



Streamwood Community News

November /December 2018

Election Day November 6



The Gubernatorial Election will be held November 6. There's still time to get involved! Check out on-line voter registration, find your "home" precinct for Election Day voting, or check your current registration by visiting the Cook County Election website at www.cookcountyclerk.com or calling (312) 603-0906.

Early Voting continues at Village Hall through November 5.

Hours for early voting are:

Oct. 29-Nov. 2	9:00 am-7:00 pm
Nov. 3	9:00 am-5:00 pm
Nov. 4	10:00 am-4:00 pm
Nov. 5	9:00 am-5:00 pm

On Election Day, polls are open from **6:00 am-7:00 pm**, and voters **must** vote at their home precinct. Questions? Visit the Office of the Cook County Clerk at www.cookcountyclerk.com.

Exercise your right – vote!

Luminaria 2018 December 7 • 6:30 pm

Luminaria 2018 will be held December 7 at 6:30 pm. It's a Streamwood tradition like no other! Hundreds of volunteers, civic organizations and families help bring the holiday spirit to Streamwood by lining the medians on Park Boulevard with luminaria. The entire Municipal Campus is also filled with lights, as luminaria line Village Hall, the Police Station and Veterans Memorial.



Back in Village Hall keep warm with cookies, hot cocoa and friendship. Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.



Don't forget to bring your camera! Thousands of colorful lights are strung on the trees surrounding the Veterans Memorial. Two lucky winners are selected to help Village President Billie Roth light the holiday tree. When the switch is thrown, our official holiday tree, the largest spruce in the Memorial, will dazzle you with its thousands of bright white lights.

If you, your family, or your organization would like to help assemble or light luminaria, contact the Village at (630) 736-3803.

Join your friends and neighbors for this unique Streamwood tradition. Help us bring the holidays to light!



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Village Board News

DARE and Car Seat Donations



A number of civic organizations recently made generous donations to our DARE and Car Seat Safety programs. Members of the Streamwood



Woman's Club provided a donation to our DARE Program, as did VFW Post 5151, while members of the Kiwanis Club of Streamwood presented a check for our Car Seat Safety program. Thank you for your generosity and support!

GIS Consortium

The Village joined a regional Geographic Information System (GIS) Consortium to help develop and manage mapping programs for the Village. This consortium will provide expertise and staffing services at significant cost savings to the Village, and will enable our new building permit system to have better flexibility and access for residents.

Veterans Visit



Hanover Township organized a tour of the area Veterans Memorials by members of its Veterans Club. President Roth and Veterans Commission Chairman Bill Lunsford spoke to the veterans on the history of the Memorial and annual ceremonies hosted.

New Trucking Company on Lake Street

The Village Board approved plans for the construction of a new trucking company on Lake Street at Sangra Court. AST Trucking will construct a new building and relocate their business to Streamwood.

Police Officers Promotion and Swearing In



Sergeant Dana Gallagher was promoted to Commander following the retirement of Commander Randy Hart after 21 years of service to our community. Two new police



officers were also sworn in at the Village Board meeting. Officers Garrett O'Keefe and Doug Robertson successfully completed their academy and field training work, and were made full members of the department. Congratulations and welcome!

Village News

9/11 Remembrance Ceremony

The Streamwood Veterans Commission, along with the Fire and Police Departments, held its annual 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony on September 11. The ceremony included the ringing of the bells to note the last call of the first responders who perished in the terror attacks. The 13-fold ceremony ended with its presentation of the memorial flag to President Roth.



New Fire Engine Commissioned

The Fire Department held a ceremony placing its newest engine into commission. Recognizing the history of the fire service, the ceremony included filling the water tanks, cleaning the tires, and 'pushing' the engine into its new quarters at Station 31.



Village President's Message



President Roth visits with students at the Boys and Girls Club at Ridge Circle School.

Every year I have the pleasure of meeting with all of the principals that serve our schools in Streamwood. On a recent visit to Ridge Circle School, I was impressed by a partnership between the school and the Boys and Girls Club that helps with afterschool programming. The students were excited. The volunteers were enthusiastic. The teachers and principal were delighted by the educational support this program offered. The Boys and Girls Club are expanding this program into the middle and high schools as a way to further help our students.

Helping one another is the hallmark of the upcoming holiday season. Everyone seems excited and is looking for opportunities to get together, give thanks and help. We have a number of events and programs planned to get you involved and ready for the holidays.

On November 3, our Community Relations Commission hosts its annual Cultures of Our Community event. Get together with your neighbors and learn about the many cultures and traditions that make our community strong.

Our annual Veterans Day Ceremony will be held on November 11 at 11:00 am at the Veterans Memorial. Veterans Day allows us to honor and thank those who gave of themselves to keep our country strong.

Shopping locally is an easy and convenient way to help our community. Local businesses provide jobs for your neighbors. Sales taxes help to pay for Village services, while reducing our reliance on property taxes. Make your tax dollars work for you. During this holiday season, *Shop Smart, Shop Local, Shop Streamwood!*

We're also hosting our annual Holiday Helping event. This program helps families who have fallen on hard times to enjoy a merrier Christmas. Children are given gift cards, and firefighters and police officers volunteer to help the children shop for gifts for their family. Last year we helped over 80 children. In order to do more this year, we could use your help. For information or to donate to this very worthy mission, contact mayor@streamwood.org or (630) 736-3803.

Another way to help those less fortunate is to donate coats, mittens or scarves, or to contribute to the local food pantry. For more information, please contact Hanover Township at (630) 837-0301 or the Senior Center at (630) 483-5600.

What would the holidays be without Luminaria? Help us kick off the holiday season. Our Luminaria Celebration will be held this year on December 7. Consider volunteering to light luminaria. Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Enjoy cookies and cocoa. Stay for our holiday tree lighting. There's nothing like starting off the holidays with family, friends, and neighbors.

The Village Board looks forward to seeing you at these upcoming events. And, we would like to wish you a safe and happy holiday season!

Billie D. Roth, Village President



Daylight Saving Time will end on November 4 at 2:00 am. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour, and check the batteries on your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Community Development Hours

With daylight saving time ending, please note that the Community Development Department will no longer be open until 7:00 pm on Thursdays. The Department will close at 4:30 pm.

CPR for Healthcare Providers



Our CPR for Healthcare Providers course is designed for healthcare professionals. If you need a CPR card for employment, this is the class for you. Our last class of the year is November 10. The cost of this class is \$50.00 for residents

and \$65.00 for non-residents.

Fire Hydrants

Please shovel out fire hydrants after heavy snowfalls. This will aid emergency services in reaching the hydrants that much quicker in the event of a disaster. Just a few extra scoops with the shovel can help protect your property, your neighbors, and your family!

Recycle Holiday Lights

The Village and Elgin Recycling will again offer Holiday Lights Recycling. Recycle old holiday lights at four (4) convenient locations: Village Hall, Public Works, Poplar Creek Public Library, and Park Place Family Recreation Center. The program will run from November 5, 2018 through February 6, 2019. For more information, visit www.streamwood.org, or track our progress at www.elginrecycling.com.

KITTIE'S KORNER

HOLIDAY HOURS: Village Offices will be closed on November 12 in honor of Veterans Day, November 22-23 for the Thanksgiving holiday, December 24-25 for the Christmas holiday.

LEAF RAKING INTO THE STREET IS PROHIBITED! Do not rake, sweep or blow leaves into the street as it can clog storm sewer inlets and create flooding. All yard waste must be placed into approved containers for collection by Advanced Disposal. **LAST WEEK OF YARD WASTE PICKUP IS DECEMBER 10-14.**



KEEP THE SNOW ON THE PARKWAY – Please be reminded that it is unlawful to shovel or blow snow into the street. This is especially important after the plows come through. The plows clear the snow and lay salt. If you shovel snow onto the roadway, it can create ice slicks leading to dangerous road conditions. Keep the snow to either side of your driveway.

PARKING is prohibited on Village streets between the hours of 1:00-5:00 am except where noted in specific subdivisions. Parking is also prohibited after a 2" or greater snowfall until streets are fully plowed. Questions? Call (630) 736-3700.

Holiday Trash Collection – What You Need To Know

Not sure how the upcoming holidays affect your trash pickup? Here's what you need to know!

Thanksgiving	<u>Thursday and Friday</u> collection will be one day later
Christmas	<u>Tuesday</u> collection will be one day later
New Year's Day	<u>Tuesday</u> collection will be one day later

Questions? Please call Advanced Disposal at (630) 587-8282.

Winter Parking Rules

In order to ensure that our streets can be easily cleared during snow storms, residents are permitted to park across the sidewalk starting on December 1. Winter parking rules remain effective through February 28.

Backyard Fireplaces – Enjoy Them Safely!

A backyard fireplace can be nice and cozy. If used improperly, it can be a disaster. The Fire Department wants you to keep your backyard fireplace safe:

- Outdoor fireplace must have a screen to contain all embers or sparks.
- Burn only dry, unpainted/unfinished wood; it is illegal to burn leaves and garbage.
- Place the fireplace on a non-combustible, flat surface, 15 feet away from buildings and vegetation.
- Have a fire extinguisher or water available in case of an emergency.
- No fires in outdoor fireplaces between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m.
- Be a good neighbor! Watch where smoke travels, and plan accordingly.

To extinguish your fire, wet down the wood with water until it is cool to the touch. If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Department at (630) 736-3650.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why is my water bill different when I haven't made any big changes?

A: There are a few reasons your water bill can fluctuate. First, the number of days included in the cycle effects the bill. In September, there were 41 days, where in October there were only 22. We strive for a consistent 30-day cycle, but some fluctuation is inevitable. Additionally, a very low bill might indicate a problem with your meter. A very large bill might mean a leak. If you see a large change, please call our Water Hotline at (630) 736-3810. We're happy to come out and check!

Community News

Cultures of Our Community



Join the Village's Community Relations Commission as it hosts its annual Cultures of Our Community celebration. This free event is on Saturday, November 3 from 1:00-4:00 pm at Poplar Creek Public Library (1450 S. Park Blvd.). This exciting event features performances of traditional dances, demonstrations, and short presentations about the various cultures that make up our community. Light snacks from around the world will be available.

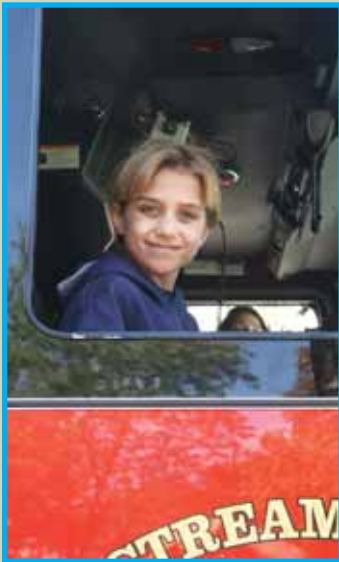


Phoenix Lake Cleanup



On Saturday, September 29, the Natural Resource Conservancy Commission sponsored a cleanup event at Phoenix Lake. Resident volunteers and Village staff worked together for four hours to remove invasive plant species and pick up garbage. The removal of invasive species helps reclaim the landscape and improve the habitat for native plants and animals, while garbage pickup beautifies the natural area around Phoenix Lake and keeps refuse from heading downstream to Poplar Creek. Thank you to all of the volunteers for their efforts!

Fire Open House



Hundreds of people enjoyed a sunny morning at our Fire Open House on October 13. Firefighters demonstrated the Jaws of Life, and how fire sprinklers can save lives. Aspiring firefighters got to slide down the pole, and see what it's like to put out a 'fire' with a hose. Visitors learned about comfort dogs, utility safety, and a residential Knox box program. Everyone got to climb in and around the trucks to see how they work. Thank you to all who attended and assisted with helping to spread the word about the importance of fire prevention!





Hanover Township

Apply Now for Township Holiday Programs

Hanover Township families facing financial hardship can now apply for the annual December holiday sponsor-a-family and toy drive programs. Applications will be accepted on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00-11:00 am at the Astor Avenue Community Center (7431 Astor Avenue, Hanover Park). Residents must be signed in by 10:30 am to guarantee an appointment. Applications will be accepted through December 19.

Required documents for the application process include: valid ID, utility bill dated within the last 30 days, birth certificate for children 0-15 years old or medical card, proof of income covering the last 30 days prior to the date of the application. Additional items may be requested to determine eligibility. Letters to applicants that have been approved will be sent starting December 11.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Community Center at (630) 540-9085.

Santa's Holiday Breakfast & Bake Sale



The Hanover Township Senior Citizens' Service Committee is hosting its first annual "Santa's Holiday Breakfast & Bake Sale" on Saturday, December 1. This is a pre-registered event beginning at 9:00 am at the Hanover Township Senior Center (240 S. IL Route 59, Bartlett). Breakfast includes all-you-can-eat pancakes with bacon, eggs, hash browns, and beverage followed by a holiday craft for kids, a visit with Santa and a photo! The breakfast is \$12 for individuals 13 and older, children 12 and under are free. Attendees can also purchase holiday baked goods and handmade jewelry from 8:30 am-12:00 noon. All funds raised support programs and events for older adults in Hanover Township.

To pre-register for the event, please call (630) 483-5600.



Poplar Creek Public Library

Diwali: Festival of Lights

On Sunday, November 4 between 1:00-3:00 pm, we'll be celebrating Diwali. This FREE event will have live music, food, crafts, and more! No registration required.

Schedule of events:

1:00-3:00 pm Crafts • Food • Selfie Station • Henna Tattoos
1:15-1:45 pm Performance by Bolly DanceFit
2:00-3:00 pm Indian Drumming Techniques with Inderjeet Sidhu



Family Concert Series:

Handbell Choir – Holiday Concert



The Random Ringers Handbell Choir return for their seasonal inspired performance on Sunday, December 16 at 2:00 pm! The 12-member ensemble will perform secular, popular, and classic holiday music. All ages welcome! Register online at www.pclib.org or call (630) 483-4910.

The Board of Trustees and Staff of Poplar Creek Public Library District wish you a very happy holiday season!

For a complete list of holiday closures, please visit our website at www.pclib.org.



Streamwood Park District

Spot Shot SOCCER Turkey Shootout

The Streamwood Park District's Spot Shot SOCCER Turkey Shootout gives children grades 1st through 8th (and their parents) a chance to showcase their skills! The winning team from each age division receives a frozen turkey to enjoy for the holiday. Join the fun on November 17 at 10:00 am.

Frosty 4K Run/Walk

The Frosty 4K Run/Walk will be held on December 2 at 8:30 am. This family fitness event will be at a new location – Streamwood Oaks Golf Club! Take a 2.5 mile trek along the paved path around the golf course. A well-deserved cup of hot cocoa and a visitor from the North Pole awaits you at the finish line. All ages (and strollers!) are welcome!

Upcoming Holiday Events

Letters and visitors from the north will help you get in the holiday spirit:

- The Park District has a connection! December 1-14, drop your letters to Santa at Park Place or the Community Center in time for Santa to answer
- Breakfast with Santa will be on December 1 from 9:30-11:30 am
- Enjoy St. Nicholas Night at Hoosier Grove Museum on December 3 at 7:00 pm
- Hop aboard the Polar Express Storytime Trolley on Sunday, December 16 (1st trolley trip starts at 3:00 pm sharp)

School's Out – Open Gym's On!

Open Gym is available when school's out for the holidays. Open gym will be held November 21-23, and December 24-January 4 (closed November 22, December 25 and January 1).

Always check the www.spdcares.com website for the most up-to-date info. For details or registration, visit our website or call (630) 483-3025.



Build It! With LEGO® Bricks

Through December 30



Celebrate creativity at this one-of-a-kind exhibit featuring giant character photo ops, famous landmark exhibits and hands-on programs. The Northern Illinois LEGO® Train Club will showcase its exhibit from 9:00 am-6:00 pm November 3, and from 12:00-5:00 pm November 4. For details, visit gailborden.info/BuildItLegos.

Sunday Afternoon Concert with the Duo Steiner-Hochwartner

Trombonist Peter Steiner and pianist Constanze Hochwartner will perform works by Bizet, Puccini, Piazzolla and many more at 2:00 pm on November 11 at the Main Library. Free tickets are available at any Gail Borden Library Branch.

Elgin and the Development of Art Deco

What's the connection between Art Deco and Elgin? Presenter Robert Bruegmann will talk about Art Deco and Parisian-inspired works crafted in Elgin in the 1920s on November 28 at 7:00 pm at the Main Library. The program is sponsored by the Elgin Area History Museum and the Chicago Art Deco Society.

Passports at the Library

Gail Borden's Main Library (270 N. Grove Ave., Elgin) is now a U.S. Passport Acceptance Facility. Passport acceptance hours close one hour before the Main Library closes. For information about requirements, visit gailborden.info/passports.

School News



School District U-46

Principal for a Day



School District U-46 will host its 11th Annual Principal for a Day event on Friday, December 7. The program brings more than 50 community and business leaders into schools to serve as “principal” for a morning, allowing them to experience school life through a new lens. Members of the community who are interested in participating as a guest principal or who would like to know more about the event can contact Karla Jiménez, U-46’s Coordinator of Family & Community Engagement, at karlajimenez@u-46.org or (847) 888-5000 ext. 4211.

Learn About Educational Pathways

Following valuable feedback from parents and community groups, the District has updated its plan to expand small learning communities through all five of the District’s high schools. U-46 will hold information sessions so parents, students, and community members can learn more about the plan to better prepare students for college and careers.

Town halls are scheduled for 7:00 pm on:

- November 6: Streamwood High School, Lecture Hall
- November 14: Kimball Middle School, auditorium
- November 15: Ellis Middle School, auditorium
- November 28: Elgin High School, auditorium
- November 29: Bartlett High School, auditorium

Winter Recess

All U-46 schools will close for a winter recess beginning at the end of the school day on Friday, December 21, 2018, and will be back in session on Monday, January 7, 2019.

Home Decorating Contest

Do you decorate for the holidays? Or, do you wait for a neighbor’s special display? Considering entering yourself or others in our Annual Home Decorating Contest!

Complete the form below and return to Village Hall by December 7. Judging will take place the weekend of December 14-16. In order for judges to see your display, please make sure holiday lights are turned on no later than 6:00 pm.

Three winning entries will receive a certificate and gift card. Photos of the winners will be in our January newsletter. Good luck!

HOME DECORATING CONTEST ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

PLEASE SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING JUDGING CATEGORIES

- Multi-family display Single-family traditional display
 Single-family ornamental display

Please submit your entry to Village Hall by: email: mayor@streamwood.org; fax (630) 837-0242 or simply drop it off at Village Hall, no later than Friday, December 7. You can also mail it to Village Hall at 301 E. Irving Park Road, Streamwood, IL 60107.



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Village of Streamwood

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Community Development - John Peterson, Director | (630) 736-3843 | communitydevelopment@streamwood.org

Finance - Josh Peacock, Director | (630) 736-3800 | finance@streamwood.org

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Public Works - Matt Mann, Director | (630) 736-3850 | public_works@streamwood.org

Village Hall Hours:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Thursdays 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Village Calendar

November

1	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm
3	Cultures of Our Community (see page 5)	1:00 pm
4	Diwali Festival (see page 6)	1:00 pm
6	ELECTION DAY (see page 1)	
11	Veterans Day Ceremony (see page 8)	11:00 am
11	Sunday Afternoon Concert (see page 6)	2:00 pm
12	VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED – Veterans Day	
15	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm
20	Planning & Zoning Board	7:00 pm
22-23	VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED – Thanksgiving	

December

1	Santa's Breakfast & Bake Sale (see page 6)	9:00 am
2	Frosty 4K at Streamwood Oaks (see page 6)	8:30 am
3	St. Nicholas Night (see page 6)	7:00 pm
6	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm
7	Luminaria (see page 1)	6:30 pm
15	Holiday Helping	8:00 am
18	Planning & Zoning Board	7:00 pm
20	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm
24-25	VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED – Christmas	

Veterans Day November 11 11:00 am

Please join the Village President and Board of Trustees and our Veterans Memorial Commission as we honor all of those who serve. Our Veterans Day ceremony is always held on November 11 at 11:00 am in our Veterans Memorial. It is an opportunity to remember those who have served, as well as honor those who continue to place themselves in harm's way in defense of our freedoms.

