

Streamwood Community News

September/October 2023



9/11 Remembrance Ceremony

The Veterans Memorial Commission, with the Streamwood Police and Fire Departments, has a remembrance planned for the innocent victims — civilians, police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel — who perished in the September 11, 2001 terror attacks. The ceremony will take place at our Streamwood Veterans Memorial on Monday, September 11 at 7:00 pm. Please join us.





Streamwood Fire Department Open House

The annual Fire Department Open House will be held on Saturday, October 14, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Fire Station #31, 1204 S Park Avenue. There will be equipment displays, fire safety information, station tours, a fire sprinkler demonstration, a simulated vehicle auto extrication, and high-angle technical rescue. We will also have hands-on fire extinguisher training and the opportunity to spray a real fire hose. Other safety and community agencies will be on hand with demonstrations and information, too. Please visit and help us recognize Fire Prevention Week!















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Village Board News

Citizens Fire Academy Participants

At the July 6 Village Board meeting, a group of individuals were recognized for their completion of the 2023
Streamwood Citizens Fire Academy. The Streamwood Fire Department has been offering this 10-week academy for many



years. Adult residents and business members of the community are given the opportunity to gain insight into how our firefighter/paramedics perform their duties and serve our Village. Congratulations to everyone who dedicated their personal time to attend this program.

Summer Celebration Parade Winners

With nearly 70 units, the 2023 Summer Celebration Parade was a lot of fun. Parade winners were recognized with certificates and awards by the Village Board on August 3. The complete list of winners can be found at streamwoodsummercelebration.org.

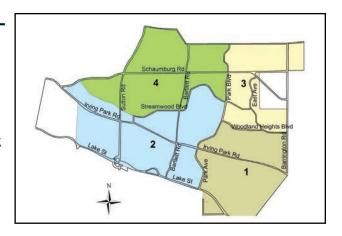


Community Blood Drive

The Streamwood Blood Commission will hold its final donation drive of 2023 on Wednesday, October 25, from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm, at Fire Station #31 (1204 S Park Ave). Please contact Vitalant at 877-258-4825 or vitalant.org to register. Be sure to use group code ORDOSW98. Appointments are recommended but walk-ins are always welcome. Remember — a pint of blood can save up to three lives!

Police Beat Meetings — New Locations!

The Streamwood Police
Department will continue their
Beat Meetings for area residents
interested in learning more about
the department and ways to work
together to keep our community
safe! Instead of hosting the
meetings at the police station,
we're bringing them into the
community. Beats 1 and 4 will



meet October 24, at 7:00 pm; Beats 2 and 3 will meet October 26, at 7:00 pm. Both locations to be determined. Check out our website for more details as the dates get closer.

Halloween Trick-or-Treat Hours

Halloween is on Tuesday, October 31. Halloween trick-or-treat hours are from 3:00 pm-7:00 pm. The Police Department encourages participants to walk in groups for safety. Wear bright colors to make it easy for drivers to see you. Avoid masks that obscure your vision. Drivers — please watch out for excited ghosts and goblins!

Village Board News

Leaf Raking Into The Street Is Prohibited

Many Streamwood residents mistakenly rake leaves into the



street for pick-up by the Public Works Department. Please be advised that the Village of Streamwood DOES NOT provide this service. Please do not rake, sweep or blow leaves into the street. All yard waste must be placed into approved containers for collection by Groot Industries.

Do You Own Residential Rental Property?

Please know that all residential rental properties must be licensed by the Village. Renewal letters for currently licensed property will be sent out in October and are due by Sunday, December 31. For more information on the Village's residential rental licensing program, please visit our website at streamwood.org or call the Community Development Department at 630-736-3843.

Phoenix Lake Clean-up

The Village of Streamwood is proud of its long history of preserving our natural resources. Our Community Relations Commission (CRC) will host our annual invasive species removal and clean-up at Phoenix Lake Business Park. On Saturday, September 9, consider volunteering anytime between 8:00 am-11:00 am. All tools and materials will be provided. Dress to get dirty! Volunteers will meet across from the intersection of Phoenix Lake Avenue and Ramblewood Drive. Please contact Scott at 630-736-3850 or snielsen@streamwood.org to learn more. Rain date will be September 16.



Village President's Message



Despite a thunderstorm that forced us to close early on Friday night, our 27th Annual Summer Celebration — Great American Road Trip — was a success. It was wonderful to see so many people, of all ages, come out and enjoy a weekend of family fun. Our fest offered something for everyone . . . carnival rides, games and activities, great food, a wonderful parade, and entertainment!

On behalf of the Streamwood Park District, Poplar Creek Library, and Village, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to the many sponsors, food and expovendors, as well as the hard work and effort of our volunteers and staff.

This fall, the Village Board and staff will begin work on our annual goals and objectives for 2024. This effort helps guide us through the upcoming budget process. The goals and objectives created help us organize our priorities and establish a roadmap for providing the services our residents and businesses need in the most cost-effective manner possible. The Village Board and staff are proud of our reputation as fiscally responsible managers of your tax dollars. We are committed to keeping Streamwood a great place to live, work, and play.

We are also working diligently on developing our community in line with our Comprehensive Plan. Our plan called for improved connectivity. We continue to work on the steps for the path bridge over Route 59 that will physically connect our community. Several businesses have received grants to improve the look of our community as part of the Streamwood Development Assistance Program. Both initiatives started with our goals and objectives sessions. If you have ideas about improving our connection with you, please let me know.

School is back in session. Please be especially careful driving in our school zones. Be aware of the change in speed limits when children are present. Be mindful of the state law prohibiting talking or texting on cell phones within school zones and while driving. The Police Department will be actively enforcing these regulations to ensure that our streets, and our children, remain safe.

Although summer is coming to an end, there are still many opportunities to enjoy the weather and great outdoors. Help us honor those we lost at our 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony. Give blood to save lives. Learn about fire safety at our Fire Open House. We look forward to seeing you around town!

Sincerely,

Billie D. Roth Village President

Kittie's Korner Village Clerk Kittie Kopitke

Outdoor Fireplaces — Enjoy Them Safely!

As the weather cools down, people enjoy sitting around the warmth and light of a backyard fire. When used properly, a fire offers a relaxing setting for conversation and socialization. But when used improperly, it can cause serious injury or death. The Streamwood Fire Department offers the following tips to keep your backyard fireplace safe:

- Outdoor fireplaces must have a lid or screen to contain all embers or sparks; use without violates Village Ordinance
- Burn only dry, unpainted/unfinished wood; it is illegal to burn leaves, paper, cardboard, and garbage
- Place the fireplace on a non-combustible, flat surface, away from buildings and vegetation
- Keep children a good distance away and always have a responsible adult supervise when in use Have a fire extinguisher or water source available in case of an emergency Use of an outdoor fireplace/fire pit is prohibited between the hours of 12:00 am-6:00 am

- Please use the fire pit with sensitivity to neighbors that may have health conditions or wish to have windows open in their home: generation of excessive smoke is considered a public nuisance

Please use common sense. Respect your neighbors. Be aware of smoke travel, wind speed and direction, and plan accordingly. When used improperly, a backyard fireplace can be both illegal and deadly. If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Department at 630-736-3650.





35 Years Of Service!

Battalion Chief Joe Ratzek recently celebrated his 35th anniversary with the Village of Streamwood Fire Department. "Chief Joe," as he is commonly known around the firehouse, is the most senior member. In addition to serving as a Battalion Chief, he coordinates in-house building maintenance, apparatus maintenance, and personally maintains the radios and fire station alerting software. Joe is "Mr. Fix It" and a valuable member of the fire department. Thank you, Chief Joe for your dedicated service to our community!

Junior Citizens Police Academy

At the August 3 Village Board meeting, graduates of the Streamwood Police Department's 3rd Annual Junior Citizens Police Academy were recognized for their participation.

During the week of July 17 - 21, the police department had the privilege to host twenty-six students, as they learned what a police officer's job entails. The 6th - 8th grade students were provided a tour of our police station, learned from detectives on how to investigate cases, met our SWAT operators, were provided demonstrations from our two canine

handlers, learned how to collect and preserve evidence, and how to perform traffic stops. Throughout the week, the students were split up into four groups where they were able to build relationships and create a rival competition amongst themselves. At the end of the week, the groups were able to relax with a friendly game of kickball and test their physical abilities with a mock physical agility course. It was all topped off with a fun pizza party and graduation ceremony. The week was enjoyed by all, and we look forward to seeing a new group of junior recruits next summer!









Medication And Needle Take-Back Program

The Streamwood Fire and Police Departments provide safe medication and needle disposal free to our residents. Medications and needles are collected to keep them out of the waterways, streets, landfills, the hands of children, and other unintended users. Unused or expired prescription medications can lead to poisoning, overdose, and abuse!

Free. Anonymous. Responsible. Drop off your unused or expired pills at the Police Department lobby in the large gray collection box (401 E Irving Park Road), 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Pills should be in their original container or in a sealed plastic bag. Please do not dump loose pills in the collection box! You can drop off any type of pills, including legally held controlled drugs and narcotics.

All other unused medications and needles, including used or unused sharps, medication needles, liquid/powder/gel, and any other medications, can be dropped off at Fire Station #31 (1204 S Park Avenue), Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. To prevent injury, please place used or unused needles in puncture-proof containers (red sharps container, empty milk jug, 2-liter soda bottle, or laundry detergent bottle are fine).

NARCAN Leave Behind Program

The Streamwood Police Department's NARCAN Leave Behind Program provides community members with NARCAN and training on how to use it so that they can help reverse an overdose caused by opioids. This is provided at no charge. Those who believe they would benefit from this program should come to the Police Department and inquire at the front desk.

Community News

27th Annual Summer Celebration

It was nice to see families and neighbors out enjoying a Great American Road Trip. The Summer Celebration Committee is very grateful for our generous sponsors, fabulous food vendors, local businesses who were part of the Business Expo and/or donated raffle prizes, and the hundreds of volunteers — everyone had a great time!

























Government Partner News



Hanover Township

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Just For the Health of It!

Hanover Township, along with co-sponsors Cook County Commissioner Kevin Morrison, and the Victory Centre of Bartlett will hold the 16th annual "Just for the Health of It" Community Health and Wellness Expo on Thursday, September 7, 11:00 am-3:00 pm, at the William Tiknis Campus (240 S IL Route 59, Bartlett). Free and open to the public, residents will be able to take advantage of over a dozen free health screenings for bone



density, veins, hearing and vision, glucose, blood pressure and more. In addition to the free screenings, attendees can also participate in raffles. The kids' zone returns with a petting zoo, bouncy castle and more! For questions, please contact the Office of Community Health at 630-483-5665 or visit just4thehealthofit.org.



Fall Food Truck Festival

Join us for food, fun and music at Hanover Township's 6th Annual Fall Food Truck Festival on Thursday, September 14, 5:00-8:00 pm, at the Hanover Township William Tiknis Campus (250 S IL Route 59, Bartlett). Food vendors featuring menus of BBQ, pizza,

tacos and empanadas, tasty pierogis, churros, desserts, and more will be onsite. Beer, wine, water, and soda will also be available for purchase. Chicago area favorite, The GooRoos will be performing live at the fest that will also include carnival games. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about the Township's programs and services for residents of all ages. Free admission and free offsite parking at the back lot of the Village Church of Bartlett (601 W Bartlett Road, Bartlett) with shuttle service to and from the fest. Questions? Call 630-837-0301 or visit fallfoodtruckfest.com.

Hanover Township will host a community shred event on Saturday, October 7, at the William Tiknis Campus (250 S IL Route 59, Bartlett), from 9:00-11:00 am, or until the shred trucks have reached capacity. 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 Cook County Commissioner Kevin Morrison.



Donations of non-perishable food and personal care items will also be accepted for the Township Food Pantry. For questions, please call 630-837-0301 or email info@hanover-township.org.



Gail Borden Library

gailborden.info

Alebrijes - Creatures of a Dream World

Experience captivating, colorful creatures that will be on display at the Main Library from September 9-December 30. This Mexican folk art embodies characteristics from many animals to create fantastical creatures. The sculptures were



created by a team of six artists from Mexico City. The exhibit is sponsored by the Gail Borden Public Library Foundation and Elgin State Bank, A Wintrust Community Bank. For information about Alebrijes programs and events, go to gailborden.info/alebrijes.

Gail Borden Public Library Foundation Book Sale

Thousands of books and media for all ages will be for sale September 20-24 at the Main Library. Browse books featuring military history, the Civil War, cookbooks, vintage science fiction, mysteries and much more. The sale will kick off with a special preview night on September 20 from 5:00-8:30 pm with an admission of \$10. Entry is free for the remainder of the sale, which is open from 9:00 am-8:00 pm on September 21, 9:00 am-5:00 pm on September 22 and 23, and from noon-4:00 pm on September 24. For more information, visit gailborden.info/foundation/book-sale.

Hispanic Heritage Month 2023: Music and Art — The Universal Languages Celebrate Hispanic culture at this free event from 2:00-4:00 pm on Saturday, October 7 at the Main Library. Enjoy dance and musical performances by Folkloric groups from Bolivia, Colombia and Honduras and the Elgin Master Chorale as well as an art demonstration, Latin rhythms class and more.



Streamwood Park District

streamwoodparks.org

Hoosier Grove Barn & Brew: Oktoberfest

Join us for the "bier" event of the season...Streamwood-style at Hoosier Grove Barn & Brew: Oktoberfest from 1:00-5:00 pm, Sunday, September 24. The event features more than 30 brewers who will have an assortment of beers, ciders, wines, and meads. Enjoy food, raffles, and live music all on the campus of the beautiful and historic Hoosier Grove Barn, 700 W Irving Park Rd. General admission tickets are \$45 each in advance (\$50 each at the gate). There are also designated driver tickets available for \$10 each. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit streamwoodparks.org.

Fall Membership Sale

From October 2-13, enjoy 10% off annual memberships, punch passes and locker rentals or 20% off all-inclusive annual memberships (does not apply to monthly EFT memberships). This exclusive membership sale is only available in-person at Guest Services at Park Place Family Recreation Center in partnership with RUSH Physical Therapy, 550 S Park Blvd.

Register Now for Fall Programs

Be sure to browse the Streamwood Park District's Autumn 2023 Program Guide and register for programs online at streamwoodparks.org or in-person at Park Place Family Recreation Center, 550 S Park Blvd.

Upcoming Special Events

For a complete listing of our exciting slate of fall special events, visit our website at streamwoodparks.org/events/special-events.



Poplar Creek Public Library



Family Concert Series

Join us each month for our free indoor concerts! On Sunday, September 17 at 2:00 pm we welcome select members of the West Suburban Flute Orchestra. Then, on Sunday, October 15 at 2:00 pm, Big Sky Ensemble



entertains us with their eclectic approach to American roots music. To register, visit pclib.org/ events or call 331-808-3515.



Author Fair

Drop by the library on Saturday, September 23 from 1:00-4:00 pm and meet local authors, learn about new titles, and purchase signed copies of books at our first Author Fair. For a list of participating authors, visit pclib.org/author-fair.

Eclipse Watch Party
You're invited to our solar eclipse watch party on Saturday, October 14 from 10:30 am 1:30 pm in the library parking lot. A pair of solar eclipse glasses will be distributed for safe viewing to patrons ages 14 and older on a first-come, first-served basis.

Coat & Clothing Drive

Help those in need in our community stay warm this winter season. From October 1-31 drop off NEW coats, gloves, scarves, hats, socks, and other cold-weather clothing in our donation box at the library's front entrance. All items will be donated to Hanover Township Welfare Services. Only brand-new items (with tags) will be accepted.

School News



School District U-46

Community Advisory Council Meetings Scheduled for 2023-24

For more than a half century, community and parent volunteers who live within U-46 boundaries have served as liaisons between their schools, the school district, and the Community Advisory Council (CAC). The CAC typically meets at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of the month. CAC's schedule for the 2023-24 school year will kick off on Thursday, September 7 with a "Welcome Back" meeting. The October meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 5. Each U-46 school can have up to five registered representatives on the CAC. Those interested in joining and do not have a student in U-46, may join as an "At-Large-Member" by calling the District's Community Relations Office at 847-888-5000 ext. 5003. Learn more at u46cac.org.

U-46 8th Graders To Attend Expo At NOW Arena

During the school day, more than 2,000 8th graders and teachers in School District U-46 will participate on Thursday, October 5, in Explore 2023 at the NOW Arena in Hoffman Estates. Explore is the District's annual expo designed to expose students to various careers and demonstrate the connection between academic curriculum and future careers. Local businesses, industries, governmental organizations, and nonprofits will have exhibits at Explore and representatives who will engage in discussions with students. The students will also be able to meet with high school students and faculty from U-46's five high school Magnet Academies, and information on the district's Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs will be available at Explore, too. To learn more about Explore, become a sponsor, visit u-46.org/exploreexpo.







Streamwood High School and Tefft Middle School Welcome New Principals

As the new school year starts, two new principals will be leading Tefft Middle School and Streamwood High School, both located in the Village of Streamwood. Dr. Richard Lebron, the incoming principal at Tefft, brings more than 20 years of experience in education, including 17 years in School District U-46 and the last year as the assistant principal of Tefft. During his U-46 career, Dr. Lebron has served as a bilingual

science teacher at Kimball and Larsen middle schools, a dean of students at Larkin High School, and in roles including associate principal, and principal of Bartlett High School.

Paige Moran, the incoming principal of Streamwood High School, has served as the assistant principal of STEM at SHS since 2022, evaluating and coaching more than 35 instructional staff members. Prior to joining U-46, she worked for 10 years at Pritzker College Prep in Chicago, serving as a 9th grade math teacher, dean of students, and assistant principal.

Next Phase of Unite U-46 to Get Underway

Local residents are encouraged to get involved in the next stage of the community engagement initiative Unite U-46. The first phase of Unite U-46's work helped develop recommendations in 2022 and 2023 on the best way to implement the vision of the U-46 Board of Education, leading to the passage of a zero-tax-ratechange bond proposal in April 2023. As this work moves forward, Unite U-46 will now pivot to focus on keeping the entire U-46 community informed and engaged as construction and renovation plans and projects are confirmed. More information, and a schedule of upcoming sessions, can be found at u-46.org/uniteu46.



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Village Departments

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Community Development - Jeff Harris, Director | (630) 736-3829 | communitydevelopment@streamwood.org

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

IT - Joe Ritter, Director | (630) 736-3851 | it@streamwood.org

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

Village Hall Hours:

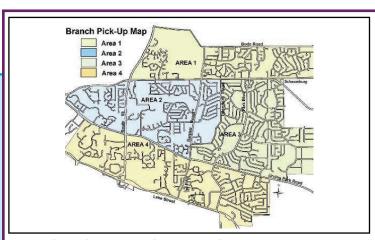
Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Thursdays 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Community Development Department is open Thursday evenings until 7:00 pm

Village Calendar September

6:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:00-11:00 am
6:00 pm
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October

5	Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Meeting	6:00 pm	
5	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm	
9	Community Relations Commission Meeting	6:00 pm	
9	Columbus Day — Village Offices Closed (Employee In-Service Day)		
14	Fire Department Open House (see page 1)	11:00 am-2:00 pm	
17	Planning and Zoning Board Meeting	7:00 pm	
19	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm	
24	Veterans Memorial Commission Meeting	7:00 pm	
24	Police Beat Meeting (Beats 1 & 4)	7:00 pm	
25	Community Blood Drive (see page 2)	1:00-7:00 pm	
26	Police Beat Meeting (Beats 2 & 3)	7:00 pm	
31	Halloween Trick-or-Treat Hours (see page 2)	3:00-7:00 pm	



Branch Pickup – Ends In 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
September 5	September 11	September 18	September 25
October 2	October 10	October 16	October 23

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.