



Streamwood Community News

March/April 2021

Volunteer Opportunities

We need you! Advisory boards and commissions serve as additional resources to the Village Board and staff. By donating your time and talent, you are contributing to the spirit of volunteerism within our community, making it a better place to live, work and play. We have opportunities for you to get involved. Please take a moment to review our commissions and the valuable work they do.

The **Blood Commission** encourages citizens to give blood by hosting five (5) drives per year.

The **Civil Service Commission** makes the rules for employee examinations, appointments and removals to promote fair and equal treatment and opportunity under the law.

Members of the **Community Relations Commission** make recommendations to the Village Board on programs to improve human relations in the Village, while recognizing, valuing and respecting the diverse cultures in our community.

The **Natural Resource Conservancy Commission** recommends strategies for the conservation and protection of our natural resources. Members serving should have training, interest or experience in such areas as ecology, biology, education and/or similarly related fields.

The **Planning and Zoning Board** makes recommendations to the Village Board and reviews the Village's Comprehensive Plan, all plans and developments as outlined in the Subdivision Control Ordinance, Zoning Code, Village Code and State Statutes.

The **Board of Fire and Police Commissioners** conduct entrance and promotional examinations to ensure fair and equal treatment under the law.

The **Veterans Memorial Commission** makes recommendations to the Village Board on the presentation and enhancement of the Veterans Memorial, all events held, and funding for its continued maintenance.

If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the Commission Application found on our website: streamwood.org (under Government > Boards and Commissions) and return to the Village President's office. To learn more about other volunteer opportunities available, please call the Village President's Office at 630-736-3801.



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Village Board News

MFT Appropriation

It's a sure sign of spring! The Village Board adopted its annual resolution authorizing the appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Funds for roadwork. The Village has earmarked \$1.4 million in MFT funds for various 2021 road maintenance items.

Improving Our Pedestrian And Bicycle Trails

The Village held a public forum on February 25 to get input from the community regarding its proposed bridge and trail alignments along the Route 59 corridor. The Village received grant funds to study and develop alignment options. The proposed improvements are part of the Village's Comprehensive Plan and include

a new trail connection at Irving Park Road and Madison Drive. This trail would connect to a pedestrian and bicycle path and bridge that would take travelers across Route 59 to the existing path system on the west side of Route 59. The plans call for a boardwalk system to minimize the impact on existing wetlands, moving toward a steel truss bridge that would safely carry bikers and walkers over, and permit traffic along, Route 59. A variety of options, alignments and designs were shown. The Village is continuing to take public comment on these plans through March 12. To view the plans and provide comment, please visit our website at streamwood.org/community/bridge-and-path-overview.



Fire Station And Public Works Renovations

Nearing completion, Fire Station #31 (1204 S Park Ave.) recently purchased furniture to be installed in mid-March. An open house will be planned once the fire department can safely welcome visitors. The Public Works expansion is progressing; drywall work has started in the office areas. The project remains on target for completion this fall.

2021 Consolidated Election

Early Voting for the 2021 Consolidated Election will be held at in the garage behind Streamwood Village Hall, **Monday, March 22 through Monday, April 5**. All eligible suburban Cook County voters are welcome.

Hours are as follows:

March 22-27	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
March 28	10:00 am - 4:00 pm
March 29-April 3	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
April 4	10:00 am - 4:00 pm
April 5	9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Voter registration will be available during Early Voting. If you wish to register, you must bring two pieces of identification — one with your current Cook County address.

Consolidated Election Day is Tuesday, April 6, 2021 from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm. On Election Day, you must visit your local polling place to cast your vote. Please visit the Cook County Clerk website at cookcountyclerk.com to verify your registration and to check for your local polling place.



Village Board News

Spring Ahead

Why do we change the clocks? American politician and inventor Benjamin Franklin first came up with the idea while in Paris in 1784. He suggested that if people got up earlier, when it was lighter, then it would save on candles. It did not actually happen until World War One. This year, Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 14 at 2:00 am. On Saturday night, be sure to set your clocks forward one hour to "spring ahead."

When you set your clocks ahead one hour, it is also a good time to check and/or change the batteries in all of your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.



April 2021 Beat Meeting Schedule

The Police Department hosts regular Beat meetings to help residents learn about our services, and let the police know about issues and concerns. The Village is divided into four beat areas (see map). April Beat meetings will be held at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

Neighborhood Beat Meetings

The Police Department is hosting Beat Meetings to better serve our residents.

Meetings will be hosted by the sergeant in charge of your area beat (see map) at 7:00 pm.

Beat	Meeting Date
Beat 1	April 8, 2021 – via ZOOM
Beat 2	April 15, 2021 – via ZOOM
Beat 3	April 15, 2021 – via ZOOM
Beat 4	April 8, 2021 – via ZOOM

For more information call the Police Department (630) 736-3700 or visit us on-line www.streamwood.org

Project Guidelines Online

Looking to do some home improvements, but not sure where to start? The Community Development Department has a list of project guidelines available. Visit our website at streamwood.org, or call 630-736-3843.

Village President's Message

March 2020 saw the world change. It is hard to believe that an entire year has passed. Our new normal is far from it. However, we have all found ways to adapt and support each other in these difficult times.



One way our community has shown its support this year has been by supporting the Food Pantry. We created a dedicated link for donations on our website. We created an outdoor donation bin. And our community responded! Since the beginning of the pandemic, we have been able to send filled bins to the Pantry every week. We have been able to support their efforts to keep the shelves stocked with your donations. The Pantry continues to see a need and continues to need our support. If you are able, please consider donating non-perishable food at Village Hall, or a financial donation on our website.

Another way you can help your neighbors is by donating blood. The simple act of giving blood is truly lifesaving. The Streamwood Blood Commission will host its second event of the year on Wednesday, April 21, from 1:00 pm-7:00 pm. Anyone who weighs at least 110 pounds, is 17 years old and not given blood in the past 56 days is eligible. Special COVID-19 safety precautions will be followed. Appointments are required for this blood drive. To schedule yours, please go to vitalant.org and use the sponsor code SW98.

This is also a good time to take a look at the opportunities to volunteer within the Village. Whether it is serving on a board or commission, or helping at an event, we rely on residents who generously give their time and talent. Please review the opportunities available on page 1. If you have any questions, please contact my office at mayor@streamwood.org.

Sadly, most of the community events we look forward to each year continue to be cancelled. The slow rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine does provide us a sense of hope. But we have a way to go before we can once again be together.

In the meantime, we will continue to seek ways we can offer services and programs where possible. Our Natural Resource Conservancy Commission (NRCC) is once again planning a contactless Streamwood Environmental Education Day (SEED) event. This year it will be held on Saturday, May 1. As part of our SEED event, Streamwood residents can drop off televisions and other electronics for recycling. You will also have an opportunity to safely discard unused prescription drugs and drop off paper goods for shredding. Please watch our website for further details.

Finally, don't forget that April 6 is the date for the Consolidated Election. This election determines your representation in the Village, Park District, School District, and more. Exercise your right – VOTE!

Sincerely,

Billie D. Roth, Village President

Village Board News

Schedule Your Tee Time

Streamwood Oaks Golf Club will be open starting March 19 – weather permitting.



Holiday Lights Recycling Update

The Natural Resource Conservancy Commission reports that nearly 1,400 lbs. of holiday lights were collected. Thanks to everyone who dropped off their unwanted lights and helped save landfill space.

Property Tax Bill Extension Reminder

Cook County has waived late fees on property taxes for two months, giving cash-strapped property owners more time to juggle their finances:

- The first installment of 2020 taxes is due March 2, with application of late fees delayed to May 3
- The second installment of 2020 taxes is due August 2, with application of late fees delayed to October 1

Visit the Cook County Treasurer’s website to learn more and download your first installment tax bill: cookcountytreasurer.com.



Community Blood Drive

On April 21, at Fire Station #31 (1204 S Park Ave), the Streamwood Blood Commission will host a donation drive from 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Appointments are required. To schedule an appointment, or receive more information, including additional COVID-19 safety protocols, please contact Vitalant at 877- 543-3768 or visit vitalant.org and use sponsor code SW98.

Police Enforcement Of Blocking The Sidewalk

Starting March 1, please do not park over the sidewalk between 7:00 am - 9:00 pm, Monday through Friday, and 9:00 am - 9:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday.

Yard Waste Pickup Begins April 1

All yard waste should be in Kraft paper bags or dedicated bins with a sticker. Stickers are available at Village Hall for \$1.00.

Community Development Department Expanded Hours

Beginning Thursday, March 12, the Community Development Department will remain open until 7:00 pm on Thursday evenings.

Please Remove All Outside Holiday Lights

Damaged lights pose a serious fire risk. Code Enforcement officers will warn residents who have not removed their temporary lights within 90 days of putting them up.

Need To Dispose Of An Old Flag?

There is a flag disposal box in Village Hall just inside the front (east) doors. Simply drop off any flags no longer fit for public use. Members of VFW Post 5151 will ensure its proper destruction.

Recycle Right

Recycling is great for the environment. But it is important to Recycle Right! Include foil, glass or plastic bottles and jars, newspapers, and magazines. Make sure recyclables are clean and empty. Replace lids and caps. Flatten cardboard. Do not include take out containers that have food on them, paper coffee cups or juice cartons. Advanced does not take hangers, chains, clothing, food, styrofoam, plastic bags, or large items such as electronics or wood. When in doubt – throw it out! For more information, visit advanceddisposal.com/for-home/curbside-collection/recycling.aspx.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:		UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:
 Cardboard (Yes, all those Prime boxes!)	 Paper (Office paper, brown paper bags, mail, etc.)	
 Aluminum Cans, Metal Containers (After being quickly rinsed)	 Plastic Bottles, Jars, Jugs and Containers (After being quickly rinsed)	

Community News

Introducing Social Services

Streamwood Police Department's Social Services Program offers free services to aid residents experiencing situations of personal or family concern. When encountering Streamwood residents who may need assistance, referrals to the program are often made by police officers, firefighters, community development personnel, schools, hospitals, or community agencies. The program is available to help with crisis intervention, general domestic violence services, short term counseling, agency referrals, as well as court and crime victim advocacy services.

Situations which may cause personal and family concern include domestic violence, child abuse/neglect, family conflicts, addiction, geriatric problems, mental and physical illness, runaway/delinquency, missing persons, victims of a crime, and grief or loss. It is during these moments that a social worker may be of assistance. The Streamwood Police Department has had dedicated social workers as key members of the team for well over 10 years.

Nicole Rodriguez is our bilingual, full-time, licensed social worker who has been with the department for over four years. Nicole came to Streamwood from the WINGS Program Inc., where she provided counseling for children who were exposed to domestic violence. While earning her master's degree, Nicole interned with the Mount Prospect and Palatine Police Departments.

Sara Jayes is our part-time, licensed professional counselor who has been with the department for two years. Sara spent nine years as a victim advocate with the Evanston Police Department. Prior to coming to Streamwood, she also worked with a private guardianship and case management agency.

Both Nicole and Sara are members of the Association of Police Social Services (APSS) which recognizes police social work as a specialization within the mental health field. These individuals are dedicated to the development, practice and enhancement of social services provided within police department settings.

If you have questions about the program or would like to discuss services, please contact Nicole Rodriguez, M.A., LSW at 630-736-3721 or Sara Jayes, M.A., LPC at 630-736-3744.



Beards For Charity

Members of the Police Department participated in an event called Beards For Charity, where facial hair was permitted during the months of November, December, January and February. In order to participate, a donation of \$25 per month of participation was made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Over \$2,500 was raised to help the kids of St. Jude.

Solicitors Must Be Registered

The Streamwood Police Department reminds residents that solicitors must display a Streamwood Village-issued ID card that contains their photo, name, company, ID number and expiration date. If you suspect a solicitor is not legitimate, or is acting in an aggressive manner, contact the Streamwood Police Department at 911.

Government Partner News



Hanover Township

hanover-township.org



Shred Event
Hanover Township will host a community shred event on Saturday, March 27, at the William Tiknis Campus (250 S. IL Route 59, Bartlett), from 9:00 am-11:00 am. Only paper materials will be accepted. Small paper clips and staples do not need to be removed.

No plastic bags. This event is co-sponsored by KCT Credit Union. Donations of non-perishable food and personal care items will also be accepted for the Township Food Pantry. Volunteers wearing masks will remove pantry donations and items for shredding. For questions, please call 847-888-8329 or email info@hanover-township.org.

Tutoring Assistance Available

Certified teachers provide small group tutoring assistance for all subject matters for students in grades 2 – 8. Students in grades 9-12 can register for math tutoring. Tutoring is held at the Town Hall, 250 S. IL Route 59, Bartlett. Face coverings will be required and social distancing will be enforced. The tutoring fee is \$45 per semester. Tutoring groups are developed based on age, subject matter, and learning needs that are identified by referring teachers. Children who attend regularly and bring their school materials/assignments to each session improve in academic performance and become more self-confident. For questions about the Hanover Township tutoring program, or to register, please call 630-483-5799 or visit hanover-township.org.



Poplar Creek Public Library

pclib.org

Candidate Forum

The Poplar Creek Public Library will be providing space for a Candidate's Forum for the various government bodies in Hanover Park and Streamwood. This event will be streamed live via Facebook. Visit pclib.org for more information.

Family Concert Series

All ages welcome to attend our FREE virtual live concerts. Visit pclib.org for concert details. No registration necessary — just join us on our Facebook page the day of the performance!

Upcoming performances are:

Elgin Symphony Orchestra Woodwind Quintet, Peter and The Wolf, Sunday, March 21 at 2:00 pm.



The CoverGirls Violin Show, Sunday, April 18 at 2:00 pm.

These programs are partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.



Streamwood Park District

SPDCARES.com

Bunny Delivery Baskets

The Easter Bunny is delivering a basket full of goodies! Photo opportunities will be available as the Bunny drops by. Registration is required. Participants will be contacted to secure a specific time. Wednesday, March 24 and Friday, March 25 from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm; \$15

Breakfast With The Bunny

Join the Bunny for breakfast basics, crafts and coloring at Park Place Family Recreation Center. Be sure to bring a camera for a photo op with the guest of honor. Saturday, April 3 from 10:30 am-11:30 am; you must register by April 1; \$12R/\$18NR per person

Egg Hunt

After Breakfast with the Bunny, hop on over to the annual Egg Hunt. Children are invited to search for candy-stuffed eggs. A limited number of participants will be allowed. Each participant must register. Please bring non-perishable food items for donation to the food pantry. Saturday, April 3 at 12:00 pm with specific time slots per age group.

Spring Break Theater Camp – “Broadway Beat”

Celebrate musical theater with hits from “Hairspray,” “The Music Man,” “The King and I” and many others in this 4-day camp over U-46’s spring break. Camp ends with a 30-minute viewing of our production for parents. Monday, March 29-Thursday, April 1 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm; for children in grades 2-10; \$75R/\$112NR; at Park Place Recreation Center

Adult Co-Ed Softball League

Come join your friends (ages 18+) in our first ever inter-village, co-ed softball league. Teams will play games against teams from neighboring towns of Bartlett and Roselle. Cash prizes will be rewarded. The season begins Monday, May 3; register by Saturday, April 17; team fee \$640; \$100 non-refundable deposit due at registration

Go to streamwoodparks.org or call 630-483-3010 to learn more or register for these events.



Gail Borden Library

gailborden.info

Secret Chicago –

Tuesday, March 2 at 7:00 pm

Join Jessica Mlinaric, author of Secret Chicago: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure, for an evening of weird Chicago trivia. Learn about unusual places in Chicago such as a grave in a junkyard and a pool under the Loop. Please register at gailborden.info/register.

Mr. Jon! Live Children’s Music Performance –

Tuesday, March 9 and April 13 at 10:00 am

Join us for a musical series by the one and only award-winning musician Mr. Jon and his puppet George. No registration is necessary — simply join us on Facebook Live: gbpl.info/FBLV.



Fleetwood Mac: The Chain...Broken –

Thursday, March 25 at 7:00 pm

Music historian Gary Wenstrup will discuss the band’s journey to fame. Using interview and performance video, Wenstrup will trace the band’s career with a focus on their blockbuster album “Rumours” and the band’s classic lineup of Stevie Nicks, Lindsay Buckingham, Christine McVie, John McVie and Mick Fleetwood. Please register at gailborden.info/register.

Chicago: True Stories Of The 1920’s –

Tuesday, April 6 at 7:00 pm

Fun Flapper Martina Mathisen will help you travel back in time to learn how fashion, crime and prohibition mixed with explosive creativity to shape the decade of the century. Register at gailborden.info/register.



School District U-46

Spring Recess

While the traditional Spring Break isn't so traditional this year, there are no classes from March 29-April 5 as the schools will be on recess. Classes resume on April 6.



U-46 Continues Free Meal Distribution

School District U-46 is providing free breakfast and lunch to all children 18 years and under packaged to take home. No paperwork is required, and children do not need to be present – just visit the pickup location most convenient for your family! Schools in Streamwood offering pickup include Glenbrook, Hanover-Countryside, Heritage, Oakhill, Ridge Circle and Sunnysdale, as well as both Middle Schools and Streamwood High School. Service times

are 7:00 am-10:30 am on Hybrid Days, and 7:00 am-11:30 am on Non-Hybrid Days. All students in attendance in the buildings will be provided a take home breakfast and lunch when they leave for the day. For details, visit the U-46 website at u-46.org.

News And Communications

In a school district of more than 38,000 students and 4,500 staff members, there is always plenty of news and many accomplishments. The District aims to keep families updated through their website, Facebook, Twitter, mass notification calls, emails, and texts. The District also welcomes information about events and issues as well as feedback about our communications efforts. Please submit your questions, comments, and feedback via Let's Talk!



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Village Hall Hours:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Thursdays 8:00 am - 7:00 pm
 Community Development Department is open Thursday evenings until 7:00 pm starting March 12

Village Calendar

MARCH

- 4 Village Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 12 Community Development Expanded Hours Begins (see pg. 4)
- 14 Daylight Saving Time 2:00 am
- 16 Planning and Zoning Board 7:00 pm
- 18 Village Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 19 Streamwood Oaks Golf Club Opens (weather permitting)
- 22 Early Voting Begins (see pg. 2) 9:00 am

APRIL

- 1 Yardwaste Pickup Begins (see pg. 4)
- 1 Village Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 5 Branch Pickup Begins
- 5 Early Voting Ends 5:00 pm
- 6 2021 Consolidated Election Day 6:00 am-7:00 pm
- 8 Police Beat Meetings, Beats 1 & 4 (see pg. 4) 7:00 pm
- 15 Village Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 15 Police Beat Meetings, Beats 2 & 3 (see pg. 4) 7:00 pm
- 21 Community Blood Drive (see pg. 4) 1:00 pm-7:00 pm

Branch Pickup

During the months from April-October, Public Works will collect branches, free of charge, from your curbside during designated collection days. Simply place branches at the curb by 6:00 am on the day your area is scheduled for pickup. It is important to have your branches out by the scheduled morning listed below in order to avoid being missed by the branch pickup crews. Crews collect branches as soon as possible but cannot be expected to return if branches are not out in time.



Branches must be placed with the cut ends facing the street. Branches cannot be longer than ten feet (10') in length, and have a diameter of no larger than six (6) inches.

The Village is divided into four areas for pickup service (see map). Each area receives branch pickup service one time per month.

Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
April 5	April 12	April 19	April 26
May 3	May 10	May 17	May 24
June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
July 6	July 12	July 19	July 26
August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23
September 7	September 13	September 20	September 27
October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25

Crews try to collect branches as soon as possible. It usually takes more than one day to collect all branches. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Public Works at 630-736-3850.