



Streamwood Community News

January/February 2020

Snow Plow Routes Information

The Public Works Department works hard to keep our streets clear throughout any storm event. Please remember not to park on streets after a 2" or greater snowfall to allow the plows to do their job. To decrease excessive snow at the end of your driveway, try to shovel in the direction of traffic, starting with a small clear space along the curb line and at the end of your driveway.

If a plow inadvertently hits your mailbox, or causes other damage, please report it immediately by calling (630) 736-3850 or 911.

Please note that the Village does not plow IDOT or Cook County roads. IDOT is responsible for plowing Barrington Road, Irving Park Road, Lake Street, and Route 59. For questions on IDOT roads, please call (800) 452-4368. Cook County Highway Department maintains Schaumburg, Bartlett and Bode Roads. For questions on County roads, please call (847) 603-1600.



Village Adopts 2020 Budget

The Village Board recently adopted our 2020 Capital and Operating Budget. Once again, the Budget is balanced with no new fees or taxes. The Tax Levy is flat, measured as a 0% change from the prior year's extension. It also includes a two-year freeze on our water and sewer rates. The Village strives to offer exceptional services in an efficient and cost effective manner. This Budget continues our efforts to maintain strong services, with minimal impact on our residents and businesses.



Community Goals

The 2020 Budget includes a detailed plan to improve public facilities. This includes the replacement of Fire Station #31 (Park Avenue) and improvements to the main Public Works Facility (Bartlett Road). These projects are included in the Village's Comprehensive Plan, which is focused on reinvesting in our community. By managing its resources effectively, Streamwood is able to perform these projects without impacting Village taxpayers.



Improving Public Facilities and Infrastructure

The 2020 Budget also includes funding for community event signs and the development of a Village-wide Bike Pathway System. Streamwood has also committed funding to our annual road program, where we reconstruct or resurface six (6) miles of streets. The Village has approximately 99 miles of streets. Planned road projects include East Avenue (Woodland Heights to Sunset), Woodland Heights, Buttitta, Romajeau, Creekside, Surrey Meadows, Huntington, Somerset, Sarasota, Exmoor, Plymouth and Wellington. The Irving Park Road widening project is also scheduled to be completed in 2020.

Fiscally Responsible

Streamwood continues to pass annual balanced budgets and keep property taxes low for residents. The 2020 General Fund expenditures represent a 1.6% increase over last year. The majority (81.1%) of the General Fund Budget represents the Village's commitment to the services in our Police, Fire, and Public Works Departments.

After carefully evaluating our existing water and sewer rate structure, a two-year freeze on the rate plan was passed by the Village Board for 2020 and 2021. Water and sewer rates are established to provide the necessary funding for the purchase of water and long-term maintenance of our infrastructure. This is evidence of our commitment to provide high quality services, in the most cost efficient manner possible. To view the entire 2020 Budget, please visit our website at www.streamwood.org.

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Village Board News

DARE Donation

At a recent Village Board meeting, members of the Streamwood Woman’s Club gave a very generous donation to our DARE program. Members noted that their fundraising efforts made it easy to give back to the community. Thank you!



Fire Station #31 Demolition

The Village Board approved resolutions to modify electrical lines and demolish the building to make way for the rebuilding of Fire Station #31. The building is anticipated to be removed in mid-January, with construction starting in the spring.

Cannabis Regulations

Following a positive recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board, the Village Board enacted amendments to the Zoning Code to permit the sale of recreational cannabis. The regulations limit the proximity of businesses from schools, churches, and daycare facilities, and require business owners to seek a Special Use permit. Only two such businesses would be permitted.



2020 Census

The US Census will get underway soon. The federal government counts everyone, citizens and non-citizens alike. Starting in mid-March, they encourage everyone to respond to the census questionnaire you receive in the mail. New this year – you can reply online!

Answering the Census is easy. There are only a few simple questions about who lives in your home, and whether it is owned or rented. The Census will never ask for your social security number, bank or credit card information, political affiliation, or for money or donations. If someone claims to be from the Census Bureau and asks for this type of information, it is a scam. For details, or information on working for the Census, visit their website at 2020census.gov.

Bond Issuance

The Village approved an ordinance authorizing the sale of bonds for the reconstruction of Fire Station #31 and renovations to our Public Works facility. Because of the Village’s excellent financial standing, the bonds were sold at a premium with a lower than anticipated interest rate. This translates into savings of well over \$2 million.

DARE Graduations

At the end of December, five of our schools celebrated DARE graduations. Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) helps our 5th grade students build self-esteem in order to make good life choices. President Roth and members of the Police Department were on hand at Ridge Circle, Glenbrook, St. John’s, Oakhill and Sunnydale Schools to hear essays and hand out diplomas. Congratulations graduates!



Village Board News

Luminaria

The 35th Anniversary of Luminaria was a great way to end the year. Hundreds of people helped fill bags and light luminaria. Dancers from Spotlight Performance Dance Team and singers from Streamwood High School and Canton Middle School entertained the crowds, while Santa and Mrs. Claus heard those special wishes. Two lucky children helped to throw the switch setting our holiday tree aglow!



Village President's Message



President Roth chats with one of the lucky lighting winners at Luminaria 2019.

Happy New Year! We hope your holidays were bright! Bright was the word for our 35th Annual Luminaria celebration! Residents of all ages came out to enjoy the event on December 6, and be dazzled by our holiday tree draped in thousands of bright, white lights. On behalf of the Village Board of Trustees, I would like to express our sincere appreciation to all those who helped to continue this Streamwood tradition including **Cheryl Dahl-Kearney and family, Dee's Catering, Streamwood High School and Canton**

Middle School Choirs, Spotlight Performance Dance Team, and the many schools, businesses, civic and scouting groups, individuals and families who helped us assemble over 3,000 luminaria, decorated and lit our parkways, and helped at Village Hall.

2020 promises to be a very bright and exciting year. The Village Board recently adopted our 2020 Budget. It continues our focus on building and investing in our community. The budget notes our recent bond and anticipates a reserve balance that has allowed us to commit nearly \$30 million in capital projects including a new Fire Station #31, renovations to Public Works, maintaining our street program, and upgrading our water and sewer infrastructure. We continue to build on initiatives from our Comprehensive Plan. We want to improve our communications by installing community event signs. We want to improve our connectivity with new pedestrian and bike trails. We want to reinvest in our community with new and improved facilities. We will hold the line on taxes and water rates, and continue to monitor our spending. We are driven to provide our residents and businesses with the highest quality services, delivered in the most cost effective way.

Our sincere thanks also goes to the many people who helped make the holiday season bright for those less fortunate in our community. The Village hosted its 8th Annual Holiday Helping Program. This program gives children from local disadvantaged families an opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts at the Streamwood Super Target store, accompanied by Streamwood police officers and firefighters, which were wrapped just in time for the holidays. We offer our grateful appreciation to the dozens of businesses, individuals and volunteers who helped to make this a truly happy holiday for these families. Many people also dropped off donations at the Village Hall and other locations throughout town for Hanover Township's toy drive and food pantry. Thank you for your generosity and willingness to help.

Although the holidays are behind us, please consider giving one additional gift — the gift of life! The Streamwood Blood Commission will be hosting its first drive of the year on January 22 between 1:00-7:00 pm. Please note that all Blood Drives in 2020 will be held at the Police Department.

The entire Board of Trustees would like to wish you and your family a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

Billie D. Roth, Village President

Protect our Water Supply – Reduce Rock Salt Use



The Village wants to encourage residents to use rock salt with care to protect our water supply. After melting snow and ice, the salty slush drains into sewers and washes into rivers. Once in the water, it chokes aquatic life and changes the composition of our region's streams and lakes. After shoveling, please limit the use of salt on driveways and sidewalks. Excess salt should be swept up and thrown away to avoid damaging grass, trees, or our waterways.

CPR Classes Start in February

The Fire Department has released its annual calendar of CPR and First Aid Training for 2020. The first class for CPR for Healthcare Professionals will be held on February 8. Fee is \$50 for residents and \$65 for non-residents. To register, please call (630) 736-3650, weekdays, between 8:00 am-4:30 pm. To check the entire calendar for classes and times, please visit our website at www.streamwood.org.



Holiday Lights

There's still time to recycle broken or unused holiday lights. Containers are located at Public Works (565 S Bartlett Road), Village Hall (301 E

Irving Park Road), Poplar Creek Library (1405 S Park), and Park Place (550 S Park). All types of stringed lights and extension cords are accepted. Collections will continue through February 7.

Holiday Yardwaste

Curbside recycling is available for holiday greens. Advanced Disposal will collect Christmas trees and natural wreaths and boughs during the first three pick-ups in January. Please make sure all wire, tinsel, garland, lights, artificial ornaments and all decorations are removed.

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. **VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAYS MAY BLOCK THE SIDEWALK OR PARKWAY FROM DECEMBER 1 THROUGH THE END OF FEBRUARY.**

VILLAGE HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON Wednesday, January 1 for the New Year's Day holiday, Monday, January 20 for In-Service Training, and Monday, February 17 in honor of Presidents Day.

BLOOD DRIVE at the Streamwood Police Department on January 22 from 1:00-7:00 pm hosted by the Streamwood Blood Commission and VFW Post 5151. The need for blood is always particularly critical during the winter months. Please consider donating. For further information, please contact Vitalant at (877) 258-4825 or visit www.vitalant.org and use group code SW98.

DO YOU HAVE OLD EYEGLASSES OR HEARING AIDS TO DISPOSE OF? The Lions Club has a collection box at Village Hall. Just drop off your unwanted eyeglasses or hearing aid and Lions Club members will "recycle" them.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY IS MARCH 17 – ARE YOU PROPERLY REGISTERED? Visit the Cook County Clerk Election website to verify your registration – www.cookcountyclerk.com. Need to register? Change your name or address? If you have an IL Driver's License or ID card, you can complete your registration online at the same site.

Parkway Tree Program

Our 50/50 Parkway Tree Program lets you purchase trees for the parkway at a significant savings. Pay 50% of the cost of the tree, the Village pays the rest and takes care of the installation. Tree planting on private property is also available, when purchased through this program. Starting prices for trees in the parkway are \$120, and \$240 for trees on private property. For a complete list of trees, prices, and order form, visit the Village's website at www.streamwood.org, or drop by Village Hall. Deadline for tree orders is March 12. For more information, call Public Works at (630) 736-3850.



Neighborhood Watch Food Drive

The Police Department would like to thank everyone who participated in the Neighborhood Watch Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Hanover Township Food Pantry. Hanover Township was delighted as they filled the Food Pantry van. The Department would like to thank Tammy Shaeffer (Sussex Square Neighborhood Watch) for help in organizing and loading the van.

Streamwood Fire Explorers Program

Interested in learning what it takes to have a career as a firefighter? Consider joining our Fire Explorers Program. Our Program is open to youths ages 14-20, who are interested in pursuing a career in the Fire Service. Meetings are held on the first and third Saturday of every month at 9:00 am. Participants will learn firefighting tactics and skills, become a member of a close-knit team, and gain leadership experience.

This is a great opportunity to acquire first-hand career knowledge! For more information, contact Battalion Chief Tomzik at (630) 736-3850 or stomzik@streamwood.org.

Sign Up for E-Communications

Do you want more information on the Village? Interested in getting Emergency Alerts? Consider signing up for our E-Communications! Simply go to the Village's website at www.streamwood.org, and click on the "Go" button in your area of interest. Our E-News is published at least once a month and provides updates on events and programs. Register for Emergency Alerts and you'll receive important safety and community alerts at home, on your cell, or wherever you specify. Keep informed and keep connected!

Community News

Cultures of Our Community

At our annual Cultures of Our Community event, children, families, and interested observers were able to enjoy a wide variety of entertainment from across the globe, which represents the best of what's in our own backyard.



Dancers, singers, and storytellers kept the crowds engaged throughout the afternoon. Poplar Creek Library expanded the celebration by offering ethnic arts and craft projects throughout the library including egg painting, coffee mosaics, and henna tattoos.

Veterans Day

Our annual Veterans Day ceremony moved indoors as three inches of snow blanketed the Veterans Memorial. But the record cold and snow did little to stop people from coming out to show their appreciation for our veterans.



Over 100 students from Heritage Elementary came to the ceremony, and heard stories about the sacrifice and commitment those who serve dedicate to our freedoms.



Citizens Police Academy

Our Citizens Police Academy offers residents new insights into how police officers perform their duties and serve the community. It is also a great way to foster better communication between citizens and police through education. The Academy consists of ten classes focused on topics such as Crime Scene Investigation, Neighborhood Based Policing, Traffic Stops, Special Operations, Domestic Violence Investigations, and more.

Our 2020 Academy will consist of classes that will be held at the Police Department on Monday evenings starting on March 2 through April 27, 2020 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Any citizen working or residing within the Village of Streamwood, who is over 18 years of age, is welcome to apply. Applicants will receive a thorough background investigation, and a class list will be established. Applications are available at Village Hall, the Streamwood Police Department or on the Village website. Application deadline is February 17, 2020.



Members of the 2019 Citizens Police Academy Class

Please contact Sergeant Tom Seida at (630) 736-3773 or tseida@streamwood.org with any questions.

Garden Club Presentation

WGN Radio host Mike Nowak will speak at the Tri-Village Garden Club of Bartlett, Hanover Park & Streamwood on February 19 at 6:30 pm at Poplar Creek Public Library (1405 S. Park). For more information, please contact Wally Groble (630) 497-1958 or Sandy Swenson (630) 837-0281 or visit www.trivillagegardenclub.org.





Hanover Township

LIHEAP Winter Heating Assistance Now Open

Hanover Township is now scheduling appointments with qualifying residents seeking financial heating assistance for the upcoming winter season. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps eligible low-income households pay for home energy services.

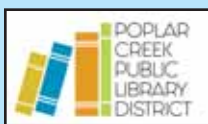
Residents must bring all required documentation when applying for assistance including:

- Proof of gross income for all household members for the past 30 days from the date of the application.
- A copy of their current heating and electric bills issued within the last 30 days (if they pay for their energy directly).
- A copy of their rental agreement (if they are renting) showing that utilities are included, the monthly rental amount and property owner contact information.
- Proof of Social Security numbers for all household members.
- Proof that their household received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); Aid to the Aged, Blind, or Disabled (AABD); or other benefits, such as Medical Eligibility or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), or if receiving assistance from the Illinois Department of Human Services.

Adults over the age of 55 seeking to schedule an appointment should call the Hanover Township Senior Center at (630) 483-5660. Low-income residents under the age of 55 should call the Hanover Township Astor Avenue Community Center at (630) 540-9085.

Spring Tutoring Applications Available Now

The second semester of school is just getting started! The Hanover Township Tutoring Program will begin February 11 for students in grades 2-12. One-hour tutoring sessions will be held on Tuesday and Thursday at the Town Hall (250 S. IL Route 59, Bartlett) from 5:00-8:00 pm. Small group sessions will be conducted by a certified teacher. The fee is \$45/student. Registration and details available at (630) 483-5799 or info@hanover-township.org.



Poplar Creek Public Library

Winter Reading Challenge "Hats Off to the 20s!"

Sign-up begins January 6 and runs through the end of February. Earn prizes as you read, along with raffle tickets for the chance to win a fantastic grand prize! For details, please visit our website at www.pclib.org.

Be sure to stop by the Main Library on Sunday, January 12 from 1:00-3:00 pm for our FREE Winter Reading Kick-off event. There will be a performance by Streamwood Park District's Spotlight Performance Dance Team, along with crafts, hot apple cider, winter treats and more!



Family Concert Series: Vintage Band

Featuring classic songs from the 1920s and 1930s, Vintage Band delivers unmistakable vocal style and blues-infused arrangements. This FREE concert will be held on Sunday, February 16 at 2:00 pm at our Main Library (1405 S Park Ave). Register online or call (630) 483-4910.

Library Blood Drive

Donate blood at Poplar Creek Library on Monday, February 3 from 4:00-7:00 pm and help save lives! Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are also welcome. To schedule your appointment, please call 800-7TO-GIVE, visit versiti.org/IL, or download the Versiti Donor app.



Streamwood Park District

www.SPDCARES.com

Open Gym and Swim

The gym and swim program at Park Place Family Recreation Center features a weekly one-hour swim lesson and one-hour physical education class designed for home school curriculum. The classes are available for children 6-15 years on Wednesday from 12:30-2:30 pm (January 15-February 12). The resident/non-resident rate is \$45/\$65.

Pollyanna Brew Tour

Join us on February 9 as we take a tour of Pollyanna Brewing Company. "Brew"-ourists will depart Park Place at 12:15 pm (Tour begins at 1:00 pm). The one (1) hour tour includes:

- four (4) 13 oz. pours of beer
- two (2) take-home pint glasses
- one (1) unfilled souvenir growler
- The Streamwood Park District bus will return to Park Place Family Recreation Center around 3:00 pm. The rate is \$25/\$38. Must be 21 years or older to attend.

Daddy/Daughter Date Night

On February 22, join Elsa and Ana for a "Frozen" night of fun at Hoosier Grove Barn with crafts, coloring, and dancing. Each daddy/daughter couple will get the royal treatment while enjoying snacks and desserts starting at 6:00 pm. Registration is required before February 10. The rate is \$30/\$45 per couple (\$12/additional guest).

Teen Outreach Committee Events

Our Teen Outreach Committee gets teens ages 13-17 years involved in positive programs to help our community. Our next two events are:

- Anderson Animal Shelter (January 22) Help with the animals. We depart Park Place at 4:00 pm and return by 6:00 pm. Rate for transportation is \$5/\$7. Register with code 420703-02.
- Northern Illinois Foodbank (February 13) Help shelve and distribute food. We depart Park Place at 4:30 pm and return at 7:30 pm. Rate for transportation is \$5/\$7. Register with code 420703-03.



Gail Borden Library

Chuck Jones™ Season of Creativity Exhibit

Try your hand at art and science hands-on activities with Warner Brothers Looney Tunes characters January 9-February 28 at the Main Library. Learn about animation, visit Marvin the Martian's space ship and Duck Dodgers Multi-Plane Photo Op. Discover the animation of artist Chuck Jones, creator of Road Runner, Wile E. Coyote and Marvin the Martian along with more than 300 animated films during the "Golden Age of Animation." Visit Chuck Jones' animation desk and museum archive artwork from classic Looney Tunes films.

Best-Selling Author Mary Doria Russell

Dr. Mary Doria Russell is the author of six best-selling novels. She will discuss the writing process and her new historical novel, *The Women of the Copper Country*, on January 12 from 1:00-2:30 pm at the Main Library. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Co-sponsored by Elgin Area Arts Commission and AAUW Elgin Area Branch.

15th Annual Black History Family Festival

Celebrate from 1:00-4:00 pm on February 1 with Elgin Poet Laureate Chasity Gunn, music by Accidentally on Purpose featuring TJ Ptak, Future African American Leaders, crafts, stories, Larkin High School Black History Club, Mama Lee's Poptastic popcorn and more. Hosted by Black History Family Festival Committee and Gail Borden Public Library in partnership with Elgin Community College, City of Elgin, Elgin Symphony Orchestra, School District U-46, and The Links, Incorporated Hoffman Estates Chapter.



Sunday Afternoon Concerts

These free performances take place at 2:00 pm each month at the Main Library. The Moeller Cello & Guitar Duo will perform works by master composers along with jazz and pop tunes on January 19. Internationally renowned concert pianist Lindsay Garritson will perform works by Chopin, Ravel, Vine and Prokofiev on February 16. Free tickets are available at any Library location three weeks before each concert.

School News



School District U-46

Thank You to Our Principals for a Day

Members of the Streamwood Police Department joined community leaders from across the District for Principal for a Day on December 6. Participants spent the day reading to students, leading the pledge, monitoring recess, and learning about our schools. School District U-46 appreciates all 62 community leaders who participated.



Tefft Middle School Helps Provide Meals for Families

This past November, about 700 volunteers gathered at Tefft Middle School to help Basket Brigade pack 2,000 Thanksgiving meals that were distributed to area families in need.

“Thanksgiving is about more than just being grateful for what you have. It’s about being generous and kind toward others,” said Dr. Luis Fernando DeLeon, Tefft Middle School Principal. “We were so excited to partner with Basket Brigade. We both value and care for the people living in our community, and would not let them go without a nice Thanksgiving meal.”



Streamwood High School to Host STEM Expo on February 22

The U-46 STEM EXPO is an opportunity for K-12 students to create a project in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and present to fellow students, families, and community members. Students are encouraged to explore a question or concept that interests them and share their learning with the community. The STEM Expo will be hosted at Streamwood High School on Saturday, February 22 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.



U-46 Alumni Sunday

Know a successful U-46 Alum? Nominate them for consideration to be featured in the District’s Alumni Sunday profile series. To suggest someone for consideration, visit www.u-46.org and submit their information to School and Community Relations 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

Village Calendar

JANUARY

1	NEW YEAR'S DAY — VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED	
12	Winter Reading Challenge Kick-off (see page 6)	1:00 pm
13	Community Relations Commission	6:00 pm
16	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm
20	IN-SERVICE — VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED	
21	Planning and Zoning Board	7:00 pm
22	Blood Drive — Police Department (see page 4)	1:00-7:00 pm
28	Veterans Memorial Commission	7:00 pm

FEBRUARY

1	15th Annual Black History Festival (see page 6)	1:00 pm
6	Village Board meeting	7:00 pm
8	CPR for Healthcare Providers (see page 4)	
9	Pollyanna Brew Tour (see page 6)	12:15 pm
10	Community Relations Commission	6:00 pm
11	Spring Tutoring Registration (see page 6)	
17	Citizens Police Academy Registration (see page 5)	
17	PRESIDENTS DAY — VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED	
18	Planning and Zoning Board	7:00 pm
20	Village Board Meeting	7:00 pm
22	STEM Expo at Streamwood High (see page 7)	8:00 am
25	Veterans Memorial Commission	7:00 pm
29	Winter Parking Rules End (see page 4)	

Holiday House Decorations Winners

The Village received quite a number of nominations for best holiday house decorations. The Luminaria Committee had a difficult task, but they were able to choose the winners! The winners are: 95 Washington Ave — Best Ornamental Display; 336 Somerset Dr — Best Traditional Display; and 1327 Laurel Oaks Ct — Best Multi-Family Display. Congratulations!



Best Traditional Display
336 Somerset Drive



Best Multi-Family Display
1327 Laurel Oaks Court



Best Ornamental Display
95 Washington Avenue