visit www.mppd.org for details.
Annual Trusty the Turtle Race & Labor Day Event

September 2, 11:30 a.m.
Woodland Trails Pool
Sponsored by River Trails Park & Recreation Foundation
1st Place $300
2nd Place $125
3rd Place $75
NEXT 30 TO CROSS THE FINISH LINE RECEIVE GIFT CARDS
Last Turtle to cross the finish line also receives a PRIZE!
Sponsorships Available:
"Trust"y" the ONE $5
Trusty's CLUSTER (6 Turtles) $25
Trusty's TWENTY (20 Turtles) $75

1st Annual Glow in the Hole Fundraiser Bags Tournament
River Trails Park & Recreation Foundation
Friday, August 23
$30 per team of two
7:30 p.m. Warm-ups
8 p.m. Tournament begins
• Cash prizes to top finishers
• Guaranteed 2 games
• Raffles
• Full Service Bar
• Contests
• Two Divisions - Competitive & Recreational

Rob Roy Golf Course Clubhouse
505 E. Camp McDonald Rd., Prospect Hts.
Early Bird Registration:
Each team receives two drink tickets if registered by August 12.
RAIN DATE: Thursday, August 29
Registration deadline: Monday, August 19.

FRIDAYS ON THE GREEN

6-8 PM @ VILLAGE GREEN
VILLAGE HALL • 50 S. EMERSON ST.

REMAINING CONCERTS:

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Pick up a picnic dinner at one of our downtown restaurants or grab a bite before or after the concert. Bring chairs & blankets.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

www.experiencemountprospect.org
News and Reminders from the Fire Department

Citizen Emergency Preparedness Training

Does your family have an emergency plan? The Fire Department offers Citizen Emergency Preparedness Training to help teach families the basics of emergency preparedness. Classes are free and meet once a week for seven weeks. Topics covered include:

- basic first aid
- light search and rescue
- severe weather
- how to build an emergency kit.

This year, classes will run on Wednesday evenings beginning October 2 and ending on November 13. The classes will be held from 6:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. at Mount Prospect Fire Station 14 located at 2000 East Kensington Road.

For further information, contact Jim Miller at 847/818-5253 or jmiller@mountprospect.org.

“Beat the HEAT” and Stay Healthy this Summer!

With summer in full swing, it’s more important than ever to keep a few tips in mind as you beat the H.E.A.T.:

**Hydrate! Hydrate! Hydrate:**
Keep yourself hydrated even if you do not feel thirsty. Water is best. Stay away from caffeinated and alcoholic beverages.

**Educate yourself:**
Always be aware of the forecasts, temperature and heat index.

**Act quickly:**
Seek immediate medical attention for any signs of a heat illness. Delays in seeking medical attention can be deadly. Move to a cool area whenever possible.

**Take it easy:**
Anyone working or exercising outdoors should avoid overexertion in hot weather and take frequent breaks in cool environments.

**Some of the signs and symptoms of heat illness include:**

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For more information, visit:

Leave the Fireworks to the Professionals!

Each Fourth of July holiday, thousands of people, mostly children, are seriously injured in fireworks-related incidents. Nearly 2,000 fireworks-related eye injuries occur every year, with about one-third resulting in permanent eye damage. Children and teenagers (under 19) sustain 44 percent of these injuries; sparklers accounted for one-third of the injuries to children under five-years-old. Rockets and bottle rockets contributed to more than two-thirds of all fireworks-related injuries.

Due to the hazards and injuries associated with fireworks, the Village of Mount Prospect prohibits all types of fireworks, including sparklers. Sparklers reach temperatures of up to 1800°F and remain hot enough to cause serious burns even after they are extinguished. Fireworks are especially dangerous for children because they entice them to play with matches.

The Mount Prospect Fire Department wishes you a safe Fourth of July celebration – and hopes you will enjoy the professional fireworks display at Melas Park.
News & Reminders from the Police Department

Keep Your Dogs On A Leash

As the summer is upon us, more and more dog owners are out enjoying the beautiful weather with their four-legged friends. The Police Department reminds dog owners that Village Code obligates owners or the person in control of a dog that they are to ensure the dog, while in public or on private property in an unsecured area, is securely fastened to a leash or tether and that they are to properly clean-up after the animal. A violation of either of these two sections of the Village Code may result in the owner or the person in control of the dog receiving a ticket and a fine.

Sec. 20.101 Stray Animals Prohibited:
An animal shall be deemed to be stray and unlawfully at large unless: a) under control of the owner or keeper or member of the owner’s or keeper’s immediate family over ten (10) years of age by leash or tether; or b) supervised by the owner or keeper in a fenced yard; or c) restrained by leash or tether within the property borders; or d) kept within the property borders by electronic means; or e) kept in an area such as a kennel run.

If the above guidelines are not followed, even on private property, a dog can be deemed a stray animal.

Sec. 20.204 Control of Defecation: It shall be unlawful for any person in control of, causing or permitting any dog to be on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by such person to fail to remove excrement left by such dog to proper receptacle located on the property owned or possessed by such person.

Let’s all keep our dogs on their leashes and pick up after our dogs, and let everyone enjoy the nice weather.

Traffic Enforcement
“Street Of The Week”

The Mount Prospect Police Department will be conducting the enforcement “Street of the Week” Program where officers concentrate their efforts on particular roadways for a one week period. The following is the list of dates and roadways for the “Street of the Week” Program:

- June 24 – June 30
  Elmhurst Rd./Main St. (RT 83)
- July 1 – July 7
  Central Rd.
- July 8 – July 14
  Rand Rd. (RT 12)
- July 15 – July 21
  Lincoln St.
- July 22 – July 28
  Northwest Hwy. (RT 14)
- July 29 – August 4
  Golf Rd. (RT 58)
- August 5 – August 11
  Burning Bush Ln.
- August 12 – August 18
  Busse Rd.
- August 19 – August 25
  Wolf Rd.
- August 26 – September 1
  Euclid Ave.

“LIKE”
The Police Department

Remember you can now follow the Police Department on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube for news, safety tips and other information:

www.facebook.com/mountprospectpolice
www.twitter.com/mountprospectpd
www.youtube.com/mountprospectpolice

Be Aware Of Home Improvement Scams

While home repair scams happen all year round, there are specific scams to be aware of during the summer months. Here are some common rip-offs that are used:

- Someone “just passing through the neighborhood” and has materials left over from another job. Oftentimes, the materials used are sub-standard and money is demanded up front.
- Price increases. Get written contracts before a job is agreed to. Oftentimes someone may offer services at a certain rate but after they start the work they demand more money and will not finish the job until you pay.
- Driveway sealant. The scam artist offers to sealcoat your driveway for a discounted price, but uses cheap materials that wear off in a short time. This also applies to chimney repair and roof sealant scams.
- Someone knocks on the door claiming to have done prior work at your home; however, this is a distraction to allow his/her partner to enter your home through another door.

Remember, if an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is. DO NOT let anyone inside your home that you do not know or that you did not first contact. Lastly, if you are ever in doubt of someone at your door or you do fall victim to a scam, please call 911 to assist us in catching these criminals and protecting others.
Child Safety Seat Checks

Motor vehicle crashes are one of the leading causes of mortality and severe injury for children in Illinois (IDOT Illinois Crash Information 2010). Children are at a much greater risk of serious harm or fatality when their safety seat restraints are not properly used. Mount Prospect Police Community Service Officer Joe Filipek is a certified safety seat technician, and is available to check your child’s safety seat at the Community Connections Center. Appointments are not necessary, but preferred. Please call the Community Connections Center at 847/506-4930.

Back-To-School Supply Drive

Families who are struggling to pay their housing, utilities, food and medical costs often find the new school year brings additional burdens to their already strained budget. Families with school age children who have recently qualified for the Village’s emergency assistance program or emergency food pantry qualify for school supplies through our “Back-To-School Supply Drive.” Donations of school supplies are being collected July 19 through August 13 at the following locations:

Village Hall
50 S. Emerson Street
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Police and Fire Department Building Lobby
112 E. Northwest Highway
Open 24 hours – 7 days per week

Community Connections Center
1711 W. Algonquin Road
Monday through Friday
11 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

If you have any questions about the program, please call the Community Connections Center at 847/506-4930. Thank you for your support!

Nursing Health Services

Health in Motion

Mount Prospect adults and families with school age children interested in exercising together while learning about nutrition (including healthy summer recipes) can participate in this free bi-lingual (Spanish/English) walking program Mondays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. at the Community Connections Center, 1711 W. Algonquin Road.

The program started Monday, June 10 and concludes Friday, August 9. There will be no Health in Motion activities June 28 through July 5. Participants will gather at the Center and walk a variety of different paths each session. Each walk will be of a different length and the program will build during the 8 weeks. Participants will be screened and may need medical clearance to participate. Monday sessions will include a weigh in of all participants, which will be tracked over the 8 week course. Friday sessions will conclude with a brief nutrition instruction session on a variety of topics. The Community Connections Center coordinator and the Village nurse will lead this program. For more information, please call Human Services at 847/870-5680 or the Community Connections Center 847/506-4930.

Community Outreach Nursing

The public health nurse provides nursing care, under the order of a physician, to homebound residents, regardless of age. This care is provided at no charge to residents who do not have the services paid for by Medicare or private insurance. The nurse also provides additional medical care that is necessary in order for the patient to remain in his/her home. The public health nurse also conducts screening clinics open to the public several times a month and private consultations in the nursing office regarding medical concerns.

Yellow DOT Illinois Program

The Illinois Yellow Dot Program is a new initiative for anyone living in the state of Illinois who drives a vehicle. This program lets first responders at the scene of an accident know immediately if you have medical condition, which is critical information for contacting your doctor or emergency contact. Stop by the Human Services Department to get more information and a packet on the Yellow Dot Program.

Cholesterol/Lipid Profile Testing

Are you trying to control your cholesterol through diet and exercise rather than medication? Has your doctor recently switched your cholesterol medication and you’re not sure if it is working? Does insurance only pay for one cholesterol/lipid profile test a year? Are you confused by “good” cholesterol and “bad” cholesterol and what the numbers mean?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, then you may want to have a lipid profile test done at Village Hall the second Thursday of each month in the morning (call Human Services at 847/870-5680 to make an appointment). Patients must fast for 10 hours before their appointment. Testing is open to all adults in the community. The cost is $20, which includes a fasting blood sugar test. Testing is done by the public health nurse and includes post testing education and instructional materials.
This past spring, Human Services Director Nancy Morgan was awarded the Illinois Northeast District’s Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Association of Social Workers. For nearly three decades, she has enhanced the scope of social services and nursing services provided by the Village of Mount Prospect Human Services Department. Over the years, Morgan has helped grow the program to go beyond senior services by developing programs for all residents, including the establishment of the police social services program, enhancement of the public health nursing program and the development of the Community Connections Center.

Senior Advisory Annual Indoor Picnic

All seniors are invited to attend the annual Senior Advisory Council Indoor Picnic, which will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013, at noon in the Mount Prospect Village Hall Community Center. The picnic menu will feature hot dogs, potato salad, lemonade, dessert and coffee for a nominal fee. Bingo will follow the lunch. Come join in the fun at one of our most popular events. Bring your friends and neighbors, too!

Financial Planning Class

Retirement is an incredible time of your life! However, it can last 20 or more years, so it is important to consider if your income will last as long as your retirement. Come to our Financial Planning Class that will focus on generating retirement income using bonds and annuities. Classes will be held on Tuesdays, August 20 & 27, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Village Hall (first floor) Community Center, 50 S. Emerson Street. Call 847/870-5680 to register.

Driver Refresher Class

The next Secretary of State’s Rules of the Road Class will be held on Wednesday, September 26, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. at the Mount Prospect Village Hall Community Center (first floor), 50 South Emerson. This free class is intended as a refresher for senior citizens who are due to renew their Illinois State Driver’s License. Registration is required. Please call 847/870-5680.
Recycling Program

Cart Exchange

If your current refuse and/or recycling carts are not meeting your needs you may exchange the cart(s) for a different size. There is no cost for exchanging carts. Refuse and recycling carts are available in 35, 65, and 95 gallon capacity.

The Village also offers additional carts for households needing additional refuse and recycling capacity. Additional refuse carts can be purchased for a one-time non-refundable rental fee of $25 for each additional refuse cart regardless of size. Households are allowed one free recycling cart in addition to the recycling cart originally provided by the Village. Households desiring more than two recycling carts will be charged a one-time non-refundable rental fee of $25 for each recycling cart regardless of size in excess of two carts.

Please contact the Public Works Department at 847/870-5640 to request an exchange or additional cart.

Cart Storage Do’s and Don’ts

- Carts and yard waste containers may be stored in the garage, side or back of property.
- Corner houses – if carts or yard waste containers are stored on the side of the house facing the adjacent street, they must be screened (by bushes or a fence).
- DO NOT store carts or yard waste containers in front of the property. Storing carts in front of the property is a violation of Village Code and may result in a citation.
- DO NOT place carts or yard waste containers at the curb earlier than 4:30 p.m. the day BEFORE collection.
- DO NOT leave carts at the curb beyond your scheduled collection day. Leaving carts at the curb beyond your scheduled collection day is a violation of Village Code and may result in a citation.
- Multi-Family Residence (townhome) – check with your association, which may have further restrictions for cart storage.

Electronics Banned From Landfills

To assist residents with collecting old electronics and to ensure environmentally-safe recycling of these materials, the Village of Mount Prospect, in cooperation with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), offers a weekly drop-off location on Wednesdays, through October 2013.

Mount Prospect Public Works
1700 W. Central Road
Wednesdays: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Under the Electronics Products Recycling and Reuse Act (SB2313), only the following items will be accepted for recycling:

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Please do not drop-off electronics outside of posted dates and times. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Village has a very robust and successful recycling program for single-family and multifamily properties. The Village first introduced a residential recycling program in the early 1990s that used small blue bins and required residents to sort paper, plastic, glass and metal into separate bins for collection. Over the years, the program has changed dramatically with the introduction of single stream recycling in the early 2000s, which allowed residents to commingle all recycling material into one container for collection and the replacement of the small blue bin with large recycling carts in 2006. The changes in the program have helped to create a user-friendly program and at the same time increasing recycling volumes.

The Village also provides recycling services for Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs (CFL) and has a Recycling Program for residents interested in recycling prescription drugs or sharps. (As a friendly reminder, no prescription drugs or sharps from businesses, schools or hospitals will be accepted). Residents can recycle medications and sharps at the Public Works facility Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If you have any questions, call the Public Works Department at 847/870-5640 or email publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

For more on Recycling, including Do’s & Don’ts, Medication/Sharps Recycling Program and more, please visit www.mountprospect.org, under: Government > Village Departments > Public Works > Solid Waste.
Public Works to Host Document Destruction Event

As a courtesy to residents who have sensitive documents to recycle, such as medical records, tax forms, bank statements, etc., the Village, in partnership with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), will be hosting a Document Destruction Event in September.

Paper documents must be brought to the event in either paper shopping bags or cardboard boxes – NO PLASTIC BAGS. There is a limit of six file-size boxes or paper shopping bags per vehicle. Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed, but please remove binders. Also, please have your ID ready, as staff will be checking each vehicle. Workers will help take paper out of vehicles and place in carts. The documents will then be loaded into a shredding truck on site. The paper will be cross-shredded, baled, and recycled.

No business or institutional waste will be accepted.

Document Destruction Event Information

Saturday, September 28, 2013
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Mount Prospect Public Works
1700 W. Central Road

All questions should be directed to the Public Works Department at 847/870-5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

Last Year’s Drought Makes Tree Watering Critical This Year

Remember the severe drought conditions we experienced last summer? For many months, we waited for rain and watched as our trees, shrubs and lawns began turning brown. Some died outright, or failed to survive this past winter. Soil moisture levels finally returned to normal after the rains of spring 2013. However, the effects of a severe drought on plants, particularly trees, do not magically disappear overnight. In fact, the effects may last for several years. To help the Village’s urban forest recover, the Forestry/Grounds Division is asking residents to continue to pay close attention to proper tree watering this summer and fall.

Drought causes serious stress to trees – both primary and secondary effects. Primary effects occur as various plant tissues dry and become desiccated. This type of damage occurs to the leaves, twigs and roots. You may notice a yellowing and browning of the leaves, first along the margins, then progressing toward the center of the leaves. Prolonged drought will also cause the death of fine roots. This inhibits water absorption into the tree, reducing the vitality of the plant.

Secondary effects of drought also occur. Drought stress can inhibit the production of defensive chemicals in trees, making them more susceptible to climate extremes, such as winter injury, high winds and sunscald. Trees may also become more prone to insect and disease pathogens. Oftentimes, when a tree is stressed by drought, an insect or disease invades the tree opportunistically. The tree, already weak from drought stress, is now vulnerable to an insect or disease. Some of these opportunistic invaders are the pine wilt nematode, sawyer beetle, Armillaria fungus, diplodia cankers, and bronze birch borers. This vulnerability may continue for several years after rainfall has returned to normal.

In order to combat the effects of last year’s drought, it’s important to continue providing trees with at least one inch of water every seven to ten days. Thorough, deep waterings are much better than frequent shallow ones. Watering is easy to do, and inexpensive considering the numerous benefits that trees provide.

Although there are several ways to properly water a tree, the Forestry/Grounds Division recommends running a sprinkler inside the dripline (that’s the area on the ground directly beneath the tree’s crown, extending all the way out to the furthest branches). Place a tuna can in this area and when it’s full, you’ll know you have applied about 1”-2” of water and can turn off the sprinkler. Another effective means of watering a small tree is letting a hose run slowly at its base until the ground is moist. For large trees, let the hose slowly run at various points around the tree’s dripline. Soaker hoses, or water lances inserted about 6 inches deep, throughout the dripline area are also effective.

For additional watering tips, please visit, www.mountprospect.org, under: Government > Village Departments > Public Works > Forestry and Grounds Division.

Water Your Traps

The traps in floor drains or for that matter, any drains that have not been used often, will eventually dry out. This may sound harmless enough, but a dry trap can cause a room to fill with sewer gas from the Village’s sewer system. Phew!

Also, as the Village continues with the annual sewer rehabilitation using cured-in-place piping; the lining process uses a resin which cures during the process to form the new pipe liner. The resin produces an odor. If your traps are not properly maintained, this odor will come into your home. The notice from the contractor that they will be in your neighborhood this summer will ask you to water your traps. This is another reason to check your drains to ensure that they are not dry.

Traps need to have a layer of water sitting in the lower portion to prevent sewer gases from entering your home. You can eliminate these problems with a little fresh water topped with cooking oil. The oil floats on top of the water and seals it against evaporation. Your drain will hold water in the trap much longer.
Make your Home the Solution to Stormwater Pollution

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into a storm sewer system or directly into a lake, stream, river, or wetland. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into bodies of water we use for swimming, fishing, and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nation’s greatest threat to clean water.

By practicing healthy household habits, homeowners can keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings, and automotive fluids off the ground and out of the stormwater. Listed below are ten tips homeowners can adopt to improve the quality of stormwater runoff.

• Cover piles of soil, sand or mulch to stop them from being transported in stormwater. Plant grass where soil is exposed.
• Sweep your sidewalks and driveways rather than hosing them down.
• Put leaves and grass clippings in the compost, on the garden as mulch or mow back into the lawn to recycle nutrients.
• Divert roof water to lawns or gardens where it can safely soak in.
• Keep pesticides, oil, leaves and other pollutants off streets and out of storm drains.
• Keep cars tuned up and repair leaks.
• Wash your vehicle on grass or over gravel. Use as little detergent as you can and pour any leftover soapy water onto the lawn.
• Dispose of household hazardous waste according to the label directions.
• Clean up pet waste, bury it or flush it down the toilet.
• Never dump anything down storm drains! Water from these drains flows untreated to the river.

Lawn Irrigation Sprinklers

As the weather gets warmer, residents will be landscaping their properties and re-starting their lawn irrigation systems. The Illinois Plumbing Code requires that all lawn irrigation sprinklers protect the public through the use of properly installed cross connection control devices. These cross connection control devices, commonly referred to as backflow preventers or RPZ’s, must be tested and certified each year by a licensed plumber certified by the State as a cross connection control device inspector. The Public Works Department monitors the annual certification of these devices and requires that a copy of the certification test results be provided to Public Works, along with a $10 administrative fee per device.

For more information on cross connection control in the Village, please call the Public Works Department at 847/870-5640 or visit www.mountprospect.org, under: Government > Village Departments > Public Works > Cross Connection Control Program.

Watering Restrictions

As part of the Lake Michigan Water Allocation Program, water suppliers are required to restrict outdoor water use. Restrictions are in place to ensure that there is a continuous adequate water supply for drinking, bathing and fire protection. Water conservation measures are an important first step in protecting our water supply.

It shall be unlawful for any person to use or any owner to allow the use of any water, whether drawn directly or indirectly from public wells and/or public water supply distribution systems for the purpose of watering and/or sprinkling lawns and/or gardens or for the purpose of filling and/or refilling swimming pools, outside washing, or other exterior uses, except as provided herein below:

• Watering and/or sprinkling shall be permitted for odd numbered addresses on odd numbered dates and for even numbered addresses on even numbered dates. All such watering and/or sprinkling shall be accomplished only between the hours of 4 p.m. to 10 a.m.
• Newly sodded areas of lawns may be watered at any time on any day for the two (2) week period following the installation of such sod.
• These rules are in effect seven (7) days a week.
• Also, the day ends at midnight, so watering is from 4 p.m. to 12 a.m. for the designated day. Likewise, the new day begins at 12 a.m. and watering begins for the next group until 10 a.m.

If you have any questions, please call Public Works at 847/870-5640.

Public Works Open House Street Sign Winners

The Stathakis Family guessed the closest to the following question: How many service requests were received by the Public Works Department in 2012?
The answer = 5,506 Their answer was 5,725.
The Alden Foundation will soon break ground on their Horizon Senior Living Community to be located at 1703 E. Kensington Road (SE corner of Kensington/Wolf Roads). Mount Prospect Horizon will be a three-story apartment building consisting of 92 independent living units available to seniors age 62 and older. Apartments will be available to seniors at 30, 50 and 60 percent of the Chicago area median income.

Menards
Menards will begin their expansion project in June starting with the demolition of the former Aldi’s grocery building. Menards will nearly double their outdoor sales area and add approximately 50,000 square feet to their existing building. The project is expected to be completed by the spring of 2014.

LA Fitness
LA Fitness is constructing a brand new workout facility in the Mount Prospect Plaza. They have demolished the former Garden Fresh store and finished the shell of the new establishment. They expect to open for business this November.

Founders Row
Compass Real Estate Services has begun construction of the second phase of the Founders Row townhome project located across from the Mount Prospect Library. All seven units in the first phase have been sold and the additional units are expected to be ready for occupancy by the fall of 2013.
2012 WATER REPORT AVAILABLE ONLINE

Please go to the direct link listed below to view your 2012 Annual Water Quality Report and learn more about your drinking water. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2012. For a translation of the Annual Water Quality Report or to speak with someone about the report, please call 847/870-5640. If you would like a paper copy of the 2012 Annual Water Quality Report mailed to your home, please call 847/870-5640.