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SHINING STAR AWARDS

It's that time of year when the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission searches for nominations of individuals and organizations that help make our community a great place in which to live and work. Those nominated may be celebrated as Shining Stars and recognized at a gala banquet to be held Saturday, February 2, 2019 at The Cotillion Banquets.

Nominations can come from community leaders, business people, residents, people who work here, and people who simply want to make Mount Prospect a better place to live. The categories cover a wide range of interest areas and are designed especially to seek out individuals who do things that often go unnoticed by the public. There are thirteen suggested categories, but if the person you are thinking of doesn't fit one of the categories, don't worry, the last category can be whatever you think it should be. Please refer to the web site, mountprospect.org for a detailed list of categories and previous winners. You may fill out and submit online a nomination form from the Village of Mount Prospect's website at mountprospect.org. Simply follow the Shining Stars Awards link on the homepage. You may also pick one up in person at Village Hall, 50 South Emerson Street. Nominations forms must be filled out fully and received no later than midnight, November 26, 2018. The winners are selected in early December and will be announced shortly thereafter.



Mail completed forms to:
SHINING STAR AWARDS
Mount Prospect Special
Events Commission
PO Box 69
Mount Prospect | Illinois 60056

If you have questions or need more information email:
SpecialEvents@mountprospect.org



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Community Events

NOVEMBER
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Friday | November 2, 9 & 30 | 1:30pm
VILLAGE HALL
COMMUNITY ROOM
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Through November 27
LIONS RECREATIONAL CENTER | Main Gym
411 South Maple Street
Senior residents are invited to get some exercise and walk with the Mount Prospect Medical Reserve Corps. All seniors are welcome to participate.



NOVEMBER
8

Mount Prospect Veterans Speak
November 8
7 – 8:30pm
MOUNT PROSPECT PUBLIC LIBRARY
10 South Emerson Street
History comes to life as veterans from Mount Prospect VFW Post 1337 and American Legion Post 525 discuss their military service experiences. Multiple branches of service will be represented, covering World War II, The Vietnam War, and Operation Desert Storm. To register, visit mmdl.org, call 847.253.5675, or stop by the Library.



NOVEMBER
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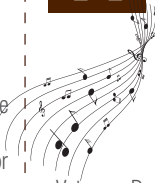
Second Sundays at the Society
Sunday | November 11
11:30am – 1:30pm
MOUNT PROSPECT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
101 and 103 South Maple Street
Join the Mount Prospect Historical Society for a brand-new Second Sunday program for families. This month's theme is turkeys. Stop by the campus for a variety of hands-on activities and make-and-takes. The Dietrich Friedrichs House Museum will also be open for tours.



HAPPY TURKEY DAY!

NOVEMBER
11

Homage to Heroes Fall Concert
Sunday | November 11
3:30pm
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
605 West Golf Road
Enjoy a special Mt. Prospect Community Band



Veterans Day program featuring the heroic compositions of Richard Strauss and Carl Maria Von Weber. Selections include a musical salute to our veterans along with a crowd-pleasing collection of superhero music from *The Incredibles*. The Mt. Prospect Community Band is a program of the Mt. Prospect Park District. Tickets are being sold for \$8 in advance at RecPlex and \$10 at the door. For more information, visit mppd.org.

NOVEMBER
12

Veterans Day Observance
Monday | November 12
10:30am
LIONS VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
411 South Maple Street
A guest speaker will talk about this day which honors all veterans, past and present. The ceremony will conclude with a 21-gun rifle salute by the VFW/American Legion Firing Detail. In addition, Korean War veteran Steve Chmela will play *Taps*. This is a FREE EVENT.



NOVEMBER
14

Mount Prospect Garden Club Meeting: Prospect Heights Slough Restoration
Wednesday | November 14
11:30am
FRIENDSHIP PARK CONSERVATORY
395 Algonquin Road, Des Plaines



The Prospect Heights Slough is one of the few remaining naturally occurring wetlands in the Chicagoland region. Noted on the original land surveys from the 1800s, the Slough is habitat to thousands of insects, birds, fish, macro-invertebrates, mammals, and amphibians. The Prospect Heights Natural Resources Commission is restoring the slough to its natural state and Dr. Agnes Wojnarski, chairman of the commission and a physician at Swedish Covenant Hospital, will lead this program to discuss the project. Refreshments at 11:30 am, Meeting at 12:15 pm and Program 1:00 pm.

NOVEMBER
14

Senior Citizens Driver Refresher Class
Wednesday | November 14
1:30pm
VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street
The Secretary of State sponsors a Rules of the Road driver refresher classes for senior citizens who need to renew their driver's license. To register for the class or to obtain more information, contact Human Services at 847.870.5680.



NOVEMBER
15

Best Children's Books of 2018
November 15 | 7–8:30 pm
MOUNT PROSPECT PUBLIC LIBRARY
10 South Emerson Street
Teachers, parents and families are invited to gear up for holiday shopping as we share our favorite choices in children's books from 2018. Join us for a fast-paced book-talking bonanza as our Youth staff discusses fabulous fiction and nonfiction titles for preschoolers through 6th graders. Enjoy snacks, and enter for a chance to win some brand-new books. This program is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Public Library Foundation. To register, visit mmdl.org, call 847.253.5675, or stop by the Library.



NOVEMBER
21

Tree Lighting Ceremony & Christkindlmarket
Wednesday | November 21
Tree Lighting | 5 pm
Christkindlmarket | 4-7 pm
VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street
Bring friends and family to witness the lighting of a tree donated by a Mount Prospect resident. Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate, cookies and carols. Stay and explore the Christkindlmarket in the Community Room, which welcomes an array of local vendors with creative gifts just in time for the holidays. For those interested in vendor opportunities, please email specialerevents@mountprospect.org. Tree Lighting is sponsored by the Village of Mount Prospect, Christkindlmarket is sponsored by the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission. Cookies and Hot Chocolate by the MP Lions Club.



NOVEMBER
22

Turkey Burn Exercise Class
November 22 | 9 – 10 am
WEISS COMMUNITY CENTER
1500 East Euclid Avenue
Start your Thanksgiving Day with a morning workout – the perfect preparation for the tasty meal to come. Pre-register by Monday, November 19 at rtpd.org. Those 12 years and up are welcome. \$6 for residents or \$7 for non-residents.



NOVEMBER
30

Holiday Housewalk
Friday | November 30
3:30 – 9pm
EASTERN EDGE OF TRIANGLE
The 31st Annual Holiday Housewalk features five local homes decorated for the holidays by their owners with additional floral arrangements and décor provided by area florists. This year's homes are located along Albert and Edward Streets, south of Central Road. Tickets go on sale November 5. Tickets are \$28 before November 30 and \$30 on the day of the walk. Tickets can be purchased at various locations around town or at mtpd.org. Historical Society members can purchase tickets at the museum for \$26.



DECEMBER
1

Breakfast with Santa
December 1 and 8
10 – 11:30am
ROB ROY GOLF COURSE,
505 East Camp McDonald Road
Santa is joining us to celebrate the season with a breakfast buffet! Please drop off a small, wrapped gift for Santa to give to your child at the Weiss Center by November 28. Label the gift with your child's first and last name. Gift amount should not exceed \$10. Children under 1 year are free, but be sure to list them on the registration form. The supply of high chairs and booster seats is limited, so it is recommended that you bring one for your child. Complete the family seating request form by November 23 online at rtpd.org or by stopping by the Weiss Center. Resident registration fee is \$10 for children ages 1 to 15, or \$12 for non-residents. For those 16 and over, registration is \$14 for residents or \$17 for non-residents.



DECEMBER
1

Teddy Bear Walk

Saturday | December 1
10am – noon

**MOUNT PROSPECT
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

10 South Emerson Street

Don't miss the ultimate BEAR BASH as the Library celebrates the 38th annual Teddy Bear Walk! Bring your

favorite Teddy Bear and see nationally known story-performer Chris Fascione act out best-loved stories. We will also sing along with Parents' Choice Gold Winner Mark Dvorak as he brings some of your favorite tunes to life. Ted E. Bear will then lead the march over to the Village Hall to welcome the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus, escorted by our own Mount Prospect Fire Department. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. To register, visit mppl.org, call 847.253.5675, or stop by the Library.



DECEMBER
1

Holiday Open House

Saturday | December 1
11:00am – 3:00pm

**FRIENDSHIP PARK
CONSERVATORY**

395 West Algonquin Road
Des Plaines

Join the Mt. Prospect Park District for a free day of fun

with musical performances, hay rides, crafts, and face painting. Bring your camera for special photos with Santa and live reindeer, buy a homegrown poinsettia, and enjoy holiday displays. For more information, visit mppd.org.



DECEMBER
1

WINTER FUN! Craft Beer & Wine Walk

Saturday | December 1
2pm

**DOWNTOWN MOUNT
PROSPECT**

Restaurants and businesses participate in this winter

event. There will be samples to try and raffle prizes to win. Festive Fun is Guaranteed! Visit mountprospectchamber.org for details!



Senior Walking Club

DECEMBER
4

Tuesdays through
December 18 | 8:30am

**LIONS RECREATIONAL
CENTER | Main Gym**

411 South Maple Street

Senior residents are invited to get some exercise and



walk with the Mount Prospect Medical Reserve Corps. (The Senior Walking Club will not meet on December 25.) All seniors are welcome to participate.

DECEMBER
5

Mount Prospect Garden Club Meeting: Chatting, Crafting, and Caroling

Wednesday | December 5
11:30am

**FRIENDSHIP PARK
CONSERVATORY**



395 West Algonquin Road, Des Plaines
Join the Garden Club members for a fun afternoon of holiday cheer. At last year's December meeting, members participated in a competition to create the most festive holiday wreath, and this year is sure to offer more fun. Refreshments at 11:30 am, Meeting at 12:15 pm and Program 1:00 pm.

DECEMBER
6

50s Plus Breakfast Hour

Thursday | December 6
9:00 – 10:00am

VILLAGE HALL

50 South Emerson Street
Residents 50 years of age and over are invited to join



your Village team and the Chamber of Commerce to learn and have fun at the 50s Plus Breakfast Hour. For more information, please call 847.870.5680.

DECEMBER
7

Ageless Grace

Fridays in December
1:30pm

**VILLAGE HALL
COMMUNITY ROOM**

50 South Emerson Street

The Mount Prospect Village Nurse offers free weekly exercise events.



Join us for a seated exercise program with music that works the body and mind. (Ageless Grace will not meet on December 14).

DECEMBER
7

Holiday Classic Movies in Central Schoolhouse

Fridays in December
7:30 pm

**MOUNT PROSPECT
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

103 South Maple Street

Join the Mount Prospect Historical Society three Fridays in December for classic holiday movies.



These festive films will be screened in the old Central Schoolhouse.

December 7 *It's A Wonderful Life*

December 14 *White Christmas*

December 21 *Santa Claus Conquers the Martians*

This is a FREE EVENT.

DECEMBER
8

Holiday Book Sale

December 8 |
10am – 3pm

**MOUNT PROSPECT
PUBLIC LIBRARY,**

10 South Emerson Street



Just in time for the Holidays, browse a selection of quality used books, music, movies, and games all specially selected for this sale. This is your opportunity to find the right gift for the adults, teens, and children on your list. Funds raised will help the Friends of the Library support additional programs, events, and services. For more information, visit mppl.org, call 847.253.5675, or stop by the Library.

DECEMBER
8

A Christmas Festival Concert

Saturday | December 8
4:00pm

**TRINITY UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

605 West Golf Road

A holiday tradition, the Mt. Prospect Community



Band holiday concert is an event Santa himself never misses. Come celebrate the season through song while enjoying classic carols and contemporary selections. The Mt. Prospect Community Band is a program of the Mt. Prospect Park District. For more information visit mppd.org.

DECEMBER
9

Second Sundays at the Society

Sunday | December 9
11:30am – 1:30pm

**MOUNT PROSPECT
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

101 and 103 South
Maple Street

Stop by the Mount Prospect Historical Society



campus for the annual Gingerbread Open House, which includes festive fun and a variety of holiday make-and-takes. The Dietrich Friedrichs House Museum will also be open for tours.

DECEMBER
15

Stocking Deliveries

December 15
10am – 1pm

This year Santa is making a special trip from the North Pole to make a personal delivery at your home! Imagine your child's delight when jolly



old Saint Nick brings a stocking full of goodies to the door, or share the spirit with a delivery to a friend. Every effort will be made to accommodate specific time requests; however, no guarantees can be made. Deliveries are for River Trails Park District residents only and are for ages 1 year and up – \$16 for the first child, and \$10 for the second child. Visit rtpd.org for more details.

DECEMBER
30

New Years Eve Eve A Family Celebration

Sunday | December 30
Ring in New Years Eve

Eve with your family!

Adults \$15, Children \$12
(12 years and younger).

Purchase tickets at
mountprospect.org.



Sponsored by the Mount Prospect Special Events Commission.

Save the Date!

Mayor Arlene Juracek's State of Mount Prospect

presentation at the
Dynamic Year Breakfast

VICTORIA IN THE PARK

Thursday | January 10, 2019

Doors open at 7:00am

Breakfast Buffet at 7:30am

Program begins at 8:00am

Mt. Prospect Park District Job Fair

Saturday | January 5, 2019
11am – 2pm

RECPLEX

420 West Dempster Street

Learn more about summer employment at the Mt. Prospect Park District Job Fair. Connect with hiring managers and discover the variety of part-time and seasonal positions offered.

Ribbon Cuttings

Friday | September 14
MOD PIZZA
 Randhurst Village
 (formerly Pei Wei in outlot on 83)
 1021 North Elmhurst Road
 224.877.7234 | modpizza.com



Friday | September 14
 Randhurst Village new construction outlot at Euclid and Route 83
 1101 North Elmhurst Road
TIDE CLEANERS
 847.873.1192



CLUB PILATES
 847.752.4476 | clubpilates.com



ALIGNED MODERN HEALTH
 224.676.2318
 alignedmodernhealth.com

Thursday | October 11
MEYER DENTAL GROUP
 770 East Northwest Highway
 847.827.6290
 meyerdentalgroup.net



MOUNT PROSPECT

SHOP LOCAL



THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

Mount Prospect has something for everyone!

So this holiday season shop local and support the small businesses right here in our community. And don't forget, Saturday, November 24th is **SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY!**

For a complete listing of shops and restaurants as well as information on all the holiday events going on around town, visit experiencemountprospect.org. We guarantee you'll discover new and wonderful places that you didn't know existed!



 VILLAGE HALL | 50 S. EMERSON ST. | MOUNT PROSPECT | IL 60056 | 847.392.6000



MOUNT PROSPECT TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

& CHRISTKINDLMARKET

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 21
 VILLAGE HALL | 50 SOUTH EMERSON STREET

TREE LIGHTING 5 PM
 HOT CHOCOLATE | COOKIES | CAROLS

CHRISTKINDLMARKET 4-7 PM

VILLAGE HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
 LOCAL VENDORS WITH CREATIVE GIFTS JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

TREE LIGHTING IS SPONSORED BY THE VILLAGE OF MOUNT PROSPECT
 CHRISTKINDLMARKET IS SPONSORED BY THE MOUNT PROSPECT SPECIAL EVENTS COMMISSION
 HOT CHOCOLATE AND COOKIES SPONSORED BY THE MOUNT PROSPECT LIONS CLUB



FOR DETAILS ON ALL THESE GREAT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES, VISIT
MountProspect.org AND ExperienceMountProspect.org.

 www.mountprospect.org
 VILLAGE HALL | 50 SOUTH EMERSON STREET | MOUNT PROSPECT | IL 60056 | 847.392.6000

Community/Economic Development

The arrival of winter will not slow down the economic development happening throughout Mount Prospect. Many portions of the Village have seen significant growth and development during the past year.

Randhurst Village is now home to great fast-casual restaurants including MOD Pizza and McAlister's Deli, and service-related businesses such as Club Pilates, Tide Cleaners, and Aligned Modern Health.

Just south of Randhurst, The Red Barn Restaurant & Brewery opened its doors this fall. It is the Village's first brew pub, helping the Village achieve one of its Strategic Plan Development goals.

There is plenty of excitement regarding the continued development in our downtown area led by the construction of the development known as 20 West, the design process of the Edwin and Elsie (Meyn) Busse Park, and the preliminary stages of the Maple Street Lofts project.

The southern part of the Village has gone through some transformation as well. A new 130,000 square foot industrial spec building is under construction on a long vacant parcel of land at the northwest corner of Algonquin and Elmhurst Roads. The property has been vacant for more than 30 years and has generated limited property taxes during that time. The property is expected to generate approximately \$180,000 in annual property taxes and to create up to 90 jobs for the community.



DRY CLEANERS



Mount Prospect is focused on growth lately and it's starting to show!

New Construction at Elmhurst and Algonquin Roads

A new 130,000 square foot industrial spec building is under construction on a long vacant parcel of land at the northwest corner of Algonquin and Elmhurst Roads in the Village. The property, 1731 Wall Street, has been vacant for more than 30 years and has generated limited property taxes during that time. Once construction is completed, the property is expected to generate approximately \$180,000 in annual property taxes. The new facility is expected to create up to 90 jobs for the community.

New Available Property Search

The Village recently updated its Available Property browser, to make it easier to find available property in Mount Prospect. The new Available Property Search includes a base map of the Village, with icons highlighting each available site, and additional information, such as square footage of the space and contact information. The content is split up into 3 categories: office, in-dustrial/flex, and retail.

The Village also updated its listing form, making it easier for brokers or owners to list their property as available on the Village website. If you have an available space, simply fill out the on-line form, and we will update the map accordingly. Check out the new webpage and design at mountprospect.org/business/available-property-listings, and you might just find the next great location for your business!



Available Property Search

Finance

Utility Bill Online Payment Enhancement

The utility bill online payment functionality has been enhanced, making it easier for users to log into the payment portal, and create, save and recover sign-in credentials. Details are available online at mountprospect.org/departments/finance-department/online-payments



Did You Purchase a Vehicle Sticker?

The deadline for displaying the 2018-2019 vehicle sticker was April 30. New residents/businesses or those who have purchased vehicles after April 30 have a 30-day grace period in which to purchase a sticker. During the grace period, proof of vehicle purchase or move-in date is required to ensure that a penalty is not imposed. Residents who change vehicles during the year should remove the sticker from the old vehicle and contact the Finance Department at 847.392.6000 with updated vehicle information to determine eligibility for transference of the sticker from one vehicle to another for no additional fee.

Post-Halloween Pumpkin Recycling

The Village of Mount Prospect will hold a collection day for your Halloween pumpkins on Saturday, November 3rd, from 9:00 am to noon. All collected pumpkins will be used in composting efforts.



Bring your clean pumpkin of any size to the Public Works Facility at 1700 West Central Road. Pumpkins which have been decorated with acrylic paint can also be dropped off but all other decorations such as candles, yarn or stickers must be removed before dropping off. The service is available only to residents of Mount Prospect and SWANCC member communities (no businesses please). Pumpkins will be collected by Republic Services and transported to a pumpkin composting site at Organix Recycling, LLC.

For additional information, please contact the Public Works Department at 847.870.5640 or visit mountprospect.org.

Curbside Leaf Pick-up in Full Swing

Each year the Village of Mount Prospect provides a convenient, no-cost curbside leaf pick-up program for residents. The program allows leaves to be placed at the curb between October 15th and November 30th for pick-up by Public Works crews.

The program is for leaves only. Any pile with grass clippings or other yard material will not be picked up. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to remove unacceptable material from the leaves.

Leaves should be raked onto the pavement one foot from the curb no earlier than one day prior to scheduled pick-up. The machines used to collect the leaves travel each street weekly during the program, once in each direction. If the machine has already passed your home on the scheduled pick-up day do not place the leaves at the curb until the following week.

Please note that there will be no pick-up services on Thanksgiving or the following day.

You may also want to consider keeping your leaves as they make very good mulch. They can be packed around perennials and flowerbeds where they will provide warm during the cold winter month. Leaving leaves on top of a garden bed to be rototilled into the soil will enrich the growing conditions for next year. Leaves also make an excellent addition to a well-maintained compost pile.



Yard Waste Collection Ends December 14th

Our yard waste collection program concludes on December 14th this year. Please be sure to have properly prepared yard waste and brush at the curb prior to your final pick-up. Yard waste or brush placed at the curb after December

14 will not be collected. Please visit the Village website in the spring for the start date of the 2019 organics/yard waste program.



Be Smart – and Safe – When Winterizing Your Home

Many people contact the Village for tips on how to properly winterize the water service in a home, especially for those who will be spending extended periods of time in warmer locations.

In order to comply with the Village Code and ordinances, here are the steps to properly winterize your water service:

- Please call Public Works at 847.870.5640 at least 48 hours in advance to schedule a water service shutoff at the b-box. If Public Works finds any problems with the operation of the b-box, the property owner will be notified. Sometimes debris or age will make a b-box inoperable.
- After the water service is shutoff by Public Works, you will need to drain the interior plumbing by shutting off the water heater and opening the water heater drain port or by draining the lowest faucet or spigot in the system. Expect to drain several gallons of water from this spigot so have a bucket handy. Contact a licensed plumber to properly drain piping, water heater, toilets, and traps to prevent damage from freezing.
- Do not turn off the heat to the property. Turning off the heat to a property is not advisable during the winter months as pipes can freeze or worse, burst and cause flooding. Lower your thermostats to maintain a minimum temperature to keep pipes from freezing. Contact an HVAC contractor to install a programmable thermostat if needed.

The Village Code does not allow a property to be winterized by the removal of the water meter. Removal of a water meter is considered tampering with the water system and is prohibited by Village Code. B-boxes, round-ways or road

boxes should only be operated by Public Works. Improper use of these devices by untrained persons can result in damage, including main breaks or service leaks causing service disruption to the property and others. Also, fines and fees can be imposed per the Village Code.

Do not use an air compressor to ‘blow out’ the private service piping. Using an air compressor allows grit, oils and other contaminants to enter the private and public water supply posing a potential health risk to you and others who drink the water. Adding chemicals or antifreeze to your system may contaminate the piping and require expensive cleanup. This practice is not allowed by Village Code, is unsafe, and not sanitary.

Winterizing your property does not relieve you from paying sewer, cross-connection device and refuse flat fees. These are applicable whether there is water usage or not. Be safe, be smart – winterize the proper way.



Caring for Your Vehicle and the Environment

Don't overlook the importance of proper car care and maintenance as important steps to protect the local environment. Many vehicle fluids can be hazardous to local waters if not disposed of properly. Whatever is dumped into storm drains or onto the pavement will make its way into local creeks, and ultimately, the Des Plaines River.

If you change the oil in your car yourself, that oil must be disposed of properly by placing it in a sturdy container with a label and taking it to a local oil recycling station. You can call Public Works at 847.870.5640 for a complete list of local oil recycling locations.



Antifreeze is also dangerous to the environment. It contains ingredients that are poisonous to people, fish, and wildlife. It should be treated in the same

manner as waste oil. In the case of a spill involving any of these types of materials, use kitty litter, sawdust, cornmeal, or special oil absorbent products to absorb the spill. Sweep up the absorbent after a few hours. For more information about household hazardous collection events, visit the Village website at mountprospect.org.

Motor Oil Recycling Locations in Mount Prospect

- AUTOZONE**
1735 West Golf Road
847.718.1841
Accepts oil at no cost and car batteries for store credit
- O'REILLY AUTO PARTS**
1 East Rand Road
847.398.3203
Accepts oil (5-gallon limit) and oil filters at no cost

Thanksgiving Safety

Did you know that more house fires involving cooking equipment occur on Thanksgiving than any other day of the year? With so much food being prepared all day long, and a crowd of family and friends in the kitchen, safety can't be overlooked. To keep your home and family safe, follow these important tips:

- Never leave your house unattended when cooking your turkey and be sure to check on it frequently
- Test all smoke alarms by pushing the Test buttons in advance of the big day
- When peak cooking times arrive have plenty of activities to keep kids busy and away from the kitchen
- When using appliances that require electrical cords such as electric knives, coffee makers, mixers or plate warmers, make sure that cords do not dangle over the countertop edge

Let's make it a safe Thanksgiving Day in Mount Prospect.



Christmas Tree Safety

Christmas trees account for approximately 200 fires each year, resulting in an average of 6 deaths, 16 injuries and more than \$16 million in property damage. Tree fires can be the result of shorts in electrical lights, proximity to heat sources and contact with open flames such as candles. Having a dry tree can increase the risk.

Certainly, having an artificial tree provides a safer alternative, but if you do have a live tree, be sure to purchase a fresh-cut tree by looking for these features:

- Look for a tree that is completely green
- Needles that are difficult to pull from branches and do not break when bent between fingers (when the trunk is bounced on the ground a shower of needles should not occur).
- A trunk that is sticky with resin

Once you get the tree home, ensure your safety by closely following these important tips:

- Stand the tree up in a bucket of water to maintain freshness until you are ready to set it up in your house
- Before you bring it into your home, cut about 2 inches off the trunk
- Mount the tree in a sturdy stand with wide spread legs on the base; use thin wire or fishing line to anchor large trees to a wall or ceiling to prevent it from toppling over
- Place the tree at least 3 feet from heat sources such as fireplaces, radiators or other heat sources
- With the heat on in your home, your tree will likely dry out more rapidly so keep the basin filled with water at all times; think of the tree as a bouquet of flowers that you want to keep fresh
- Do not rely on chemical coatings or sprays to fireproof trees
- Never put lit candles on or near a tree
- Check all strings of lights before putting them on your tree; look for frayed or split wiring
- Test all lights before putting them on your tree

For more Holidays safety tips feel free to contact the Mount Prospect Fire Prevention Bureau at 847.818.5253.

Enjoy Safe Holidays at Home this Year

Nearly half of all fires related to Holiday decorations are caused by those decorations being too close to heat sources. As the colder weather that comes with the Holiday season approaches keep these few, but critical life-saving tips in mind:

- Choose decorations for your home that are flame resistant or flame retardant
- Connect no more than 3 strands of mini light sets and a maximum of 50 screw-in bulbs
- Make sure that Christmas trees are at least 3 feet away from any heat source such as fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights
- Carbon monoxide is also a critical concern in the winter. Protect your home and your family by checking carbon monoxide detectors regularly to make sure they are in good working order

Enjoy Your Fireplace – Safely

Enjoying a fireplace in your home can be a favorite part of the Holidays and winter time. In order to reduce the risk that can come from using your fireplace, the Mount Prospect Fire Department encourages residents to follow these safety tips:

- All fireplaces should be inspected annually; make sure the flue is carefully inspected inside and out
- Burn only hard woods as they contain smaller amounts of creosote, a black tarry substance that can block passageways and/or easily ignite
- Always use a fireplace screen
- When cleaning your fireplace let ashes cool and place them in a metal container
- Never leave a fireplace unattended when in use
- Never burn paper, charcoal or rags
- If you are using artificial logs, burn only 1 at a time
- Keep any flammable or combustible materials at least 3 feet away from an open fire
- Make sure your home has working smoke alarms
- Supervise children at all times when using your fireplace

Contact the Mount Prospect Fire Prevention Bureau at 847.818.5253 with any questions.

Police Department

Permanent Beat Projects

Throughout the year, Mount Prospect police officers assigned to the 6 different police beats in the Village organized community outreach events. These outreach efforts have assisted residents, businesses and the police department with getting to know one another. We want to thank our residents and businesses for coming out to these events and look forward to meeting more of our community in the coming year.



BEAT 3162
Butterburgers and Badges



BEAT 3164
Family Day at the
Lions Club 4th of
July Festival



BEAT 3168
Cookie with a Cop



BEAT 3166
Five-O 5K



BEAT 3170
Pool Party with the Police

BEAT 3160
Icee Pops with the Cops

Don't Leave Your Car Running

Despite how tempting it may be on a cold morning, do not start your vehicle and leave it running unattended to warm up. Last year several cars in the Village were stolen when left unattended while running with the keys in them. This behavior is not only dangerous but also illegal regardless if the car is locked or not. You can also be held responsible in civil court for damages

or injuries if your car is stolen while running unattended and involved in an accident. Don't let the cold lead you to a bad decision – don't leave your car running unattended at any time.



Sometimes it's OK to Be a Nosey Neighbor

When you hear someone mention having a nosey neighbor, it is usually thought of as being a negative thing. But having, or being, a nosey neighbor may not be a bad thing. It's easy to fall into a routine and not pay close attention to what is going on around us. The majority of home break-ins occur during the day time when people are at work. It is at those times that it is good to be, or have, a nosey neighbor. We should all do what we can to be a little more observant in our neighborhoods and when there is something or someone suspicious call 911.



Street of the Week Program

Mount Prospect police officers will concentrate their traffic enforcement efforts by implementing the Street of the Week program on designated roadways for one week periods. Here are the dates and the corresponding roadways for the program in the months ahead:

November 5-11 | Euclid Avenue

November 12-18 | Lincoln Street

November 19-25 | Wolf Road

November 26-December 2 | Rand Road (Rt. 12)

December 3-9 | Central Road

December 10-16 | Northwest Hwy (Rt. 14)

December 17-23 | Lonquist Blvd

December 24-30 | Elmhurst Road (Rt. 83)



Human Services

Senior Walking Club

As winter arrives, the nurses of the Mount Prospect Medical Reserve Corps will move their Senior Walking Club indoors. The weekly walking session will take place Tuesdays from 8:30 to 9:30 am beginning November 6th in the gym at the Lion's Park Recreational Center, 411 South Maple Street.

Senior Assessment Program

The Mount Prospect Human Services Department will provide a free, private assessment of homebound seniors who are finding it difficult to live in their homes. Their difficulty may stem from a variety of circumstances including decreased mobility, medication management issues, trouble monitoring chronic illness, transportation complications, meal preparation, or being alone as family members move away. To have a social worker and nurse visit your home to conduct an assessment, call Human Services at 847.870.5680.

Holiday Programs

As the holidays approach, the residents of Mount Prospect and the Human Services Department are ready to spread some holiday cheer to those in need of financial assistance. Local residents can drop off food items for packing and Thanksgiving distribution at the Human Services Department on the 2nd floor of Village Hall at 50 South Emerson Street by November 16th. Donations for the Christmas Program should be received at the same location no later than December 14th. For more information, please contact the Human Services Department at 847.870.5680.



Rules of the Road Class

Seniors who need a refresher before renewing their Illinois driver's license are invited to be a part of our Secretary of State's Rules of the Road class. The next session is scheduled for November 14th at 1:30 pm. The class takes place at the Village Hall Community Center but registration is required. Call 847.870.5680 to reserve your spot.

Community Connections Center

Parents are invited to bring toddlers and pre-school age children to our Play and Learn program every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We'll read books, dance to music and make fun crafts. The Center is located at 1711 West Algonquin Road. For information, call 847.506.4930.



**community
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center**

1711 West Algonquin Road
Mount Prospect | IL 60056
847.506.4930

Hours

Monday-Friday 11am - 7:30pm
Friday prior to the 2nd Saturday of each month 11am-3pm
2nd Saturday of each month 11am-3pm



VILLAGE OF MOUNT PROSPECT

50 South Emerson Street
 Mount Prospect | Illinois 60056
www.mountprospect.org

VILLAGE HALL HOURS

Monday - Friday | 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency 911
 Village Hall 847.392.6000
(includes Finance & Village Administration)
 Village Clerk 847.818.5355
 Television Services..... 847.870.5685
 Community Development
 Building Division 847.870.5675
 Environmental Health 847.870.5688
 Planning Division..... 847.818.5328
 Fire Department *(non-emergency)*..... 847.870.5666
 Human Services..... 847.870.5680
 Police Department *(non-emergency)*... 847.870.5656
 Public Works 847.870.5640
 Water Billing..... 847.392.6000

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2 a.m. to 6 a.m.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>LEARN MORE AT</p> <p>EXPERIENCE MOUNT PROSPECT</p> <p>www.experiencemountprospect.org</p>						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Second Sundays at the Society, 11:30am-1:30pm 101 S. Maple St. MPHIST Mt. Prospect Community Band Fall Concert, Homage to Heroes, 3:30pm, Trinity United Methodist Church MPPD	Veterans Day Ceremony Lions Rec. Center, 10:30am	Senior Walking Club 8:30-9:30am Lions Rec. Center	MP Garden Club Meeting 11:30am meeting 1pm Program Friendship Park Conserv. Prospect Heights Slough Restoration Rules of the Road Class 1:30pm, VH	Mount Prospect Veteran's Speak, 7-8:30pm, MPPL	Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH	Coffee with Council, 9am-11am, Village Hall Community Room
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				Best Children's Books of 2018, 7-8:30pm, MPPL		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		Senior Walking Club 8:30-9:30am Lions Rec. Center	Tree Lighting Ceremony 5pm, VH Christkindlmarket 4-7pm, VH	Turkey Burn, 9-10am Weiss Comm. Center, RTPD		
25	26	27	28	29	30	
		Senior Walking Club 8:30-9:30am Lions Rec. Center			Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Holiday Housewalk 3:30-9pm Various Locations MPHIST	

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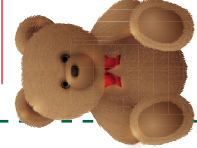
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Mount Prospect has the holiday spirit!



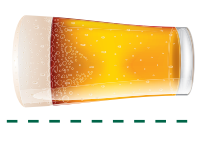
Breakfast with Santa
 December 1 and 8 | 10 – 11:30am
ROB ROY GOLF COURSE,
 505 East Camp McDonald Road
 Santa is joining us to celebrate the season with a breakfast buffet!
 Resident registration fee is \$10 for children ages 1 to 15, or \$12 for non-residents. For those 16 and over, registration is \$14 for residents or \$17 for non-residents.



Teddy Bear Walk
 Saturday | December 1 | 10am – noon
MOUNT PROSPECT PUBLIC LIBRARY
 70 South Emerson Street
 Don't miss the ultimate BEAR BASH as the Library celebrates the 38th annual Teddy Bear Walk! Bring your favorite Teddy Bear and see nationally known story-performer Chris Fascione act out best-loved stories. To register, visit mppi.org, call 847.253.5675, or stop by the Library.



Holiday Open House
 Saturday | December 1
 11:00am – 3:00pm
FRIENDSHIP PARK CONSERVATORY
 395 West Algonquin Road, Des Plaines
 Join the Mt. Prospect Park District for a free day of fun with musical performances, hay rides, crafts, and face painting. For more information, visit mppd.org.



WINTER FUN!
Craft Beer & Wine Walk
 Saturday | December 1 | 2pm
DOWNTOWN MOUNT PROSPECT
 Restaurants and businesses participate in this winter event. There will be samples to try and raffle prizes to win. Visit mountprospectchamber.org for details!

More information on all these events can be found in the Community Events section on pages 2 and 3!

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						1 Teddy Bear Walk, MPPL 10am-noon Breakfast with Santa, RTPD 10-11:30am, Rob Roy CC Holiday Open House Friendship Park Conserv. 11am-3 pm, MPPD MP Craft Beer and Wine Walk 2-5pm, Downtown, CHAMBER
2	3	4 Senior Walking Club 8:30-9:30am Lions Rec. Center	5 MP Garden Club Meeting 11:30am meeting 1pm Program Friendship Park Conserv. Chatting, Crafting & Caroling	6 50's Plus Breakfast Hour 9-10am, VH Blood Drive, 3-7pm Walk-ins welcome, VH	7 Ageless Grace, 1:30pm, VH Holiday Classic Movies in Central School, 7:30pm 103 S. Maple St., It's a Wonderful Life, MPHIST	8 Coffee with Council, 9am-11am, VH Community Room Friends Holiday Book Sale 10am-3pm, MPPL Breakfast with Santa, RTPD 10-11:30am, Rob Roy CC Mt. Prospect Community Band A Christmas Festival Concert 4pm, Trinity United Methodist Church, MPPD
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30 New Year's Eve Ever. A Family Celebration, 5-7:30pm, Brick City Tavern	31					

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